

Review of: "Understanding Bonded Labor: A Traditional System of Slavery in India"

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This paper is intriguing and adds to the existing literature on a similar topic. However, to improve its readability and substance, this work includes a few comments. First, the abstract should describe the context and findings of this research in relation to the Indian circumstances, as suggested by the title, rather than the wider context. Furthermore, the paper's fundamental point is that the continuation of bonded labour is due to a lack of sufficient international attention. This remark should be clarified by referring to the ILO conference in 1929, 1913, or 1932, which investigated this bonded work system and determined it to be removed from all state labour practices by legislation. Furthermore, this assertion is irrelevant to the topic of this research, which focuses primarily on the Indian context. As a result, this paper should do a detailed investigation of India's labour regulations to determine why the bonded labour system exists in the present period. Is the coolie labour system, which was emblematic of India's colonial labour system, still present in the country's labour law?