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## REASONS FOR WORKING IN SAFETY MATCH INDUSTRY IN VIRUDHUNAGAR DISTRICT

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### ABSTRACT

**I**n and around, Virudhunagar district, there are 2700 Safety Match factories, which have been employing 1, 56,273 workers. The major processes are frame filling, wax dipping, head filling, drying, box framing and filling, side painting, band rolling, dozen packing and chemical grinding. The labourers are exposed to physical, chemical and ergonomic hazards. They are exposed to various chemical hazards mainly potassium chlorate, commercial sulphur, glue, black and red manganese, red phosphorus, antimony glass powder etc. In this article the researcher would like to know the reasons for working in the Safety Match Industry in Virudhunagar district. The researcher himself prepared an interview Schedule, through that the researcher would come to know the reasons for working in the Safety Match Industry those who are working in the Safety Match Industry in Virudhunagar district, and what are their family backgrounds.

**KEYWORDS:** Safety Match Industry, Employment Opportunities, Excessive Heat, Illiteracy.