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LIST OF ACRONYMS

ACS	:	Administration for Children's Services
ANPPCAN	:	African Network for the Prevention and Protection against Child Abuse and Neglect.
DV	:	Dependent Variable.
FCPU	:	Family and Child Protection Unit.
IV	:	Independent Variable.
MV	:	Mediating Variable.
NCA	:	National Children Authority.
NGO	:	Non-Government Organization.
SES	:	Social Economic Status.
UNCRC	:	United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.
UPF	:	Uganda Police Force.
US	:	United States.
USDHS	:	United States Department of Homeland Security.
UNESCO	:	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.
UNHCHR	:	United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.
UNICEF	:	United Nations Children's Fund.
WHO	:	World Health Organization.

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ABSTRACT

The study examined the level of education and incidence of child neglect among Parents in Kasodo Sub County, Pallisa District with the following study objectives; to examine the relationship between parents with no formal education with incidence of child neglect, to investigate the relationship between parents with primary school level of education with incidence of child neglect, to investigate the relationship between parents with post-primary school level of education with incidence of child neglect in Kasodo Sub County, Pallisa District Local Government.

The study employed a descriptive research design; cross sectional descriptive analysis was used to study the relationship between different variables at a point in time and the effort was made to establish the relationship between parents' level of education and incidence of child neglect. Quantitative and qualitative data on the impact of parents' level of education on incidence of child neglect in Kasodo sub-county, Pallisa District was collected using questionnaires.

The study population was 3312 households in Kasodo Sub County, Pallisa District. From the target population, the study selected a total of 346 households as determined by Krejcie and Morgan's 1970 table of sample size determination.

Simple Random Sampling ensured representation across different socioeconomic and demographic groups; purposive Sampling was used to target specific sub-groups. A questionnaire was used to collect the data.

The findings revealed that; there was a significant correlation between parents' level of education and the incidence of child neglect.

CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

1.0 Introduction

This study examined the contribution of parents' level of education towards the Incidence of Child Neglect among Parents in Kasodo Sub County, Pallisa District. Level of Education was the Independent Variable while the Incidence of Child Neglect the Dependent Variable. The level of Education was measured in terms of Education while the Incidence of Child Neglect assessed in terms of physical and psychological neglect as detailed in the conceptual framework.

This chapter presents the background of the study, statement of the problem, purpose of the study, research objectives, research questions, and scope of the study, significance of the study, conceptual framework and definition of terms.

1.1 Background

Child neglect is one of the most prevalent forms of child abuse. It involves; the failure to provide adequate food, clothing, shelter, supervision, medical care, Education or emotional support that a child needs for healthy development (Child Welfare Information Gateway, 2019). Globally, reported cases by WHO (2010) of parental child neglect are between 25-50% of all children below eighteen years. According to the statistics, it is evident that child neglect is an imminent global catastrophe. WHO also established that most female children who face neglect at childhood are likely to fall victim of the teenage pregnancy and the risk of teenage pregnancy rises with the number of adverse childhood experiences. The survival of the children majorly depends on the government protection and also the parental care and protection by ensuring that they have a high standard of sanitation, nutrition, childcare and

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