

National Child Labour Project

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The NCLP Scheme seeks:

- **To eliminate all forms of child labour through**
 1. Identification and withdrawal of all children in the Project Area from child labour,
 2. Preparing children withdrawn from work for mainstream education along with vocational training;
 3. Ensuring convergence of services provided by different government departments/agencies for the benefit of the child and their family;

- **To contribute to the withdrawal of all adolescent workers from Hazardous Occupations / Processes and their skilling and integration in appropriate occupations through**
 1. Identification and withdrawal of all adolescent workers from hazardous occupations / processes,
 2. Facilitating vocational training opportunities for such adolescents through existing scheme of skill developments

- **Raising awareness** amongst stakeholders and target communities, and orientation of NCLP and other functionaries on the issues of 'child labour' and

'employment of adolescent workers in hazardous occupations/processes'; and

- **Creation of a Child Labour Monitoring, Tracking and Reporting System.**

The scheme focuses on:

- All child workers below the age of 14 years in the identified target area.
- Adolescent workers below the age of 18 years in the target area engaged in hazardous occupations / processes²
- Families of Child workers in the identified target area

Key highlights

- The overall approach of the project is to create an enabling environment in the target area, where children are motivated and empowered through various measures to enroll in schools and refrain from working, and households are provided with alternatives to improve their income levels
- NCLPS will be implemented in close coordination with State, District administration and Civil society. Elimination of Child Labour is joint responsibility of the Ministry of Labour and Employment and the State Governments.
- Other stakeholders such as District Administrations, local communities, civil society groups, NGO"s, academicians and enforcement agencies have an important role to play.
- The scheme seeks to not only set up the implementation structure but also institutionalize monitoring and supervision for effective functioning of the scheme.

- **NCLPS is a central sector scheme where 100%** of the funding is provided by the Government of India through the Ministry of Labour and Employment.
- Funds under the existing NCLP scheme are released by the Central Government directly to the registered NCLP District Project Society under the chairpersonship of the administrative head of the district namely District Magistrate/District Collector (DM/DC)/Deputy Commissioner of the district who is under administrative control of the State Govt