The Forced Marriage Dimension of Human Trafficking in SE Asia

24 March 2023

MYANMAR

Saw Thar Shee
Project Manager
Yangon Kayin Baptist Women Association (YKBWA)

Forced Marriage cases in Myanmar

October 2015 to October 2021 (6 Years) (Yangon Region)

► Total forced Marriage cases - 178 cases

Destination Country - China

► Legal Process - 107 cases

Reported from - Anti-Trafficking Task Force, Department of

Rehabilitation, Communities, SoT's Friends

and Families, CBOs and CSOs

Main Factor for Forced Marriage Cases

- Poverty
- Lack of access to education
- Lack of job opportunity
- ► Empowerment opportunities for women and girls
- ► Lack of knowledge on safe- migration
- Easy to trust someone
- Greed to have more income
- Desire to support the parents well
- Domestic violence

Collaboration for the Forced Marriage Cases

- Cases were happened in domestic and cross border (Especially to China)
- Collaborate with the ATTF and local police to arrest the perpetrator
- Escort to accompanying victims to court when testifying
- Meet with Deputy of Prosecutor
- Stand as a witness in some cases

Case Management Process

- Family Tracing
- ► Family Reunification
- Psychosocial Support
- Referral System (if needed e.g. health)
- Case Management System
 - Intake
 - Assessment
 - Planning
 - Follow up
 - Closure

Thank You

Saw Thar Shee sawtharshee82@gmail.com