

ILO TECHNICAL COOPERATION – CHILD LABOUR

Project Snapshot

State-based Programmes	Targeting the Worst Forms of Child Labour: combating child labour and economic exploitation among adolescents in the sericulture industry in Karnataka - India	
	Duration: November 2002 – August 2008	
	Donor & Budget Italy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs USD 3,626,767	Objective Contribute to the Government's efforts to combat child labour and reduce the vulnerability of adolescents to economic exploitation through an integrated package of technical assistance.
	Results and Outcomes	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5,000 children (8 to 14 years) mainstreamed into formal education. • 2,000 adolescents (14+ to 18 years) provided with income generation skills or formal vocational training. • 1,000 adult family members provided with income generation skills and assistance to establish self-employment activities in the local economy. • 180 Self Help Groups (SHGs) with 20 mothers each formed to curb child labour. • 3,600 mothers trained in thrift and credit activities. • 100 owners of silk reeling and twisting industries facilitated to upgrade their businesses to child labour free production. • Contributed to the Government of India's efforts to combat the worst forms of child labour and reduce the vulnerability of adolescents to economic exploitation through an integrated package of technical assistance in the areas of education, training and income generation and upgrading of local industries. • Awareness raising programme and the provision of educational opportunities implemented. • Adapted, implemented and institutionalized the ILO's Community-based Training (CBT) and Start/Improve Your Business (S/IYB) methodologies for employment and income generation at the local and district levels. • Provided support services for community-based skills training and self-employment for project beneficiaries. • Formed block level and district levels federation of Self Help Groups (SHGs) and provided support for 3,600 mothers of released child workers. • Supported vocational training institutions to organize skills training programmes on modular training techniques and incorporating labour market information criteria. • Established the required labour market information and training capacity to provide modular-based skills training programmes linked to local employment opportunities. • Implemented tailor-made training programmes for vulnerable youth in the age group 15-18 yrs. in skills linked to employment opportunities in local industries. • Created capacities within small enterprise support organisations to implement programmes that upgrade and secure decent working conditions in the small silk reeling and twisting industries. 		

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Worked with silk reeling and twisting industries to eliminate child labour.• State and district, block, <i>Gram panchayat</i>, SDMC, <i>Anganwadi</i> level institutions strengthened to imitate and sustain action against child labour.• Established community monitoring to monitor out of school children and child labour and ensured convergence of services for the benefit of child workers and their families.• Conducted policy research on vocational education policy. |
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