As a result, families may see child marriage as

- A form of protection from violence
- A way to cope with poverty

In some conflict areas, such as Iraq, Syria, Somalia and Nigeria, women and girls have also been abducted and forced to marry.

More needs to be done to protect girls from child marriage during crises:

1. Recognise child marriage as a critical issue in times of crisis – not just an afterthought
2. Identify what makes girls vulnerable to child marriage in humanitarian crises by involving and listening to them.
3. Include child marriage prevention and support to married girls in any humanitarian response from the beginning of a crisis. Involve all sectors.
4. Do more research to understand how crises affect adolescent girls in different contexts

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