

Reproductive Health Behavior with Premarried Sex on the Street Children in Pekanbaru City

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ABSTRACT

Street children in their lives face various problems, including mental health and safety problems, physical and psychological violence, crime and premarital sexual behavior. Deviant behavior in Indonesian teenagers nowadays, there are many teenagers who have premarital sex so that unwanted pregnancies and abortions occur. This study aims to analyze reproductive health behavior with premarital sex on street children in Pekanbaru City. This study uses a qualitative approach, observation techniques, in-depth interviews, literature and documentation. The data collection technique used a snowball technique (snowball). There are 6 informants, 3 main informants, 1 key informant, and 2 supporting informants. The results of the research are reproductive health behavior with premarital sex carried out by street children due to the influence of peers and the influence of the mass media, they consider premarital sex to be normal and the right of every individual. It is hoped that related parties will provide reproductive health education on premarital sex behavior through social media and limit access to pornographic sites, equip teenagers with religious values so that teenagers are afraid to commit deviant acts.

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1. Introduction

Street children in their lives face various problems, including mental health and safety problems, physical and psychological violence, crime and premarital sexual behavior⁽¹⁾. Premarital sex is all forms of behavior based on sexual urges carried out by men and women before there is an official bond or agreement as husband and wife and there is no desire/commitment to form a family. They do not realize and assume that their sexual behavior does not have any impact on themselves, is not excessive and does not have any risk⁽²⁾.

Data from the Ministry of Social Affairs (2016), the number of street children is 4.1 million, a drastic increase from 2015. The number of teenagers who have premarital sex, the occurrence of unwanted pregnancies, and abortions carried out by teenagers is 700-800 thousand of the 2.4 million population Indonesia. Data from the BKKBN (2017), found that 3.2 million adolescents aged 15-19 years had unsafe abortions. Based on WHO data, more than 32 thousand women experienced unwanted pregnancies in the period 2010-2014. This number is one of the highest in the ASEAN region⁽³⁾.

Based on data from the Pekanbaru City Social Service (2018), Pekanbaru in the last 3 years, the number of street children in 2016 was 15 people, increased in 2017 to 30 people, and increased again in 2018 as many as 33 people. The initial survey was conducted by interviewing 5 street children, 2 of whom had premarital sex. The reason they do this is due to a lack of knowledge about premarital sex and the invitation of friends to watch pornographic films, causing the desire to have sexual relations⁽⁴⁾.

Based on the description above, the researcher is interested in conducting research on "Reproductive Health Behavior with Premarried Sex On The Street Children in Pekanbaru City".

2. Method

This study uses a qualitative approach, observation techniques, in-depth interviews, literature and documentation. Data collection techniques using the snowball technique (snowball) ⁽⁵⁾. This research was conducted in one of the locations of street children in the Tampan District of Pekanbaru City on August 5 to August 06 2019. There were 6 informants, 3 main informants, 1 key informant, and 2 supporting informants. The main subjects/informants in this study were street children at Simpang Tabek Gadang, Tampan District, Pekanbaru City. The types of data collected are primary data through in-depth interviews and observations and secondary data through data searching either through agencies, institutions, print media or electronic media with the data triangulation method. The analysis used is thematic analysis, which allows researchers to find patterns that others do not see clearly

3. Results and Discussion

3.1 Research Result

a. Trend of Street Children Knowledge About Premarried Sex

The lack of knowledge of street children about premarital sex that they do causes great curiosity and an urge to try new experiences in their teens and they find out for themselves through sources that are less accurate/true. This can be seen in the following quote:

"...free sex, if you have free sex it's good, even though we have girlfriends, we don't want to have sex with many men. Even if we are together on this road, Sis, we are the same as the girls separately, sis.....(Main Informant 1).

"...free sex is having sex like husband and wife, right, but with your own partner it's also free sex, the impression is not good if we are not with our own partner, usually we do it with our own partner, right, it's impossible for us to do it without basis do not like, without basis do not love. Especially with other people. Usually they do this free sex with their own partner"..... (Main Informant 2).

"...free sex, yes, that's how you change partners, do it with anyone, not just with your partner"(Main Informant 3).

b. The Trend of Street Children's Attitudes About Premarried Sex

Attitude is a reaction or response that is still closed from a stimulus or object, more than half of street children stated that their attitude towards sexual behavior was normal for them. This can be seen in the following quote :

"...yes, it feels like heaven on earth, heaven is like that".....(Main Informant 1).

"...my attitude is normal, Sis when it's cakes like that, the important thing is to take care of yourself so you don't get pregnant, if you're pregnant it's going to make other people difficult.(Main Informant 2).

"...if I don't know my attitude, sis, am I confused too because it's normal for us to be like that here?".....(Main Informant 3).

c. Tendency to Influence Street Children's Peers About Premarried Sex

Friendship will have a secret but very deep influence in adolescence, they find it easier to communicate and open up to their friends. Street children obtain their sexual information from their peers or street children who are older than them, either through pornographic books, pornographic films/VCDs or seeing their friends having sexual relations. Street children said that they behaved sexually because they were influenced by their friends. This can be seen in the following quote :

"...yes, it hurts, he says it's delicious, that's why I want to know, I'm curious to try it, apparently it's true".....(Main Informant 1).

"...yes, it's normal to joke, see what's going on, eee, it's delicious like this, it's just jokes. Your friends are still alone, you caught it, cieee why did you take it, it's delicious, it's delicious, it's like that, cake like that".....(Main Informant 2).

"...at least we were just joking, asking questions like that is normal, kidding like that, yes, what kind of stories were you talking about, how many rounds, how long, what style of cake hehehe.....(Main Informant 3).

d. Trend of Street Children's Economic Factors

The economic crush is the most reason why street children take to the streets. A child living as a street child is not a pleasant life choice, but a compulsion that must be accepted. There are certain conditions that cause it to be lived. Due to poverty or economic factors, children are forced to earn a living to help meet their personal needs. This can be seen in the following quote :

"...if the economic factor is a little bit but not completely, it must be called a need, yes, of

course.....(Main Informant 1).

"...because it's not comfortable at home, it's more comfortable on the road, right with friends, and don't want to add to the burdens of the family. Because I'm not an economically rich person, right, it's better if I'm on the road too, I can find my identity, I can learn to be independent, if there's a job, this is singing.".....(Main Informant 2).

"...it's my wish, especially now that my mother and father have broken homes, that's why I prefer to go on the road, because there are many families on the road, my friends are my family too. To meet the needs of my life, sometimes I sing too".....(Main Informant 3).

e. Tendency of Mass Media Influence on Premarried Sex

The use of mass media is often misused by street children. One of the causes is the increasing dissemination of information and sexual stimulation through social media, apart from peers, the mass media has a great influence on children's knowledge of sexual behavior. In general, street children often watch pornographic videos either through cellphones, internet or DVD cassettes. This can be seen in the following quote :

"...because I often look at porn videos on youtube, on google it feels like I want to taste it, that's great, it's really great that's why I did it to my girl".....(Main Informant 1).

"...never, except for me and my partner, I really love him, I just want to be like that with my partner, but if I just watch it with my partner, it will affect me,, hahahahahaha.....(Main Informant 2).

"...if I'm alone, I rarely do, except with my partner, after all, I've been married before, right, so if you want to change your style, you'll have to look at it first,,,,,,,,,,,,, hahahaha.....(Main Informant 3).

3.2 Discussion

a. Street Children Knowledge About Premarried Sex

Based on research from the 3 main informants, they already know about premarital sex. They learned about the premarital sexual behavior from friends of the informants and also from the internet. Even though they already know about premarital sex, they still do it because it has become a habit and the assumption of street children that premarital sex is the right of every individual. Teenage street children also said that they had premarital sex only with their own partners. One of the informants said that they already have children and leave them with their families.

This is in accordance with the opinion of Notoatmodjo (2012), the level of knowledge covered in the cognitive domain starts from knowing, understanding (comprehension), application (application), analysis (analysis), synthesis (synthesis), evaluation (evaluation). Cognitive knowledge is a very important domain for the formation of one's actions (over behavior) ⁽⁶⁾.

b. Street Children's Attitudes About Premarried Sex

Based on research from the 3 main informants, their attitude is normal towards their premarital sex behavior, because in the street children their premarital sex behavior is commonplace. Even when the researchers conducted interviews, one of the informants had sexual behavior by kissing the cheek and embracing their partner. They are not ashamed to behave sexually in public because it has become a habit.

This is in accordance with the opinion of Notoatmodjo (2012), attitude is a reaction or response that is still closed from someone to a stimulus or object. The manifestation of that attitude cannot be directly seen, but can only be interpreted beforehand from closed behavior. An automatic attitude has not manifested itself in an action ⁽⁶⁾.

c. The Influence of Street Children's Peers on Premarried Sex

Based on research from the 3 main informants, the influence of peers has an effect on their premarital sex behavior. Because the main informant's friends will usually share their experiences about sexual behavior with the main informants, because on the street they live together, they sleep together, so they will share experiences with each other, such as their premarital sex experiences with their friends.

According to Santrock (2011), peers have an important role in adolescent development. Teenagers tend to choose friends who have the same interests and values, this is so that they have similarities in various ways so that they are comfortable when communicating ⁽⁷⁾.

d. Economic Factors on Street Children

Based on research from the 3 main informants said that the economic situation also affected the main informants taking to the streets, they took to the streets to fulfill their daily needs by singing. As stated by one informant, if they are hungry they will sing first, if they feel that the money they get is enough to buy food, they will stop singing and so on if they are hungry again they will sing first and there

are also informants who say that they cannot find comfort. at home so they take to the streets to find identity and freedom.

According to Suyanto (2010), economic factors or poverty cause children to take to the streets. Poverty is defined as a condition where a person is unable to take care of himself in accordance with the standard of living of the group and is also unable to utilize his mental and physical energy in the group. As a result of poverty or these economic factors, children are forced to earn a living to help meet the needs of their family's life or for their personal needs, so many drop out of school and take to the streets to work as buskers, beggars, and others ⁽⁸⁾.

e. The Effect of Mass Media on Premarried Sex

Based on research from the 3 main informants, the mass media is very influential in their sexual behavior. In addition, technology that is getting more sophisticated every day makes it easy for them to access pornographic content. Adolescence is a time when a great curiosity about something and wants to try things that are seen and heard, by watching porn videos stimulate them to have sexual relations. As one informant said that he watched pornographic videos with his partner and had premarital sex after watching the videos. One of the informants also said that he imitated the premarital sex behavior that was carried out through the porn video.

According to Papalia (2011), many teenagers who get most of their "sex education" from the media present a distorted view of sexual activity, associate these activities with pleasure, excitement, competition, danger or violence and rarely show the risks of unprotected sexual intercourse and some Studies have shown an association between media influence and early sexual activity ⁽⁹⁾.

4. Conclusion

Based on the results of the study, it can be concluded that reproductive health behavior with premarital sex carried out by street children is due to the influence of peers and the influence of the mass media, they consider premarital sex to be normal and the right of every individual. The mass media has a great influence on premarital sex behavior by street children, because with the internet they can see pornographic videos that stimulate sexual behavior. It is hoped that related parties will provide reproductive health education on premarital sex behavior through social media and limit access to pornographic sites, equip teenagers with religious values so that teenagers are afraid to commit deviant acts.

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