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ABSTRACT

The study of child labour in hotel, restaurant and teashops is based on Kathmandu district in various hotel, restaurant and teashops. Child labour is a social and widespread problem of Nepal. Hotel, restaurant and teashops work is the visible and hazardous forms of child labourers, where it is common in the urban area of Nepal. The study concerns with the child labourers engaged in hotel, restaurant and teashops in Kathmandu city especially New Bus Park. The study draws the information mainly about the socio-economic, working and health condition and root causes of child labourers in hotel, restaurant and teashops and problem faced by them.

This study is mainly based on primary data collection from New Bus Park at Kathmandu city, using purposive sampling technique. The number of child labourers interviewed is 127, and the secondary data were taken from references, books etc. The collected primary data are analyzed by using the SPSS software.

This study includes 127 child labour of 5 - 17 years age from different hotel, restaurant and teashops where the total respondent is 127 with 110 male and 17 female. This study found that almost all (97.6%) of the respondents were literate and only 2.4 percent were illiterate. More than half (54.4%) of the respondents were left school due to poverty. Majority of child labour (55.1%) left home for work due to family poverty. Majority of child labourers (61.4%) work 10-12 hours a day. Out of total respondent, 2.4 percent have not their own house.

The study has found that extreme poverty, unemployment, domestic quarrel which are the root cause of child migration and engaged in hazardous working condition. They are extremely exploited/mistreated in their working place, economically, physically and mentally by their owner/clients etc.

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ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

| | | |
|--------|---|--|
| CBS | : | Central Bureau of Statistics |
| CDPS | : | Central Department of Population Studies |
| CWIN | : | Child Workers in Nepal Concerned Centre |
| HMG | : | His Ministry Government |
| ILO | : | International Labour Organization |
| INGO | : | International Non-Government Organization |
| IPEC | : | International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labour |
| MOPE | : | Ministry of Population and Environment |
| NGO | : | Non- Governmental Organization |
| PRB | : | Population Reference Bureau |
| SLC | : | School Leaving Certificate |
| SPSS | : | Statistical Package for the Social Science |
| TU | : | Tribhuvan University |
| UNCRC | : | United Nations Convention on the Right of Children |
| NHRC | : | National Human Right Commission |
| UNICEF | : | United Nations Children's Education Found |

Appendix - I
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Child Labour in Hotel, Restaurant and Teashop
Questionnaire

Informed Consent

Nameste I am **Hari Krishna Dhakal**. I am a thesis years student of central department of population studies, Tribhuvan University Kritipur. My thesis is the child labour in hotel, restaurant and teashop in Kathmandu city.

The aim of this topic is to examine the child labour in hotel, restaurant and teashop in Kathmandu city. It will have ua to know the situation of the child labour in hotel, restaurant and teashop. And also it will be beneficial for policy, programmer and to the student of conduct the same research in different areas. The information given by you merely for academic purpose and will be kept confidential. I will be thankful for your kindly co-operation and hope that this thesis will be equally beneficial for us.

| |
|--|
| Name and address of working place/Hotel,Restaurant and Teashop: |
| Name of child: |
| Permanent address: |

Date:

Section A Personal Identification

| Q.N. | Question | Answer | Skip to Q.N. |
|------|--------------|--|--------------|
| 1 | Age |Year | |
| 2 | Sex | Male..... 1 Female.....2 Other.....3 | |
| 3 | Religion | Hindu.....1 Buddhist.....2 Muslim.....3 Others.....4 | |
| 4 | Caste/Ethnic | Brahmin.....1 Chhettri.....2 Mager.....3 Gurung.....4 Tamang.....5 Newar.....6 Rai.....7 Others.....8 | |
| 5 | Migration | Local.....1 Migrated.....2 | |

(Section B education status

| Q.N. | Question | Answer | Skip to Q.N. |
|------|-------------------------------|---|--------------|
| 6 | What is your education level? | Illiterate.....1? Just literate.....2 Primary(1to5).....3 Lower secondary(6to8).....4 Secondary(9to10).....5 SLC and above.....6 | Q.N.8 |

| | | | |
|----|---|--|-------|
| 7 | Are you continuing your studies? | Continuing..... 1 Dropped out..... 2? | Q.N.9 |
| 8 | If you have not continuity your study, why? | Poverty..... 1 Because of work..... 2 Parents did not send..... 3 School to far..... 4 Language problem..... 5 Death of parents..... 6 Due to friends..... 7 Other (specify)..... 8 | |
| 9 | Are you currently attending any informal education? | Yes..... 1 No..... 2 | |
| 10 | What are they? | | |
| 11 | Class completed? | Grade(1-5)..... 1 Grade(6-10)..... 2 Grade(10-above)..... 3 Other(specify)..... 4 | |

Section C Family Background

| Q.N | Question | Answers | Skip to Q.N. |
|-----|--|---|--------------|
| 12 | How many family member including you in your family? | | |
| 13 | Your family situation? | Both mother and father..... 1 Mother only..... 2 Father only..... 3 Father and stepmother..... 4 Mother and stepfather..... 5 None..... 6? Other (specify)..... 7 | Q.N.18 |
| 14 | Parents Education? | Literate..... 1 Illiterate..... 2 Don't know..... 3 | |
| | Father | Literate..... 1 Illiterate..... 2 Don't know..... 3 | |
| | Mother | Literate..... 1 Illiterate..... 2 Don't know..... 3 | |
| 15 | Does your family own farm land? | Yes..... 1 No..... 2 | |
| 16 | What is your family(father) occupation? | Own farming..... 1 Agriculture wage labourer... 2 Small business..... 3 Other(specify)..... 4 | |
| 17 | Do your parents earn sufficient for family survival? | Sufficient..... 1 Insufficient..... 2 Just sufficient..... 3 Don't know..... 4 | |
| 18 | Does your family have own house? | Yes..... 1 No..... 2? | Q.N.26 |
| 19 | Why did you leave your home?(ask of respondent in | Abuse by stepparents..... 1 Run-way..... 2 | |

| | | | |
|----|--|---|--|
| | Q.N.5 is 2) | Family migration..... 3 Lured by masters..... 4 Poverty..... 5 Lack of education..... 6 Other(specify)..... 7 | |
| 20 | What did you do at home before you left home? | Schooling..... 1 Wage labour..... 2 Domestic worker..... 3 Other(specify)..... 4 | |
| 21 | At what age you left home? |years | |
| 22 | Where do you live here? | Rented place..... 1 Own house..... 2 Employer's house..... 3 Party..... 4 Streets..... 5 Other(specify)..... 6 | |
| 23 | With whom are you currently living? | Parents..... 1 Friends..... 2 Other(specify)..... 3 | |
| 24 | Do you go to home? | Yes..... 1 No..... 2 | |
| 25 | If yes how many times you went home during the last one year period? |times | |
| 26 | Does your guardian come here? | Yes..... 1 No..... 2 | |

Section D Working Condition at Work Place

| Q.N. | Question | Answers | Skip to Q.N. |
|------|---|---|--------------|
| 27 | What type of work do you do? | Dish washer..... 1 Waiters/waitress..... 2 Cooking..... 3 Cleaning table, cloths..... 4 Other(specify)..... 5 | |
| 28 | How long have you being doing this type of work here? |years.....month | |
| 29 | At what age did you start working in Kathmandu? |years.....month | |
| 30 | How did you join this work? | Through friends..... 1 Through parents..... 2 Through relatives..... 3 Own self..... 4 Other(specify)..... 5 | |
| 31 | Why did you choose this work? | Easy to do..... 1 Easy to find..... 2 Good income..... 3 Security of food and shelter...4 Other(specify)..... 5 | |

| | | | |
|----|---|--|--------|
| 32 | Previous work if any specify? | Hotel..... 1 Agriculture..... 2 Domestic work..... 3 Rag picking..... 4 Carpet sector..... 5 Other(specify)..... 6 | |
| 33 | Where did you do previous job? | ..... |  |
| 34 | Why did you leave your previous job? | Low payment..... 1 Sexual harassment..... 2 Master misbehave..... 3 Not paid on time..... 4 Not give proper food..... 5 Other(specify)..... 6 | |
| 35 | How many hours do you work in a day (now)? | 4-6 hours..... 1 7-9 hours..... 2 10-12..... 3 12 and above..... 4 | |
| 36 | What time generally start work at here? | ..... |  |
| 37 | What time you stop working? | ..... |  |
| 38 | Do you get salary? | Yes..... 1 No..... 2? | Q.N.43 |
| 39 | How do you get salary paid? | Daily..... 1 Weekly..... 2 Monthly..... 3 Other(specify)..... 4 | |
| 40 | How much do you earn in a month? | Rs..... | |
| 41 | Who take your wage? | Own self..... 1 Parents(both)..... 2 Father only..... 3 Mother only..... 4 Other(specify)..... 5 | |
| 42 | In addition to wage what other thing/facilities you are provided? | Lodging..... 1 Fooding..... 2 Dress..... 3 Health..... 4 Lodging and fooding..... 5 1to3..... 6 Above all..... 7 | |
| 43 | If no what do you get? | ..... |  |
| 44 | Do you get holiday? | Yea..... 1 No..... 2 | |
| 45 | Do u get rest time? | Yea..... 1 No..... 2? | Q.N.47 |
| 46 | If yes how long you get rest time? |hours.....minute | |
| 47 | Do you have enough mattress and blankets? | Yea..... 1 No..... 2 | |

| | | | |
|----|---|--|--------|
| 48 | Where do you sleep? | ..... |  |
| 49 | How many times do you eat in a day? | One times..... 1 Two times..... 2 Three times..... 3 Four times..... 4 | |
| 50 | Do you get enough food? | Yea..... 1 No..... 2 | |
| 51 | What is the quality of food? | Same as employers..... 1 Same as customers..... 2 Stale.....3 Other(specify)..... 4 | |
| 52 | Can you tell, how many children (under 18 year) of age working line your work here? | Yea..... 1 No.....2 | |
| 53 | If yes how many children of your age working like you're here? | ..... |  |
| 54 | While you were in work here your employer ever mistreated or abused you? | Yea..... 1 No..... 2? | Q.N.56 |
| 55 | What type of abused you have experience? | ..... |  |
| 56 | Customers ever mistreated of abused you? | ..... |  |
| 57 | What are the reason for abused? | ..... |  |

Section E Health

| Q.N | Question | Answers | Skip to Q.N. |
|-----|---|--|--------------|
| 58 | Have you ever been sick/injury during the work? | Yea..... 1 No..... 2? | Q.N.62 |
| 59 | What types of illness or injury was it? | Cough..... 1 Fever..... 2 Dysentery..... 3 Respiratory 4 Skin diseases..... 5 Back pain 6 Injury..... 7 Other(specify)..... 8 | |
| 60 | How did yo get better? | Natural treatment.....1 Hospitalized..... 2 Consulted with doctor..... 3 None..... 4 | |
| 61 | Who made expenditure to care the illness? | ..... ..... |  |
| 62 | How many times do you bath per week? | Once..... 1 Twice..... 2 Daily..... 3 Monthly..... 4 Other(specify)..... 6 | |

Section F Entertainment

| Q.N | Question | Answered | Skip to Q.N. |
|-----|--------------------------|---|--------------|
| 63 | Source of entertainment? | Tv..... 1 Radio..... 2 Cinema..... 3 Newspapers..... 4 Other(specify).....5 | |

Section G preference and Future Ambition

| Q.N. | Question | Answered | Skip to Q.N |
|------|--|--|-------------|
| 64 | What do you prefer? | Go back to home..... 1 Continue the work..... 2 Join alternate job.....3 | |
| 65 | What do you like to do in future? | ..... |  |
| 66 | Would you go to school (again) if arranged? | Yes..... 1 No..... 2 | |
| 67 | Would you consider your work good for you? | Bad..... 1 Satisfactory..... 2 Good..... 3 | |
| 68 | Have any NGOs/INGOs approached to you to provide any social service? | Yes..... 1 No..... 2 | |
| 69 | Do you know about the child right? | Yes..... 1 No..... 2 | |
| 70 | What are they? | ..... |  |
| 71 | Comments, if any | ..... |  |

Thank you