

Workshop on child labour held



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A zonal [workshop](#) on child labour was held at Basic Training Centre in Kokrajhar with coinciding the observance of the World Day [against](#) Child Labour 2017 in Assam on Wednesday. Government employees, tea estate managers, activists and social [workers](#) participated in the [workshop](#) from four districts of BTAD.

Bibekananda Choudhury, Deputy Comissioner,Kokrajhar lighted the lamp to inaugurate the [workshop](#) which discussed thoroughly about child labour that has been increasing day by day among society in the region.The [workshop](#) was organized by district administration, Kokrajhar in association with Sarva Siksha Abhijan(SSA), Kokrajhar, department of Labour and [UNICEF](#),Assam.

The four districts of BTAD have average 5.3% percent of child labour under 5-14 years among society. As per census source of 2011, in Kokrajhar district, 11793 (boys- 6738 and [girls](#)-5024) child are involved with child labour figuring 5.7% of proportion of total population in the district. A total 7002 child (boys-3154 and [girls](#)-3844) figuring 6.1% of proportion population are recorded working [as](#) child labour in Chirang district. In Baksa district, 11139 child (boys-6182 and [girls](#)-4957) child are recorded [as](#) working labour figuring 5.5% from proportion population. Altogether 7738 child (boys-3381 and [girls](#)-4357) are recorded working [as](#) labour figuring 4.2% of proportion population in [Udalguri](#) district.

Veena Singh, communication for development officer, [UNICEF](#), Assam graced [as](#) resource person the occasion and presented situation of child vulnerabilities in the concerned districts with a particular focus on child labour and out of school children. She said that [as](#) per census report in 2011 huge children are involved with labour [job](#) to meet up their life and families. Ratnadeep Bhattacharjee, secretary of district legal services authority, Kokrajhar also graced [as](#) resource person and highlighted reasons of child labour in the [state](#).

Biren Chandra Phukan, BTC [Principal](#) Secretary said that the [workshop](#) discussed on the child labour that has been seeing increasing among society. The discussion would be short out various measures to eliminate child labour structure among society, Phukan said.

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