

**THE EFFECTS OF CHILD LABOUR ON THE RATE OF PRIMARY SCHOOL
COMPLETION IN MAKUUTU SUB COUNTY,
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LIST OF ACRONYMS USED

ABEK	Alternative Basic Education for Karamoja.
AIDS	Acquired Immuno – Deficiency Syndromme.
BTVET	Business, Technical and Vocational Education and Training.
CiE	Children in Employment.
CL	Child Labour.
COPE	Complementary opportunity for primary education.
COVID-19	Corona Virus Disease – 2019.
CVI	Content Validity Index.
FAL	Functional Adult Literacy.
FAO	Food and Agricultural Organization.
GDP	Gross Domestic Product.
HIV	Human Immuno – deficiency Syndromme.
ILO	International Labour Organization.
IPEC	International program on the elimination of child labour.
MoES	Ministry of Education and Sports
MoLG& SD	Ministry of Local Government and Social Development
NGO	Non - Governmental Organizations
PSCR	Primary School Completion Rate.
SIMPOC	Statistical Information and Monitoring Programme on Child Labour.
SPSS	Statistical Package for Social Sciences.
SU	Skilling Uganda.
UBOS	Uganda Bureau of Statistics.

UCW	University Canada West.
UNEB	Uganda National Examinations Board.
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.
UNHS	Uganda National Housing Survey.
UNICEF	United Nations International Children’s Emergency Fund.
UPE	Universal Primary Education.
UPOLET	Universal Post “O” Level Education and Training.
UPPET	Universal Post Primary Education and Training.
USE	Universal Secondary Education.
WFCL	Worst Forms of Child Labour.

ABSTRACT.

The general objective of the study was to assess the contribution of child labour on pupils' primary school completion rate in Makuutu Sub County, Bugweri District. The study was guided by three specific objectives. These included, (i) to find out the various forms of Child labour that had influence on pupils' primary school completion rate,(ii) to find out the causes of Child labour by pupils and (iii) to determine the effects of Child labour on the rate of primary School completion among the pupils of Makuutu Sub County, Bugweri District. The research design used in this study was .Case study research design and Cross sectional design. The sample size used was 427. Data was analyzed using percentages and SPSS and presented in form of tables, Pie -Charts and bar graphs. The findings included; various forms of Child labour were found with a mean of 2.48 interpreted as low implying that child labour existed in the area of research. In regards causes of Child labour, overall mean outcome was 2.39 interpreted as moderate, meaning that in the area of research, poverty was found to be the driving force for the children to get involved in child labour. For objective 3; thus the effects of Child labour, the overall outcome in regards to this was 0.25 interpreted as very low. This means that all the activities as responded to by the respondents contributed negatively to the pupils' failure to complete the primary school education cycle. It was concluded that various forms of child labour were found to be in existence. It was also concluded that, poverty at the household level was the main contributing factor to child labour. It was established that all activities as responded to by the respondents contributed negatively to the low rate of primary school completion by pupils in Makuutu Sub County. It is recommended that all stakeholders should work together to overcome the various forms of child labour. Poverty was discovered to be the major fuelling factor for child labour. It was therefore recommended to the government of Uganda that there is need for mobilizing and providing the stakeholders (especially parents) with income generating activities in order to enable them fend for their families. It is as well recommended that laws related to child labour prevention in the area of research should be strengthened by all the concerned stakeholders according to International Labour Organization. Stakeholders have to be educated on what child labour is, since they let their children to participate in child labour without knowing what it is and how dangerous this is to the holistic development of the child.