



# CECM-TN

**TAKING ACTION TO ADDRESS CHILD MARRIAGE**



## The role of different sectors

### HEALTH

#### Strategies for integrating child marriage

Build adolescents' communication and negotiation skills related to sexual and reproductive health

Comprehensive sexual and reproductive health education for married and unmarried adolescents

Mass media and behaviour change communication campaigns to influence and promote healthy sexual and reproductive health practices, including through the use of new technologies

Education and mobilisation of community members on the harmful health impacts of child marriage

Training of providers and equipping of facilities for the provision of youth-friendly services

Psychosocial services

Public-private partnerships for scaling

o HIV services for married and unmarried adolescents o Appropriate maternal health services

**“STOP SANCTIONED SEXUAL ABUSE”**

**Strategies for integrating child marriage**

Empower women and girls with knowledge of their rights and skills to advocate for them

Engage women and girls in programme design

Sensitise and mobilise communities on the value of women and girls

Utilise the media to portray and promote gender-equitable attitudes and to draw attention to violations of women's rights

**DEMOCRACY**

**Economic growth and  
workforce  
development**

**Strategies for integrating child marriage**

Workforce education and training

Initiatives to increase financial literacy, savings, and loan skills

Connections with mentors, internships, and job placement

Employment services, such as job placement and on-the-job training

Entrepreneurship and enterprise-development training

Community mobilisation around the importance of investing in girls

CCTs conditional on girls staying enrolled in school or a programme, and/or unmarried until age 18

Financial support for school, such as scholarships, school fees, materials, and uniforms

Subsidies or loans for access to resources      Partnerships with private-sector actors

**“CHILD MARRIAGE IS A HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLENCE”**

## ***Conflict and humanitarian crisis***

Strategies for integrating child marriage

**Safety and protection mechanisms**

**Safe spaces    Involve women and girls in designing response efforts**

**Safe, accessible, and quality schools**

**Income-generation opportunities**

**Sexual and reproductive health and psychosocial services and counselling**

**Strengthen legal frameworks**

**Engaging women and girls in the peace process**

## ***Food security and nutrition***

Strategies for integrating child marriage

**Agricultural skills training, for both household consumption and income generation**

**Life skills and empowerment training**

**Involve women and girls in designing response efforts**

**Nutrition education**

**Targeting information and services to young mothers**

**Provision of agricultural assets (such as livestock)**

**Train and deploy female agricultural extension agents**

**Property rights reform**

**PROTECT GIRL CHILDREN FROM SEXUAL HARRASMENT**

***Agriculture, energy, and the environment***

Key child marriage stakeholders

**Agricultural extension officers**

**Producer groups**

**Disaster response workers**

**Peace keepers**

**Social entrepreneurs**

**Legal officers**

**Policy- makers**

**Teachers**

**Healthcare workers**

**Community, traditional, and religious leaders**

**Families, including parents and in-laws**

***Gender-based violence***

Key child marriage stakeholders

**Legal and police officers**

**Judicial officers, including judges, magistrates, lawyers, and paralegals**

**Healthcare workers**

**School administrators and teachers**

**Families, including parents and in-laws**

**Community, traditional, and religious leaders**

**Community members**

**Women, girls, men, and boys**

**EDUCATE GIRLS ON REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH RIGHTS**

## Youth

**Strategies for integrating child marriage**

**Engaging youth in the design, implementation, and evaluation of programmes**

**Targeting vulnerable youth**

**Innovative approaches to promote gender equitable norms among youth, such as sports, dramas, and social media campaigns**

**Safe spaces**

**Life skills and empowerment programming**

**Initiatives to enhance livelihood skills and income generation opportunities**

**Initiatives that increase girls' access to and the quality of schooling**

**Opportunities for developing social networks**

**Community sensitization and mobilization**

**Youth participation in advocacy efforts**

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