



ORGANIZATION

Imam Ali's Popular Students Relief Society, Islamic Republic of Iran
pledges to

**End child labour by family-oriented
empowerment**

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Name:

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Description:

The phenomenon of child labour in Iran, particularly in the capital is closely linked to the living conditions of people in the marginalized and rural regions; given that most of these people are non-citizens and Asylum Seekers. In these communities, various types of work are performed by the children in the street, including scavenging and waste collecting. Imam Ali Popular Students Relief Society (IAPRS), as an active organization in supporting children's rights, plans to contribute to the 2021 Action Pledge. We plan to 1) advocate for the rights of the children and their families in the underrepresented communities, on a regional and national level; 2) protect the children and their families through social and economical empowerment.

Implementation plan:

IAPRS has over 45 centers in different cities in Iran, called Iranian Homes. These homes provide various educational services for children and youth in marginalized regions. In addition to that, IAPRS is supporting multiple innovative entrepreneurship to socially and financially assist the children's families. The key activities of our personnel in Iranian houses to eliminate child labour can be listed as:

- Organizing and holding meetings with governors, lawmakers, and local policymakers;
- Regularly and consistently reporting the legal barriers for protecting children in marginalized areas to local policymakers;
- Raising knowledge and understanding of cultural leaders about illegal, criminal or immoral activities happening under child labour;
- Social inclusion of the target group by inviting them to the local events for the marginalized girls and their families;
- Increasing the awareness of children subjected to child labour about their rights.

Impact:

Our individual and collective effort in Iranian Homes is aligned with successful intervention strategies to address child labour elimination by (i) providing financial services for the children families, (ii) increasing awareness of children about their rights, and (iii) convening stakeholders to develop and implement strategies to fight against child labour.

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