

RE-EXAMINATION OF CHILD LABOUR FROM FEW UNNOTICED PERSPECTIVES

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ABSTRACT

Child labour implies that who are in the age group below 14 yrs and who work for themselves or for their family for an income and who contribute a significant share to the labour force of India. Child labour is more a rural phenomenon than an urban phenomenon in India. It is found that acute poverty and other reasons poor families send their children to urban areas for bread and butter. In urban areas, to survive in a cutthroat competition, manufacturers have lowered the real wages for adult workers in order to employ child workers on low wages. The problem is very much vast in its dimension. Children are forced to work in the most hazardous, unhygienic conditions, where they are vulnerable to many severe health problems. Child labour is an international evil. It requires cumulative efforts to wipe it out. Toiling long hours for a pittance, these little breadwinners accept exploitation as a way of life. This article gives a solid platform for debate with few unnoticed issues regarding child labour problem

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