

ABSTRACT

The overall objective of this study was to explore the impact of gender based violence and its impact on men in Kiambaa, Kiambu County. The specific objectives were to; To establish existence of gender based violence towards men in Kiambaa Sub County, to determine the prevalence of gender based violence towards men in Kiambaa Sub County, to evaluate the factors promoting gender based violence towards men in Kiambaa Sub County and to analyze the impact of gender based violence among men in Kiambaa Sub County. The study applied the descriptive survey research design. Data was collected from primary and secondary data sources. Secondary data related to the number of gender based violence cases reported, the contributing factors to gender based violence and other information assisted in making conclusions about the study objectives. Primary data was collected using survey questionnaires, key informant interviews and focus group discussions. Data collected from the survey were analyzed using statistical package for social sciences (SPSS). The data obtained was then presented in tables of frequencies, bar charts and percentages. The findings of the study were expected to shed more light into impact of gender based violence among men in Kiambaa Sub County. The study established that gender based violence towards men exists in the area and is of high prevalence. The study further found out the factors promoting GBV against men to be power, relations, cultural practices and traditions, lack of access to economic resources, lack of political will to eradicate it and poorly implemented legislation. In addition, the findings obtained showed that the impact of gender based violence against men was mostly negative and varied based on the individual. The study thus recommends the formation of empowerment and support groups to help curb gender based violence against men and to support the affected men.

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