## **Labor & Workforce Issues**

The position you have been assigned in the Constituent Assembly is to draft an amendment that addresses the concerns of the labor force and working class in Nepal.

The CIA Fact book records a 42% unemployment rate in Nepal and it notes a severe shortage of skilled labor as being a problem.

300,000 youth enter the workforce market every year but job opportunities are decreasing due to economic instability. Due to the lack of available jobs many leave the country to find work elsewhere with India and the Middle East as typical destinations. These migrant workers send back over \$1 billion dollars in remittances to Nepal a year, a much needed boost to their economy.

Workers' rights remain an unresolved issue in Nepal, less than 3% of the employed belong to union organizations that might advocate for better wages and safer work conditions. Child labor is often cited as crisis for Nepal with more than 20,000 children indentured domestic child workers estimated in the country.