

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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FOREIGN ASSISTANCE FOR ERADICATION OF CHILD LABOUR

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**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Union Government has received any foreign assistance to keep the child labourers away from hazardous industries in the country;
- (b) if so, the total amount of foreign assistance received and spent in this regard;
- (c) the number of child labourers benefited from the assistance;
- (d) whether this scheme has been introduced in selected districts of the States; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the names of the districts of the states?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Government of India and the US Department of Labour have launched a joint project titled INDUS (Indo-US) for the rehabilitation of child labour. The US Deptt. of Labour would provide US \$ 20 million to be matched with equal funding from Government of India.

(c) to (e): INDUS is a pilot project which is being implemented in 21 districts of 5 states for the rehabilitation of 80,000 children withdrawn from work. State-wise details of districts covered under the project are as follows:-

Name of the State    Name of the districts covered

Madhya Pradesh    Damoh, Sagar, Jabalpur, Satna and Katni  
Maharashtra    Amravati, Jalna, Aurangabad, Gondia and Mumbai Suburban  
Uttar Pradesh    Moradabad, Allahabad, Kanpur Nagar, Aligarh and Ferozabad  
Tamil Nadu    Kanchipuram, Thiruvannamallai, Tiruvallur, Nammakkal and Virudhunagar  
Delhi    NCT Delhi