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PREVENTION IN TAMAN INDAH PERMAI,
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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.0 Introduction

This chapter focuses on the background of the study, which is on the awareness towards rape prevention among women in Taman Indah Permai, Sepanggar, Sabah. Section 1.0 discusses the background of the study; section 1.2 explains the problem statement and section 1.3 states the research questions. On the other hand, section 1.4 states the research objectives and section 1.5 is on the information regarding the scope of the study. In addition, section 1.6 explains the significance of study and lastly section 1.7 is all about the definition of terms, terminology and concepts.

1.1 Background of the study

The issue of rape is a serious issue that gives a lot of negative impact that affecting every nation including Malaysia. Rape cases are increasing in the country every year. It showed a continuous rising trend during the last four years. Moh 2012 stated that for rapes, 206 cases were reported in 2009, 200 in 2010, 151 in 2015 and 23 in the first two months of 2016.

Sabah alone recorded 12,473 rape cases involving mostly teenagers between 2011 and June 2015 (Marryan, 2015). Besides that, Community Development and Consumer Affairs Minister Datuk Jainab Ahmad said based on police statistics, 11,667 of the victims were teenagers aged 13 to 18 while the rest were children. This indicates that teenagers accounted for 93.5 per cent of the total number of rape cases. Police reports also show there were 435 cases of abandoned babies in Sabah from 2011 to June 2015.