

WEEK 5

TOPIC : HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Human trafficking is the act of taking children and women out of their homes to work as domestic servants or commercial sex workers in or out of their country.

Factors Responsible for Trafficking in Children and Women

1. **Bad Economy:** The economic challenges has greatly motivated. So many people to engage in the bad act of children and women trafficking. This happens because everyone is finding means of making ends meet.
2. **Crave of wealthy:** the passion for wealth and material needs people to engage in the act of human trafficking. Many people have considered this as business, a fast way of making money.
3. **Poverty:** it is referred to inability of an individual to provide for his/her family basic necessities of life. This has led many people to release their children for traffickers. They feel the income generate from children would help them in living a better life.
4. **Unemployment:** As a result of the bad economy many people have left or lost their jobs, while the fresh graduate and those that are qualified to work have no job the jobless are made people to venture into children and women trafficking.
5. **Peer group influence:** Many people had been introduced into the bad act of trafficking by their friends. These people take it to be business.
6. **Greed:** Those who are into contented with their income often fall into the hands of traffickers mainly because of their greed. They want to be rich as others.

CONSEQUENCES OF TRAFFICKING IN CHILDREN AND WOMEN

Human trafficking is a national and international criminal offence. These are some of the negative effects of human trafficking.

1. It leads to untimely death
2. It leads to unwanted pregnancy
3. It kills child's initiative
4. It leads to psychological trauma
5. It retards child's growth
6. It dents the nation's image
7. It leads to sexual abuse and harassment
8. Tendency to contract HIV/AIDS
9. Human right violations

PREVENTIVE MEASURES

1. Stiff punishment
2. Compulsory education
3. Appropriate legislation
4. Public enlightenment programme

5. Tight security at the borders
6. Improvement of the economy
7. Proper upbringing of children

ASSIGNMENT

1. Explain human trafficking
2. Mention five factors responsible for human trafficking