

Jamaica

Ratifications: 0

1. Source of Information

Survey response	Yes	Date of Arrival: 12.12.2002
Completed by	Ministry of Labour and Social Security	
Original language	English	
List of Documents attached	-	

2. Additional Information Questions 1-15

ILO Conventions		National Legislation	
Q.	Headings	Keywords	
Scope of application			
5.	Specific categories of workers	A. Young workers	Age range: 16 and under
6.	Gender-specific	Gender specific provisions related to OSH (<i>specify</i>)	Yes. Women's Employment Act
Preventive and protective measures			
7.	Technical rules and measures	Comment	The Factories Act ¹ and existing ILO Guidelines and British Guidance Notes are used to advise on best practices
Organisational frameworks, mechanisms and measures			
10.	Implementation of national OSH requirements	By methods other than... (<i>specify</i>)	No

3. Additional Questions

Promotion			
16	Yes, it can be achieved by all of the promotional means at our disposal. It is expected that 100% success is achievable in the larger enterprises and about 60% in the smaller enterprises. This works out to be an average of 80% overall.		
Standards			
17	A	Used as guidance	Yes, with respect to current OSH Conventions, these instruments have been employed as guidance and model in shaping our national law and practice. The OSH Conventions/Standards were used in the writing of the Draft Occupational Safety and Health Act.
	B	Intend to use as guidance	Yes
18	Intention to ratify		-
19	A	Articles posing obstacle to ratification	-
	B	Other types of obstacles to ratifications	-
	C	Measure to overcome or remove obstacles	-
20	Concerns that should be the object of further standards setting action by the ILO		The ILO could set or suggest standards in addressing the manual reaping of sugar cane and bananas.

¹ NATLEX reference: JAM-1990-L-31021

Codes of Practice			
21	Intention to use COPs	See answer to question 17	
22	Concerns that should be the object of new COPs	Codes of Practice in addressing the manual reaping of sugar cane and bananas.	
Technical Cooperation			
23	A	Development of OSH policy	We have received assistance in the development of national policy and implementation strategy in child labour
	B	Legal reform	We have also received assistance to draft a new OSH Act. This draft Act is in the process of being passed into law.
	C	Awareness raising and advocacy	-
	D	National infrastructures	-
	E	Inspection systems	-
	F	Information management	-
	G	Collection and processing of data	-
	H	Building the capacities of employers' and workers' organizations	-
	I	Linkages and networking between national agencies, bodies and organizations	-
	J	Health and well-being	-
	K	Gender-specific issues	-
L	Other areas	-	
24	How ILO could improve its technical cooperation activities	The ILO could provide OSH monitoring to developing countries along with the requisite training on how to effectively use and maintain these instruments. The ILO could assist developing countries such as those in the Caribbean, with computers to facilitate the setting up of important databases. These could, for example, give information on hazardous substances and other materials and on practices affecting safety and health at work. A Regional Emergency Response System could eventually be set up.	
Information			
25	How ILO could improve its activities concerning the collection, processing, maintenance, dissemination and public access to OSH related information	-	

4. Completion of the survey

Question		Yes/No	Description of process
26	A	Were the most representative employers' organizations consulted in its preparation	No
	B	Were the most representative workers organizations consulted in its preparation	No
	C	Was there consultation with any governmental authorities outside the Ministry responsible for labour	No
27	A	Did employers' organizations make any comments on the survey	No
	B	Did workers organizations make any comments on the survey	No
	C	Have the comments received been taken into account in the response submitted to this survey	No
28	List of employers and workers organizations to which copies of this survey were sent	-	