

Child Protection SWG

Meeting 10 June 2021

Agenda

- Child Marriage Research findings presentation by SCI (Bidibidi and Palorinya)
- Updates by partners and impact of COVID19 outbreak on CP programs
- Review/ amendment of BCP (please see attached the previous version for your perusal and comments)
- Recap of previous thematic subjects/ updates from Task Forces
- ActivityInfo data discussion – challenges
- Preparations for DAC/ WRD, by partners
- AOB



Child Marriage in Humanitarian Crises

Girls and Parents Speak Out!: UGANDA

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CHILD MARRIAGE IN HUMANITARIAN
CRISES



Phase II

HUMAN RIGHTS CENTER, SAVE THE CHILDREN, &
PLAN UK TOGETHER WITH IRCKHF AND CLARE
BANGIRANA

Aimed to identify and explore:

- risk and protective factors
- decision-making
- service and support needs
- community-driven solutions



CHILD MARRIAGE IN HUMANITARIAN CRISES

Girls and Parents Speak Out on Risk and
Protective Factors, Decision-Making, and Solutions



Methodology

CHILD MARRIAGE RESEARCH, PHASE II

Participatory research activities with girls ages 10-17, including:

- flower map activity
- drawing and collages
- world café

Semi-structured interviews with:

- girls ages 14-17
- parents and caregivers of adolescent girls
- key informants

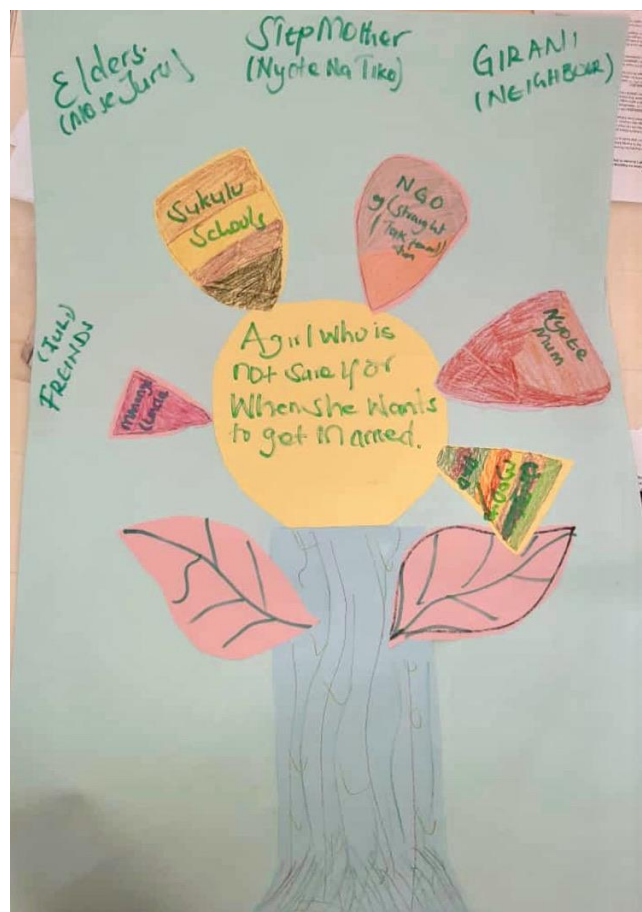
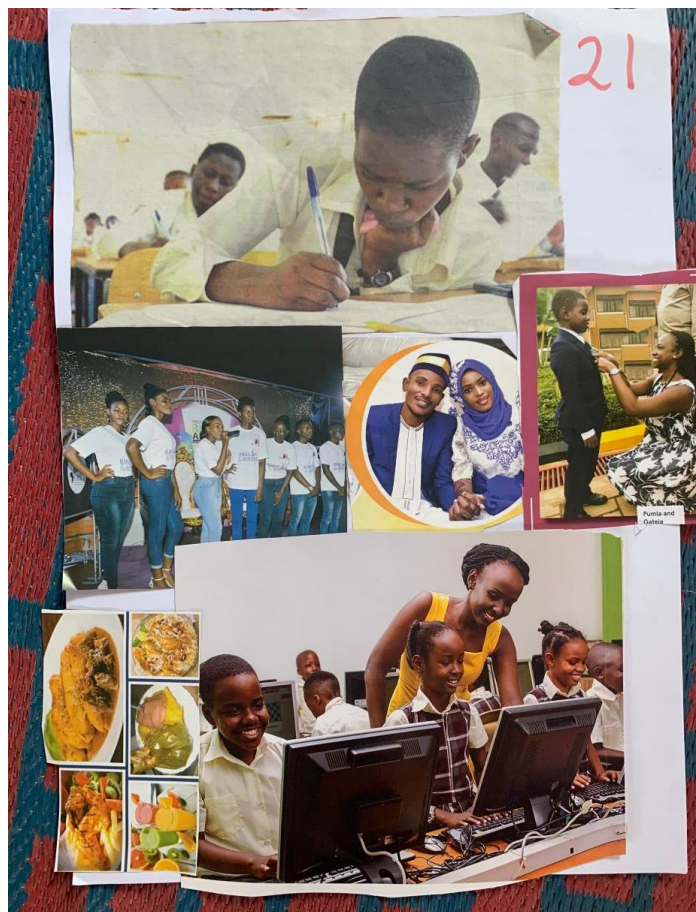
Sample

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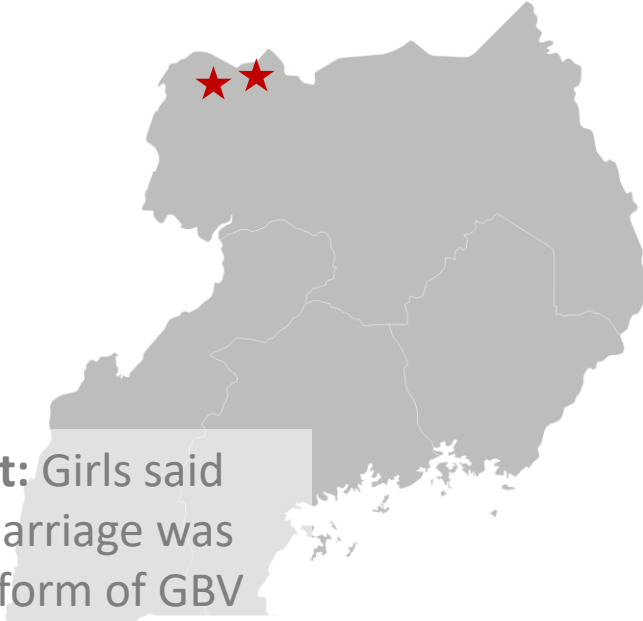
	Uganda		Jordan	
	Bidi Bidi	Palorinya	Al Karak	E. Amman
Girls 14-17 (Interviews)	28	29	25	26
Female Caregivers (Interviews)	11	11	14	10
Male Caregivers (Interviews)	7	7	1	6
Girls 10-13 (Participatory Workshops)	28	28	17	N/A
Girls 14-17 (Participatory Workshops)	34	34	31	N/A
Totals	217 (181 girls*)		130 (99 girls**)	

*22% married **10% married



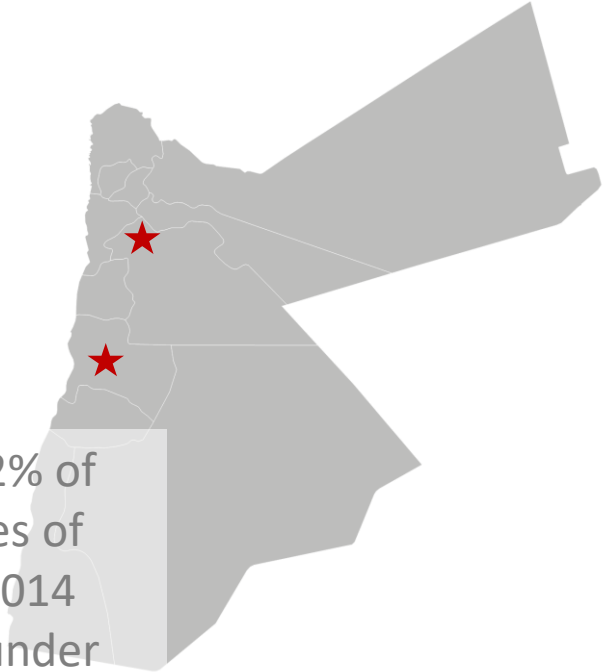
PHASE II SETTINGS

UGANDA



Context: Girls said child marriage was the #1 form of GBV they experience

JORDAN



Context: 32% of all marriages of Syrians in 2014 were girls under 18

Community Validation Workshops

CHILD MARRIAGE RESEARCH, PHASE

II

Goals:

- To share findings back with the community
- To validate research findings with community feedback
- To understand how COVID-19 had impacted data from Uganda

Workshops held with girls and caregivers in research sites in Uganda (in-person) and in Jordan (via Zoom). Feedback was incorporated into research findings.

Key Findings

CHILD MARRIAGE RESEARCH, PHASE II

1. Addressing violence within the home is essential to preventing child marriage in crises



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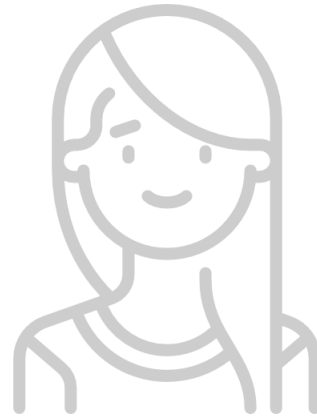
2. Peers continue to have a strong influence in marriage decisions for girls in displacement settings



Key Findings

CHILD MARRIAGE RESEARCH, PHASE II

3. Girls often play a role in marriage decision-making



“[The girl] is the one choosing the man, and she will bring him home herself. These days, they don’t choose husbands for girls, *they* make their choices.”

– *older girl, Bidi Bidi*

“Some of the parents do not help us, forcing us to stay home and stop going to school. Then when we get pregnant, they forcefully send us to get married and leave their homes.” – *older girl, Palorinya*

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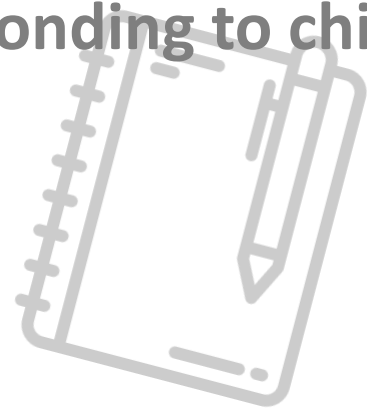
4. Displaced communities still want awareness-raising and sensitization on child marriage



Key Findings

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5. Breaking down barriers to education for girls is as critical as ever in preventing and responding to child marriage

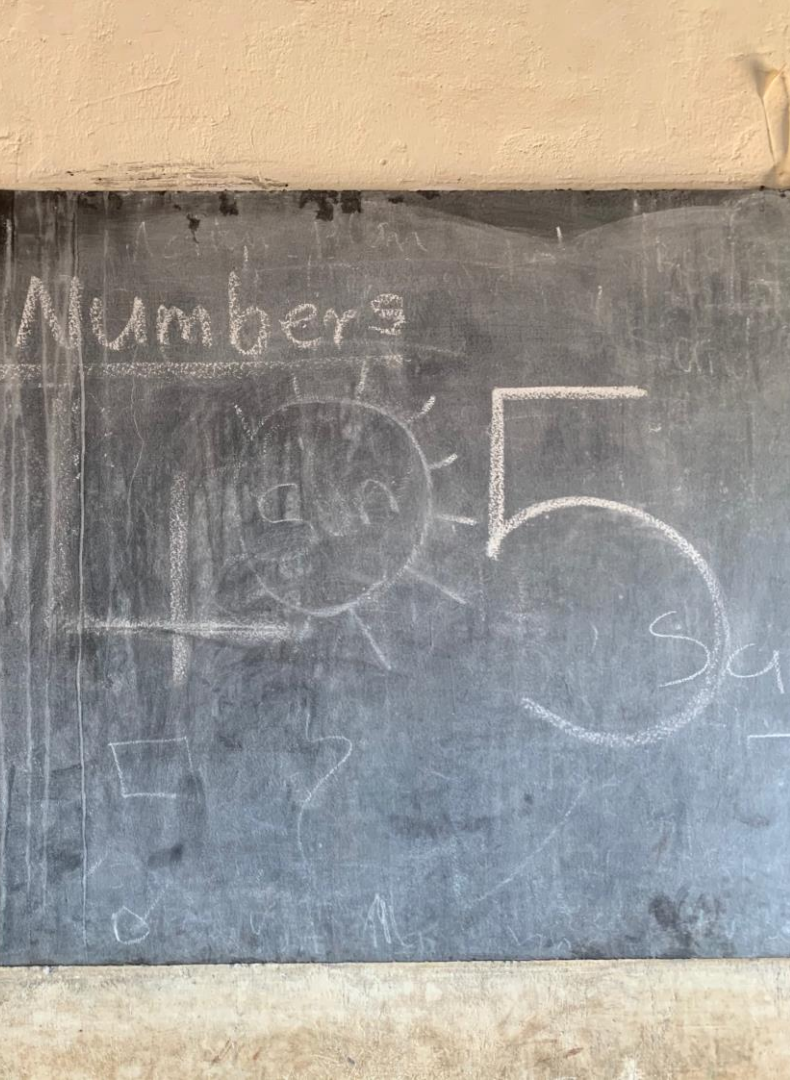


Key Findings

CHILD MARRIAGE RESEARCH, PHASE II

6. Financial support is a crucial component of child marriage programming





Impact of COVID-19

CHILD MARRIAGE RESEARCH, PHASE II

Community Validation Workshops
with girls and caregivers explored:

- Impact of COVID-19 and restrictions on adolescent girls
- Impact of COVID-19 and restrictions on child marriage
- Whether earlier findings remain relevant during the pandemic

Findings: COVID-19 & Child Marriage

CHILD MARRIAGE RESEARCH, PHASE II

Girls and caregivers reported the following two reasons that child marriage is on the rise in their communities:

1. Girls fear schools will never reopen, so resort to early pregnancies and marriages (Palorinya and Obongi)
2. Girls may marry national in order to obtain land for cultivation

What Girls Need During COVID-19

CHILD MARRIAGE RESEARCH, PHASE II

Girls and caregivers reported the following three service needs:

1. Vocational skills training to improve their economic situations
2. Free safe spaces or youth corners where adolescent girls can receive SRH services and advice without fear of contracting COVID-19 (Palorinya)
3. Continuous sensitization for parents and the community on the negative impacts of child marriage



Next Steps: Phase III

Save the Children & Human Rights Center

- Hold intervention design workshop to discuss programming implications and develop ToC
- Select pilot location and co-design model with Save and Plan teams
- Fundraise for Phase 3
- Design and implement mixed-method longitudinal evaluation to understand how pilot influences child marriage knowledge, attitudes, and practices among adolescents and caregivers, as well as other indicators



Questions?

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Updates by partners and impact of COVID19

- Updates on programs/ targets
- Current COVID19 situation and impact of measures on response

Review/ amendment of BCP

- BCP last updated in September
- Includes a prioritization tool and guidelines on programs
- Prioritized activities:
 - Case management
 - Emergency/ urgent face-to-face
 - Alternative care, including monitoring (unless SC-SC under good care)
 - Community-based activities, including awareness activities
- Need for updating, feedback by 18 June to UNHCR co-chair

Recap previous topics

- Community-based interventions
- Cash-based interventions in CP

Recap of previous thematic subjects/ updates from Task Forces

- Community-based interventions
- Cash-based interventions in CP
- CP CM TF: meeting was held and current number of cases on proGres v4 was discussed as well as prioritization of cases during current COVID19 measures

Uganda Module Usage - Child Protection - 28 May 2021

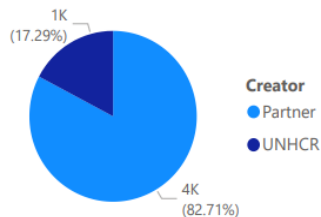
Total Cases

4,765

Business Unit and Creator

Business Unit	Partner	UNHCR	Total
Uganda - Adjumani	141	64	205
Uganda - Bidibidi	2,059	5	2,064
Uganda - Impevi	55	1	56
Uganda - Kampala	311	181	492
Uganda - Kiryandongo	115	7	122
Uganda - Kyaka II	19	83	102
Uganda - Kyangwali	364	313	677
Uganda - Nakivale	52	50	102
Uganda - Palabek	62		62
Uganda - Palorinya	234	45	279
Uganda - Rhino	502	59	561
Uganda - Rwamwanja	27	13	40
Uganda Operation		3	3
Total	3,941	824	4,765

Breakdown by Creator

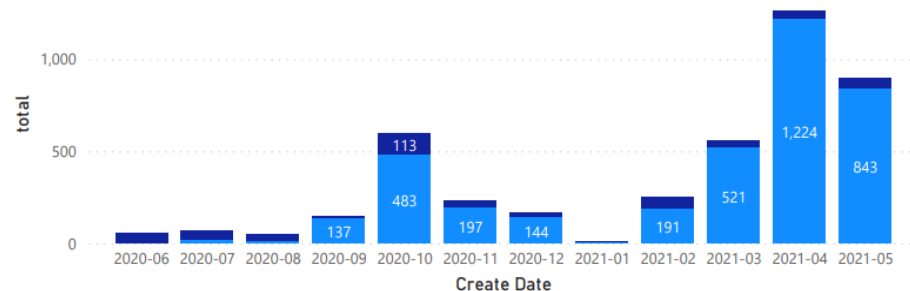


breakdown by Priority

Priority	Active	Closed	Erroneous	Inactive	Total
Emergency	12	3		1	16
High	549	24	7	1	581
Low	1,126	27	4	3	1,160
Medium	2,969	27	11	1	3,008
Total	4,656	81	22	6	4,765

Create Date and Creator - 12 months trend

Creator ● Partner ● UNHCR



Source: proGres v4

Feedback: ugakareg@unhcr.org

Creation date: 28-May-2021

Current v4 users – CP module

Overview of current CP module users	
World Vision	60
LWF	32
DRC	19
HADS	7
ALIGHT	36
CAFOMI	9
Plan International	21
Save the Children	27
	211

Preparations for DAC/ WRD

- Theme: '30 years after the adoption of the charter: accelerate implementation of agenda 2040 for an African fit for children'
- Current situation:
 - The Ministry is willing and committed to continue with the preparations for DAC commemoration but DAC activities countrywide should be commemorated virtually in-line with the established COVID-19 measures.
 - National DAC main Event (16th June 2021; venue to be confirmed at later date);
 - UNICEF & Plan International have facilitated the live streaming of the national event (round-table discussion) from 9am-1pm; streaming links will be shared later;
 - 20 physical participants: 4 child representatives and 16 essential staffs/officials to attend the DAC main event
- What have partners planned?
- Compilation of activities

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- Comments, questions other updates?