An Overview of Family and Community National Security

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Abstract

Nothing is more important than the safety and security of families and communities. Security is a universal entitlement and core part of human well-being, where people cannot enjoy security, poverty and injustice are prevalent. Insecurity is a negative experience characterized by absence of protection, path to redress grievance, fair access to resources and of human right. Heightened levels of violence in urban and rural communities are matched by increased domestic violence in many societies of the world. Many major reports and policy initiatives in recent years have affirmed the need to foster a concept of security which put people at its centre. The focus of this paper is therefore to operationalize family and community security, safety and freedom of family and community members from fear, identify causes of insecurity and suggest coordinated responses to them; thereby providing an enabling environment and consequently bringing solution to global and national development.

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