



Gender-Based Violence Support Programmes in Northern Uganda: A Comparative Longitudinal Analysis

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Abstract

Gender-based violence (GBV) continues to be a significant social issue in northern Uganda, with support programmes aiming to address its long-term effects. A comparative longitudinal analysis using qualitative data from focus group discussions and interviews conducted among survivors and service providers. Survivors reported improved social reintegration with community members, but challenges persisting include economic empowerment and educational opportunities for women and girls. Support programmes have had positive impacts on psychological well-being and social integration of GBV survivors in northern Uganda over the study period. Further research should focus on long-term economic support and education to enhance survivors' resilience against future violence.

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