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▶ **ACTION AGAINST CHILD LABOUR
FOR SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURAL
DEVELOPMENT IN NIGERIA**

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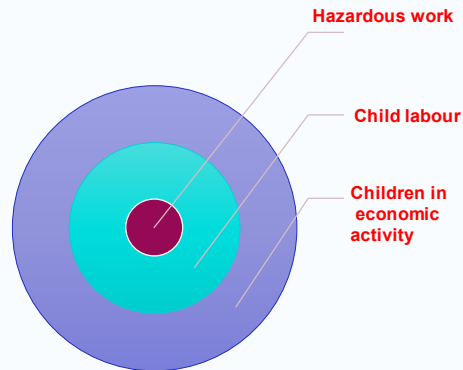
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▶ Definition of Child Labour

ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF WORK

Children doing small tasks around the house and children participating in work appropriate to their level of development and which allows them to acquire practical skills and learn responsibility; and Allows them to persevere full time schooling.

▶ Definition of Child Labour

UNACCEPTABLE FORMS OF WORK

Child Labour include all work which, by its nature or the conditions under which it is carried out, harms, abuses and exploits the child, or deprives the child of an education and recreation.

- **is mentally, physically, socially or morally dangerous and harmful to children** ; and/or
- **interferes with their schooling** by: depriving them of the opportunity to attend school; obliging them to leave school prematurely; or requiring them to attempt to combine school attendance with excessively long and heavy work.

► Definition of Child Labour

UNACCEPTABLE FORMS OF WORK

It is work that children should not be doing:

- because they are **too young** to work (below nationally established minimum age for work)
- or, if they are old enough to work, because it is **dangerous or otherwise unsuitable**
- or because it interferes with their **right to go to school**

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► **ILO Core Conventions on the Child Labour**

Minimum Age Convention, 1973 (No. 138)

Worst Forms of Child Labour Convention, 1999 (No. 182)

Convention 189 on Domestic Workers

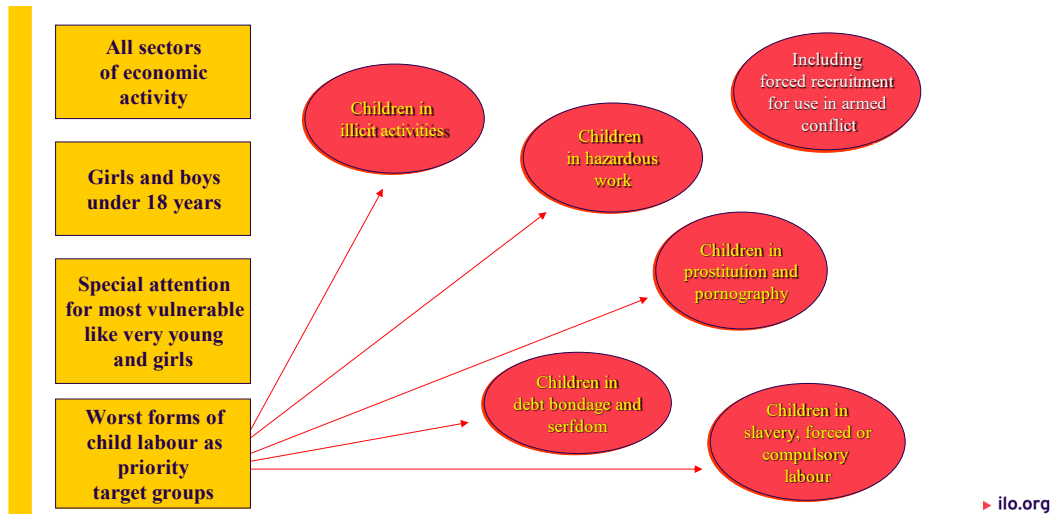
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Convention No. 182 and Recommendation No. 190



C 182: coverage



C182: Obligations (summary)



**ILO
Minimum Age
Convention
No. 138**

Requires a national policy for the effective abolition of child labour (Art. 1)

Requires a specification of minimum age (Art. 2)

| | General | Exceptions for developing countries |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Basic Minimum Age (Art. 2) | 15 years | 14 years |
| Hazardous work (Art. 3) | 18 years (16 years conditionally) | NO EXCEPTION |
| Light work (Art. 7) | 13-15 years | 12-14 years |

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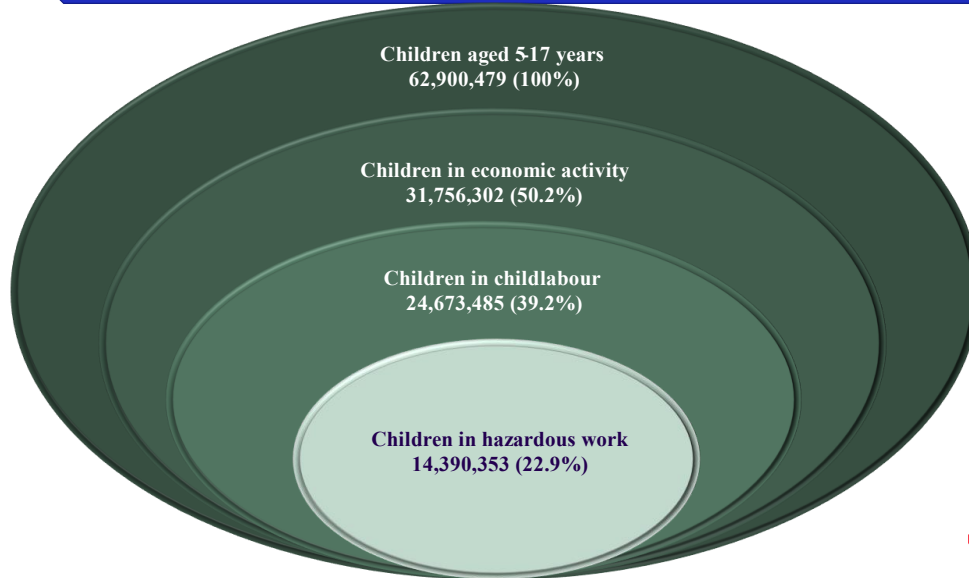
Convention 189 and Recommendation 201 (2011)

- Offers specific protection for DW
- Basic rights and principles
- Requires States to take a Serie of measures with a view to making Decent Work a reality for DW
- Provide definitions (what is domestic work – who is a domestic worker – who is an employer)
- Specific articles regarding MDW

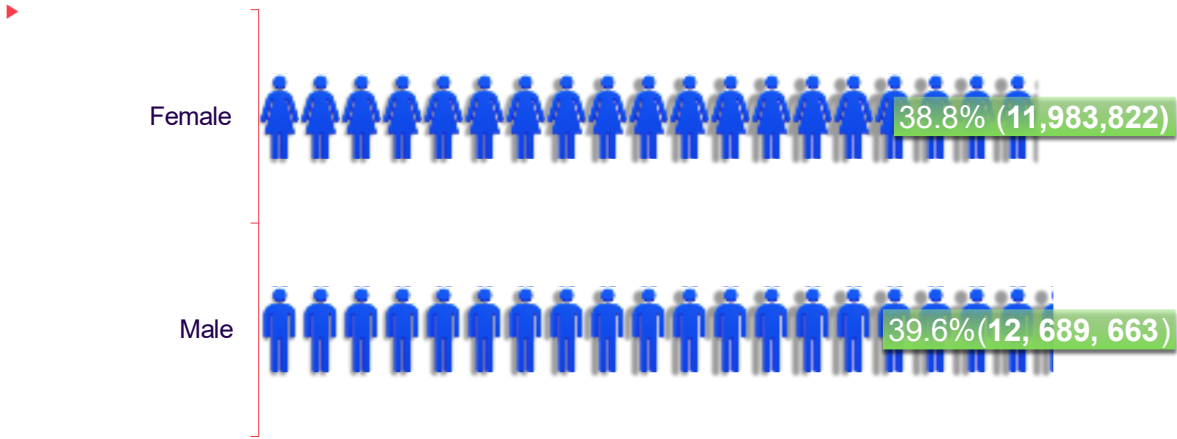


Summary of the 2022 National Child Labour Survey Report

Prevalence of Children of 5 to 17 Years Old in Economic Activity, Child Labour and Hazardous Work

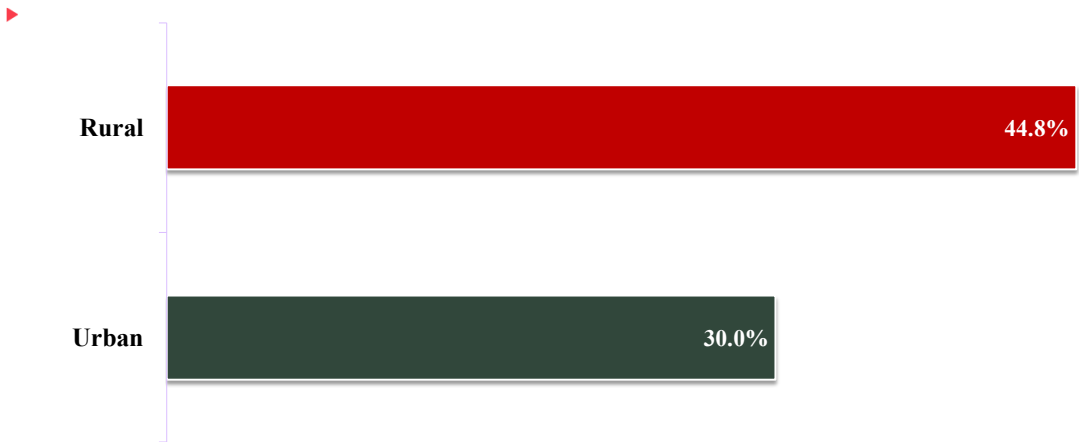


Child Labour by Sex



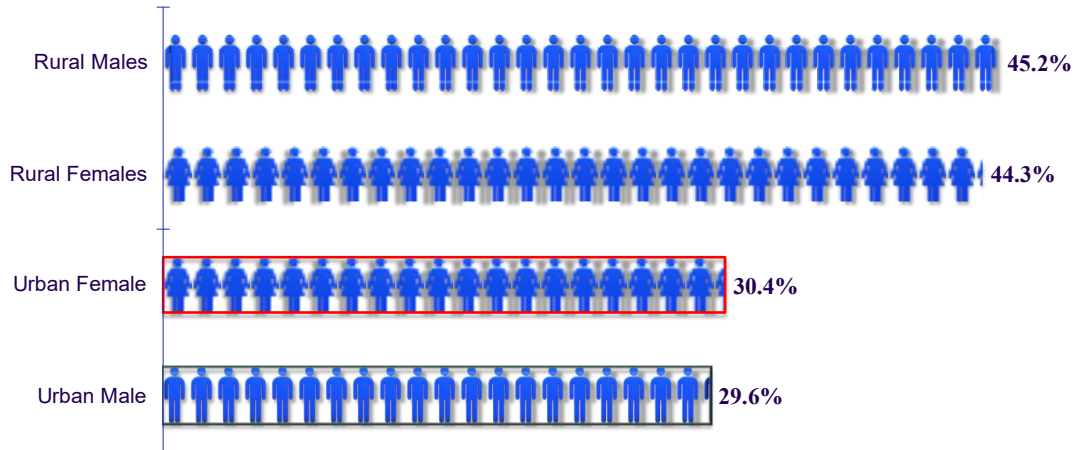
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Child Labour by Place of Residence



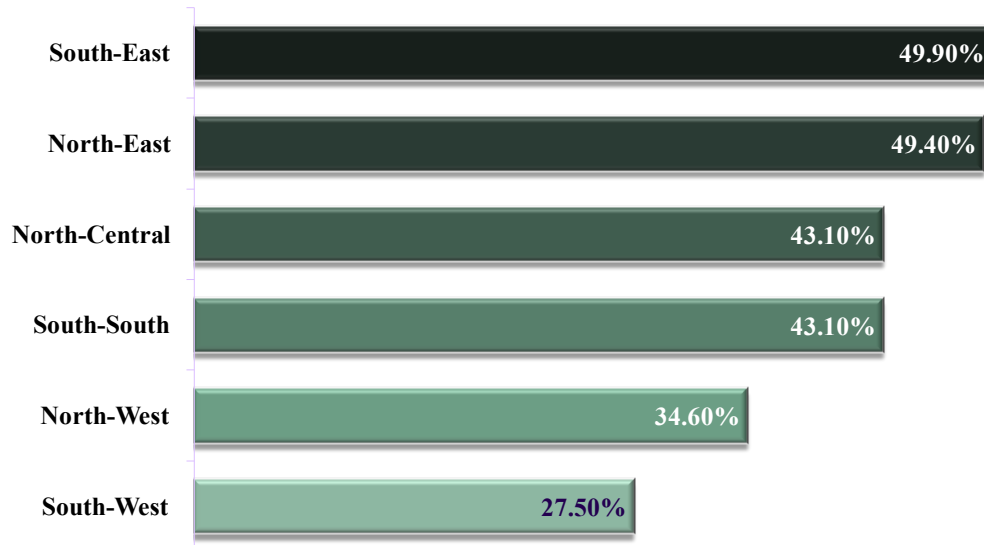
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Child Labour by Residence and Sex



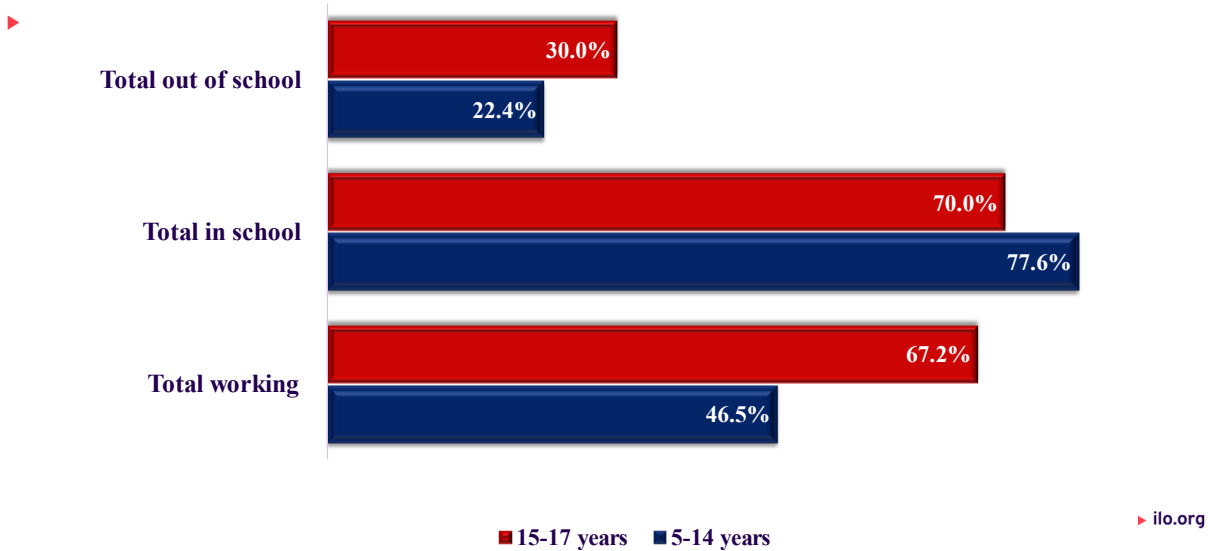
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Child Labour by Geo-political Zone

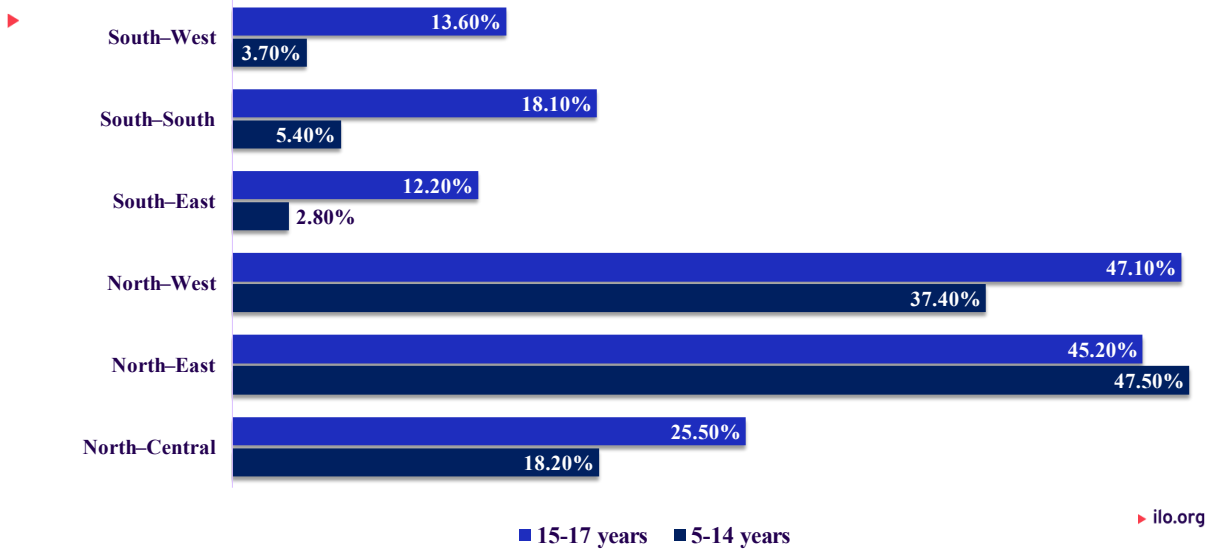


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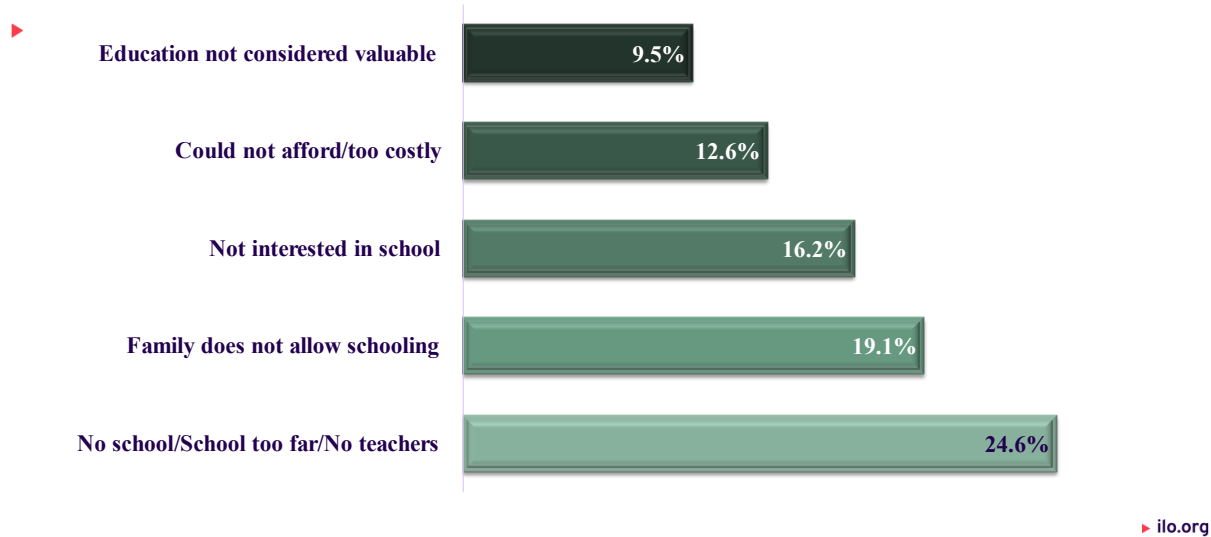
Child Activity Status



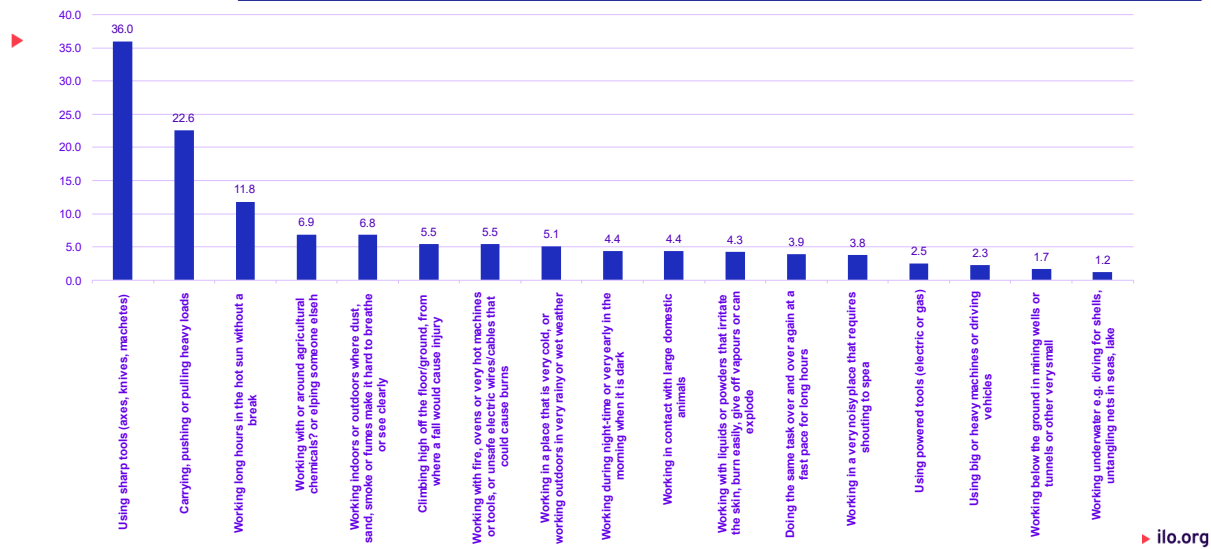
Total Children Out of School by Region



Reason for Never Attending School



Child Labour and Workplace Hazards



Child Labour and Workplace Hazards

| Individual background variables | | | Branch of economic activity | | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|--------|-----------------------------|----------|----------|-------|
| | | | Agriculture | Industry | Services | Total |
| 5–14 age group | Sex | Male | 67.8 | 12.3 | 19.9 | 100 |
| | | Female | 52.8 | 15.7 | 31.5 | 100 |
| | Residence | Urban | 28.9 | 28.2 | 42.9 | 100 |
| | | Rural | 72.1 | 9.0 | 18.9 | 100 |
| | Total | | 61.4 | 13.8 | 24.8 | 100 |
| 15–17 age group | Sex | Male | 51.8 | 28.6 | 19.6 | 100 |
| | | Female | 43.6 | 17.3 | 39.1 | 100 |
| | Residence | Urban | 21.0 | 36.0 | 43.0 | 100 |
| | | Rural | 61.0 | 18.3 | 20.6 | 100 |
| | Total | | 48.4 | 23.9 | 27.7 | 100 |
| Total 5–17 age group | Sex | Male | 62.0 | 18.2 | 19.8 | 100 |
| | | Female | 49.6 | 16.3 | 34.1 | 100 |
| | Residence | Urban | 25.6 | 31.5 | 42.9 | 100 |
| | | Rural | 68.4 | 12.1 | 19.5 | 100 |
| | Total | | 56.8 | 17.4 | 25.8 | 100 |

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Actions to ensure Sustainable Agricultural Development in Nigeria

Ensuring free, good quality schooling

- Expand access to early childhood development opportunities for vulnerable households
- Reduce direct schooling costs
- Reduce indirect schooling costs
- Improve school quality
- Expand school access
- Ensure adequate financing

Promoting decent work for Farmers-adults and youth of legal working age:

- Promote transition from informal to formal economy
- Promote decent work for youth of legal working age
- End child labour among adolescents 15–17 years old in the Agric sector

Actions to ensure Sustainable Agricultural Development in Nigeria



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| Extending social protection: | Promote innovative and effective extension services: |
| Mitigate economic vulnerabilities associated with child labour | Partner with research institutes on innovative processes and technologies that increases farming yields |
| Mitigate the impact of other contingencies leading to a reliance on child labour | Equip Extension officers to implement their duties adequately |
| Ensure adequate funding | Ensure farmer friendly agricultural pricing and marketing system |
| Complementary social finance schemes ^(a) | |

▶ QUESTIONS?

2024 WDA CL

Celebration of the 25th anniversary of the ILO's only universally ratified Convention, C.182.

Make Agriculture interesting for children

- ▶ Moment for celebration as well as for reflection on how the elimination of child labour can be furthered: what is to be done to eliminate child labour in all forms?

2024 slogan:

- ▶ Let's act on our commitments: End Child Labour.

- ▶ **PROMOTE RESPONSIBLE AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES TO ENSURE IT SUSTAINABILITY**

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