

**IMPACT OF SEXUAL ABUSE ON THE GIRL-CHILD DROP  
OUT OF SCHOOL WITHIN KAPYANGA SUB-COUNTY.**

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## **ABSTRACT**

School drop-out with in Kapyanga sub-county seems to be high despite the efforts of the Ugandan government in promoting Universal Primary Education (UPE)

Among the many problems cited as responsible for the school dropout is sexual abuse. This study was guided by the following objectives:

To identify the various forms of sexual abuse, its causes and effects

The study employed both qualitative and quantitative methods to arrive at its findings and conclusions. The study revealed there are forms of sexual abuse

There are general conclusions that sexual abuse forces some girls to drop out of school hence the need to curb this evil.

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## CHAPTER ONE

### INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 BACKGROUND OF THE STUDY

Uganda's Demographic and health survey report (2006) indicates that 68% of girls in Uganda have experienced some form of sexual abuse. The worst affected of the girls are the; poor, the poorly educated and disadvantaged who are unable to rely on the community and state to protect them.

Michael (2003) argues that sexual abuse is the use of power of strength or authority or position to violate someone else's personal sexuality. This ranges from verbal sexual harassment to rape. Sexual abuse is the least reported form of child abuse because of its secrecy.

Sexual abuse and harassment refers to:-

- Rape (having sex with someone without consent)
- Defilement (having sex with someone below the age of eighteen for the case of Uganda)
- Fondling someone's private parts without consent
- Exhibitionism (Exposure of one's private parts to another person(s) without consent)
- Exposure of pornographic materials to someone without consent
- Unwanted and persistent sexual advances.
- Using one's official position to secure sexual relations (giving favors in exchange for sex or threatening an employee or learners with loss of job or expulsion from school if they do not give into their sexual demands).

Sexual abuse ranges from words and unwanted gestures, written messages, touches to forced sexual intercourse.

Defilement among the other sexual abuse has been long considered among the serious problems in many communities.

In Uganda, report from world vision, Ministry of Gender, labor and social Development (MGLSD), and the United Nations population Fund (UNFPA) indicated that 66% of girls of various ages have experienced defilement. The survey revealed that the magnitude of defilement

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