SOCIAL APPROACH TO JUVENILE DELINQUENCY IN MOROCCO: FIELD STUDY OF CHILD PROTECTION INSTITUTION

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Abstract: The juvenile delinquency in its current situation is considered, with its expanding form in Morocco, as well as in the rest of the world, one of the most serious social problems, which its development is related to industrial progress and economic and social structures revolution. The researcher has taken the subject of his paper entitled "the social approach to juvenile delinquency in Morocco ", on the basis of the social dimensions, depending on the most important scientific theories of juvenile delinquency.

The researcher has used in the treatment of its subject, the qualitative study, knowing that the field research, has proved the existence of overlapping factors and complex variables, who made clear the reality surrounding the problem of juvenile delinquency in Morocco.

The objectives of the research can be identified in the following points:
- Study the problem of juvenile delinquency in Morocco, who are under the age of eighteen years, by descriptive, analysis study, in an attempt to understand the nature of the relationship between social variables and the deviation category mentioned.
- Depth in the character of this group of juvenile delinquent, and identify the social context in which they grow.
- Understand the social and economic conditions in which live this young community, and educational methods and human relations which they are subject.
- Detection of the position of this group on the correctional institutions harboring them and to which is assigned their rehabilitation and reeducation.

The data obtained in this study, can help the researcher to identify the reasons and the main factors, which contribute significantly to the deviation in Morocco, which may ease to suggest some recommendations to try to contain this problem.

The researcher used in this research the "case study" tool, following the steps he fixed, starting with a direct interview, to identify the juvenile subject of the study, and collect available information on him, related to general aspects, this personal, health, family, relational and emotional information and life within the correctional Centre ; well as administrative files existing in Centre.

Concerning the study sample, the researcher sample consisted of two models of juvenile offenders, and these cases represent to some extent, the real model for juvenile offenders.

Based on the information collected via direct contact with chosen cases of delinquency the researcher has reached the following conclusions:
- That wrong family upbringing, and the incorrect methods of education, such as the use of violence, the loss of affection and tenderness, the indulging overload, the absence of control, and indifference to his desires and needs, are all key factors of deviation.
- That the deterioration of the economic situation to the families of juvenile delinquents, contribute significantly to commit the crime, and increases when added to weak socialization and family.