

# THE COTTON TEXTILES EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL (Sponsored By Government of India)

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To: Members of the Council

Sub: Seminar on Child labour issue on 30th March 2021



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# ERADICATION OF CHILD LABOUR



Virtual meeting on Zoom Platform | Tuesday, 30th March, 2021 | 2.00 pm to 3.30 pm

#SayNoToChildLabour
Ministry of Labour & Employment, Government of India

We invite you to join the virtual meeting to understand the steps necessary to eradicate all forms of Child Labour from the cotton textile value chain!

## THE ISSUE

"Eradicating child labour in any form of employment is an important issue across the world. Major importing countries in general and USA in particular are very sensitive to this issue."

#### **IMPLICATIONS**

- The Bureau of International Labor Affairs (ILAB) of the United States Department of Labour (USDoL) may restrict import of goods appearing on the list of goods and their source countries which it has reason to believe are produced by child labor or forced labor in violation of international labor standards, as required under the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act (TVPRA) of 2005.
- In the list published on September 30, 2020 following products produced in India have been included in the list of items allegedly being made using child labour / forced labour:

1) Cotton seed (hybrid): Child labour & forced labour

2) Cotton : Child labour 3) Thread/Yarn : Child Labour

- Failure to eradicate child labor / forced labor may lead to restrictions on the imports of such goods allegedly made by violating the international labor standards.
- The most recent example of this is the US Govt. imposed restrictions on the Xingjian Cotton being produced by China.

#### ACTIONS DESIRED

The Indian companies need to monitor and ensure that no child labour/forced labour is being employed within own organisation or with their linked suppliers'/ buyers' organisations.

#### SEMINAR AGENDA

2.00 pm to 2.15 pm	<b>Dr. K. Selvaraju</b> Secretary General The Southern India Mills' Association (SIMA)
	Moderator Remarks
2.15 pm to 2.20 pm	Mr. Manoj Kumar Patodia Chairman The Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council (TEXPROCIL) Introductory Remarks
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2.20 pm to 2.35 pm	Dr. Siddhartha Rajagopal Executive Director The Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council (TEXPROCIL)
	Importance of addressing the Child Labour Issue & Procedure for delisting of goods from the US-Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act (TVPRA) list
2.35 pm to 2.55 pm	Mr. Rana Alok Singh Regional Director, South Asia Ethical Trading Initiative (ETI)
	Third Party Social Auditing
2.55 pm to 3.15 pm	Mr. K. Varadan Chief Consultation Officer M/s. Aparajitha Corporate Services (P) Ltd. & State Committee Member of Employers Federation of Southern India (EFSI)
	Legal provisions against employment of Child Labour
3.15 pm to 3.30 pm	Mr. V. Regurajan Legal Advisor The Southern India Mills' Association (SIMA)
	Employers liability on Employment
	Closing Note

SEMINAR ACCESS CODES >> Meeting Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83586872936 \* Meeting ID: 835 8687 2936

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