



TILJALA SOCIETY FOR HUMAN
AND EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT



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STOP GIRL TRAFFICKING

Women and girls are usually trafficked for the purpose of sexual and economic exploitation, particularly prostitution and pornography, forced labour, including for work in commercial agriculture and domestic work, arranged marriages or to be 'sold' as brides, recruitment for participation in hostilities and such related purposes as sexual services, portage and domestic functions in conflict situations.

Causes of girl trafficking

Major causes of girl trafficking are illiteracy, poverty, foreign migration, discrimination against women, poor economic conditions, social tradition, and inequality.

Effects of girl trafficking

This type of physical and sexual abuse described above leads to severe mental or emotional health consequences, including feelings of severe guilt, post-traumatic stress disorder, depression, anxiety, substance abuse (alcohol or narcotics) and eating disorders.

Why does it happen?

Girl trafficking occurs when children are taken away from safety and exploited. Girls who are trafficked are often forced into some form of work, used for sex or simply sold. Girl trafficking is linked to demand for cheap labour, especially where the working conditions are poor.

How does it affect the lives of children?

Girls trafficked for sexual exploitation are at high risk of prolonged periods of sexual violence, physical injuries, sexually transmitted infections and, for girls, multiple pregnancies.