

Understanding of Undergraduate Students at All India Institute of Medical Science Regarding Child Sexual Abuse by Older Children / Abused When Alone / Abused When Outside Home

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Abstract: Child sexual abuse a serious and heinous crime of the children which may victimize both sex of the children. Concern and opinion related to the child sexual abuse of youngster's students of the AIIMS Patna. These students belong to different community and different states of India. This survey done by online mode information sent by the Google form and collected information. Most of the students lived with both parents in nuclear family (68.2%). About 21.9% students live with their both parents in joint family. There were 77.8 % participants agree for the older children sexual abused the younger children. CSA perpetrator does not belong to the victim family agreement and disagreement opinion almost equal 32.2 % agrees for the statement and 32.3 % participants disagree for the statement. About 88.2% participants agree for the child sexual abuse when they were alone. Child sexual abuse at night 34.7% participants agree for the statement and 32.1% participants said they don't know means no opinion related to this statement. Children are sexual abused when they were outside of home 42 % participants were agreeing and 33 % participants' neutral about these statements.

Keywords: Child Sexual Abuse (CSA), Consent, Law, Perpetrator, Nuclear family

1. Introduction

Child sexual abuse (CSA) is defined by the WHO as "the involvement of a child in sexual activity that he or she does not fully comprehend, is unable to give informed consent to, or for which the child is not developmentally prepared, or else that violates the laws or social taboos of society. (1) CSA is global problem and many countries trying to reduce this abuse by making strict laws. Orientation about child sexual abuse in the children in our society very less. CSA orientation not in children teaching syllabus and parent has also taboo to discuss such problem with their children.

2. Material and Method

Questionnaire - based information sheet prepared and send to the students via email or by what's up. This data information sent through the Google forms and information collected automatically in Google form. Participants were student at all India institute of medical science Patna. Participants belong to different states of India. Ethical clearance taken from the AIIMS Patna ethical committee. Consent of participants taken by online Google form mode.

3. Observation

Table 1: Distribution of the participants according to whom they live with

SN	Living with	No. (%)
1.	Both parents in a nuclear family	339 (68.2)
2.	Both parents in a Joint Family	109 (21.9)
3.	Only Father	0
4.	Only Mother	16 (3.2)
5.	Stepparent/s	0
6.	Hostel	23 (2.4)
7.	Alone	6 (1.2)
8.	self	1
9.	Mother and brother	1

Table 2: Opinion regarding some children is sexually abused by older children

SN	Opinion	No. (%)
1.	Disagree	22 (4.4)
2.	Neutral	40 (8)
3.	Agree	390 (77.8)
4.	I don't Know	49 (9.8)

Table 3: Opinion regarding most people who sexually abuse children does not belong to the child's family

SN	Opinion	No. (%)
1.	Disagree	162 (32.2)
2.	Neutral	115 (23)
3.	Agree	163 (32.3)
4.	I don't Know	61 (12.2)
		501 (100)

Table 4: Most of the time children are sexually abused when they are alone

SN	Opinion	No. (%)
1.	Disagree	12 (2.4)
2.	Neutral	26 (5.2)
3.	Agree	441 (88.2)
4.	I don't know	21 (4.2)
		500 (100)

Table 5: Opinion regarding most of the time children are sexually abused at night

SN	Opinion	No. (%)
1.	Disagree	81 (16.2)
2.	Neutral	160 (17)
3.	Agree	173 (34.7)
4.	They don't know	85 (32.1)
		499

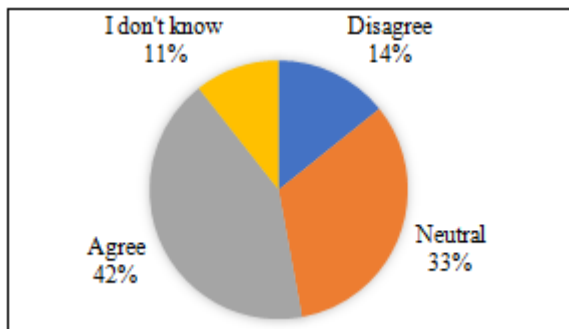


Table 6: Opinion regarding Most of the time children are sexually abused outside their homes

4. Discussion

Study done for the assessment of sexual abuse in undergraduate graduate student at all India institute of medical science Patna. In the study participation of male sex 312 (62.2%) and female participants were 186 (27.1%). Most of the participants living with Both parents in a nuclear family 339 (68.2%), Both parents in a Joint Family 109 (21.9%), Hostel 23 (2.4%), Only Mother 16 (3.2%) and Alone 6 (1.2%) students.

All participants were adult age group 18 - 28 years and their opinion regarding some older children sexually abuse younger children answer not confirmed or disagree 22.2 % and (390) 77.8 % opined that yes. About one third cases younger children sexually abused by older children.

Medical undergraduates think regarding those 163 (32.3%) people who sexually abused the children do not belong to the child's family. Many studies reported most of the cases perpetrator belongs to their family or known to that family. (2) reported that about 80% perpetrators belong to their family members or very close to family members or care

takers. (3) (4)

Major crime heads under 'Crime Against Children' during 2020 Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 (38.8%) including child rape. (5) (NCRB 2020)

5. Conclusion

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