In 2020, Burundi made moderate advancement in efforts to eliminate the worst forms of child labor. The government passed a new labor code that made important progress in bringing Burundi's legal framework in line with international standards, such as raising the minimum age for work to age 16 and the minimum age for light work to age 15. Law enforcement authorities also implemented stringent measures to monitor the travel of unaccompanied children and identify cases of child trafficking. Meanwhile, the government launched two new programs to improve counter-trafficking capacity in Burundi and provide work alternatives to youth vulnerable to exploitation. However, children in Burundi are subjected to the worst forms of child labor, including in commercial sexual exploitation, sometimes as a result of human trafficking. Children also perform dangerous tasks in gold mining. Burundi lacks a compulsory education age that is equal to the minimum age for work and the government failed to provide comprehensive



criminal law enforcement data related to the worst forms of child labor. Other challenges remain, including a lack of resources to conduct labor inspections and criminal investigations; a lack of well-trained educators and infrastructure in the education sector; and insufficient social programs to address child labor.

### I. PREVALENCE AND SECTORAL DISTRIBUTION OF CHILD LABOR

Children in Burundi are subjected to the worst forms of child labor, including in commercial sexual exploitation, sometimes as a result of human trafficking. Children also perform dangerous tasks in gold mining. (1-3) Table I provides key indicators on children's work and education in Burundi. Data on some of these indicators are not available from the sources used in this report.

Table I. Statistics on Children's Work and Education

Children	Age	Percent
Working (% and population)	5 to 14	33.2 (Unavailable)
Attending School (%)	5 to 14	69.4
Combining Work and School (%)	7 to 14	30.5
Primary Completion Rate (%)		59.4

Source for primary completion rate: Data from 2019, published by UNESCO Institute for Statistics, 2021. (4)

Source for all other data: International Labor Organization's analysis of statistics from Demographic and Health Survey (DHS), 2016–2017. (5)

Based on a review of available information, Table 2 provides an overview of children's work by sector and activity.

Table 2. Overview of Children's Work by Sector and Activity

Sector/Industry	Activity
Agriculture	Production of tea, coffee, sugarcane, cotton, palm oil, peat, potatoes, and rice (1,2,6-8)
	Fishing, including preparing materials and equipment, managing heavy fishing nets, preparing meals for fishermen, loading and unloading materials from vessels, and cleaning the vessels (1,2,6-11)
	Herding and feeding livestock (1,2,6,7)
Industry	Extracting,† washing, and transporting minerals in mines and quarries, including artisanal gold mines (1,2,6)
	Making and transporting bricks (2,7)
	Manufacturing, including soldering, welding, processing plastics and metals, and helping in garages and workshops (8)
Services	Domestic work (2,6-8)
	Street vending, including selling food, newspapers, cigarettes, and used clothes and shoes (1,2,6)

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Table 2. Overview of Children's Work by Sector and Activity (Cont.)

Sector/Industry	Activity
Services	Begging (2,7,8,12)
	Working in hotels and restaurants, including cooking, dishwashing, and waiting tables (1,2,7)
Categorical Worst Forms of Child Labor‡	Commercial sexual exploitation, sometimes as a result of human trafficking (3,13)
	Domestic work as a result of human trafficking (2,3,13)
	Forced labor in agriculture, mining, charcoal production, construction, fishing, street vending, and begging, each sometimes as a result of human trafficking (1,2,7,9,13,14)

<sup>†</sup> Determined by national law or regulation as hazardous and, as such, relevant to Article 3(d) of ILO C. 182.

Burundi is one of the poorest countries in the world, with more than 90 percent of its citizens engaged in subsistence agriculture, and approximately 80 percent of the workforce employed in the informal economy. (1,15,16) Poverty often results in Burundian children leaving school for paid work. (17) During the 2017–2018 school year alone, the cycle for which the most recent data are available, 171,652 children dropped out of school, with many believed to have entered domestic work. (18)

Burundi is a source country for children subjected to forced labor and sex trafficking abroad, and children are trafficked within the country from rural areas for domestic work and commercial sexual exploitation. There were no documented cases of child sex tourism in Burundi during the reporting period. (3,13,15) Reports indicate that an increasing number of children from the Batwa ethnic group are being transported from rural areas into Bujumbura with promises of work and subsequently are exploited. (2) Women who offer room and board to children sometimes force the children into commercial sexual exploitation to pay expenses. (3,13,19) Burundian girls are also trafficked internationally for commercial sexual exploitation in Kenya, Rwanda, Uganda, the Democratic Republic of Congo, and countries in the Middle East. (3,7,13,19,20) Evidence also suggests that children are trafficked to Tanzania for work in agriculture and for domestic work. (3)

Children work entire days transplanting rice and typically drop out of school in the pre-harvest season to guard rice plantations from birds. Children are also utilized as lookouts in the forestry industry to report illegal woodcutting or theft, placing them in potentially dangerous situations when thieves are present. (8) In fishing communities near Lake Tanganyika, boys are often engaged in fishing activities without pay while girls work as cooks or domestic employees and are at risk of sexual exploitation. (3,8) Civil society organizations indicate that up to 15 percent of children who are school dropouts in urban centers work in the charcoal trade, either packing, loading, and unpacking charcoal or working in fire pits. (8)

Although the government abolished school fees in 2012, families are often asked to pay for supplies, secondary school fees, and school building maintenance costs, which have prevented many children from accessing free public schooling. (2) A dearth of well-trained educators and poor infrastructure have also limited educational opportunity. For example, the lack of gender-separated bathrooms can contribute to lower attendance rates among girls. (2) Children with disabilities and mobility issues face discrimination in schools and a lack of appropriate materials and infrastructure, limiting access to education. (21) Moreover, because birth certificates are required to attend school, many unregistered children, in particular children of the Batwa ethnic group, remain out of school and vulnerable to child labor. (1,2,6,15)

### II. LEGAL FRAMEWORK FOR CHILD LABOR

Burundi has ratified all key international conventions concerning child labor (Table 3).

<sup>‡</sup> Child labor understood as the worst forms of child labor per se under Article 3(a)–(c) of ILO C. 182.

Table 3. Ratification of International Conventions on Child Labor

Convention		Ratification
KIOTEN.	ILO C. 138, Minimum Age	✓
	ILO C. 182, Worst Forms of Child Labor	✓
	UN CRC	/
	UN CRC Optional Protocol on Armed Conflict	<b>✓</b>
	UN CRC Optional Protocol on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography	<b>✓</b>
	Palermo Protocol on Trafficking in Persons	/

The government has established laws and regulations related to child labor (Table 4). However, gaps exist in Burundi's legal framework to adequately protect children from the worst forms of child labor, including the lack of criminal penalties for forced labor.

Table 4. Laws and Regulations on Child Labor

	Meets		
Standard	International Standards	Age	Legislation
Minimum Age for Work	Yes	16	Articles 2 and 10 of the Labor Code; Article 3 of the Ministerial Ordinance to Regulate Child Labor (22,23)
Minimum Age for Hazardous Work	Yes	18	Articles 270 and 279 of the Labor Code; Article 13 of the Ministerial Ordinance to Regulate Child Labor (22,23)
Identification of Hazardous Occupations or Activities Prohibited for Children	Yes		Articles 9–15 of the Ministerial Ordinance to Regulate Child Labor (22)
Prohibition of Forced Labor	No		Articles 7, 8, and 617 of the Labor Code; Articles 4 and 10 of the Trafficking in Persons Law; Article 545 of the Penal Code (23-25)
Prohibition of Child Trafficking	Yes		Article 12 of the Labor Code; Articles 4–6 and 10 of the Trafficking in Persons Law; Article 197 of the Penal Code (23-25)
Prohibition of Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children	Yes		Article 12 of the Labor Code; Articles 519, 542-544 of the Penal Code; Articles 4 and 10 of the Trafficking in Persons Law (23-25)
Prohibition of Using Children in Illicit Activities	No		Article 12 and 618 of the Labor Code (23,25)
Minimum Age for Voluntary State Military Recruitment	Yes	18	Article 6(c) of the National Defense Troops Law (26)
Prohibition of Compulsory Recruitment of Children by (State) Military	N/A*		
Prohibition of Military Recruitment by Non-state Armed Groups	No		Article 12 of the Labor Code; Articles 200.2.27 and 200.5.7 of the Penal Code (23,25)
Compulsory Education Age	No	15‡	Article 35 of the Law on Basic and Secondary Education (27)
Free Public Education	No		Article 53 of the Constitution; Articles 17, 35, and 47 of the Law on Basic and Secondary Education (27,28)

<sup>‡</sup> Age calculated based on available information (27)

In November 2020, Burundi enacted a new Labor Code, notably establishing 15 as the minimum age for light work, with Ministerial Order 630 still outlining the types of light work permissible for underage children. (3,22,23) The Code also extends protections to children working in the informal sector. (23) Burundi's new Labor Code prohibits forced labor in any form and prohibits the use, recruitment, or offering of children in illicit activities, notably for the production and trafficking of drugs. (23) However, the Labor Code only imposes fines for violations of forced labor and the use of children in illicit activities. (23,25)

<sup>\*</sup> No conscription (26)

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The prohibitions against hazardous work are not comprehensive, as they fail to cover agriculture, an area of work in which there is evidence of children working with dangerous machinery, equipment, and tools. (7,22)

Although the Constitution prohibits the use of children in armed conflict, the Penal Code criminalizes only the use of children under age 15 in armed conflict, leaving children between the ages of 15 and 18 vulnerable to this worst form of child labor. (25,29) However, Burundian law does prohibit the recruitment of children under age 18 by state armed forces, and available evidence indicates that the government continued to comply with this provision. (1,15,16)

Although the Law on Basic and Secondary Education provides for guaranteed, free education, it relies on funding from families. (27) Burundi implemented education reforms beginning in 2014 that have continued through the present reporting period because of delays caused by civil unrest in 2015. Burundi's education reform plans established that basic education is compulsory through the first 9 years of education, beginning when a child turns 6 years old. (30-31) The compulsory education age however is less than the minimum age for work, making children between the ages of 15 and 16 vulnerable to labor exploitation.

### III. ENFORCEMENT OF LAWS ON CHILD LABOR

The government has established institutional mechanisms for the enforcement of laws and regulations on child labor (Table 5). However, gaps exist within the operations of enforcement agencies that may hinder adequate enforcement of their child labor laws.

Table 5. Agencies Responsible for Child Labor Law Enforcement

Organization/Agency	Role
Ministry of Public Service, Labor, and Employment	Administers and enforces all labor laws, including those on child labor, through the Inspector General of Work and Social Security. (32)
Ministry of Interior, Community Development and Public Security	Conducts criminal investigations on the worst forms of child labor, including forced child labor, child trafficking, and the use of children in illicit activities. Through the Burundi National Police's Unit for the Protection of Minors and Morals, protects children from commercial sexual exploitation, illicit activity, forced labor, and military recruitment. (1,2,7,13,16)
Ministry of Justice	Prosecutes cases of the worst forms of child labor through its General Prosecutor's Office. (1,2,7)
Ministry of National Solidarity, Social Affairs, Human Rights, and Gender	Coordinates, monitors, and oversees children's advocacy and family services programs conducted by public and private organizations. Develops policies and national laws on the promotion and protection of children and families. (33,34) Refers cases to police officers and judicial officials for enforcement through its 89 Child Protection Committees at local levels; victims are referred to local NGOs for social services. (2,33,34)

## **Labor Law Enforcement**

In 2020, labor law enforcement agencies in Burundi took actions to combat child labor (Table 6). However, gaps exist within the operations of the Ministry of Public Service, Labor, and Employment that may hinder adequate labor law enforcement, including an insufficient number of labor inspectors.

Table 6. Labor Law Enforcement Efforts Related to Child Labor

Overview of Labor Law Enforcement	2019	2020
Labor Inspectorate Funding	\$2,650 (2)	\$2,589 (8)
Number of Labor Inspectors	43 (2)	38 (8)
Inspectorate Authorized to Assess Penalties	Yes (23)	Yes (23)
Initial Training for New Labor Inspectors	No (2)	Yes (8)
Training on New Laws Related to Child Labor	N/A	N/A (8)
Refresher Courses Provided	No (2)	Yes (8)
Number of Labor Inspections Conducted	397 (2)	552 (8)
Number Conducted at Worksite	397 (2)	552 (8)
Number of Child Labor Violations Found	I (2)	0 (8)

Table 6. Labor Law Enforcement Efforts Related to Child Labor (Cont.)

Overview of Labor Law Enforcement	2019	2020
Number of Child Labor Violations for Which Penalties Were Imposed	0 (2)	0 (8)
Number of Child Labor Penalties Imposed that Were Collected	0 (2)	0 (8)
Routine Inspections Conducted	Yes (2)	Yes (8)
Routine Inspections Targeted	No (2)	No (8)
Unannounced Inspections Permitted	Yes (23)	Yes (23)
Unannounced Inspections Conducted	Yes (2)	Yes (8)
Complaint Mechanism Exists	Yes (2)	Yes (8)
Reciprocal Referral Mechanism Exists Between Labor Authorities and Social Services	Yes (2)	Yes (8)

Burundi lacks local inspectors in 14 of its 18 provinces. (2) Furthermore, the number of labor inspectors is likely insufficient for the size of Burundi's workforce, which includes approximately 5 million workers. According to the ILO's technical advice of a ratio approaching 1 inspector for every 40,000 workers in less developed economies, Burundi would employ about 125 inspectors. (35,36) Although inspections were carried out throughout the country during the reporting period, reporting suggests that inspections are conducted exclusively in the formal sector, in which child labor is relatively rare, and exclude the agricultural sector. (2,37,38)

Government officials acknowledged the labor inspectorate budget in 2020 was not sufficient. (8) Research found that financial constraints hamper the Inspector General of Work and Social Security's enforcement of child labor laws because annual funding does not cover fuel costs, per diem, or office supplies, nor does the labor inspectorate own any vehicles. (6,7,39,40)

### **Criminal Law Enforcement**

In 2020, criminal law enforcement agencies in Burundi took actions to combat child labor (Table 7). However, gaps exist within the operations of the criminal enforcement agencies that may hinder adequate criminal law enforcement, including resource allocation.

Table 7. Criminal Law Enforcement Efforts Related to Child Labor

Overview of Criminal Law Enforcement	2019	2020
Initial Training for New Criminal Investigators	Unknown (2)	Unknown (8)
Training on New Laws Related to the Worst Forms of Child Labor	Unknown (2)	N/A
Refresher Courses Provided	Unknown (2)	Yes (13)
Number of Investigations	Unknown (2)	Unknown (8)
Number of Violations Found	Unknown (2)	Unknown (8)
Number of Prosecutions Initiated	Unknown (2)	Unknown (8)
Number of Convictions	Unknown (2)	Unknown (8)
Imposed Penalties for Violations Related to the Worst Forms of Child Labor	Unknown (2)	Yes (13)
Reciprocal Referral Mechanism Exists Between Criminal Authorities and Social Services	Yes (2)	Yes (8)

During the reporting period, the General Immigration Authority, which issues travel documents and is responsible for border security, increased scrutiny of traveling unaccompanied children to target the trafficking of children abroad. It also issued a notice preventing travel of Burundian citizens to Gulf countries without permission from the Authority. (13) Similarly, the Ministry of Public Service, Labor, and Employment issued a ministerial order to suspend all recruitment agencies operating in the country in response to what it described as an increase in human trafficking during the reporting period. (13)

Law enforcement indicated they had arrested 4 alleged traffickers, 3 of whom were convicted and sentenced to between 3 and 7 years in prison, and identified and referred to care 16 child trafficking victims as a result of increased efforts to analyze border crossing documents. (13) The IOM indicated it had identified 25 child trafficking victims during the reporting period, 6 of whom had been repatriated from Tanzania and 17 of

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whom were identified in route to Tanzania. The IOM partnered with the government to cover repatriation costs, and the government subsequently partnered with a local NGO to place the six returning children in shelters. (13) Meanwhile, UNICEF reported providing services to 403 children, a majority of whom were victims of human trafficking and child labor. (8,13)

The government did not provide complete information on its criminal law enforcement efforts for inclusion in this report. (8)

Despite its efforts, the government lacked resources to fully implement criminal law enforcement strategies. For example, while the Burundi National Police Unit for the Protection of Minors and Morals was responsible for the investigation of trafficking in persons, sex trafficking, and child and forced labor issues, it lacked capacity and often did not receive referrals from other police units. (19) The government acknowledged that officials are unfamiliar with the 2014 anti-trafficking law and thus are not sufficiently familiar with the concepts of the worst forms of child labor. However, the government translated the 2014 anti-trafficking law into Kirundi and the government saw an increase in cases accurately filed and charged under the law. (13,38) Agencies lacked resources necessary to respond to victims' needs and had to rely primarily on services from civil society and international organizations. (19) Furthermore, Burundi lacks formal guidance for authorities on how to respond to cases potentially involving the worst forms of child labor, and law enforcement lacked sufficient training to properly identify victims. Although a referral mechanism between law enforcement and social services exists, civil society organizations indicate it is utilized on an ad hoc basis, thus making it difficult to ensure victims receive services. (3)

### IV. COORDINATION OF GOVERNMENT EFFORTS ON CHILD LABOR

The government has established mechanisms to coordinate its efforts to address child labor (Table 8). However, gaps exist that hinder the effective coordination of efforts to address child labor, including resource allocation.

Table 8. Key Mechanisms to Coordinate Government Efforts on Child Labor

Coordinating Body	Role & Description
Multi-Sector Committee for the Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labor	National coordination body organized by the Ministry of National Solidarity, Social Affairs, Human Rights and Gender, and the Child and Family Department, that works with local non-governmental organizations to address child protection issues. (8) The committee met twice monthly during the reporting period after having been inactive in prior reporting periods. (8)
Ad Hoc Committee for Consultation and Monitoring on the Prevention and Suppression of Trafficking in Persons	Under the office of the Vice President, responsible for coordinating national anti-trafficking efforts. Includes officials from the Ministries of Foreign Affairs and Development Cooperation (MFADC), Justice, Interior, Community Development, and Public Security. (13) In what the IOM characterized as increased activity by the committee compared to previous years, in 2020, the Committee conducted training for more than 407 government officials and worked with the MFADC to repatriate and provide services to victims of human trafficking abroad. This included six victims from Tanzania who were minors. (13) During the reporting period, the Committee's Integrated Plan of Activities expired, and the Committee worked with the IOM to draft a new plan to extend through 2022. (13) The Committee also translated Burundi's 2014 Counter-Trafficking Law into the national language of Kirundi to disseminate it to anti-trafficking stakeholders such as immigration officers, judges, police, and local NGOs. (13)

The Multi-Sector Committee for the Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labor was active again during the reporting period, but participating NGOs have indicated that the committee is more effective in the areas around Bujumbura and lacks a presence upcountry, limiting its ability to respond to urgent cases outside of the capital region. (8)

While the Ad Hoc Committee was active during the reporting period, it did not receive any dedicated funds from the government for the fiscal year and thus was reliant upon funding sources from international organizations. (13) Furthermore, there is a lack of coordination and training among stakeholders to properly classify and respond to cases of human trafficking. (3)

## V. GOVERNMENT POLICIES ON CHILD LABOR

The government has established policies related to child labor (Table 9). However, policy gaps exist that hinder efforts to address child labor, including inactive and expired policies.

Table 9. Key Policies Related to Child Labor

Policy	Description
National Action Plan for Combating Trafficking in Persons (2019–2020)	Aimed to significantly reduce human trafficking in Burundi by 2020 through the adoption of political, social, economic, and institutional measures. Identified women and children as being the most vulnerable to human trafficking, noting sectors of high prevalence and human trafficker profiles. (34,41) The policy ended in 2020 and has not been replaced. (8) The government reported that it continued implementing the 2018–2020 Integrated Plan of Activities to carry out the National Action Plan, and noted that it accomplished a majority of the activities during the reporting period. The government began working with the IOM to draft a new plan. (13)
Burundi National Development Plan (2018–2027)	Ten-year strategic plan that aims to address economic and social challenges in the country. Includes goals to address poverty and access to education, and seeks to address youth employment through strategies such as updates to the labor code and improvements in basic and vocational education. (42) During the reporting period, the government worked with IOM to recruit members of the Burundian diaspora to serve in consultative roles on the implementation of the plan. (43)

During the reporting period, research did not reveal any steps taken by the government to renew the expired National Revised Action Plan for the Fight Against the Worst Forms of Child Labor.

### VI. SOCIAL PROGRAMS TO ADDRESS CHILD LABOR

In 2020, the government funded and participated in programs that include the goal of eliminating or preventing child labor (Table 10). However, gaps exist in these social programs, including the adequacy of programs to address the full scope of the problem in all sectors.

Table 10. Key Social Programs to Address Child Labor

Program	Description
Centers for Family Development†	Ministry of National Solidarity, Social Affairs, Human Rights and Gender-operated centers that address human rights issues, including child exploitation, and reintegrate victims in their home communities. Coordinate with Child Protection Committees to refer victims to local NGOs for care, when necessary. (33,44) The centers continued to operate during the reporting period, including providing services to six child trafficking victims repatriated from Tanzania. (3,13)
Country Program for the Promotion of Decent Work†*	Developed in 2020 by the Ministry of Labor in partnership with the ILO, aims to increase job opportunities for vulnerable populations such as youth who are at risk of being victims of human trafficking, and promote the application of international labor standards. (13)
IOM Anti-Trafficking Programs*	Includes the Burundi Counter-Trafficking (2019–2022) program launched in 2019 in partnership with the Kingdom of the Netherlands that aims to reinforce government anti-human trafficking efforts by improving coordination between government ministries, Burundi National Police, and civil society organizations. Also aims to strengthen the national referral system for the protection of and improve reintegration services for human trafficking victims. (19,45) In 2020, IOM bolstered its anti-trafficking programming in Burundi through the USAID-funded "National Response to Victim Protection, Prevention and Prosecution of Trafficking in Burundi" program. The 2 year, \$1.5 million project seeks to improve Burundi's capacity by raising awareness, improving victim services, and centralizing government counter-trafficking efforts. (46)
"Back to School" Campaign†	UNICEF and Ministry of Education "Back to School" campaign to promote equitable access and retention in school for 2.6 million basic education students, half of them girls. (47) UNICEF continued its campaign to help modernize school facilities and update and improve curriculum, and held its annual supply distribution campaign in September 2020. (48,49)

<sup>\*</sup> Program was launched during the reporting period.

Research found no evidence that the government has carried out programs to assist children working in agriculture. Further, the scope of existing programs is insufficient to fully address the extent of the child labor problem.

 $<sup>\</sup>dagger$  Program is funded by the Government of Burundi.

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## VII. SUGGESTED GOVERNMENT ACTIONS TO ELIMINATE CHILD LABOR

Based on the reporting above, suggested actions are identified that would advance the elimination of child labor in Burundi (Table 11).

Table 11. Suggested Government Actions to Eliminate Child Labor

Area	Suggested Action	Year(s) Suggested
Legal Framework	Ensure that forced labor is criminally prohibited with possible penalties beyond fines.	2019 – 2020
	Ensure that the use of children in illicit activities is criminally prohibited with possible penalties beyond fines.	2015 – 2020
	Establish by law a compulsory education age equal to the minimum age for work.	2009 – 2020
	Ensure that all children are protected from hazardous work activities, including in agriculture, which has hazardous conditions and in which child labor is known to occur.	2016 – 2020
	Ensure that the law criminally prohibits the recruitment of children under age 18 by non-state armed groups.	2012 – 2020
Enforcement	Conduct targeted inspections in sectors and areas where child labor is known to be prevalent, including in agriculture and the informal sector.	2020
	Ensure the government conducts an adequate number of labor inspections and that inspections cover all areas of the country.	2019 – 2020
	Increase the number of labor inspectors to meet the ILO's technical advice.	2009 – 2020
	Provide sufficient funding and resources to the Inspector General of Work and Social Security to cover needs such as fuel costs, per diem, office supplies, and vehicles.	2009 – 2020
	Publish information on criminal law enforcement efforts including whether initial training is provided to investigators, the number of investigations conducted, violations identified, prosecutions initiated, and convictions achieved related to the criminal enforcement of child labor laws.	2017 – 2020
	Ensure that officials receive adequate training on laws pertaining to the worst forms of child labor.	2019 – 2020
	Ensure that criminal law enforcement agencies and agencies responsible for responding to human trafficking have the resources, guidance, and capacity necessary to investigate cases and provide services to victims.	2019 – 2020
	Strengthen referral mechanisms between law enforcement agencies, social services, and civil society organizations to ensure that cases are properly investigated and that victims receive services.	2020
Coordination	Improve the capacity of the Multi-Sector Committee for the Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labor to ensure coverage in areas outside of the capital city.	2015 – 2020
	Ensure the viability of established coordinating mechanisms by dedicating regular funding for their operation.	2019 – 2020
	Improve training and coordination among anti-trafficking in person stakeholders.	2020
Government Policies	Adopt a policy that addresses all relevant worst forms of child labor, such as a national child labor action plan or a national trafficking in persons action plan.	2015 – 2020
Social Programs	Collect and publish data on child labor prevalence across relevant sectors.	2020
	Increase access to education by eliminating school-related fees; increasing the number of well-trained educators; expanding infrastructure to accommodate the needs of female and disabled students; and increasing birth registration rates for populations such as the Batwa ethnic group.	2015 – 2020
	Institute and expand existing programs to address child labor, including in agriculture.	2009 – 2020

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