

Girl



Name of the lecturer

Gender Equality



Empowering women and girls is essential for achieving development and poverty reduction.



Gender Discrimination

” **Housework:** Girls do more domestic work.

” **Education:** 13 % of girls aged 15-24 in low-income countries cannot read or write.

” **Child Marriage:** Is a large violation of girls' rights and exposes them to great risks.



Education

- ” For the first time ever, as many girls as boys enroll in school!
- ” However - fewer girls than boys complete their education.
- ” If a family has to prioritize between multiple children, it is often girls who are taken out of school early.



Young Brides

- “ 39,000 under aged girls are estimated to become young brides every day.
- “ Every third girl in a developing country is at risk of becoming a young bride before her 18th birthday.
- “ Child marriages occur worldwide but are most common in South Asia and sub-Saharan Africa.
- “ Child marriages reduce the chance for education and thereby increase the risk of keeping girls in poverty.



Female Genital Mutilation

- “ Female genital mutilation (FGM) occurs in many countries.
- “ The surgery involves cutting off parts of a girl's or woman's genitals.
- “ Over 130 million girls and women have been genitally mutilated.



Pregnancy and Childbirth

- “ Pregnancy and childbirth are the leading cause of death among girls between 15 and 19 years old in developing countries.
- “ Stillbirths and death during the first week are 50% more common among children with young mothers.
- “ Only 22% of girls between 15 and 19 have access to contraceptives.
- “ Older spouses increase the risk of getting HIV.



United Nations Sustainable Development Goals



1. **End poverty** in all its forms everywhere.
2. **End hunger**, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture.
4. Ensure inclusive and equitable quality **education** and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all
5. Achieve **gender equality** and empower all women and girls.





Lokoha

Involving young people through:

- ” School group information
- ” Theatre
- ” Reporting



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