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Subject: **NATIONAL CONSULTATION WORKSHOP ON P029 – PROTOCOL OF 2014 TO THE FORCED LABOUR CONVENTION – GAP ASSESSMENT STUDY AND PROPOSED RATIFICATION – 7TH SEPTEMBER 2023**

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of self explanatory letter No.10-2/2018-ILO-I, dated 16th August, 2023 received from Ministry of Overseas Pakistanis & Human Resources Development, on the above mentioned subject for placing on the website of the Ministry of Commerce.

2. Interested officers of the Ministry who fulfill the eligibility criteria may forward their nominations, duly approved by their respective Head (s) of Wing (s) to **HR-I Section** latest **by 23-08-2023 positively.**

Encl: **As above**



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I am directed to refer to the subject noted above and to state that the Ministry of Overseas Pakistanis and Human Resource Development, in partnership with the ILO through the BRIDGE project, is organizing a national consultation workshop on September 7, 2023, in Islamabad to discuss the gap assessment study and proposed government ratification of the P029 Protocol of 2014 to the Forced Labour Convention.

2. The primary objective of the workshop is to convene senior officers from the Federal and Provincial levels for a detailed discussion on the findings of the P029 concerning Forced Labour. The gap assessment study conducted by the ILO, which contains detailed recommendations for stakeholders to take action on reforms, has already been shared (copy enclosed). The event will be facilitated by an ILO Specialist from Geneva.

3. It is, therefore, requested to nominate two (02) officers who are relevant and well-versed in the subject to attend the workshop scheduled for September 7, 2023, in Islamabad.

4. After their nominations, the participants are requested to provide written updates on actions taken regarding legislative reforms or other programmatic measures to address forced labor and its manifestations. However, the Provincial Labour Departments, Ministry of Interior (FIA), and the Bureau of Emigration and Overseas Employment (BE&OE) are requested to present these changes/reforms in the workshop.

5. The agenda of the proposed proceedings is enclosed. The administrative note for the outstation participants will be shared in due course.

Enclosed: As above.



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4. Director General, Bureau of Emigration and Overseas Employment (BE&OE), Islamabad.
5. Secretary, Labour and HR Department, Government of Punjab, Lahore.
6. Secretary, Labour and HR Department, Government of Sindh, Karachi.
7. Secretary, Labour Department, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
8. Secretary, Labour and Manpower Department, Government of Balochistan, Quetta.
9. Secretary, Labour Department, Government of Gilgit-Baltistan, Gilgit.
10. Secretary, Labour Department, Government of AJK, Muzaffarabad.
11. Chief Commissioner, Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT), Islamabad.

Agenda for Workshop on Gap Assessment for Protocol 29 (Forced Labour Protocol)**7 September 2023****Islamabad**

Time	Agenda Topic	Resource Person
0900 - 0930	Registration	ILO
0930 – 0940	Welcome remarks	MOPIHRD
0940 – 0950	Remarks by CD ILO	ILO CD
0950 – 1000	Opening remarks by MoOPHRD	MOPHRD
1000 – 1030	Presentation on the Gap Assessment by the Consultant	ILO Consultant
1035 – 1045	Progress on action plans (implementations/amendments in legislation) from the P-029 Gap Assessment Report	FIA/MOI
1045 – 1055	Progress on action plans (implementations/amendments in legislation) from the P-029 Gap Assessment Report	BE&OE
1055 – 1200	Progress on action plans (implementations/amendments in legislation) from the P-029 Gap Assessment Report	DoLs (Punjab, KP, Sindh, Balochistan, GB, AJK, ICT)
1200 – 1220	Open Discussion	All participants
1220 – 1250	Introduction to the Bridge Project, including envisaged support to P29	ILO NPC
1250 – 1300	Way forward by the Federal Government – Development of Federal Road Map with clear timelines and responsible bodies	OPHRD
1300 – 1330	Conclusion and vote of thanks by the ILO	ILO SPO
1330 - 1430	Lunch	