

# Risky Sexual Behavior and Its Determinants among Orphan and Vulnerable Children in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

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## Abstract

**Back Ground:** Risky sexual behavior among orphans and vulnerable children and its associated physical, psychological and social consequences is becoming a major public health concern globally. **Objectives:** To assess the prevalence of risky sexual behavior and its determinants among orphan and vulnerable children in Addis Ababa. **Methodology:** A community based cross sectional study was conducted on three support and care giving organizations for orphans and vulnerable children in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia from March to June 2014. A total of 422 orphan and vulnerable children were selected using systematic sampling. Data were collected using pre tested self-administered questionnaire. Logistic regression was used to analyze the data. **Result:** A total of 407 (96.4%) respondents participated in this study. Among them 112 (27.5%) had sexual intercourse in their life time, of these 50 (44.6%) started sex before the age of 15, 94 (83.9%) had forced sex, 84 (75.0%) had multiple sexual partners, only 16 (14.3%) used condom the first time they had sex and 96 (85.7%) participated in transactional sex. Females were about 3.25 (2.67 - 7.3) times more likely to engage in risky sexual behavior than male respondents, double orphans had 4.32 (2.45 - 9.54) odds of risky sexual behavior compared to their counterparts. Those respondents who had knowledge of HIV transmission and prevention were less likely to be involved in risky sexual behavior 0.58 (0.41 - 0.93). **Conclusion:** Orphan and vulnerable children are at a higher likelihood of risky sexual behavior. Intervention targeted at multilevel such as orphan survival training, assertive communication skills, sexuality education and education about HIV risk perception, physical, psychological and human right protection, social support, and economic access for basic needs need to be given consideration.

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## Keywords

Orphan, Vulnerable Children, Risky Sexual Behavior, Forced Sex, Transactional Sex, Addis Ababa

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## 1. Introduction

The increased sexual risk among orphans and vulnerable children (OVC) and its associated physical, psychological and social consequences is becoming a major public health concern throughout the world. An estimated 143,000,000 children worldwide had been orphaned. The number of orphan and vulnerable children is increasing in Sub-Saharan African countries. Studies showed that 12% of African children lost one or both parents [1]. Orphaned children are at an elevated sexual risk which raises the threat of contracting HIV/AIDS and other sexually transmitted infections [2].

HIV/AIDS is a global challenge affecting people in their reproductive age and its effect on children, family and community is alarming. Globally, an estimated 35.3 (32.2 - 38.8) million people were living with HIV in 2012. There were 2.3 (1.9 - 2.7) million new HIV infections in the world [3]. In 2012 alone, there were 1.4 million adult deaths from HIV/AIDS which resulted in increasing number of orphans. Studies indicated that there were 17.3 million orphans due to HIV/AIDS globally. Out of these majority of OVC (90%) live in Sub-Saharan Africa and Southern and Southeastern Asia [3].

There are an estimated 5.4 million orphans in Ethiopia. According to 2007 census conducted in Ethiopia there were 145,052 orphans in Addis Ababa city administration, out of these 29,264 were double orphans, most of them are orphaned due to HIV/AIDS [4] [5] [6].

Orphan and vulnerable children may fall prey to sexual coercion, exploitation and abuse and may be forced to engage in high risk behavior that may predispose them to the risk of unwanted pregnancy and contracting HIV and other STIs [1] [7] [8] [9] [10]. A study from South Africa found that 14 - 18 year-old orphans were 1.38 times more likely than non-orphans to have engaged in risky sex [11]. Studies identified higher rates of HIV among orphans [11] [12]. OVC have been found to have a higher likelihood of being sexually active, initiate sex at an earlier age, and have unprotected sex and multiple partners [13] [14] [15] [16].

Understanding the magnitude of risky sexual behavior and exploring its underpinning factors is pivotal to address the needs of orphans and vulnerable children and mitigating the negative outcomes. However, there is paucity of information in this regard in Ethiopia. Therefore, it is the purpose of this study to assess the sexual practices as well as its associated factors among OVC in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

## 2. Methods and Materials

The study was conducted in Addis Ababa, the Capital City of Ethiopia using a cross-sectional study design. All orphan and vulnerable children who are between 13 - 18

years of age and who get community based care from three organizations: HIV/AIDS prevention and control office (HAPCO), save the children and parents and children together (Pact) were selected by using systematic sampling. The sample size was determined by considering prevalence of risky sexual practice among OVC 50%, 95% confidence Interval, a 5% margin of error ( $d = 0.05$ ) and a 10% allowance for non-response rate. On the basis of this the calculated sample size was 422. Then the sample size was proportionately allocated based on the number of OVC getting support in the three organizations. On the basis of this 26 were taken from HAPCO, 45 from save the children and 351 from Pact.

A closed ended questionnaire was used for data collection. The questionnaire was adapted from previous literature [17]. The questionnaire was prepared in English and translated in to Amharic (the working language of Ethiopia), then back to English to check for consistency of meaning. Finally the Amharic version was used for data collection. The main components of the questionnaire are: socio-demographic characteristics and sexual practices.

Risky sexual practice behavior was assessed by asking 4 questions. Respondents who initiated sex before 15 years, not used condom consistently, having more than one partner or engaged in exchange sex were considered to be in risky sexual behavior. Those engaged in risky sexual behavior were coded as “1” and the remaining “0”.

A total of 17 questions were asked about knowledge of HIV transmission and prevention. Each question with a correct response was coded as “1” and incorrect answers “0”. All scores of the respondents were summed up and the mean value was calculated. Respondents who got above or equal to the mean were considered knowledgeable and the rest not knowledgeable.

Six BSC nurses facilitated the data collection and two supervisors, who have experience on data collection supervision were recruited to supervise the data collection process and all of them took training for two days on the objective, procedure and content of the study.

The questionnaire was pre-tested to assess for clarity and sensitiveness of questions as well as understanding of the study subjects about the questions at Adama town, Oromia region. Based on the result of the pre-test, some modifications were made. Data were checked for completeness, by the supervisors and the principal investigator on daily basis.

Data were first entered to Epi Info 5.3.4 and exported to SPSS 20.0 Statistical package for analysis. Logistic regression was done to compute the association between dependent and independent variables and control for possible confounders.

Ethical clearance for the study was received from Addis Ababa University. A formal letter was written to all concerned authorities and permission was secured at all levels. Since the study subjects are younger than 18 years written assent was taken from study subjects and consent was taken from care givers or guardians after explaining the purpose and procedure of the study. Participation in the study was voluntary and information collected from the study subjects were kept strictly confidential.

### 3. Results

A total of 422 orphan children were interviewed using standardized structured questionnaire and 407 (96.4%) OVC were included in the analysis. Fifteen respondents were excluded from the analysis for gross incompleteness of responses.

### 4. Socio Demographic Characteristics

As it is shown in **Table 1**, 231 (56.8%) of the respondents were female, and the mean age of respondents was 16 + 1.22 years with minimum age of 13 and maximum age of 18. Out of the respondents 161 (39.8%) were Amhara and 114 (28%) of the OVC were Oromo by Ethnicity. Overall, 293 (72%) of the respondents were orthodox Christians and 66 (16.2%) were followers of Muslim religion. With regard to orphan status 203 (49.9%) were double orphans.

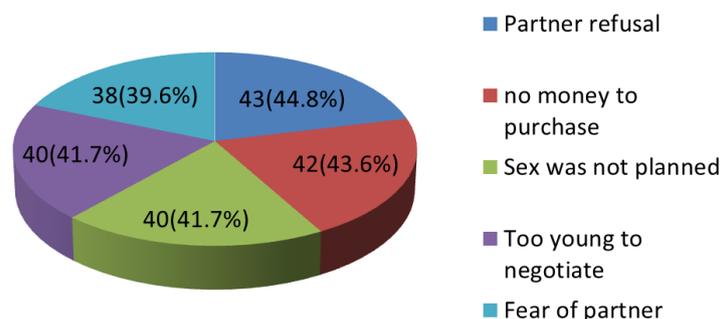
**Table 1.** Socio-demographic characteristics of OVC in A.A, Ethiopia, 2014 (n = 407).

| S. No. | Characteristics      | Frequency |      |
|--------|----------------------|-----------|------|
|        |                      | Number    | %    |
|        | <b>Sex</b>           |           |      |
| 1      | 1. Male              | 176       | 43.2 |
|        | 2. Female            | 231       | 56.8 |
|        | <b>Age</b>           |           |      |
| 2      | 1. 13 - 15           | 152       | 37.3 |
|        | 2. 16 - 18           | 255       | 62.7 |
|        | <b>Religion</b>      |           |      |
| 3      | 1. Orthodox          | 293       | 72   |
|        | 2. Protestant        | 32        | 7.9  |
|        | 3. Catholic          | 13        | 3.2  |
|        | 4. Muslim            | 66        | 16.2 |
|        | 5. Others            | 3         | 0.7  |
|        | <b>Ethnicity</b>     |           |      |
| 4      | 1. Amhara            | 161       | 39.6 |
|        | 2. Oromo             | 114       | 28   |
|        | 3. Tigre             | 32        | 7.9  |
|        | 4. Gurage            | 58        | 14.3 |
|        | 5. Silte             | 25        | 6.1  |
|        | 6. Others            | 17        | 4.2  |
|        | <b>Orphan status</b> |           |      |
| 5      | Single               | 204       | 50.1 |
|        | Double               | 203       | 49.9 |

## 5. Sexual Practice of Orphan and Vulnerable Children

Overall 112 (27.5%) of the respondents had sexual intercourse in their life time, of these 50 (44.6%) of the OVC started sex before the age of 15.

Of those who ever had sex 94 (83.9%) of the OVC had forced first sex and only 16 (14.3%) used condom the first time they had sex. The reasons for not using condom were 43 (44.8%) refusal of partner, 40 (41.7%) sex was not planned, 40 (41.7%) too young to negotiate with partner, 38 (39.6%) and fear of partner (**Figure 1**). Eighty four (75.0%) of the OVC were involved in multiple sexual partner relationship. A total of 96 (85.7%) of the OVC participated in transactional sex (see **Table 2**).



**Figure 1.** Reasons for not using condom among orphan and vulnerable children in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia 2014.

**Table 2.** Sexual practice among orphan and vulnerable children in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia 2014.

| S. No. | Characteristics                                 | No  | %    |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------|-----|------|
|        | <b>Ever had sexual intercourse</b>              |     |      |
| 1      | 1. Yes                                          | 112 | 27.5 |
|        | 2. No                                           | 295 | 72.5 |
|        | <b>Age at first sex = 112</b>                   |     |      |
| 2      | 1. Below 15 years                               | 49  | 43.7 |
|        | 2. 16 - 18 years                                | 63  | 56.3 |
|        | <b>Condom use at first sex</b>                  |     |      |
| 3      | 1. Yes                                          | 16  | 14.3 |
|        | 2. No                                           | 96  | 85.7 |
|        | <b>Sexual intercourse in the past 12 months</b> |     |      |
| 4      | Yes                                             | 94  | 83.9 |
|        | 2. No                                           | 18  | 16.0 |
|        | <b>Condom use in the past 12 months sex</b>     |     |      |
| 5      | 1. Yes                                          | 36  | 32.1 |
|        | 2. No                                           | 76  | 67.9 |
|        | <b>Life time sexual partner n = 112</b>         |     |      |
| 6      | One                                             | 28  | 25.0 |
|        | 2 - 4                                           | 53  | 47.3 |
|        | Above 4                                         | 31  | 27.7 |
|        | <b>Forced sex</b>                               |     |      |
| 7      | 1. Yes                                          | 94  | 83.9 |
|        | 2. No                                           | 18  | 16.1 |
|        | <b>Exchange sex</b>                             |     |      |
| 8      | 1. Yes                                          | 96  | 85.7 |
|        | 2. No                                           | 16  | 14.3 |

## 6. Predictors of Risky Sexual Behavior among OVC

The multivariate analysis in **Table 3** showed that female respondents were about 3.25 (2.67 - 7.3) more likely to engage in risky sexual behavior than male OVC. Double orphans had 4.32 (2.45 - 9.54) odds of risky sexual behavior compared to their counterparts. Those respondents who had knowledge of HIV/AIDS were less likely to be involved in risky sexual behavior 0.58 (0.41 - 0.93) than their counterparts.

## 7. Discussion

This study assessed the sexual risk behaviors of OVC. The study findings showed that three quarter of sexually active OVCs were engaged in risky sexual behavior

This study showed that 43.7% of orphan adolescents engaged in early sexual intercourse. In addition, consistent condom use among the study population in this study was low. It was only 14.3% of the sexually active study participants who used condom the first time they had sex. Three quarter of the sexually active respondents were involved in multiple sexual relationships. This confirms with studies from Africa where orphan status had a higher odds of engaging in risky sex compared to non-orphans [8] [12] [13] [14] [15] [16] [18]. OVC are at increased risk of risky sexual behavior because they may not have economic access, lack negotiation power, lack adequate daily subsistence, as well as the necessary physical and psychological protection, connectedness, and monitoring. Thus, this study illuminates interventions to address this gap.

OVC are highly vulnerable to sexual coercion, exploitation and abuse. This study

**Table 3.** Predictors of risky sexual behavior among orphan and vulnerable children in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia 2014.

| Variables             | Risky sexual behavior |     | COR (95% CI)       | AOR (95% CI)        |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----|--------------------|---------------------|
|                       | Yes                   | No  |                    |                     |
| Sex                   |                       |     |                    |                     |
| Female                | 72                    | 159 | 2.86 (1.34 - 6.02) | 3.25 (2.67 - 7.3)*  |
| Male                  | 24                    | 152 | 1.00               | 1.00                |
| Orphan status         |                       |     |                    |                     |
| Double                | 62                    | 141 | 2.19 (1.63 - 6.44) | 4.32 (2.45 - 9.54)* |
| Single                | 34                    | 170 | 1.00               | 1.00                |
| Knowledge of HIV/AIDS |                       |     |                    |                     |
| High                  | 39                    | 178 | 0.51 (0.32 - 0.89) | 0.58 (0.41 - 0.93)* |
| Low                   | 57                    | 133 | 1.00               | 1.00                |
| Risk perception       |                       |     |                    |                     |
| Yes                   | 21                    | 147 | 0.31 (0.19 - 0.73) | 0.42 (0.28 - 0.91)* |
| No                    | 75                    | 164 | 1.00               | 1.00                |

showed that 84% of OVC had forced sex in their life time. Corroborating with the findings of previous studies this study provided evidence that more than 3 in 4 of sexually active OVC were involved in transactional sex [9] [10] [19] [20] [21] [22]. This findings may be the tip of the iceberg as some of the perpetrators of OVC are the caregivers/guardians themselves. As a result, children may not have the confidence to report the incident fully. Sexual coercion and transactional sex has effect in the mental health of OVC and increases HIV and other STIs transmission as well as unwanted teen pregnancy.

Strong association was observed between being female, double orphan, and low knowledge about HIV transmission and prevention and risky sexual behavior [23]. Thus, these findings have implications for policy and programs in child protection and HIV and STIs prevention. Furthermore, this study signifies for focused interventions targeting OVC survival training, assertive communication skills, economic access for basic needs, family/guardian level interventions, sexuality education and social support.

The result of this study can be generalized to similar population as the study participants were randomly selected and adequate sample size was used. However, data were collected from self reports of the study participants and the study was a cross-sectional design and therefore we cannot infer temporal or causal relationships between orphan status and self-reported risk behavior.

## 8. Conclusion

This study shows that a significant number of OVC ever had sexual intercourse and the majority of those who had had sex didn't use condom regularly. OVC had early sexual debut, and more than three fourth of the sexually active respondents had forced sex in their life time. Similarly, greater than three fourth of those who ever had sex were involved in transactional sex. Moreover, females, double orphans, and low knowledge about HIV transmission and prevention were associated with risky sexual behavior. Thus, this study has implication for policy and programmes at various levels. There is a need for intervention focusing on OVC survival training, assertive communication skills, sexuality education and education about HIV risk perception. In addition, family/guardian level as well as societal level interventions such as physical and psychological protection of OVC, social support, and guardian/care givers supervision and monitoring of children's whereabouts and economic access for basic needs. This study has implication also for the protection of human right of OVC.

## Competing Interest

The authors declare that there is no competing interest.

## Authors' Contribution

Both Ayana Chimdessa and Amsale Cherie involved from the inception of idea to the design analysis and interpretation of the study and preparation of the manuscript. Both authors have read and approved the final manuscript.

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**Section 1.** The following questions are about your background characteristics. Please indicate your response by circling the number of your choice or by writing your response in the space provided accordingly.

| No  | Questions                                  | Coding categories                                                                                                                                                 |
|-----|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.1 | Sex of the respondent                      | 1. Male<br>2. Female                                                                                                                                              |
| 1.2 | Your age in years?                         | -----                                                                                                                                                             |
| 1.3 | What religion are you following Currently? | 1. Orthodox.                      2. Protestant                      3. Catholic                      4. Muslim<br>5. Others(specify)-----                        |
| 1.4 | To which ethnic group do you belong?       | 1. Amhara                      2. Oromo                      3. Tigre                      4. Others (specify)-----                                               |
| 1.5 | With whom do you live?                     | 1. With my mother only.<br>2. With my father only<br>3. With my grandfather/mother<br>4. With relatives<br>5. With friends<br>6. Alone<br>7. Other (specify)----- |
| 1.6 | Orphan status                              | 1. Single<br>2. Double                                                                                                                                            |

**Section 2.** Knowledge about HIV transmission and prevention. Please indicate your response by circling the number of your choice or by writing your response in the space provided accordingly.

| No.  | Questions                                                                                                                | Categories                                                                                                             |
|------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2.1  | Have you ever heard of HIV or the disease called AIDS?                                                                   | 1. Yes    2. No    3. No response                                                                                      |
| 2.2  | Do you know anyone who is infected with HIV or who has died of AIDS?                                                     | 1. Yes    2. No    3. I am not sure    4. No response                                                                  |
| 2.3  | Do you have a close relative or close friend who is infected with HIV or has died of AIDS?                               | 1. Yes, a close relative    2. Yes, a close friend<br>3. Close friend and relative/both<br>4. No    5. No response     |
| 2.4  | Can people protect themselves from HIV, the virus that causes AIDS by using a condom correctly every time they have sex? | 1. Yes    2. No<br>3. Don't know    4. No response                                                                     |
| 2.5  | Can a person get the HIV virus from mosquito bites?                                                                      | 1. Yes    2. No<br>3. Don't know    4. No response                                                                     |
| 2.6  | Can a person get HIV by sharing a meal with someone who is infected?                                                     | 1. Yes    2. No<br>3. Don't know    4. No response                                                                     |
| 2.7  | Can a person get the HIV infection by using a contaminated needle?                                                       | 1. Yes    2. No<br>3. Don't know    4. No response                                                                     |
| 2.8  | Can a person get the HIV infection from eating food prepared by a person infected by the virus?                          | 1. Yes    2.No<br>3. Don't know    4. No response                                                                      |
| 2.9  | Can a person get the HIV virus from eating raw meat prepared by a person infected by HIV?                                | 1. Yes    2. No<br>3. Don't know    4. No response                                                                     |
| 2.10 | Can people protect themselves from HIV by drinking local hard liquor or eating hot pepper?                               | 1. Yes    2. No<br>3. Don't know    4. No response                                                                     |
| 2.11 | Can a person get the HIV virus from a curse by the elderly and religious leaders?                                        | 1. Yes    2. No<br>3. Don't know    4. No response                                                                     |
| 2.12 | Can people protect themselves from HIV by having one uninfected faithful sex partner?                                    | 1. Yes    2. No<br>3. Don't know    4. No response                                                                     |
| 2.13 | Can people protect themselves from HIV by abstaining from sexual intercourse?                                            | 1. Yes    2. No<br>3. Don't know    4. No response                                                                     |
| 2.14 | Do you think that a healthy-looking person can be infected with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS?                         | 1. Yes    2. No<br>3. Don't know    4. No response                                                                     |
| 2.15 | Can a pregnant woman infected with HIV or AIDS transmit the virus to her unborn child?                                   | 1. Yes    2. No<br>3. Don't know    4. No response                                                                     |
| 2.16 | Can a woman with HIV or AIDS transmit the virus to her newborn child through breastfeeding?                              | 1. Yes    2. No<br>3. Don't know    4. No response                                                                     |
| 2.17 | How do you perceive using of condom while you get sex with your partner?                                                 | 1. It is not acceptable culturally<br>2. No satisfaction when use it<br>3. Feel bad while I use it<br>4. Other specify |

**Section 3.** Sexual behavior. Now we would like to ask you some questions about your sexual experience. We would like to remind you again that all of your responses will be kept confidential and your name is not attached to this questionnaire.

| Questions |                                                                                             | Coding categories                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                   |
|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3.1       | Have you had any discussion about sex, HIV, STIs, and puberty with your caregiver?          | 1. Yes                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2. No                                                                             |
| 3.2       | If yes, how frequent?                                                                       | 1. Always 2. Some times 3. Rarely                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                   |
| 3.3       | Have you ever had sexual intercourse                                                        | 1. Yes                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2. No                                                                             |
|           |                                                                                             | If your response to this question is no this is the end of the question. We thank you very much for your participation.                                                                                                      |                                                                                   |
| 3.4       | How old were you the first time you had sex?                                                | 1. Age in Years-----                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                   |
| 3.5       | What initiated you to have sex?                                                             | 1. Personal desire<br>2. To facilitate social connection<br>3. To get basic need<br>4. To get protection<br>5. Other specify.....                                                                                            |                                                                                   |
| 3.6       | Did you or your partner use condom the first time you had sex.                              | 1. Yes<br>2. No                                                                                                                                                                                                              | If your response to this question is no please go to question 3.8                 |
| 3.7       | Why didn't you use condom the first time you had sex?                                       | 1. Didn't know where to get one<br>2. Didn't have money to purchase one<br>3. Didn't have time to get one<br>4. Partner would not agree<br>5. Too young to negotiate<br>6. Fear of partner<br>7. Didn't know I could get HIV |                                                                                   |
| 3.8       | Who was your first sexual partner?                                                          | 1. Girlfriend<br>3. Guardian<br>5. Neighbor<br>7. Someone I just met<br>10. Other.....                                                                                                                                       | 2. Boyfriend<br>4. Relative<br>6. Casual acquaintance<br>8. Sex worker/prostitute |
| 3.9       | At the time you first had sex, was this partner younger, older or the same age as you?      | 1. Younger<br>3. Older                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 2. Same age<br>4. Don't know/Don't remember                                       |
| 3.10      | At the time that you first had sex, how old was your first sexual partner?                  | 1. Age in completed years-----<br>2. Do not know                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                   |
| 3.11      | What best describes the reason you had first sex at the time you did?                       | 1. To get basic need<br>2. I was forced to have sex<br>3. Partner would leave me if I did not<br>4. All my friends were having sex<br>5. To prove I was normal<br>6. Other (specify)_____                                    |                                                                                   |
| 3.12      | Thinking back to the time you first had sex, how willing were you at that time to have sex? | 1. Very willing<br>2. Somewhat willing<br>3. Not willing<br>4. Don't remember                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                   |
| 3.13      | Where you or your partner under the influence of alcohol the first time you had sex?        | 1. Neither under the influence<br>2. I Alone was under the influence<br>3. Partner only under the influence<br>4. Both of us were under the influence<br>5. Don't know/Don't remember                                        |                                                                                   |
| 3.14      | Have you had sex in the past 12 months?                                                     | 1. Yes<br>2. No                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                   |
| 3.15      | How many people have you had sex with in the past 12 months?                                | 1. One<br>3. Three<br>5. Five                                                                                                                                                                                                | 2. Two<br>4. Four<br>6. More than five                                            |

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|------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
|      |                                                                                                         | 7. Don't know/Don't remember |                              |
|      |                                                                                                         | 1. At least once a week      |                              |
| 3.16 | How frequently do you have sexual intercourse?                                                          | 2. At least once a month     |                              |
|      |                                                                                                         | 3. A few times a year        |                              |
|      |                                                                                                         | 4. No more than once a year  |                              |
| 3.17 | Have you ever used condom in the past 12 month's sex?                                                   | 1. Yes                       |                              |
|      |                                                                                                         | 2. No                        |                              |
| 3.18 | How often do you or your partner(s) use condoms when you have sex?                                      | 3. Don't remember            | 2. Sometimes                 |
|      |                                                                                                         | 1. Never                     |                              |
|      |                                                                                                         | 3. Always                    |                              |
| 3.19 | If never used condom in the past 12 months sex, why didn't you used condom?                             | _____                        |                              |
|      |                                                                                                         | _____                        |                              |
|      |                                                                                                         | -----                        |                              |
| 3.20 | What was your relationship to the person with whom you had sex in the past 12 months?                   | -----                        |                              |
|      |                                                                                                         | -----                        |                              |
| 3.21 | Was the person you had sex in the past 12 months younger, older or the same age as you?                 | 1. Younger                   | 2. Same age                  |
|      |                                                                                                         | 3. Older                     | 4. Don't know/Don't remember |
| 3.22 | Have you ever been involved in exchange sex?                                                            | 1. Yes                       |                              |
|      |                                                                                                         | 2. No                        |                              |
| 3.23 | Have you ever been forced to have sex?<br>Forced sex is sex that you do not participate in at your will | 1. Yes                       | 2. No                        |
| 3.24 | Has anyone ever given you something to have sex with them?                                              | 1. Yes                       | 2. No                        |
|      |                                                                                                         | 3. Don't remember            |                              |
| 3.25 | What did they give you?                                                                                 | 1. Money                     | 2. Food                      |
|      |                                                                                                         | 3. School fees               | 4. Drugs                     |
|      |                                                                                                         | 5. Shelter/Rent              | 6. Clothes                   |
|      |                                                                                                         | 7. Ornaments                 | 8. Help with Homework        |
|      |                                                                                                         | 9. Other (specify) _____     |                              |
| 3.26 | Have you ever been forced to have sex with a person you don't know?                                     | 1. Yes                       | 2. No                        |
|      |                                                                                                         | 3. No response               |                              |
| 3.27 | Have you ever participated in sex work?                                                                 | 1. Yes                       | 2. No                        |



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