

# VIOLENCE AGAINST CHILDREN SINDH

JANUARY - JUNE 2025

## FACT SHEET

### Introduction

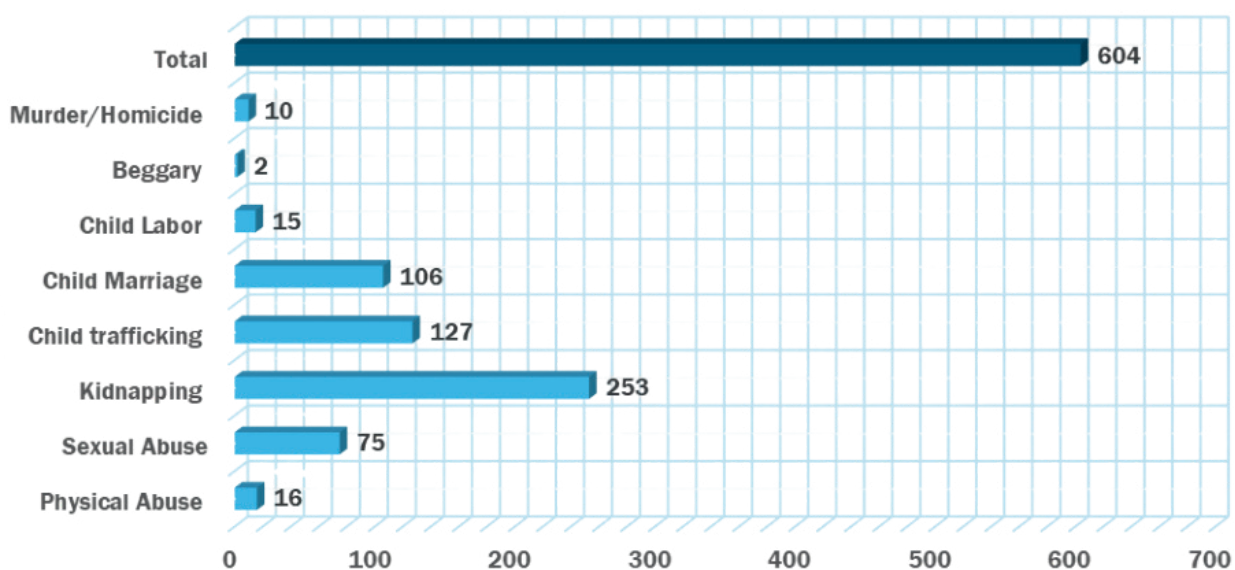
The factsheet presents data on violence against children (VAC) in Sindh, obtained through the Right to Information (RTI) from the police department. Reported cases are categorized into physical abuse, sexual abuse, child trafficking, child labor, child beggary, child marriage & Murder/Homicide. The data also outlines the progress of these cases within the legal process, including those under investigation, challan submitted, under trial, convicted, acquitted, or withdrawn.

The rate represents the number of reported VAC cases per 100,000 children aged below 18 years, providing a standardized measure to compare across districts with different population sizes. In some cases, districts with smaller populations may reflect higher rates even with fewer cases, while districts reporting a greater number of cases are identified as high-risk areas, indicating a wider and more entrenched prevalence of child abuse.

### Objectives

- To assess the prevalence and patterns of violence against children in Sindh from January to June 2025.
- To identify and analyse gaps in the reporting, investigation, and trial proceedings of cases in Sindh.

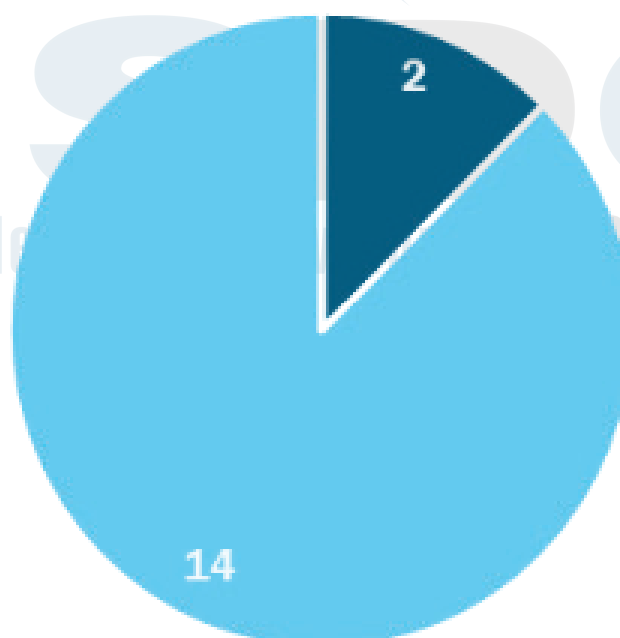
**Violence Against Children Registered Cases**



| Indicators        | Registered cases | Challaned | Under Investigation | Under Trial | Conviction | Acquittals | Withdrawn |
|-------------------|------------------|-----------|---------------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Physical Abuse    | 16               | 11        | 5                   | 10          | 0          | 0          | 0         |
| Sexual Abuse      | 75               | 53        | 13                  | 44          | 1          | 2          | 1         |
| Kidnapping        | 253              | 100       | 43                  | 49          | 0          | 6          | 29        |
| Child trafficking | 127              | 48        | 33                  | 42          | 18         | 1          | 18        |
| Child Marriage    | 106              | 84        | 52                  | 63          | 0          | 0          | 5         |
| Child Labor       | 15               | 15        | 15                  | 15          | 0          | 0          | 0         |
| Beggary           | 2                | 2         | 2                   | 2           | 0          | 0          | 0         |
| Murder/Homicide   | 10               | 8         | 4                   | 5           | 0          | 0          | 0         |
| Total             | 604              | 321       | 167                 | 230         | 19         | 9          | 53        |

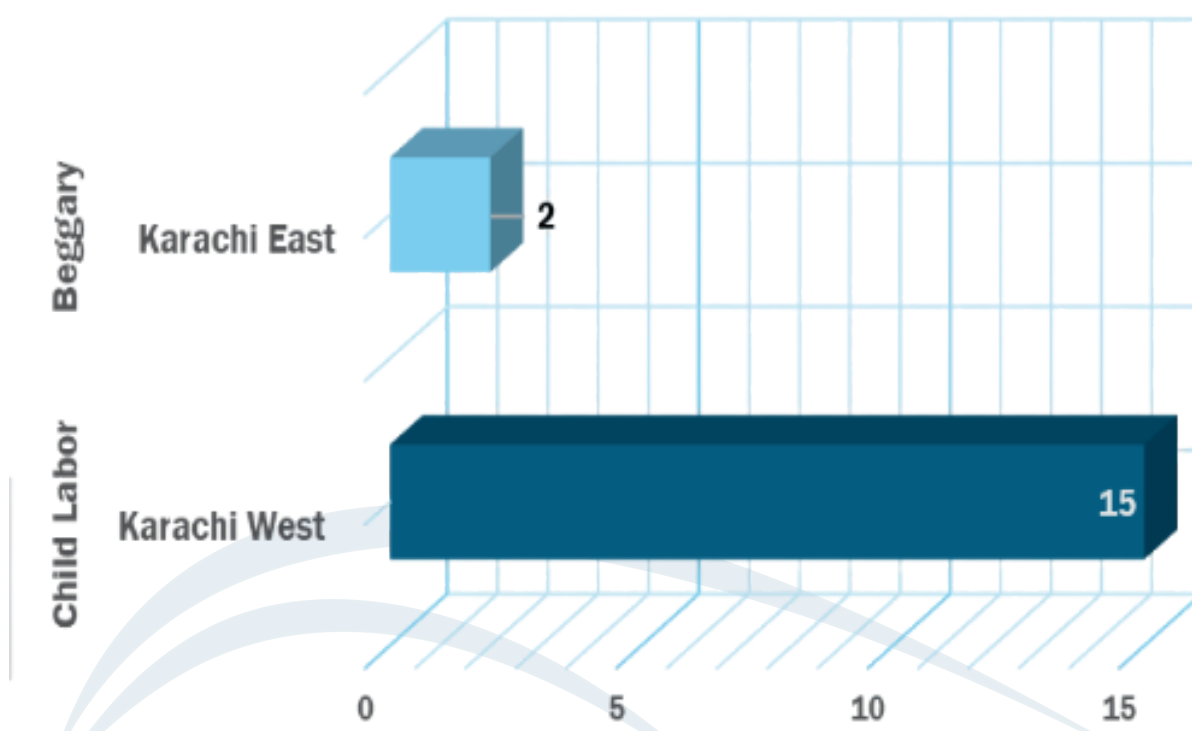
## District-wise Breakdown of Cases

### Physical Abuse Registered Cases - District wise



■ Karachi South ■ Mitiari

## Child Labor & Child Beggary



## Child Murder/ Homicide Registered Cases- District wise

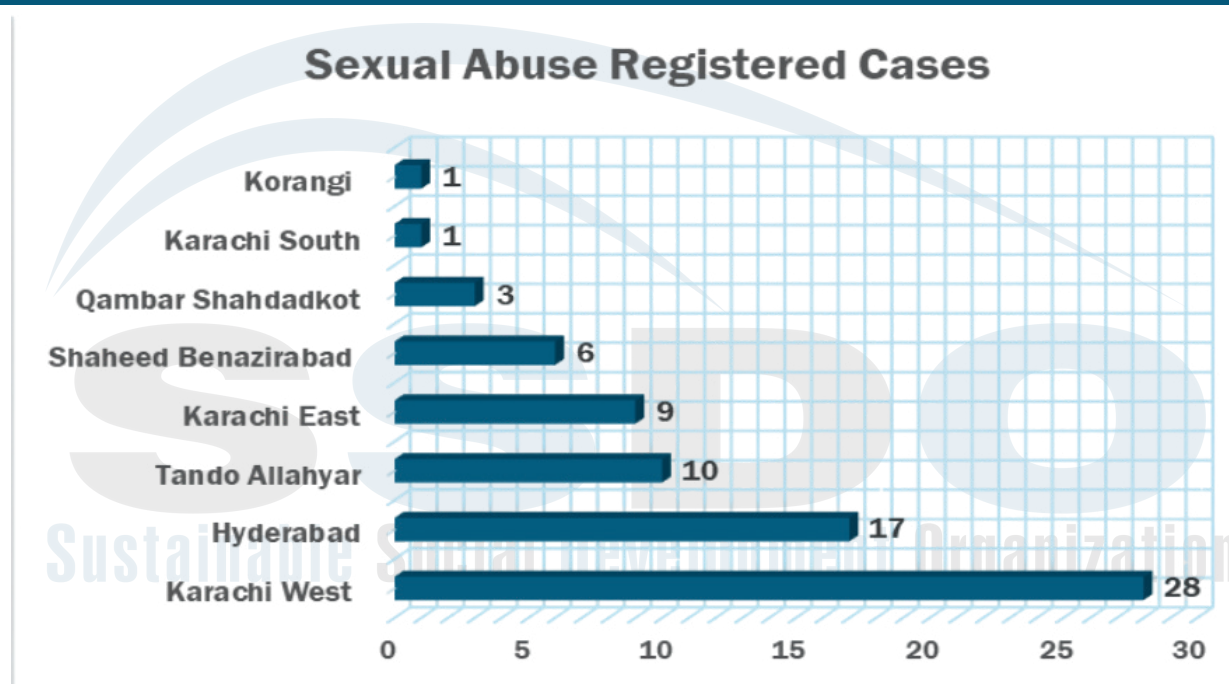
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- Naushero Feroz
- Tando Allahyar
- Karachi west
- Qambar Shahdadkot
- Karachi South

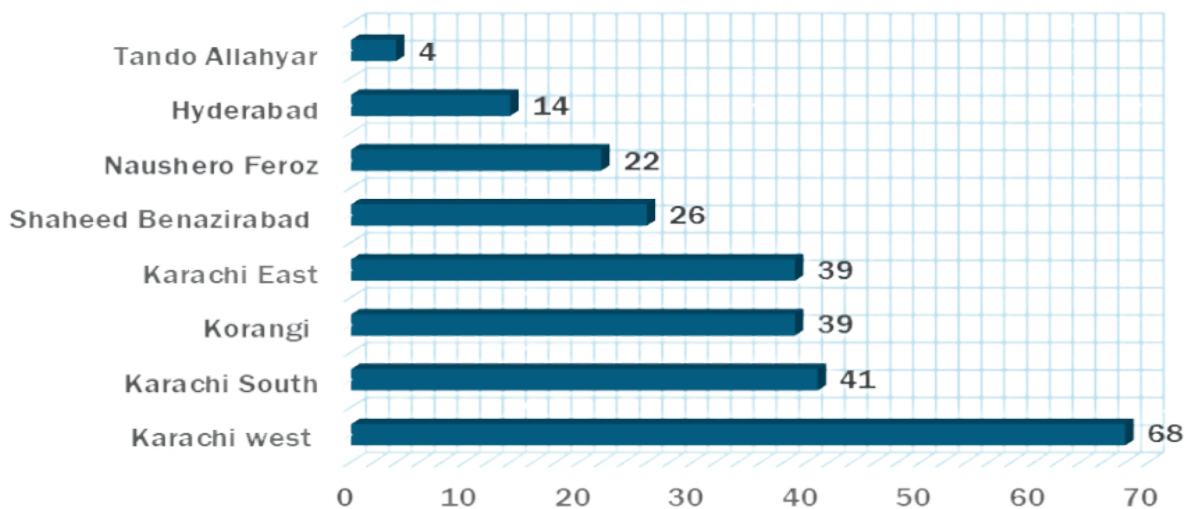
Child labour cases (15) were reported only in Karachi West, while child beggary cases (2) were confined to Karachi East. Cases of child physical abuse were recorded in just two districts Karachi South (14) and Matiari (2). Meanwhile, five districts reported incidents of child murder/homicide.

|                  | Districts         | Registered Cases | Challaned | Under Investigation | Under Trial | Conviction | Acquittals | Withdrawn | Under 18 Population | Rate |
|------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------|---------------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|---------------------|------|
| Physical Abuse   | Karachi South     | 2                | 1         | 1                   | 0           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 886,026             | 0.2  |
|                  | Mitiari           | 14               | 10        | 4                   | 10          | 0          | 0          | 0         | 417,089             | 3.4  |
| Child Labor      | Karachi West      | 15               | 15        | 15                  | 15          | 0          | 0          | 0         | 1,158,357           | 1.3  |
| Beggary          | Karachi East      | 2                | 2         | 2                   | 2           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 1,624,302           | 0.1  |
| Murder/ Homicide | Naushero Feroz    | 4                | 3         | 1                   | 2           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 891,228             | 0.4  |
|                  | Tando Allahyar    | 2                | 2         | 2                   | 0           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 463,433             | 0.4  |
|                  | Karachi west      | 2                | 1         | 1                   | 1           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 1,158,357           | 0.2  |
|                  | Qambar Shahdadkot | 1                | 1         | 0                   | 1           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 812,033             | 0.1  |
|                  | Karachi South     | 1                | 1         | 0                   | 1           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 886,026             | 0.1  |



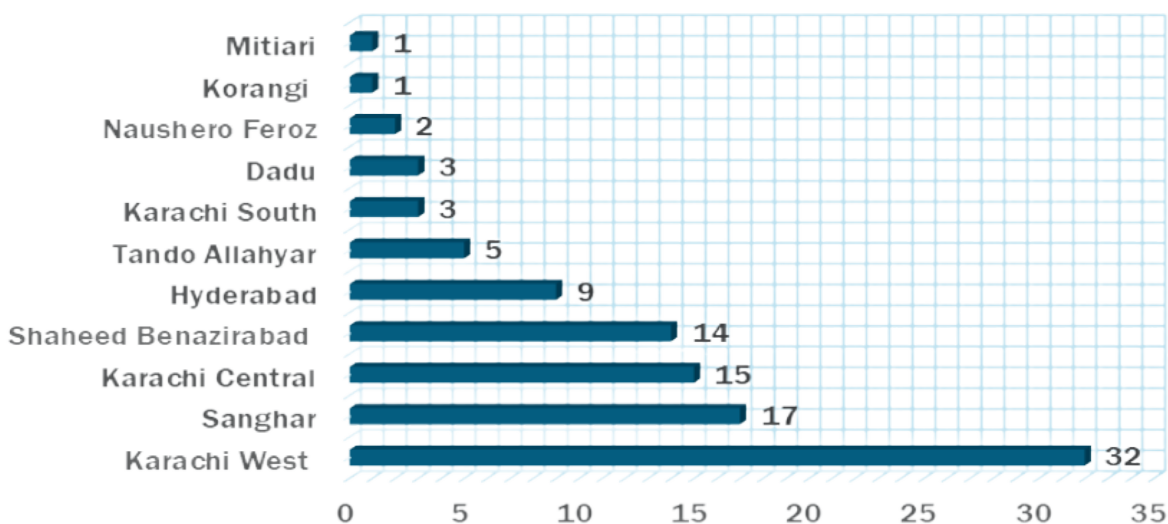
| Districts           | Sexual Abuse Registered Cases | Challaned | Under Investigation | Under Trial | Conviction | Acquittals | Withdrawn | Under 18 Population | Rate |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|---------------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|---------------------|------|
| Karachi West        | 28                            | 23        | 3                   | 23          | 0          | 0          | 0         | 1,158,357           | 2.4  |
| Hyderabad           | 17                            | 12        |                     | 12          | 0          | 0          | 0         | 1,061,160           | 1.6  |
| Tando Allahyar      | 10                            | 7         | 2                   | 6           | 0          | 1          | 1         | 463,433             | 2.2  |
| Karachi East        | 9                             | 2         | 7                   | 0           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 1,624,302           | 0.6  |
| Shaheed Benazirabad | 6                             | 4         | 1                   | 0           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 931,309             | 0.6  |
| Qambar Shahdadkot   | 3                             | 3         | 0                   | 1           | 1          | 1          | 0         | 812,033             | 0.4  |
| Karachi South       | 1                             | 1         | 0                   | 1           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 886,026             | 0.1  |
| Korangi             | 1                             | 1         | 0                   | 1           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 1,412,765           | 0.1  |

## Kidnapping Registered Cases



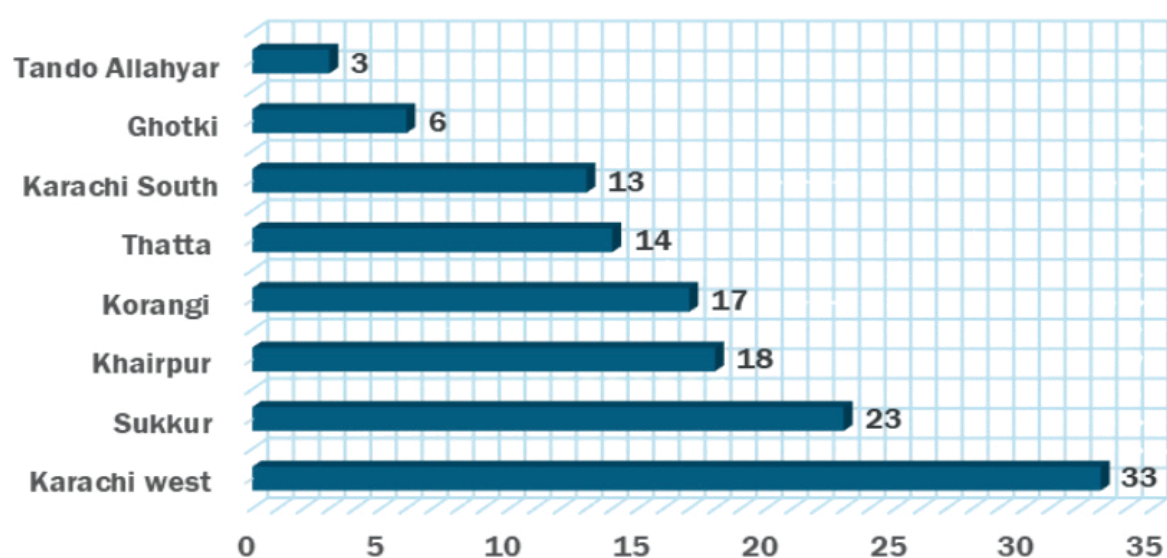
| Districts           | Kidnapping Registered Cases | Challaned | Under Investigation | Under Trial | Conviction | Acquittals | Withdrawn | Under 18 Population | Rate |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|-----------|---------------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|---------------------|------|
| Karachi west        | 68                          | 20        | 1                   | 20          | 0          | 0          | 0         | 1,158,357           | 5.9  |
| Karachi South       | 41                          | 11        | 10                  | 11          | 0          | 0          | 18        | 886,026             | 4.6  |
| Korangi             | 39                          | 15        | 9                   | 0           | 0          | 6          | 8         | 1,412,765           | 2.8  |
| Karachi East        | 39                          | 29        | 10                  | 0           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 1,624,302           | 2.4  |
| Shaheed Benazirabad | 26                          | 8         | 9                   | 1           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 931,309             | 2.8  |
| Naushero Feroz      | 22                          | 9         | 3                   | 9           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 891,228             | 2.5  |
| Hyderabad           | 14                          | 8         | 0                   | 8           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 1,061,160           | 1.3  |
| Tando Allahyar      | 4                           | 0         | 1                   | 0           | 0          | 0          | 3         | 463,433             | 0.9  |

## Child Marriage Registered Cases



| Districts           | Child Marriage Registered Cases | Challaned | Under Investigation | Under Trial | Conviction | Acquittals | Withdrawn | Under 18 Population | Rate |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|---------------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|---------------------|------|
| Karachi West        | 32                              | 32        | 30                  | 17          | 0          | 0          | 0         | 1,158,357           | 2.8  |
| Sanghar             | 17                              | 15        | 2                   | 13          | 0          | 0          | 0         | 1,161,274           | 1.5  |
| Karachi Central     | 15                              | 15        | 15                  | 15          | 0          | 0          | 0         | 3,429,873           | 0.4  |
| Shaheed Benazirabad | 14                              | 3         | 4                   |             | 0          | 0          | 0         | 931,309             | 1.5  |
| Hyderabad           | 9                               | 8         | 0                   | 8           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 1,061,160           | 0.8  |
| Tando Allahyar      | 5                               | 0         | 0                   | 0           | 0          | 0          | 5         | 463,433             | 1.1  |
| Karachi South       | 3                               | 3         | 0                   | 3           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 886,026             | 0.3  |
| Dadu                | 3                               | 3         | 0                   | 3           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 872,141             | 0.3  |
| Naushero Feroz      | 2                               | 1         | 0                   | 1           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 891,228             | 0.2  |
| Korangi             | 1                               |           | 1                   | 0           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 1,412,765           | 0.1  |
| Mitiani             | 1                               | 1         | 0                   | 1           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 417,089             | 0.2  |

## Child Trafficking Registered Cases



| Districts      | Trafficking Registered Cases | Challaned | Under Investigation | Under Trial | Conviction | Acquittals | Withdrawn | Under 18 Population | Rate |
|----------------|------------------------------|-----------|---------------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|---------------------|------|
| Karachi west   | 33                           | 7         | 13                  | 5           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 1,158,357           | 2.8  |
| Sukkur         | 23                           | 2         | 12                  | 2           | 0          | 0          | 9         | 839,062             | 2.7  |
| Khairpur       | 18                           | 18        |                     | 18          | 18         | 0          | 0         | 1,351,118           | 1.3  |
| Korangi        | 17                           | 4         | 7                   | 0           | 0          | 0          | 6         | 1,412,765           | 1.2  |
| Thatta         | 14                           | 10        | 0                   | 10          | 0          | 1          | 0         | 546,597             | 2.6  |
| Karachi South  | 13                           | 1         | 1                   | 1           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 886,026             | 1.5  |
| Ghotki         | 6                            | 6         | 0                   | 6           | 0          | 0          | 0         | 889,472             | 0.7  |
| Tando Allahyar | 3                            | 0         | 0                   | 0           | 0          | 0          | 3         | 463,433             | 0.6  |

The graphs illustrate district-wise cases of child sexual abuse, kidnapping, trafficking, and child marriage. Only districts that reported cases are shown, while those with zero cases are excluded for clarity.

**604** cases of VAC reported  
from January to June 2025.

**4** children were abused everyday  
from January to June 2025.

**Child Kidnapping** recorded the  
highest number of cases among  
all indicators.

Conviction rate is **3%**

