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Ministry of Public Service, Labour and Modernization of Administration, Mauritania

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**Description:**
The rate of working children in Mauritania is 37%. The practice is increasing substantially due to communities’ lacking information and poverty. Mauritania ratified C182 on the worst forms of child labour. The government wants to strengthen legal provisions against child labour. Thus, the enactment of the law against hazardous labour for children will allow the raising of awareness of communities and strengthen the application of criminal penalties.

**Implementation plan:**
- Organize regional consultations to identify hazardous labour for children
- Raise the awareness of communities of the risks of child labour
- Enact a ministerial decree prohibiting hazardous labour for children in Mauritania
- Circulate the law and apply criminal penalties

**Impact:**
Strengthening the national provisions in force will boost the fight to eliminate child labour, particularly in the informal sector. Strengthening tripartite social dialogue in supply chains with the aim of producing conventions to eliminate child labour.