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Gender Based Violence in Post War Situation

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The current study was conducted in the districts of Kilinochchi and Mullaitivue' with the objective of comprehending the current situation relating to Gender Based Violence (GBV) in the aforementioned districts. Data was collected using mini and large focus group discussions, interviews, key informant discussions and case studies that were conducted with female and male respondents (121) from Karachchi, Kandawalai and Poonakary in the district of Killinochchi and from Puthukudiydruppu, Ottusudan and Manthai East in the Mullaitivu district. A total of 17 respondents were taken as case studies for this research. The results revealed that there is an increase in the number of women who have been subjected to various forms of physical and verbal abuse some to the extent where these abusive acts have being identified as being acts of grave abuse. Furthermore, the increases of teenage mothers as well as those involved in extra marital relationships provide a situation that requires immediate attention.

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