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Child Marriage: A Promise of Poverty

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- *60 million girls, age 17 and under, are married*
- *Maternal mortality is 5 times higher for girls under age 15*
- *In some countries, women are more likely to die in childbirth than to receive an education*
- *Gender-based violence has been identified as both a cause and consequence of child marriage*
- *Education of women and girls is one of the surest ways to break the cycle of poverty*

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