



TOILING HARD FOR FAIR WAGES

Five-year-old Ratna gives her mother a hand in breaking charcoal into pieces at a brick kiln as her three-year-old sister gets darker with the dust particles. With the charcoal her father burns brick at the same kiln. Without any safety gear the entire family works nine hours a day to earn a living. Like them, thousands others including children work more than eight hours every day risking their lives at a discriminatory wage in Bangladesh more than a century after the historic May Day. On May 1, 1886 many workers laid down their lives demanding eight-hour working shift at Haymarket in Chicago in the United States.

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