## ABSTRACT:

Stigma and discrimination are pervasive social phenomena that adversely afect individuals and groups across various contexts. This study exx  $\pm$  inda ar m or prejudicial treatment. The research delves into the psychological, social, and economic impacts of stigma and discrimination, highlighting their implications for mental health, social inclusion, and access to resources. Utilizing a comprehensive review of existing literature and case studies, the paper identifes key drivers of stigmatization and discriminatory behaviors, including cultural, societal, and institutional factors. Additionally, it discusses efective strategies and interventions aimed at mitigating these negative efects, promoting inclusivity, and  $f^2$   $\hat{a}$   $\hat{O}$   $\hat{e}$  #

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