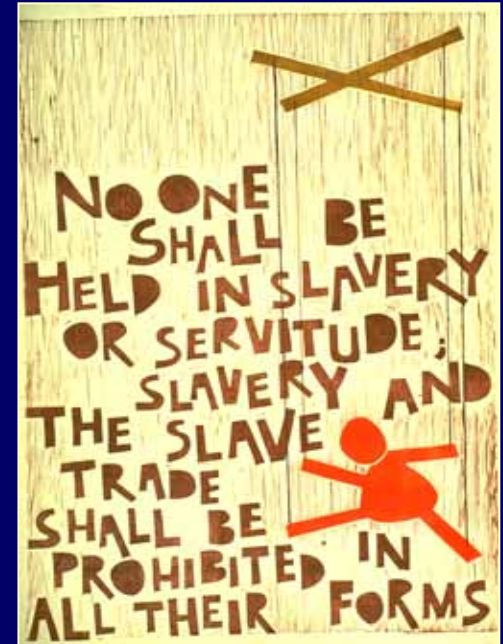


Risk factors & vulnerability to Child Trafficking

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Understanding root causes of child trafficking & exploitation

‘Poverty’ alone cannot explain why:

- some poor countries have more child trafficking than others;
- there are more WFCL in some cities than in others;
- traffickers are active in some places & not in others;
- some communities face more child trafficking than others;
- some families are more at risk of trafficking than others;
- why girls (in most cases) are most at risk;

Poverty PLUS

Key: Understand risk factors & vulnerability at different levels

Why is an understanding of risks & vulnerabilities important?

- To target the target group – i.e. those most at risk - and reduce their risk;
- Without reducing risk & vulnerability no lasting solutions;
- To predict where trafficking might develop under changing circumstances;



Risk factors & vulnerability at many levels

Macro level

External & institutional risk factors

Recruiters Intermediaries Distant relative Clients Employers

3. Community risks at source

2. Family risk factors

4. Workplace risks at destination



Vulnerable child

PUSH

PULL

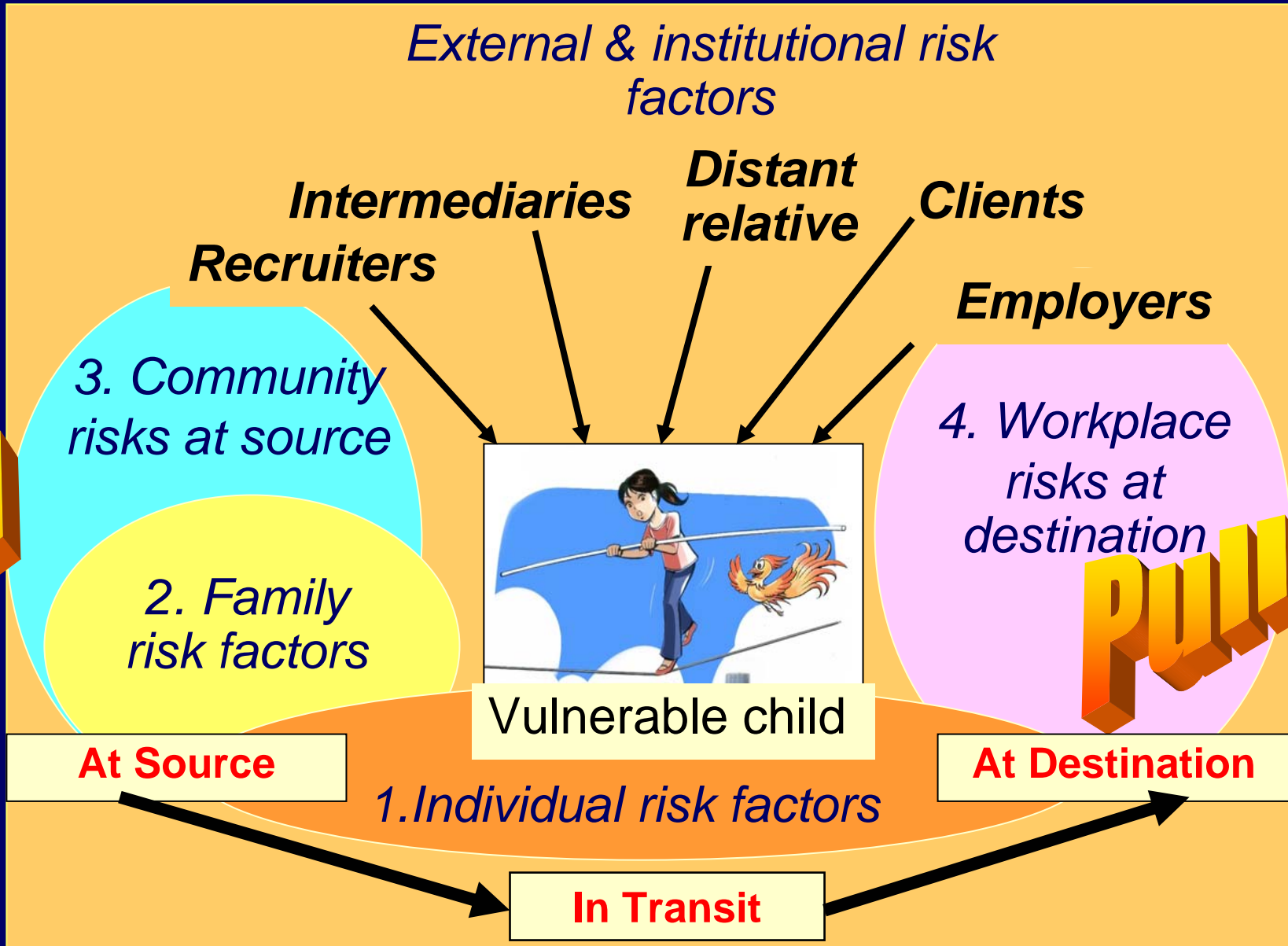
Micro level

At Source

At Destination

1. Individual risk factors

In Transit



Target the target group

Key questions:

- Which children are most vulnerable to trafficking and re-trafficking?
- What are the key risk factors that create vulnerability in the lives of these identified children?

NOTE: Former victims of child trafficking may provide useful information