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Honduran Melon Workers Demand Fyffes Respects Their Labor Rights

Hundreds of seasonal workers marched on the Japanese-owned billion-dollar multinational fruit company Fyffes plc to deliver a petition signed by more than 1000 melon farmworkers demanding their international labor rights, including their right to form their own independent union with El Sindicato de Trabajadores de la Agroindustria y Similares (STAS). The mostly woman workforce has been fighting for health and safety standards and dignity on the job.
Wi-Fi Now for Fishers’ Rights Campaign Goes Global

Migrant fishers in Taiwan, their worker organizations, and international allies have launched a global solidarity campaign demanding Wi-Fi communication access for fishers on the high seas to ensure their fundamental labor rights, including freedom of association. In March, GLJ-ILRF organized a series of meetings with U.S. supporters, big seafood brands and officials to push the brands to take responsibility for working conditions in their supply chains.

Union Win in Zambia as Campaign for Labor Rights in Development Finance Continues

Workers at the Marriott in Lusaka, Zambia, recently voted overwhelmingly to join the Hotel, Catering, Tourism and Allied Workers of Zambia. The IFC loan recipient and hotel owner benefitted from millions of USD in development finance loans. Under pressure from the International Union of Food, Agricultural, Hotel, Restaurant, Catering, Tobacco and Allied Workers’ Associations (IUF) and GLJ-ILRF, the IFC and the employer eventually ended union-busting and
facilitated an environment where workers could vote free from intimidation.

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One Year Later, Dindigul Agreement Shows How to Hold Global Brands Accountable

The results of the Dindigul Agreement to End Gender Based Violence and Harassment has shown the power of binding agreements that bring together global brands and local unions to ensure labor rights in supply chains. H&M, Gap and PVH have signed the agreement, protecting workers’ right to join union Tamil Nadu Textile and Common Labour Union (TTCU) and create a worker-led model to combat violence and harassment. The Agreement has been recognized as a model with Executive Director Jennifer (JJ) Rosenbaum sharing its impacts in presentations to the U.S. Department of Labor International Labor Bureau and the European Commission International Trade Department. Senior Staff Attorney Sahiba Gill made a presentation to the OECD.

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Bumblebee Takes Positive Step to Resolve GLJ-ILRF Allegations of Overstated Labor Rights Claims

GLJ-ILRF welcomed a recent settlement with Bumble Bee Foods, under which the tuna giant agreed to remove specific claims about its fishing practices and working conditions, including “fair and safe supply chain” and “fair and responsible working conditions,” from its website, social media presence, and other public advertising to reach a mutual settlement of the lawsuit.

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Cambodian Workers Demand Justice at NagaWorld Casino Hotel

After more than a year-long struggle for labor rights that has included the government arresting union leaders, GLJ-ILRF joins Cambodian union Labor Rights Supported Union of Khmer Employees of NagaWorld (LRSU) and global allies calling for the immediate release of union leader Chhim Sithar – who won the U.S. State Department Global Human Rights Defender Award – and demanding the
government drop all charges against her and other unionists. NagaWorld must reinstate all union members and negotiate in good faith with LRSU.

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Cotton Campaign Celebrates End of State-Imposed Forced Labor in Uzbek Cotton

The Cotton Campaign and the National Endowment for Democracy hosted an event celebrating the Campaign's success in Uzbekistan with two expert panel discussions: one reflecting on the one-year anniversary of the end of the Campaign's boycott of Uzbek cotton and ongoing challenges and another examining the implications for global cotton supply chains, focusing on Turkmenistan and the Uyghur Region. A photo exhibition highlighted key milestones.

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REPORTS

Dindigul Agreement Year 1 Progress Report

One year after the signing of the historic Dindigul Agreement, our new report co-released with Asia Floor Wage Alliance and Tamil Nadu Textile and Common Labour Union documents how major global fashion companies, a clothing and textile supplier and labor organizations have empowered women garment workers including migrants in India to respond to and eliminate gender-based violence and harassment (GBVH) and caste-based discrimination and win more rights in their workplace.

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Hotel Workers’ Rights in Development Finance

GLJ-ILRF and the IUF launched a report detailing the multiple failures of the International Finance Corporation, the World Bank’s investment arm, in realizing their own Performance Standard for social sustainability in its investments in the hospitality sector.

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Big Fashion and Wall Street Cash In on Wage Theft

A new report from GLJ-ILRF and the Asia Floor Wage Alliance reveals how Nike, VF Corp. and Levi’s profit through wage theft from workers in their Asian supply chains.

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Supplying SLAPPs

A new report highlights the continued use of Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation (SLAPP suits) by Thailand’s Thammakaset Co., Ltd. to harass migrant workers, lawyers, journalists, and other human rights defenders, and presents evidence to suggest a possible relationship between the companies Betagro and Thaifoods Group and key individuals linked to Thammakaset through the new corporate entity, Srabua Company Limited.

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In the News

- 2026 World Cup: The issues across the U.S., Mexico and Canada that could impact the tournament
- Asia factory workers press Nike over missing pay
- State Department Encourages Importers to Join Forces With Labor Unions on WROs
- Indonesian migrant fishers protest lack of Wi-Fi onboard distant-water fishing vessels

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