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INCREASE IN CHILD LABOUR
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the latest report of International Labour Organisation (ILO) has stated that the global financial crisis are likely to lead to an increase in the number of child labour including girls child labour; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a) & (b): An International Labour Organisation (ILO) Report titled "Give Girls a Chance: Tackling child labour, a key to the future" highlights that the global crisis and increasing poverty will have a negative impact on child labour including girl child labour. The Government of India is already addressing the issue of child labour through its scheme of the National Child Labour Project and other pro-active steps like awareness generation and convergence policies.