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Child Labour: An Ugly Face of the Civilized Society

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ABSTRACT The present study was conducted with the objectives to assess the problem of child labour: its causes and consequences in a tribal dominated district of Orissa. Using a multi-stage random sampling method data were collected from 140 respondents covering 12 panchayatas spread over 4 identified blocks of the study area. The study reveals that most of the active child workers are coming from poverty stricken socio-economic backward families. Very often they are ill treated. To deal with the problem a multi pronged attack is inevitable. All the actors should work in unison to have a permanent solution to this man made disaster.