Impact of COVID-19 on Child Labour

Education Disruption

1.6 BILLION learners' education disrupted due to school closures.

24 MILLION children, including more than 11 million girls may drop out of school.

260 MILLION children are missing out on vital school meals programmes due to school closures.

Sources: UNESCO Dashboard on COVID-19 Impact on Education; UNICEF; Global Partnership of Returnees; World Bank;

Increased Poverty, Food Insecurity and Worsened Socio-Economic Conditions and Violence Against Children

Globally 1 in 6 children - 365 MILLION lived in extreme poverty before the pandemic. COVID-19 could push an additional 42-66 MILLION children into extreme poverty

More than half the global population (4 BILLION people including 1.3 BILLION children), do not have critical social safety net coverage.

COVID-19 may add between 83 and 132 MILLION people to the number of undernourished in 2020.

13 MILLION additional child marriages predicted in the 10 years with at least 4 MILLION girls married in the next two years alone.

Up to 85 MILLION children may have been exposed to physical, sexual and/or emotional violence due to COVID-19, with risks of online sexual abuse doubling.

Sources: World Bank, UNICEF; 150 million children live in extreme poverty; EBA Policy Brief; The Impact of COVID-19 on Children,

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