

Law and order Issues in New Ireland

In New Ireland Province, there has been an increase in law and order issues. Law and order in a society is a situation in which laws are obeyed, and people behave in an organized and peaceful way. In the province, there are currently a lot of issues and problems in communities due to the increased law and order issues. Some common issues in relation to the law order issue in New Ireland are, domestic violence, use of drugs or alcohol and abuse. These issues have significantly caused problems in communities within New Ireland. Individuals that are causing these problems and are the cause of these issues, all belong to a family unit. This means that every individual is influenced by their own family upbringing and influence from the community they live in.

To begin with, one of the most common law and order issues in the province is domestic violence. In PNG as a whole, domestic violence is known to have affected most family units in provinces, communities and villages, that it has become a norm to people's behavior. In New Ireland, in villages and communities, domestic violence has become a norm, in the means that they think it is ok to resolve problems or issues with violence and other abuse in their lives whether it is in a marriage or in a family unit. It is a huge issue because it happens in communities all around New Ireland. On Lihir island domestic violence has become a problem especially in marriages or families and is now so bad that if an individual has been injured or hurt due to domestic violence and is to be treated at the main hospital, he/she has to pay K400 up front to get treated. This has been done in the means to get people to stop domestic violence.

To add on, abuse is also another issue that has increased in New Ireland due to influence and lifestyle. Abuse can be done in various ways which means it misuses something or treats an individual with cruelty. In New Ireland, currently child abuse and sexual abuse has been a huge issue in villages, towns and communities around the province. Child and sexual abuse are issues in relation to law and order issues that has had a huge effect on young lives in New Ireland, this is because new lifestyle, foreign influence or even family influence has influenced individuals to abuse others in ways to make them feel good or to abuse others as they think it is ok to do. In villages young teenagers and adults are abusing kids or teenagers as a child being abused and at the same time sexually harassed'. This has caused young teenagers to get jailed in doing so. In New Ireland and so as everywhere else young people are getting influenced by bad influencers and bad examples, which can start in an individual's family unit or the surrounding environment. Abusive issues cannot be controlled as long as no one understands what respect means or what it means to have morals and values.

Furthermore, law and order issues are creating a lot of problems in communities and villages. Smoking drugs or drinking alcohol are one of the main issues around the province. The smoking of drugs and drinking of alcohol have become a huge issue especially to teenagers and young adults in this generation, smoking and consuming alcohol are consumed almost everyday in the means that it is normal. Consumption of such substances cause health problems, either physically or mentally, and most importantly it causes individuals to do unusual, cruel, or stupid things that

has brings bad consequences on them. In New Ireland, the use of drugs and alcohol have caused problems in a lot of young individuals lives. In villages all around the province young boys especially are consuming drugs and alcohol, as they consume these toxic substances, they are influenced in so many ways, that are usually really bad, and it resulting in abusing others being violent towards others and having a bad mindset. Every individual belongs to a family and each family, friends, and peers have influence on each other. Being from a family means growing up with influence by family members or having to follow moral standards set by an individual, either good or bad.

In conclusion, I believe that Law and order issues in New Ireland have increased due to environmental influences, family upbringing, and morals of a person. In most families in New Ireland, respect and morality are not being instilled in family units, which is not a child, a teenager and young adult's fault. As the head of a family unit, parents should be responsible in instilling respect and moral standards in their families so that their child knows what is right, what is wrong and how to respect each other and everyone else around them. Having moral standards and respect being instilled in each family in New Ireland will guaranty a good future and well being of individual, and also decrease the Law-and-Order issues in our Province.

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