

WHAT IS GENDERCIDE?

Female infanticide is the deliberate killing of a newborn female child by her family. It most commonly happens immediately after birth or within the first year of the girl's life, through drowning, smothering, poisoning, burying, abandonment, or deliberate neglect by not providing nutrition or medical care.

Female feticide is the deliberate selective abortion of a female fetus after prenatal sex determination, thereby preventing a girl child from even being born. Since many countries ban the right to know the sex of a child before birth, this is often done illegally.

The scale of these two issues is staggering - Female gendercide has silently claimed the lives of over 200 million girls of the world.



OUR MISSION



Project "Save the Girl Child" is a youth-led movement working to raise global awareness of female gendercide.

Our mission is to fight for the innocent lives lost each day, provide support for girls in vulnerable situations, and empower girls through education and healthcare to become future leaders.

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TAKE ACTION

Female gendercide has grave consequences. The unchecked decimation of infant girls has caused male-female sex ratios to become seriously skewed with numbers falling as low as 850 girls for 1000 boys. This has led to increase in crime, trafficking, child brides, the poverty cycle perpetuating, population decline, social instability, and labor market economic distortions.



FOR EVERY
1000 BOYS IN
INDIA, THERE ARE
ONLY **914** GIRLS

Female gendercide is predominantly prevalent in South Asian countries, particularly in India and China. It is a complex issue in which poverty, culturally ingrained preferences for a male offspring, societal problems like dowry, government family restriction policies, and lack of education - lead to a devaluation of the girl child in people's minds and therefore the cavalier decision to terminate a life.

Now, due to immigration, female gendercide is also being seen in the UK, Canada, and the United States. The fact that countries outside of Asia are demonstrating a propensity to abort females at high rates, shows that no culture or country is immune to gender discrimination in the form of female infanticide and feticide. Rather, this is a human global problem.



JOIN OUR EFFORTS

Female gendercide constitutes of the worst forms of human rights violations where a girl is denied her most fundamental right - "The right to life". We must work to eradicate it by raising social awareness about the issue and actively empowering the girl-child by ensuring her education and health so that she can survive and thrive.

Gender equality lies at the very heart of each country's successful progress and development. The loss of the girl child in society is a tragedy of lost potential. We must join forces to ensure that sex-selection is understood as discrimination against girls and must end. One person, one action, and one small step at a time can make a big difference.