

***“I WISH SUCCESS TO OUR PANEL
DISCUSSION ON ‘LOCAL
MEASURES’ ON BEHALF OF
ÇORUM SOCIAL DIALOGUE
PARTNERS.”***

GEOGRAPHICALLY LOCATED AS A BRIDGE CONNECTING THE REGIONS OF BLACK SEA AND CENTRAL ANATOLIA, ÇORUM HAS SIGNIFICANT POTENTIAL AS AN INDUSTRIAL AND TRADE CENTRE OF NEAR FUTURE.

THE PROVINCE HAS 13 ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICTS, A POPULATION TOTTALLING TO 600,000 AND OVER 250 INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISES. THE WORKING AGE POPULATION IN THE PROVINCE IS 457,323 AND ACTUAL LABOUR FORCE IS 261,457. THE RATE OF UNEMPLOYMENT IS 5.4 %. THERE ARE SIGNIFICANT ENTERPRISES ACTIVE IN SUCH FIELDS AS FLOUR, FEED, MACHINERY, PAPER, TEXTILES, WEAVING, CEMENT, SUGAR, CERAMICS AND CASTING.

THE PROVINCE HAS A SHARE OF 18% IN COUNTRY'S TOTAL RICE PRODUCTION. THE SHARE IN EGGS IS 15 % AND BRICK 25 %. TOTAL ANNUAL OUTPUT OF FLOUR IS 500,000 TONS AND ROASTED CHICKPEA PRODUCTION IS 1.000 TONS.

SSK DATA

| YEARS | 2002 SEPTEMBER | 2003 SEPTEMBER | 2004 SEPTEMBER | 2005 SEPTEMBER | 2006 SEPTEMBER |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| NO. OF WORKPLACES | 4580 | 4759 | 5120 | 5494 | 6256 |
| INCREASE % | | 3,90 | 7,58 | 7,30 | 13,86 |
| NO. OF EMPLOYEES | 30.997 | 28.461 | 29.785 | 35.712 | 39.293 |
| INCREASE % | | -8,18 | 4,65 | 19,89 | 10,02 |

BAĀ-KUR DATA

| YEARS | 2004 DECEMBER | 2005 DECEMBER | 2006 DECEMBER |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| ARTISANS/ TRADESMEN | 19.976 | 19.094 | 18.258 |
| AGRICULTURE | 13.902 | 13.770 | 14.166 |

INFORMAL EMPLOYMENT

- **EXAMINING LABOUR MARKETS IN THE PROVINCE WE OBSERVE INFORMAL EMPLOYMENT MOSTLY IN THOSE WORKPLACES WHICH ARE ACTIVE ONLY IN SPECIFIC SEASONS.**
- **BESIDES THIS, THERE IS ALSO INFORMAL EMPLOYMENT IN SMALL SCALE ENTERPRISES AND IN OCCASIONAL WORKS AS IT IS THE CASE IN THE COUNTRY IN GENERAL.**

SOCIAL DIALOGUE

- **WORK OF THE SOCIAL DIALOGUE GROUP FORMED IN ÇORUM TO COMBAT INFORMAL EMPLOYMENT IS IN PROGRESS WITH THE INVOLVEMENT OF ALL RELEVANT PARTIES.**

ÇORUM ACTION PLAN

- **STEP 1: MOBILISING LOCAL PRESS FOR NEWS ABOUT THE ACTIVITIES OF THE SOCIAL DIALOGUE GROUP**
- **STEP 2: ADDRESSING THE ISSUE IN THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF CSOs.**
- **STEP 3: ADDRESSING THE ISSUE IN THE SUB-COMMISSION OF PROVINCIAL EMPLOYMENT BOARD**

- **STEP 4: VISITS TO WORKPLACES BY COMMISSION MEMBERS**
- **STEP 5: DISSEMINATION OF BROCHURES, LEAFLETS AND POSTERS**
- **STEP 6: INFORMATION MEETING COVERING SMALL ENTERPRISES IN COOPERATION WITH KOSGEB**
- **STEP 7: SELECTION AND AWARDING OF MODEL ENTERPRISES**

STEP 1

**MOBILISING LOCAL PRESS FOR
NEWS ABOUT THE ACTIVITIES
OF THE SOCIAL DIALOGUE
GROUP**

**LOCAL MEDIA COVERAGE OF
ACTIVITIES AGAINST
INFORMAL EMPLOYMENT**

STEP 2

**INCLUDING THE ISSUE IN THE
AGENDA OF THE PLATFORM
OF CIVIL SOCIETY
ORGANISATIONS**

**DECLARATION PREPARED FOR THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF CIVIL
SOCIETY PLATFORM CONSISTING OF
100 ORGANISATIONS WAS
DISSEMINATED TO PARTICIPANTS ON
23.12.2006**

STEP 3

**INCLUDING THE ISSUE IN THE
AGENDA OF THE SUB-
COMMISSION OF
PROVINCIAL EMPLOYMENT
BOARD**

**ON 25.01.2007 THE PROVINCIAL
EMPLOYMENT BOARD HELD AN
EXTRAORDINARY MEETING
CHAired BY DEPUTY GOVERNOR
İSMAİL ÇORUMLUOĞLU AND
BOARD MEMBERS WERE
INFORMED ABOUT THE ISSUE.**

STEP 4

VISITS TO WORKPLACES WITH COMMISSION MEMBERS

**WORKPLACES IN THE PROVINCE
ARE VISITED AND EMPLOYERS
ARE INFORMED ABOUT ONGOING
WORK ON INFORMAL
EMPLOYMENT**

STEP 5

DISSEMINATION OF BROCHURES, LEAFLETS AND POSTERS

**LEAFLETS AND POSTERS SENT
TO THE PROVINCIAL
DIRECTORATE BY THE
MINISTRY AND ILO WERE
USED TO BUILD PUBLIC
OPINION**

STEP 6

**MEETING TO INFORM SMALL
ENTERPRISES IN
COOPERATION WITH
KOSGEB**

**CONTACTS ARE ONGOING
WITH KOSGEB ON THE
TIME, VENUE AND
CONTENT OF THE MEETING
TO BE HELD**

STEP 7

**SELECTION OF MODEL
WORKPLACES TO BE
AWARDED**

**WORK ON IDENTIFYING
CRITERIA TO SELECT MODEL
WORKPLACES IS ONGONG
WITH THE SUPPORT OF
RELEVANT INSTITUTIONS**

MEASURES THAT CAN BE TAKEN

- **THE SOCIAL DIALOGUE GROUP SHOULD CONTINUE ITS EFFORTS TO BUILD SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY IN GENERAL**
- **THE ISSUE SHOULD BE MAINTAINED IN THE AGENDA.**

MEASURES THAT CAN BE TAKEN

- **CRITERIA FOR MODEL ENTERPRISES SHOULD BE SET AND THE MoLSS SHOULD AWARD FLAGS OR BANNERS TO THESE WORKPLACES**
- **THE IMPORTANCE OF UNIONISATION SHOULD BE STRESSED AND WORKERS SHOULD BE INFORMED ABOUT THEIR UNION RIGHTS.**

IMPACT OF PROJECT ACTIVITIES ON PUBLIC AT LARGE

- **MEDIA COVERAGE OF PROJECT ACTIVITIES**
- **POSTERS AND LEAFLETS CONTRIBUTE TO BUILDING PUBLIC AWARENESS AND SENSITIVITY REGARDING THE ISSUE.**

THANK YOU