

**KUWAIT (2018)**
**THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF FORCED OR COMPULSORY LABOUR**
**Protocol of 2014 (P029) to the Forced Labour Convention**

<b>REPORTING</b>	<b>Fulfillment of Government's reporting obligations</b>	Yes.	
	<b>Involvement of Employers' and Workers' organizations in the reporting process</b>	Yes.	
<b>OBSERVATIONS BY THE SOCIAL PARTNERS</b>	<b>Employers' organizations</b>	Yes.	
	<b>Workers' organizations</b>	No.	
<b>EFFORTS AND PROGRESS MADE IN REALIZING MEASURES TARGETED BY THE PROTOCOL</b>	<b>Ratification</b>	<b>Ratification status</b>	Kuwait has not yet ratified the Protocol of 2014 (P029) to the Forced Labour Convention.
		<b>Ratification intention</b>	<b>2018 AR:</b> The Protocol is likely to be ratified.
	<b>Existence of a policy and / or plan of action for the suppression of forced or compulsory labour</b>	<b>2018 AR:</b> There is a national policy and/or plan of action for the suppression of forced or compulsory labour as well as for combatting trafficking in persons for the purposes of forced or compulsory labour.	
	<b>Measures taken or envisaged for systematic and coordinated action</b>		
	<b>Measures taken or envisaged to prevent forms of forced labour</b>	<b>2018 AR:</b> Measures of regulation and supervision of the labour recruitment and placement process have been taken or envisaged.	
<b>Measures taken or envisaged to protect victims of forced labour</b>	<b>2018 AR:</b> The following measures have been taken or envisaged: a) Training of relevant actors for identification of forced labour practices; b) Legal protection of victims; c) Medical and psychological assistance for victims; d) Protection of privacy and identity; and e) Appropriate accommodation.		
<b>Measures taken or envisaged to facilitate access to remedies</b>	<b>2018 AR:</b> The following measures have been taken or envisaged: a) Information and counselling for victims regarding their rights; b) Free legal assistance; c) Cost-free proceedings; d) Development of forced labour indicators; e) Access to remedies and compensation; f) Capacity building and enhanced resources for the competent authorities, such as labour inspection, law enforcement, prosecution services and judges; g) Provision for authorities not to prosecute victims for acts which they have been compelled to commit; and h) Provision of penalties such as the confiscation of assets and criminal liability of legal persons.		
<b>Non-prosecution of victims for unlawful acts that they would have been forced to carry out</b>			

	<b>Cooperation with other Member States, international / regional organizations or NGOs</b>	<b>2018 AR:</b> The Government cooperates with other Member States as well as with international, regional and non-governmental organisations.	
	<b>Promotional activities</b>		
	<b>Special initiatives/Progress</b>		
<b>CHALLENGES IN REALIZING MEASURES TARGETED BY THE PROTOCOL</b>	<b>According to the social partners</b>	<b>Employers' organizations</b>	
		<b>Workers' organizations</b>	
	<b>According to the Government</b>	<b>2018 AR:</b> Lack of awareness is an obstacle.	
<b>TECHNICAL COOPERATION NEEDS</b>	<b>Request</b>	<b>2018 AR:</b> The Government requires ILO technical cooperation in the following areas: most important: a) Collection and analysis of data and information; b) Awareness-raising and mobilization activities; c) Capacity building for the competent authorities; d) Vocational training, job-creation and income-generation programmes for at-risk populations; e) Basic social security guarantees; f) Capacity building for employers' and workers' organizations; g) Promotion of freedom of association and collective bargaining to enable at-risk workers to join workers' organizations; and h) Exchange of experiences between countries or regions; international cooperation. Important: a) Assessment, in cooperation with the ILO, of the obstacles identified and their impact on the realization of the principle; b) Guidance on the development of the national policy and plan of action; c) Inter-institutional coordination; d) Promotion of fair recruitment and placement practices; e) Promotion of fair migration policies; f) Strengthening the legal framework; and g) Guidance on supporting due diligence.	
	<b>Offer</b>		