

Handouts

Handout 1: Facts about Ashique's life

Personal Data

Name: Ashique Hashmir Age: 11 years old Nationality: Pakistani

Family: Parents, 2 grandparents,

1 sister and 3 brothers

Family Income: about 70 €/month

"Professional" Data

"Profession": worker in a brick factory

Working Hours: between 12 to 16 hours a day (1/2 hour break) – 6 days a week

Working Production: about 600 bricks a day

Wage: 1.3 Euro for 1000 bricks (but 50% goes for repayment of loan made by his family)

Working since he was 5 years old

Other Information

His family has been bonded for 2 years because they took a loan of about (P)Rs.6000 (110 Euro). Now, with the loan interest, the amount owed is about 280 Euro.

Ashique was sent to school for 3 months by his father but the factory owner removed him and put him back to work. His father was punished because of what he had done.

The family income is very low and consequently insufficient to send the children to school and to provide adequate food and health care.

Source: http://www.freethechildren.org

Handout 2: Facts about Ashique's life

What can be done about Ashique's situation - and that of other child labourers?

By tomorrow?	By next month?	By 2005

