

LABOUR PROBLEMS IN SAFETY MATCH INDUSTRY IN VIRUDHUNAGAR DISTRICT WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO SIVAKASI

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ABSTRACT

In and around, Sivakasi Taluk in Virudhunagar District, there are approximately. 100 Match factories employing more than ten thousand workers. Major processes are frame filling, wax dipping, head filling, drying, box farming and filling, side painting, band rolling, dozen packing and chemical grinding section. The labourers are exposed to physical, chemical and ergonomic hazards. Physical hazards include excessive heat superadded by poor ventilation. They are also exposed to high volume music being played by the employer so they cannot communicate with each other and have to be involved fully in the work. They are exposed various chemical hazards mainly potassium chlorate, commercial sulphur, glue, black and red manganese, red phosphorus, antimony glass powder etc.

In this article the researcher take the Labour Problem in Safety Match Industry in Sivakasi in Virudhunagar district. The researcher himself prepared an interview Schedule, through that the researcher would come to know the problems faced by the labourers those who are working in the Safety Match Industry in Sivakasi in Virudhunagar district, and what are their family backgrounds.