



**ILO DECLARATION ON FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES AND RIGHTS AT WORK
ANNUAL FOLLOW-UP CONCERNING NON-RATIFIED FUNDAMENTAL CONVENTIONS**

REPORT FORM

Elimination of all forms of forced or compulsory labour

Introduction

The ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and its Follow-up, which was adopted by the International Labour Conference at its 86th Session on 18 June 1998, recalls that all Members, even if they have not ratified the Conventions regarded as fundamental, have an obligation arising from the very fact of their membership in the Organization to respect, to promote and to realize, in good faith and in accordance with the Constitution, the principles concerning the fundamental rights which are the subject of those Conventions.

In order to give the Organization and its Members the opportunity of regularly observing their efforts to promote those principles, the Declaration has a promotional follow-up, one component of which sets out to obtain, through annual reports requested under article 19, paragraph 5(e), of the Constitution, information from Members that have not ratified one or more of the fundamental Conventions, on any changes to their law and practice with regard to each of the categories of principles and rights set out in the Declaration.

This report form, which has been approved by the Governing Body of the International Labour Office for use by States that have not ratified the Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No. 29), or the Abolition of Forced Labour Convention, 1957 (No. 105), forms part of this component of the follow-up to the Declaration.

To be completed with regard to the principles concerning the fundamental rights which are the subject of the Convention or Conventions¹ to which your State is not a party.

Please continue answers on a separate sheet, if necessary, indicating the number of the question.

1. Is the principle of the elimination of all forms of forced or compulsory labour recognized in your country? _____ Yes _____ No
- 2.1. Do legislation and/or judicial decisions in your country define forced or compulsory labour in its various forms? _____ Yes _____ No
- 2.2. **If yes**, what is this definition?
- 3.1. Are all forms of forced or compulsory labour prohibited? _____ Yes _____ No
- 3.2. For any type that is **not** prohibited (for example, chattel slavery, bonded labour, trafficking of persons which involves forced labour, prison forced labour), please specify and state the reasons for this.
- 4.1. Are there any categories of persons or activities not covered by the application of this principle in your country? _____ Yes _____ No
- 4.2. **If yes**, please indicate which ones.
- 5.1. Is there a national policy for realizing the principle of the elimination of all forms of forced or compulsory labour? _____ Yes _____ No
- 5.2. If yes, please describe its objectives, scope, targets and implementing mechanisms. *Please attach relevant policy documents to your reply, indicating Q. 5.*
- 5.3. **If no**, (a) does the Government intend to adopt policy on this subject?
_____ Yes, by _____ (date) _____ No

(b) would the Government like to receive ILO assistance in developing it? _____ Yes _____ No
6. In instances where the Government finds that the principle has not been respected, what does it do? Please describe action taken in recent instances (for example, penalties imposed for the use of forced labour).
7. Please describe the current factual situation in your country with respect to forced or compulsory labour, including an indication of which groups of the population are most vulnerable to this practice.

¹ The texts of these Conventions may be consulted on the ILO Internet site (<http://www.ilo.org>), in the official compilation of international labour Conventions and Recommendations, or obtained by request from the ILO Distribution Service, 4, route des Morillons, CH-1211 Geneva 22.

8.1. Have specific measures been implemented or envisaged in your country in relation to realizing the principle of the elimination of all forms of forced or compulsory labour?

___ Yes ___ No

8.2. Please specify these measures *by ticking the relevant boxes below.*

Type of measure	Implemented	Envisaged
Awareness raising/advocacy		
Legal reform		
Inspection/monitoring mechanisms		
Penal sanctions		
Civil or administrative sanctions		
Special institutional machinery		
Capacity building		
Employment creation/income generation		
Educational programmes		
Rehabilitation following removal from forced labour		
International cooperation programmes or projects		
Tripartite examination of issues		
Other measures. Please specify		

8.3. (a) In these measures, is special attention given to the situation of particular groups of people (for example, men, women, boys, girls)? ___ Yes ___ No

(b) Please specify the groups

8.4. If any special measures undertaken in your country can be regarded as successful examples of the elimination of forced or compulsory labour, please describe them. *Please attach any relevant documents, indicating Q. 8.4.*

8.5. Have employers' and/or workers' organizations been involved in the development and implementation of government measures?

If yes, please describe. *Please attach relevant documents, indicating Q. 8.5.*

9.1. Is there any government authority responsible for the identification, emancipation and/or rehabilitation of persons subject to forced labour? ___ Yes ___ No

9.2. **If yes**, please provide the name(s) and a description of the responsibilities of the entity/entities concerned.

10.1. Does the Government work with multilateral agencies, with donors bilaterally and/or with non-governmental organizations at the multilateral level in relation to the elimination of forced or compulsory labour? _____ Yes _____ No

10.2. **If yes**, please name these organizations and briefly describe this cooperation.

11.1. Does the Government collect statistics and other information relevant to the elimination of all forms of forced or compulsory labour? _____ Yes _____ No

11.2. **If yes**, please identify the statistics and information, and name the institution(s) from which the ILO can obtain this information.

11.3. **If no**, does the Government plan to do so?

12. Please describe any major changes concerning the principle since your last report (for example, changes in the regulatory, policy or institutional frameworks, initiation of significant new programmes, new data, change in the number of people working under forced labour conditions).

Major change	Date of change

13. What have been the main difficulties encountered in your country with respect to realizing the principle of the elimination of all forms of forced or compulsory labour? *Please tick all that apply.*

Nature of the difficulty	Forced labour due to debt bondage	Forced labour due to trafficking	Other type. Please specify
Lack of public awareness and/or support			
Lack of information and data			
Social values, cultural traditions			
Social and economic circumstances			
Political situation			
Legal provisions			
Prevailing employment practices			
Lack of capacity of responsible government institutions			
Lack of capacity of employers' organizations			
Lack of capacity of workers' organizations			
Lack of social dialogue on this principle			
Other. Please specify			

- 14.1. Does your Government see a need for new and/or continued technical cooperation with the ILO to facilitate the realization of the principle of the elimination of forced or compulsory labour?

___ Yes ___ No

- 14.2. **If yes**, please indicate your technical cooperation needs, **ranking them** as follows:

1 = most important; 2 = second most important, 3 = third most important; 0 = not important.

*Please attach further details for the **first three priority technical cooperation needs** that you identify in relation to the elimination of forced or compulsory labour, indicating Q. 14.*

Type of technical cooperation desired	Ranking
Assessment in collaboration with the ILO of the difficulties identified and their implication for realizing the principle	
Awareness-raising, legal literacy and advocacy	
Strengthening data collection and capacity for statistical collection and analysis	
Sharing of experiences across countries/regions	
Policy advice	
Legal reform (labour law and other relevant legislation)	
Capacity building of responsible government institutions	
Training of other officials (e.g. police, judiciary, social workers, teachers)	
Strengthening capacity of employers' and workers' organizations	
Employment creation, skills training and income generation for vulnerable workers	
Development of social protection systems	
Rural development policies (for example, land reform, rural infrastructure, agricultural extension, marketing, microfinance)	
Cross-border cooperation mechanisms	
Coordination between institutions (e.g. various ministries and relevant commissions)	

Other. Please specify

15.1. Regarding the preparation of this report:

- (a) Was the most representative employers' organization consulted in its preparation? _____ Yes _____ No
- (b) Were the most representative workers' organizations consulted in its preparation? _____ Yes _____ No
- (c) Was there consultation with any governmental authorities outside the Ministry? _____ Yes _____ No

15.2. **If yes**, to any of the above, please describe the consultation process(es).

16. Regarding comments received on this report:

- (a) Did employers' organizations make any comments on the report? _____ Yes _____ No
- (b) Did workers' organizations make any comments on the report? _____ Yes _____ No

17. Which employers' organizations have been sent copies of the report? *Please attach a list, indicating Q. 17.*

18. Which workers' organizations have been sent copies of the report? *Please attach a list, indicating Q. 18.*

19. Please attach to your report any other new information relevant to the efforts made by your country to respect, promote and realize the principle of the elimination of forced or compulsory labour.

Replies are due not later than 1 August – Please send to the InFocus Programme on Promoting the Declaration, ILO, 4 route des Morillons, CH-1211 Geneva 22, Switzerland; Email: declaration@ilo.org. An electronic version of this form may be found at www.ilo.org/declaration.

Thank you for providing this information, which is to be used in the promotional spirit of the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and its Follow-up.