

Pakistan being one of the signatory of ILO convention 182,138 and also the Child Right Convention is trying its best to get rid of the nuisance of child labor.

Considering that the effective elimination of the worst forms of child labour requires immediate and comprehensive action, taking into account the importance of free basic education and the need to remove the children concerned from all such work and to provide for their rehabilitation and social integration while addressing the needs of their families, MoSWES has started working on ILO pilot programme on CDL & decided to continue the programme to highlight behind the door CDL issues & elimination of CDL.

Ministry of Social welfare and Special Education is playing an active role highlighting WFCL elimination as Pakistan strongly believes in the Declaration of the Rights of the Child that every child is entitled to all the rights and freedoms without any kind of distinction & discrimination.

Child Labor is a delicate multidimensional issue on account of the fact that these children are very sensitive & deprived children, they need to be taken care of in a special and caring manner. Keeping in mind the fragility of such children an inclusive Toolkit is the need of the hour to turn this project in a huge success. This toolkit will help in monitoring project activities of BEEP centers and helps in resolving research, health & hygiene issues.

Our aim is to make Pakistan Child Labour free country.

Secretary
MOSWSE

I am feeling great pleasure on the publication of the present Toolkit as it materializes the vision of MoSWSE to provide an enabling environment & tangible opportunities, through projects that would contribute in poverty alleviation & promotion of social progress & social justice in the country. This CDL project which is a joint venture of the Ministry of Social Affairs and Special Education in collaboration with ITA (Idara e Taleem o Aagahi) is a true picture of our mission.

Child Domestic Labor is one of the burning issues of South Asia but it hardly receives the attention of even those who claim to be very sensitive regarding the injustice prevailing in our society. The reason being most of the domestic child labor is leading miserable lives while serving in the houses of rich and majority is of young innocent girls who are badly suppressed. Now is the time to realize the gravity of the situation and to take the matter seriously. The present CDL project is an effort with the desire to pave way for the safety, protection and the gradual elimination of this WFCL.

For the effectual application of the project and to give CDL the right to be protected from economic exploitation and from saving them from hazardous work that is harmful to their health or physical, mental, spiritual, moral or social development an effective & comprehensive Toolkit was urgently required. The present Toolkit is an important step for the successful accomplishment of this project.

I sincerely hope that this toolkit will help in achieving its set targets & also help in the effective abolition of domestic child labour.

I would also like to congratulate MoSWES & ITA team for developing such an inclusive and result oriented toolkit.

Minister
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