CHILD HOMICIDE IN BANGLADESH: A STATISTICAL PROFILE

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ABSTRACT

In Bangladesh, on average one child every day is a victim of the homicide. It is evident that the provenance of child homicide has upraising trend and children are at increased risk for crime victimization. The purpose of this study is to eliminate child homicide by presenting the latest information about child homicide, including analyses of its risk factors and the way forward. This paper presents a preliminary analysis of more than 6,000 child homicides committed in Bangladesh between 2012 and 2017, from the reports of a daily newspaper. Content analysis was used as the research method of the study. The findings present a clear picture of the risk of child homicide, according to the age, sex, and religion of the victim, seasonal variation, the victim -offender relationship and methods of killing. The study also analyzed the cause of child homicide and pictured some way to eliminate this heinous form of crime.

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