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FEMALE CIRCUMSION AS ONE OF THE TRADITION OF THE KURIA TRIBE FOUND IN NORTHERN PART OF TANZANIA

This is a total way of life a particular society this may include the way they greet, dress and there daily practices.

The kuria tribe is one of the most famous tribe and strong tribe in Tanzania. It is found in northern part of Tanzania along the lake Victoria the tribe has a lot of different culture practices example of this cultural practices are,

1. Bitting of spouse.

Members of the tribe both men and women believes that in order for a man to show that he loves his wife then he must bit his wife as a sign of love for her and when the wife sees that her husband does not bit her then she will feel that she is not loved.

2. Polygamy (having more than one wife).

The members of the this tribe believes have more than one wife two three or more is a pride and brings respect for that person in the society.

3. Female circumision (female genital multilation).

The members of the kuria tribe also believe that circumcised women are the best women since they can make good wife unlike to the uncircumcised they will be faithful to their husbands and it is more enjoyable having sexual intercourse will circumcised women than the uncircumcised.

4. All cattle as being their properties therefore they fight and invaid neighbor tribes and take away all the cattles from them believing that the cattle other tribes posses at one time they were belonging to them.

The above mentioned traditional practices of the kuria tribe can all be explained in more details but our greater interest in on the female circumcision (female genital multilation).

The female circumcision involves taking out some of the organs found in the female genitals. Mostly of this process involves the removal of the clitoris from the female genitals.

The female circumcision among the members of the kuria tribe is done by the old women who are trained and assigned for that job therefore before any woman is married they will make sure that she is circumcised and therefore she deserves and she is ready to make a wife and incase she is not yet circumcised then the women will have to do the circumcison for her.

The female circumcised as one of the tradition of the kuria tribe in Tanzania have the following effect to the women who are circumcised.

1. It can lead to spread of diseases.

This is because most of the tools used during this process are not safe and sterilized becouse they are used by different people therefore this can lead to spread of diseases one person to the other.

2. Exessive loss of blood which sometimes it can lead to death.

This because during this process the women who is circumcised losses a large amount of blood this can sometimes lead to the death of an individual.

3. Psycholigical effects

This act of female circumcison affects some of the women psychologically especially those those who are not infavour of the act.

Not all the cultural practices that are done by our various societies are good and should be encourage some of them have to be strongly discouraged because they are just poor and native believes and they have some effects to a certain groupof people in the society just like the female genital multination which in real sense it is of no any importance in the society but rather it affects the women in the kuria society therefore it should be strongly discouraged among the members of the kuria society.