ORGANIZATION

Eliminating Child Labour in Tobacco Growing Foundation, Uganda pledges to

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Name:
ECLA Uganda – a national coordination platform against child labour in agriculture in Uganda

Description:
ECLA Uganda is established to bring together key agricultural sectors, like tea, sugar and tobacco, to provide a joint platform for understanding and action against the root causes of child labour. The study done by UBOS and the new Uganda National Action Plan on Child Labour launched on 1 May show that agriculture is the main sector affected by child labour in Uganda. In line with the NAP, the SDGs and the ILO Conventions, ECLA will take a rights-based approach to coordinate stakeholders to address the root causes of child labour across agricultural sectors in Uganda. As a platform for joint work and commitment, ECLA will help prevent the displacement of child labour between crops and leverage resources for sustainable progress supporting children, farmers and families.

Implementation plan:

May 2021
ECLA is formally established in Uganda – May 2021. The organisation takes a collaborative rights-based approach to sustainable address child labour across agriculture sectors in Uganda. The platform engages all stakeholders, local, national and international, to address the root causes of child labour – supporting quality education for children and skills training for young people to access decent work, building the capacity of farmers to supplement incomes, learn better farming practices, investing in child protection systems and raising awareness on child labour and how to support vulnerable children.

June 2021
ECLA supports the public launch of the UBOS Survey on Child Labour in Agriculture, with engagement for coordinated action under the Uganda National Action Plan.
ELIMINATING CHILD LABOUR IN TOBACCO GROWING FOUNDATION, UGANDA

June to November

On-going multi-stakeholder engagement
ECLA engages at least 4 agricultural sectors, Oil and Gas and social partners, Unions, Employers, and Government to:

- Coordinate actions to maximize efforts, avoid duplication and prevent displacement of child labour between crops, using the NAP as a roadmap
- Leverage resources across sectors for strategic investment
- Build capacity at local and national levels for lasting change
- Share success stories and learning

November – December

- Evaluate efforts against NAP and SDGs to show progress and identify gaps
- Document promising practices
- Develop 2022 action plans to ensure continuing coordination to address gaps

December

- Communicate 2021 impact and documented promising practices
- Share 2022 action plans with forward-looking commitments
- Call for new members

Impact:
In line with the NAP, the SDGs, and the ILO Conventions, ECLA will coordinate with stakeholders to address the root causes of child labour across agricultural sectors in Uganda. As a platform for joint work and commitment, ECLA supports the implementation of the NAP, leverages resources, and shares good practices in Uganda.

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