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Prison is defined as an institution where guilty people are held captive by state authorities. It is often called a correction facility where the inmates are supposed to be facing the charges against their crimes while trying to improve themselves. Although the people in the prison are criminals and they deserve to complete the punishment, they are still human beings that do possess some rights. Life in the prison is extremely brutal. Some prisoners spend an infinite time in isolation due to which they do develop mental disorder. The level of violence is beyond measure. It would be much better if they utilize that time to get an education or learn some technical skills in order to be productive.

Unfortunately in spite of the many modifications in the current system, prisoners are still living miserably. Due to this, it is important to implement prison reforms to improve the conditions inside the prison. These reforms include legal counsel, family visits, security against any kind of violence inside the prison and, etc. Additionally, the prisoners should be given some kind of job training or any technical skill that may help them after they finish their punishment. This will ensure positivity in their behavior and will prevent them from doing future crimes. Furthermore, another major reform that is often neglected is decreasing the number of people who are again held in custody. After leaving the prison the people do face societal stigma but what makes it worse for them is the legal barriers due to which they are unable to secure good jobs and house. This causes extreme disappointment, mental issues, and negativity. However, there still are many people who are against prison reforms but humanity demands from us to five a second chance to the prisoners so that they can also live a better life. This is especially important for the teens present in prison. As it is the age of learning and being in prison and seeing all the violence their inner violent persons escalates quickly and they become more stubborn. Likewise, there are many females in prison with children and who are about to give birth. Although the mother is the culprit and should be punished but the child she is bringing in the world is innocent or the children living with them are purely innocent and there should be a better facility for them which should be free of abuse, torture and, violence. They should be given proper care and education so that they don’t end up in prison like their mothers and improve their future.

According to the studies the prison reforms do help in reducing the crime rate and reincarnation. Statistics show that 56% of the prisoners are mentally ill and without proper care. This will escalate their violent abilities and they may even harm themselves by committing suicide or harm others. This behavior may lead them to commit more crimes and reincarnate again and again. This is one of the main reason for prisons being overcrowded which is another problem that inmates face. So it is important to not rely upon the simple medical care facility but there should be a complete mental health care system that determines the criminogenic needs of the inmates and helping them to cope up with the illness.

In this report, I will be comparing the US prison reforms with other countries. Also, discussing different ways to reduce recidivism in detail and the ways it affect the prisoners. Additionally, my report will focus on different alternatives to confinement. It will also present an insight into the prison management and the challenges that are required to do these reforms.