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9 forms of Human Trafficking in Guyana

In Guyana there are nine forms of Human Trafficking:

Child Marriages: is the formal or informal union where one or both of the individual is under 18 year of age or the giving or receiving payment to the parents for a child, it robs the child of a childhood, disrupt their education and lead to vulnerability, violence and abuse. This is also a violation of the child rights.

Forced Labour: this involve work that is performed involuntarily i.e under threat or penalty, where a person is coerced to work through the use of violence, intimidation, debt bondage, withholding of identification paper, or if the person is illegal threat of reporting them to the immigration office.

Child Soldiers:the forced recruitment of of a child/ren into armed conflict where they are enslaved into armed conflict without freedom. These child/ren suffer extensive forms of exploitation and abuse that are not fully captured by that term, they are mostly use as fighters, scouts, cooks, porters, guards, messengers and more. Many, especially girls, are also subjected to gender-based violence.

Sexual Slavery – this is subjecting a person and restricting their freedom for the purpose of exploiting that person for sexual services by an individual or group of persons. It is also a systematic enslavement of an ethic group for sexual purposes, or the detention of women/girls in a rape camps, forced marriages to soldiers and practices which treat women/girls as chattel.

Prostitution of Another: this involves any type of commercial sex child pornography or maintaining a brothel/hotel.

Domestic Servitude – this involves domestic servant/maid that does live in work, mostly illegal immigrant or poor family who live in the country side who would be controlled by intimidation, obligation to work for little or no pay, few or no days off, limited or restricted movement/freedom, emotional and physical violence, denial of health care, no privacy and humiliation.

Servile Marriages – the marriage of a person without his/her consent, or were not given the right to refuse, being forced in a marriage for the exchange of money, services or other benefits or the union can be inherited by someone else if the partner dies, this is often used for domestic or sexual slavery.

Forced Begging – is any form of begging/pauperizing this is performed involuntarily under threat penalty which includes violence or intimidation, debt bondage, threaten of deportation and other means of abuse.

Illicit Removal of Organs – this involves the removal of organs from a person without being informed or their consent of that person as a donor, or in case of a deceased person, whereby a third party gains financial restitution from the removal of organs. It also includes the illicit recruitment of organ donors who are held under false pretenses of financial freedom, but receive little or no money or even dies.

