**INTRODUCTION**

a) Imagine these two situations. Girl A meets a kind guy after running away from her house. But once she moved in with her new boyfriend, he forced her into commercial sex to pay his rent.

Boy B is playing alone outside his house. Suddenly he is kidnapped by a few masked men. He is then trafficked outside his origin country and forced to work at a factory. Those 2 situations are what we called as HUMAN TRAFFICKING and it might happen to our lives if we take this issue for granted.

b) Human trafficking is describe as importing, exporting, protecting, preparing or receiving a person for the purposes of commercial sexual exploitation or forced labour and it is a modern-day form of slavery (Pakeer Mohamad et.al, 2011).

c) Human trafficking activity is taking control the world and if we let this activity keep on occurring then there is a big possibility for us to become one of the victims.

d) The driving forces that contribute to the increase of human trafficking activity in Malaysia are poverty, human supply for labour, money and lack of law enforcement.

**MAIN POINTS**

I) One of the prominent factors that drives the increase of the human trafficking activity in Malaysia is **poverty** (Othman, 2004).

a) Parents sell kids to trafficker (Othman, 2004).

1) Forced to sell the kids because they need money

b) Poor people get attracted easily (Othman, 2004).

1) Offered a big amount of money by trafficker

c) Willing to be trafficked to other country to have a better life. (Othman, 2004).

II) Other than that, the **demand for human supply** for force and sex labour is threatening the effort to curb human trafficking activity from blooming (Belser, 2005).

Human supply rate increase because there’s demand blooming (Belser, 2005).

1. Some factories demand for cheap labour
2. Human supply for force labour and sex slave.
3. Force labour
4. Definition- Forced labour is any work in which people are forced to do without their own will under the threat of the offender (Ruwanpura et. al, 2004).
5. Victims are among man and young kids.
6. Kids are kidnapped and forced to beg on the road.
7. Sex slavery
8. Definition- Sex slavery is a kind of slavery in which a person is recruited, harboured and transported to other places for the purpose of commercial sex act (Hughes, 2005).
9. Victims are among woman and teenage girl.
10. Lured by the fake promises made by the offender.
11. Beaten and important document such as identity card is kept by the offender.

III) Thirdly, **money** which is vital to everyone is the reason why this activity has yet come to a stop (Othman, 2004).

1. This activity generates about RM96 billion per year (United Nation Office on Drugs and Crime).
2. Attract people to become trafficker.
3. Sell their family members to earn money easily.
4. Some teenage girls are willing to be a prostitute to get money easily. (Othman, 2004)
5. Can support them throughout their life without having to do hard works.

IV) In addition, the **lack of law enforcement** is another reason that contributes to the increase of number of cases pertaining to this illegal and inhuman activity (U.S. Department of State, 2011).

1. The Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act 2007 are not effective.
2. The Malaysian Government was placed on Tier 2 Watch List for a second consecutive year in the 2011 U.S. Department of State’s Trafficking in Persons Report for not fully complying with the Trafficking Victims Protection Act’s minimum standards for the elimination of trafficking (U.S. Department of State, 2011).
3. The penalty and punishment are not strict enough to prevent the offenders from involving in the activity (U.S. Department of State, 2011).
4. Offenders will be sentenced to jail term not more than 15 years and will be fined RM50, 000 to RM500 000 (Parliament of Malaysia, 2007).

**CONCLUSION**

a) As long as we’re called human being, we are exposed to this illegal and inhuman activity if it is left unresolved.

b) There is a need for us as a part of Malaysian society to work together in order to prevent this inhuman activity from taking control the society.

c) Work on some solution to increase public awareness (Pakeer Mohamad et.al, 2011).

1. Organize more campaign pertaining to this illegal activity.

2. Mass media plays a big role.

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