

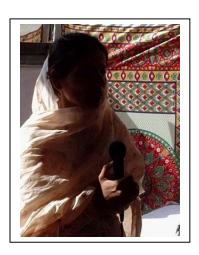
## CHILD LABOUR DAY MEETING WITH WOMEN OF BATALA COLONY

## $\begin{array}{c} \text{On} \\ 12^{\text{th}} \text{ June 2006} \\ \text{At} \end{array}$

## HOCCS' SCHOOL GHOSIA CHOWK

On 12<sup>th</sup> June 2006, HOCCS has organized a meeting with 75 women of Batala Colony People's Colony No.2 Faisalabad at HOCCS' School Ghosia Chowk. Ms. Kanwal Naz (Coordinator HOCCS) Education Department has shared her views about the child labour in Faisalabad and also told the participants that why HOCCS celebrate this day every year. Women also shared their views to reduce the rate and to educate the working children.

The meeting begins at 11:00am and ends at 12:15pm at HOCCS' School Ghosia Chowk Faisalabad in which 75 women participated that belongs from different walks of life. Most of them were housewives. The topics that has been discussed with them was the rights of a child along with human rights.



While talking about the rights she has told that Children's Rights are the part of Human Right. They have been developed to ensure the particular vulnerabilities and need of children receive special attention and are given priority by government and other authorities. But in Pakistan the situation totally different then the convention. We are the witness that the Child Labour rate is increasing day by day. The situation of children at work place is very miserable. The wage they get for their work is very low then their work. While they work equal to a normal man.

Children are the future of any nation. It our duty to build the nation. Access to Educational Institutes and Basic Health Facilities are the right of every child. But some children are deprived of this right. It is the duty of the parents to brought them up nicely and tries to provide them torture free environment. So that after growing they became a good citizen.

The children should have the right to express their views and we should encourage. At educational institute we should condemned the corporal punishment. Only Corporal is the main cause along with other factors to increase the rate of Child Labour and School Dropouts.

No Doubt the Government has banned the corporal punishment at school and also display a board on the schools that keeps the message of love instead of torture in schools. But inside the system is still active. No one can raise the voice because of the fear of teachers and school authorities.

At the end all the participants shared their views about the rights of the child and also admire the HOCCS for struggling to decrease the rate of School drop out and child labour. They also demand to HOCCS to raise the voice on behalf of the community at Governmental Sectors to condemn the corporal punishment at schools and also for some betterment at workplaces where children are working.





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