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# A Review of the Literature: The Main Impact of the Child Marriage

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## Abstract

The paper examines the effect of early marriage through review of the literature. Early child marriage is a barbaric act, man's inhumanity to man, is a common practice in most developing countries. Every minute a child is married off against her will, education attainment terminated and dreams aborted by this reoccurring act. This has called for a clarion call and a serious concern to the international community at large. The research seeks to look inwardly into variables that invigorate the common practice, how it affects on the society and the way forward. Secondary and primary source were applied in retrieving data for the study, 296 self-administered questionnaires were completed by the respondent between the ages of 10-45years, which early girl-child marriage is predominantly high. Two research hypotheses were tested using Chi-square and the result shows that early child marriage has a negative effect. The study recommended feasible and applicable way forward to abolish and manage the victims of early child marriage. Thus, the government and NGOS should provide support needed for child' education including free books, uniform and scholarship. Essentially, put away unwholesome custom and traditional practices that are harmful to progress child's life.

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