



# PROSTITUTION AND THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN



Prostitution- n.it is a system  
whereby the bodies and  
sexuality of women and  
children are commmodified  
and exploited for men's  
sexual satisfaction. It is a  
human rights violation.



## **Prostitution in the Philippines**

During the advent of Spanish colonists in the late 1500s, a flourishing slave trade, some Filipina slaves were sold as exotic sex objects to Europeans.

1941-1944 - Filipinas as comfort women.



1945 – American soldiers left many Amerasian children in the Philippines. The mothers of these children became part-time prostitutes to support the children.

1948 – Naval Subic Base and Clark Air Force Base

Angeles City – Mecca of Sex Trade



## Places of Prostitution

1. Karaoke Joints
2. Night Clubs
3. Massage Parlors
4. Streets
5. Parking Lots
6. Schools
7. Ports/wharfs
8. Brothels



## Statistics of people in prostitution (2017)

**13,828,700**  
**worldwide**

**800,000**  
**Philippines**

**4,000**  
**Davao City**



**Annual Global Revenues derived  
from Prostitution (2017)**

**\$ 6 Billion**



## Types of Prostitution

1. Guest Relations Officers
2. Night Club Dancers (taxi dancers)
3. Massage Attendants
4. Street Walkers (Freelancers)
5. Akyat-Barko
6. Call girls
7. Prosti-tuition girls
8. Shine girls





## **Kinsa ang mga babae ug bata nga anaa sa prostitusyon?**

- nag-edad og 9 anyos hangtud 73 anyos ang makita sa Davao
- wala kahuman sa pag-iskwela, kasagaran elementary o high school ra ang nahuman. Ang uban dili kaayo makabasa o makasulat
- gikan sa pamilya nga naglisud sa syudad o sa pamilya sa mag-uuma



- produkto sa mga dysfunctional nga pamilya
- Nakasinati og abuso-pisikal ug sekswal sa wala pa sa prostitusyon
- ang mga bata nagsugod nga child laborer ang uban o manglimos
- Nanarbaho isip katabang, waitress, tindera una nasulod sa prostitusyon



## **Mga Problema nga Masinati sulod sa Prostitusyon**

1. Sexually Transmitted Infections
2. Unplanned Pregnancies
3. Abortions
4. Substance Abuse
5. Sexual and Physical Abuse
6. Sexual Harassment
7. Arrest/Raids
8. Stigma and Discrimination

# Actors in Prostitution

**BOUGHT**

- >criminals
- >victimizers
- >problems to be solved
- >sinners to be reformed

- >born into poverty
- >no education/no skills
- >unemployed / underemployed
- >victims of rape, incest, maltreatment, abuse

**BUYERS**

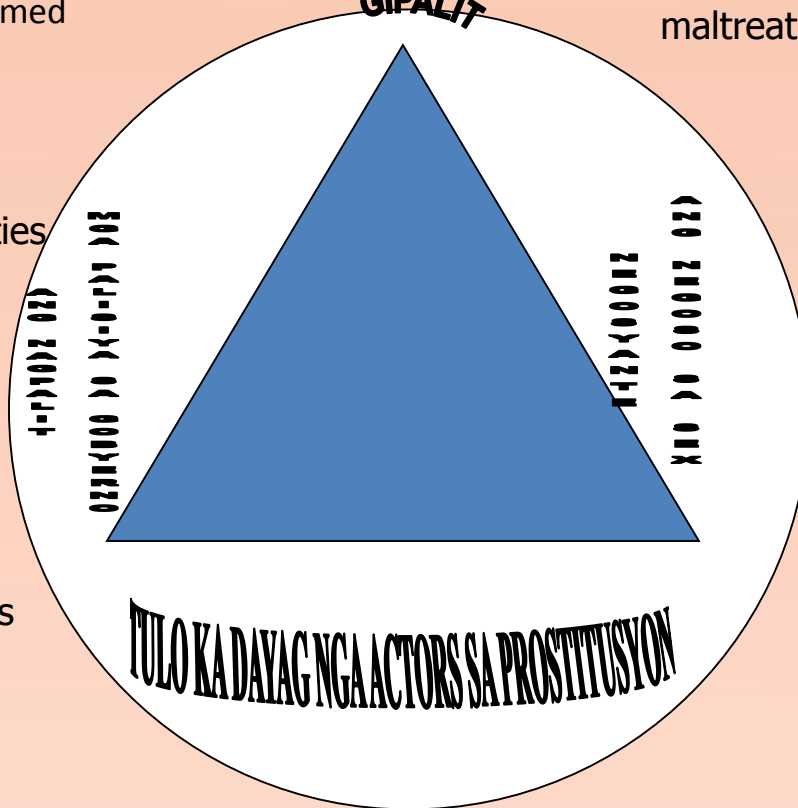
Men of all classes and nationalities and where there are:

- >military camps
- >industrial estates
- >tourist spots
- >sea ports
- >entertainment establishments
- >brotherls

Spared the onus of the trade

Not considered (except by feminists) as the problem to be solved

**PATRIARCHY  
GIPALIT**



**BUSINESS**

Those who derive the financial gain from prostitution

- >pimps and operators
- >local and foreign
- >recruiters, police officers
- >escort services
- >police
- >tour guide

# Factors related to the marginalization & subordination of prostituted women and children – Economic Factors

## push factors

- > poverty
- > unemployment
- > "conditioning rape"

## pull factors

- > "high income
- > shorter time

\*TRANSNATIONALIZATION OR INTERNATIONALIZATION OF SEX INDUSTRY

\*New International Division of Labor (NIDL) interacting with the gender division of labor

## facilitative factors

- > active recruitment
- > deception
- > abduction

- \*military prostitution
- \*"prostitution"
- \*prostitution tourism

# Factors related to the marginalization & subordination of prostituted women and children

## Political Factors

- >imperialism, militarism and racism
- >laws, ordinances and policies
- >mandatory medical check ups
- >lack of livelihood, credit, educational and other support services

- ***Sexual subjugation and exploitation of women***
- ***Promote, legitimize, regulate prostitution, criminalizes the pw***
- ***Protect the customers***

## Cultural Factors

Women should be

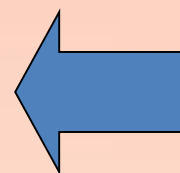
- \*dutiful daughters
- \*virginal girlfriends
- \*devoted wives
- \*sacrificing mothers

Double standard of morality

(two images of women: “madonna and whore”)

Sexual objectification and commodification

Consumerism and materialism



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# REINFORCING FACTORS IN PROSTITUTION

- \*dysfunctional families
- \*government neglect/indifferences
- \*influence of media
- \*church apathy



# PROSTITUTION IN A HUMAN RIGHTS PERSPECTIVE

**No one should be subjected to cruel treatment, inhuman and degrading treatment**

**but**

*Prostitution harms the prostituted women/children if not physically, emotionally and psychologically. No matter how they try to distance, disengage or dissociate their inner-selves from the act of prostitution, the fact remains that their rights to personal integrity, dignity and self-respect are neglected in the process*

They lose the right to be human in the eyes of others





**PROSTITUTION IS NOT  
THE OLDEST  
PROFESSION**

**but**

**THE OLDEST FORM OF  
EXPLOITATION OF  
WOMEN**

## **Panawagan :**

- 1. Wagtangan ang Prostitusyon ug Sex Trafficking**
- 2. Undangon ang pagpahimulos, pagpangabusong sekswal sa bata ug babae**
- 3. Trabaho nga adunay saktong suhulan dili ang pagbaligya sa lawas sa babae ug bata**
- 4. Magtuki kung unsa ang hinungdan nganong adunay Prostitusyon**