GBV Causes and Contributing Factors

GBV IS CAUSED BY GENDER INEQUALITY AND THE ABUSE OF POWER. The majority of acts of GBV are perpetrated by men against women and girls. GBV is related to power and is directed against women and girls because they are female and have unequal power in relationships with men and low status in general in the world.

A CONTRIBUTING FACTOR is something that makes a problem worse. For GBV, many people confuse contributing factors with causes. There are many situations that make GBV worse, for example: alcohol abuse, poverty, lack of laws punishing perpetrators, etc., but none of these situations is a root or direct cause of GBV.