DOMESTIC WORKERS AT THE FRONT-LINES



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Domestic workers Jobs Losses escalate everyday under COVID 19, Governments must act to Protect Domestic Workers and their Children.

According to the 5th ILO report monitoring the impact of COVID-19 on the world of work, the Latin America and the Caribbean is the region experienced the greatest loss of working hours in the world, mainly as a result of the destruction of jobs and reduction of working hours in the second quarter of 2020.(p. 3 of the ILO report). Many affected are domestic workers.

The IDWF has created a Solidarity Fund to support its affiliates to alleviate some of the challenges. This month, we are going to release the second tranche of the fund, varying from USD 5000 to 10,000 to some 60 affiliates in deep crisis.



In South Africa, 250,000 Domestic Workers Jobs Lost in Lockdown, as reported on September 30.



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Similar situation is also reported in the US.



Meanwhile, we are collecting data in different regions to inform governments and policymakers on the right thing to do to protect domestic workers, the most vulnerable workers, and their families



Check IDWF Policy Brief on Impact of Covid 19 here

DELHI: Domestic workers protest over social security on September 24, 2020

"We are protesting against the anti-labour laws passed by Parliament. The Code of Wage Bill, which gives minimum wage to informal workers, does not include us. And now, we are left out in the Code of Social Security also," said Christin Mary, national coordinator of National Domestic Workers' Movement, an IDWF affiliate.

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In the countdown to the Global Day of Action on Care on October 29, the IDWF aims to strengthen its internal capacity to engage on inclusive advocacy campaigns on care work and care economy.

Click on the links below to watch the full training

Part 1 - Understanding Care, its trend and Domestic Workers

https://voutu.be/f41Sw8p9sTU

Part 2 - Care Policies

https://youtu.be/2i1C-NdCIIw

Part 3 - Q&A

https://youtu.be/Ve4LJ-SDSDU

Part 4 (Last part) - Q&A

https://youtu.be/1woJznxkSpc





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