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**JOHANNESBURG:** While South Africa's HIV infection rate may have stabilised experts warn that the country's slow AIDS response has triggered a time bomb that may leave one in three children orphaned.

"Estimates show that by 2015, some 5,700,000 or 32 percent of all children in South Africa would have lost one or both parents due to HIV/AIDS," said Gail Eddy, a researcher at the Institute of Race Relations, told AFP.

In 2008 there were 1.5 million AIDS orphans according to the country's health department.