Context of Sexual Harassment among Junior and Senior High School Students

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ABSTRACT

Sexual harassment is an issue which happens ubiquitous in schools. It can be committed in various forms such as verbal or physical, victims can be anyone regardless of gender however, most victims are female and students, this inflicts not only physical harm but also psychological aspect and worst victims commit suicide. This study assesses the students' perception on sexual harassment whether physical, verbal and mixed it covers the legal methodologies and policy employed by the concerned schools as a whole in implementing the different programs and instructions and the characterization on the nature of work and the working conditions of different participating institutions. Offshoot, this study come up with a training-seminar module intended to increase awareness of the students on sexual harassment. This study utilized descriptive research using convenient sampling technique, data were analyze using frequency & percentage and average weighted mean. Results disclosed that: students unanimously agree that sexual harassment can be on various forms but apparently not aware of other forms of this act; students rarely get an educational information about sexual harassment but noted the importance of faculty, administration and student cooperation to prevent it; hence, there are students who experienced incidents of sexual harassment in the school premises and majority do not report it; majority of the respondents confirms there are no programs, regulations and instrumentalities to prevent sexual harassment in their school. Training module was created to be implemented thru extension project to educate students and help institutions draft a mechanism in handling such cases.

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