

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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FEMALE CHILD LABOUR

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

- (a) the total number and percentage of female child labourers out of the total child labourers in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the data in regard to the increase in the number of domestic child labourers during the last three years;
- (c) the details of schemes specially meant for the girl child labourers and the number of children benefited from it;
- (d) the number of placement agencies registered in Delhi; and
- (e) the mechanism through which these placement agencies are being regulated and monitored?

Answer

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT(SHRI MALLIKARJUN KHARGE)

(a): As per the national Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) survey in 2004-05, there were 90.75 lakh working children out of which 47.51% girl child labour. The State-wise details are as per Annexure-I

(b): Government of India has banned employment of children below 14 years for domestic work. As per Census 2001, there were 1.26 crore working children in the country in the age group of 5-14 which came down to 90.75 lakh as per National Sample Survey Organisation(NSSO) survey in 2004-05. The last available data of number of children employed as domestic help was 1,85,505 as per census 2001.

(c): The Government is implementing National Child Labour Project (NCLP) for rehabilitation of boys/girls child labourers withdrawn from work. Under the Project, children withdrawn from work are enrolled in the special schools, where they are provided with bridge education, vocational training, nutrition, stipend, health care, etc. before mainstreaming into formal education system.

(d) &(e): There are no placement agencies for child labour. Child Labour Prohibition & Regulation Act, 1986 prohibits child labour in specified occupations and processes and regulates the employment of children in non prohibited occupations and processes.