Yemeni Girl, 8, Dies After Suffering Internal Injuries On First Night Of Arranged Marriage

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An 8-year-old girl who reportedly died after suffering internal injuries on the first night of her arranged marriage has sparked an outcry in Yemen, with activists calling for the groom's arrest.

Kuwait newspaper Al Watan, citing Yemeni media reports, reported that the girl died in the northwestern city of Hardh. She is believed to have suffered a tear to her genitals on her wedding night, after marrying to a man more than five times her age.

Activists in Yemen called the man a "beastly groom," calling for police to arrest him and the girl's family for making her go through the ordeal, according to GulfNews.com.

The man was not identified in media reports.