

# TECHNICAL COOPERATION PROJECT SUMMARY

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<b>PROJECT TITLE</b>	<b>TOWARDS A CHILD LABOUR-FREE PHILIPPINES: SUPPORTING THE 'PHILIPPINE PROGRAM AGAINST CHILD LABOUR' IN BUILDING ON PAST GAINS AND ADDRESSING CHALLENGES</b>
<b>REGION/COUNTRY</b>	ASIA/Philippines
<b>PROJECT DURATION</b>	September 30, 2009 – September 20, 2013
<b>FISCAL YEAR &amp; FUNDING LEVEL</b>	FY2009: USD 4,750,000
<b>PROBLEM TO BE ADDRESSED</b>	In 2001, an estimated 4 million children aged 5-17, or 16.2 percent of the age group, were working. About 60 percent, or 2.4 million, were engaged in hazardous and worst forms of child labor including in agriculture, domestic service, mining, fishing and commercial sexual exploitation.
<b>RESULTS</b>	The project targets 6,000 children for withdrawal and 2,500 children for prevention from agriculture, mining, fishing, and child domestic labor, including children trafficked for commercial sexual exploitation and forced labor. The project will be implemented in the following provinces: Quezon, Masbate, Northern Samar, and Bukidnon.
<b>PROJECT OBJECTIVES</b>	<p>Development Objective: Contribute to the elimination of the worst forms of child labor (WFCL).</p> <p>This is to be achieved through the following immediate objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Knowledge management component : By the end of the Project, information on child labour will feed into national and local child labour policy and programme design, implementation and evaluation;</li><li>• Effective partnerships component : By the end of the Project, the national and local child labour committees and social partners have clearer mandates and responsibilities and improved capacities for policy development, enforcement and child labour monitoring;</li><li>• Area-based services component: By the end of the Project, models to withdraw working children and prevent children at-risk from working are developed, piloted and documented;</li><li>• Sustainability component: By the end of the Project, the child labour agenda is made an integral part of national development frameworks and local development programming; with local governments supported in coordinating resource allocations for child labour action.</li></ul>

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## **SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES**

- Design and develop an internet-based information system on child labour (database requirements for child labour monitoring, research & studies, statistics, laws & ordinances) in coordination with relevant national and local partners
- Conduct national survey on working children in coordination with NSO, DOLE and other relevant partners
- Conduct continuing needs-based capacity building programmes for labour inspectors and social partners in the fight against child labour at the national and local levels
- Assist local government units develop an integrated employment strategy, linked to the integrated service delivery system, and designed to promote access to wage and self employment opportunities for older working children and their families in close collaboration with training service providers and employers
- Provide direct education and health services to remove and protect children from the worst forms of child labour and prevent those at-risk of engagement in similar activities.
- Organize awareness campaign aimed at parents, the public, and local policy-makers as to deleterious effects on the local economy, individual health, and family income of continued child labour

## **GRANTEE**

International Labor Organization's International Program on the Elimination of Child Labor (ILO-IPEC)

## **IMPLEMENTING PARTNERS**

To be determined

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