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Child Labour is the practice of having children engage in economic activity, on part or full time basis. The practice deprives children of their childhood, and is harmful to their physical and mental development. Poverty, lack of good schools and growth of informal economy are considered as the important causes of child labour in India.

India has a federal form of government, and labour being a subject in the Concurrent List, both the central and state governments can and have legislated on child labour. The major national legislative developments include the following:

- **The Factories Act of 1948**
- **The Mines Act of 1952**
- **The Child Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act of 1986**
- **The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection) of Children Act of 2000**
- **The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act of 2009**

In order to create awareness to abolish Child labour, CBSE has assigned a project. As a part of the project, five students (each from grade 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10) and educators (**Baishali Niyogi and Agrima Singh**) along with Co ordinator **Urvi Vaidya** had gone for the interaction with **Mr. Satyajit Desai (Senior Lawyer, Gujarat High court)**. Following is the feedback of the students who went for the learning interaction.

My name is **Mitali Deoskar**. I am in 6D. My feedback is – I have got a lot of information. He explained everything very nicely. I was able to understand everything.

My name is **R. Sarvesh**. I am in 7A. My feedback is – It was a great experience to meet Mr. Satyajit Desai. He gave me a lot of information about child labour and learnt a lot from him.

My name is **Aditi Govind Hiwrale**. I am in 8B. My feedback is – This was very enlightening experience about child labour and enjoyed it very much.

My name is **Deepanjan Mukherjee**. I am in 9A. My feedback is – It was wonderful meeting Mr. Desai. He gave us a lot of knowledge. It was really satisfactory to interact with him. He has a great vision. Therefore, in nutshell, I am very thankful to Mr. Desai.

My name is **Anish Gupta**. I am in 10C. My feedback is – It was very nice experience. It provided me lot of information which is very helpful. Mr. Desai is a great lawyer and a great man. So it was a great experience to meet him.