

# JUNE 2025 HIGHLIGHT



## Voices to Leadership: National-Level Advocacy on Child Labour

Marking World Day Against Child Labour on June 12, a high-level interaction at the Prime Minister's residence organized by the National Child Protection Alliance (NCPA) and CSOs Forum on SDG 8.7 with the initiation of CWISH ( Member of CSOs Forum), the program featured:

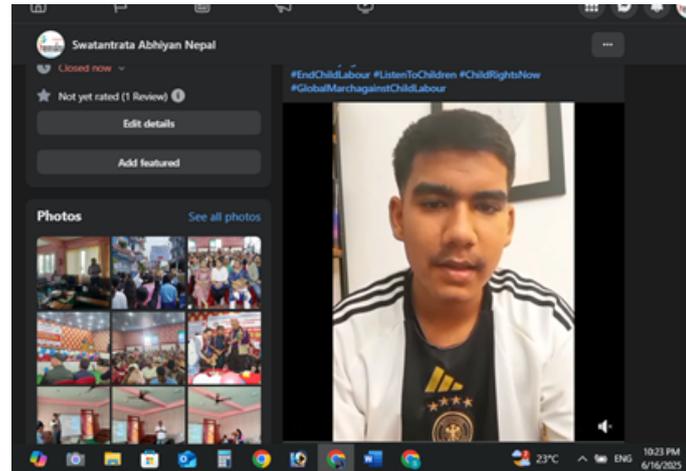
- An address by Prime Minister KP Sharma Oli, who pledged to rescue and rehabilitate child labourers and street children.
- Emotional testimonies from children who shared personal experiences of exploitation.
- Submission of a collective letter by 19 children, demanding protection, education, and effective enforcement of child rights.

The event served as a powerful platform for child participation and reaffirmed the government's commitment to ending child labour

## Creative Campaign: “Our Voices, Our Future”

To amplify child participation, a digital campaign titled “Our Voices, Our Future” was launched. Organized by Swatantrata Abhiyan Nepal, the campaign featured:

- 15 children from diverse backgrounds sharing short video messages about their hopes, experiences, and demands.
- Ethical and safe participation standards, including consent and protection measures.
- Compilation of the videos into a powerful 5-minute advocacy film, widely shared on social media.



## Child Labour Free Ward Declarations -Kageshwori Ward no.5



Marking World Day Against Child Labour celebrations, Kageshwori Manohara Ward No. 5 officially declared as an Child Labour-Free Ward. This reflects a strong community and local government commitment to protecting children, with promises of continued monitoring and partnerships with schools and child rights groups.

## Advocacy Action on Occupational Safety and Elimination of Child Labour in Agriculture

On June 13, Swatantrata Abhiyan Nepal collaborated with the Ministry of Labor and FAO Nepal to conduct training for Agricultural Extension Officers in Dhanusha. The training emphasized:

- Occupational health and safety risks to children in agriculture.
- Awareness of pesticide exposure and machinery-related injuries.
- Commitment from officers to integrate child labour messaging in outreach



## Advocating for a Child Labour-Free Future at the Global Stage

On June 12, SAN and the CSOs Forum on SDG 8.7 held a delegation meeting with Mr. Pradip Kumar Koirala, MoLESS Joint Secretary, ahead of his participation in the 113th International Labour Conference in Geneva. Key recommendations included:

- Urgent elimination of child and forced labour.
- Amplifying grassroots realities in Nepal's international representation.
- Reinforcing the country's commitment to global labour rights standards

## Rights of Domestic Workers

On the 26nd of June 2025, a program on the rights and social security of Domestic workers. The program which included domestic workers and representatives from different governmental/ non governmental organizations like Domestic Workers Forum (DWF) and National Youth Commission (NYC) highlighted the importance of domestic work and gave the workers a platform to voice their concerns about social security, workplace abuse, and the environment they worked in. The program served as an excellent opportunity for the domestic workers to engage and communicate directly with concerned governmental authorities.



## Pushing Policy for Domestic Workers' Dignity

On June 16 (International Domestic Workers Day), the Domestic Worker Forum submitted a delegation to the Industry, Commerce, Labour and Consumer Welfare Committee. Domestic workers and representatives raised urgent demands including:

- A dedicated policy for domestic workers.
- Local-level registration for national protection systems like the Social Security Fund.
- Enforcement of minimum wage protections.
- Stronger regulation of recruitment consultancies.