

## Child Marriage and Early Child Bearing are Harmful Because they can Lead to:

- No further growth of the adolescent girl on conception
- Poor health of adolescent mother
- Anemia in mother
- Death of mother during child birth
- Death of the baby during birth
- Baby born dead
- Weak (low birth weight) baby
- Baby may be born before maturity

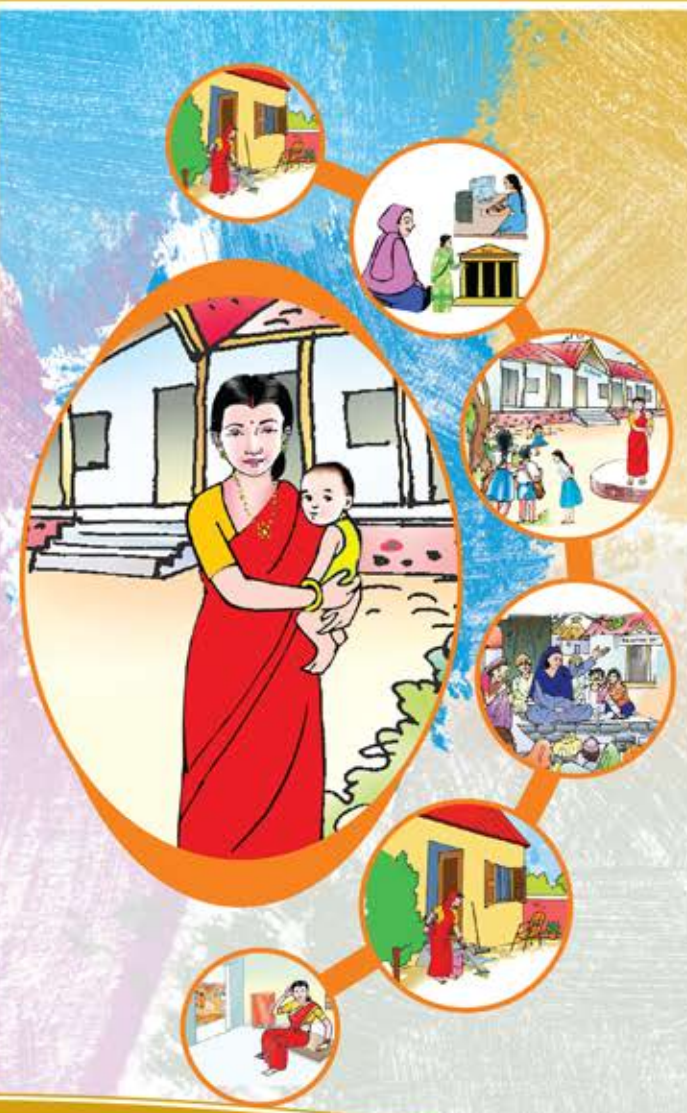


Early marriage of girls leads to early childbearing by girls



A girl may not be able to take proper care of children when she has children at an early age

## Say 'No' to Child Marriage



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Marrying before 18 years of age is child marriage for girls



Child marriage puts an end to outdoor games for married girls



Child marriage puts an end to a girl's opportunities to learn skills to be self-reliant and earn a livelihood

Child marriage puts an end to schooling of girls



A married girl is expected to do household work and not play



Early marriage affects her chances to assume leadership roles like panch & sarpanch for development of her village