

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This understanding is reached between:

The Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar [hereinafter referred to as 'the Government'],

and

The International Labour Organisation [hereinafter referred to as 'the ILO']

Jointly referred to as 'the Parties'.

The Memorandum of Understanding records the Parties agreement to a new Action Plan for the elimination of all forms of forced labour on 22 January 2018.

In so agreeing the Parties recall:

- the obligation placed on the Government through its ratification in 1955 of the Forced Labour Convention, 1930 (No.29);
- the 1998 recommendations of the Commission of Inquiry appointed under article 26 of the ILO Constitution and the subsequent decisions of the International Labour Conference and the conclusions of the Governing Body;
- the commitment of the Government and the ILO for the elimination of forced labour as contained in the Understanding between them dated 19 March 2002;
- the progress made through the cooperative, joint application of the Supplementary Understanding dated 26 February 2007;

Any differences between the Parties shall, to the extent possible, be settled through consultation amicably.

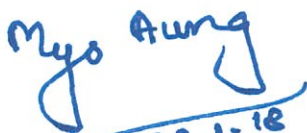
In reaching this agreement the parties demonstrate their commitment to the objective of the elimination of forced labour and their intent to work together to that end.

This Memorandum of Understanding shall enter into force on the date of signing and shall remain in force up to the 31st day of December 2018.

In WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned representatives being duly authorized thereto by their respective parties, done at Naypyitaw on the 22nd January 2018,

For and on behalf of the Government of
the Republic of the Union of Myanmar

For and on behalf of the
International Labour Organisation



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to be certified to the master trainers. To submit the curriculums to the HLWG in advance for approval. The trainers must be experienced and have internationally recognized certificates.	
2.3. Schedules for multiplier training to be drawn up by the Government master trainers to undertake to train further for their respective colleagues/ institutions at union as well as regional/state levels. The ILO to provide technical support in multiplier courses.	HLWG
2.4. Quarterly follow up meeting of master trainers as part of technical support provision from the ILO.	HLWG
2.5. Cooperation with Union Supreme Court for giving lectures on Forced Labour to regular training courses for judges at USC Training Centre.	USC/ILO/ MOLIP
2.6. Technical assistance and training provided to prisons administration on international standards for prison labour.	DG Prisons/ MOLIP/ILO
2.7. Targeted training for labour inspectors and anti-trafficking police forces on forms of forced labour as required.	ILO/ATPD/ MOLIP
2.8. Do's and Don'ts practical guideline to be reviewed and approved by HLWG and used as part of the training curriculum for ToT as well as other types of awareness raising.	ILO
2.9. Following agreement by the Government to the installation of billboards in many locations, increase number of billboard to more locations particularly in local and remote areas across the country.	MOLIP/ILO
Priority Three: Capacity building to end forced labour	
3.1. With the approval of the Union Government, commitments secured from state- and regional-level governments across Myanmar to end forced labour and participate in the Action Plan	State and regional governments
3.2. With the approval of the Union Government, awareness raising and training to be convened by the ILO as well as the trained trainers for state and regional officials, local authorities, local communities, CBOs and CSOs	Ongoing/ILO
3.3. With the approval of HLWG, to demonstrate that forced labour practices can be replaced by proper schemes of employment, the ILO to support surveys on livelihoods and potential economic opportunity/rehabilitation and identify possible programmes to support employment	Ongoing/ILO
Priority Four: Mobilisation of tripartite partners for prevention of forced labour in the private sector	
4.1. The TWG of the NTFD held to mobilize collective efforts, including monitoring plans and other measures to be discussed and adopted by the NTFD, to tackle forced labour in the private sectors in all levels sector across all sectors in all levels	NTDF
4.2. The ILO to conduct training and awareness-raising sessions on forced labour for workers' and employers' organizations at all levels, including on monitoring and the complaints mechanism. To submit the curriculums to the HLWG in advance. The trainers must have experience and internationally recognized certificates	ILO
4.3. Technical assistance, advocacy and awareness raising with MNEs on forced labour risks in supply chains.	Ongoing/ILO

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4.4. Advocacy and technical advice to management and other relevant stakeholders in the private sector including SEZs and large energy projects on the fundamental principles and rights at work including forced labour elimination/prevention.	Ongoing/ILO
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