

Inter-Agency Toolkit: Preventing and Responding to Child Labour in Humanitarian Action



The **toolkit** developed by the Child Labour Task Force co-led by Plan International and ILO, under the Alliance for Child Protection in Humanitarian Action **guides humanitarian actors and other agencies in the global community to effectively prevent and respond to child labour in humanitarian action.**

CHILD LABOUR IN HUMANITARIAN SETTINGS

- ✓ Humanitarian crises create new **child labour risk factors**, exacerbate existing ones and change or undermine a **child's protective environment**.
- ✓ Most child labour takes place within the **family unit**.
- ✓ Child labour is strongly associated with **restricted access to education**.
- ✓ **Girls** are left out of the picture.
- ✓ Children with a **refugee** status are overlooked.



TARGET GROUPS

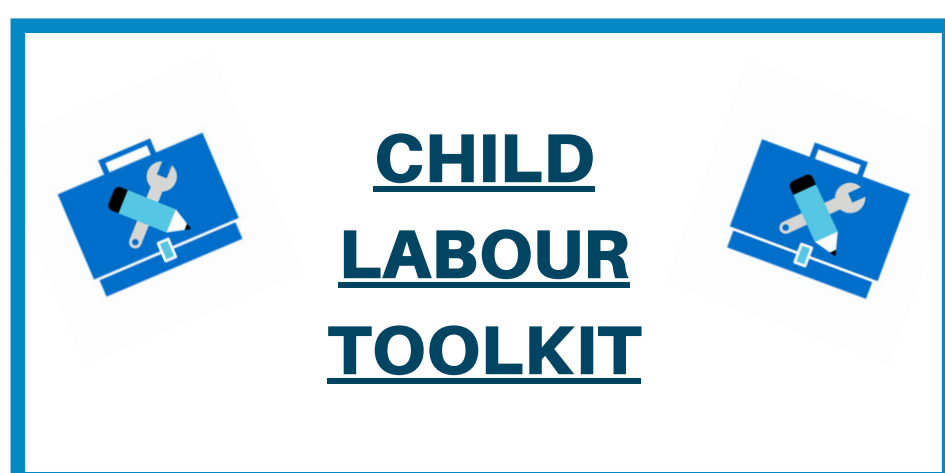
- ✓ **All actors supporting child labour preparedness and response actions in humanitarian settings**, including government personnel, NGOs, policy makers, international organisations, community organisations, donors, coordinators and those working on human resources, resource mobilisation, learning and development, advocacy, media or communications.
- ✓ **Practitioners who are responsible for child labour strategy design, coordination and programme implementation** across child protection, education, food security, livelihoods, economic strengthening and health, among other sectors.
- ✓ **Practitioners working in infectious disease outbreaks including the COVID-19 pandemic.** Specific guidance on child labour risk factors and programme adaptations is included in the toolkit and tools section.

PART 1

Why we should act on child labour in humanitarian settings provides clarity on child labour concepts and legal frameworks, and outlines the main risks and consequences of child labour in humanitarian settings.

PART 2

Ensuring a quality response outlines the core elements that underpin a quality humanitarian response including coordination, needs assessment and analysis, strategy development and resource mobilisation.



PART 3

Prevention and response programme actions brings together a multi-sectoral programmatic framework for addressing child labour in a variety of humanitarian contexts. It covers sector-specific guidance and tools across sectors as well as related to societal systems, policies and legislation.

PART 4

Core implementation actions outlines other essential components of a child labour response including communications and advocacy, knowledge management and capacity-building, human resources, monitoring and evaluation, and information management.

The toolkit also contains **19 practical tools** and **34 case studies**.

TOOLS to assist in the implementation of quality child labour programmes in humanitarian settings and suggested at different stages of the programming cycle.



CASE STUDIES highlighting good practices from a variety of humanitarian crisis settings worldwide.