

#OurAgendaIsChildPoverty

Due to the 23rd April Children's Holiday, or agenda is child poverty.

According to 2015 OECD data, Turkey is the second country in which child poverty is the most prevalent. (Turkey has stopped providing data about this topic in 2015.)

According to UNICEF and World Bank data,

- 1 in 6 children experiences deep poverty worldwide.
- The scope of child poverty is twice as adult poverty.

According to the Deep Poverty and Human Rights in Times of Pandemic Research data,

- In 13% of the households interviewed, children are working; in 6% of the households interviewed, children are the only source of family income.
- 85% of the households interviewed cannot reach adequate nutrition. While 74% of the households struggle with purchasing baby formula and diaper, 21% of them cannot purchase at all. These families resort to feeding their children aged 0-3 years old with instant soup, water with sugar, porridge of rice which are inadequate in providing the necessary nutrients for the children in this age group.
- 57,8% of the children in the interviewed households cannot participate in distance education.
- 11,3% of the children in the interviewed households state that they will not be able to continue their education.

Children who live in poverty conditions

- face the risk of early marriage.
- work in heavy working conditions that halt their growth.
- exist outside of the education system.
- cannot reach the healthy foods and clean water that is necessary for their development.
- cannot reach their potentials in terms of intelligence, physical, social, and emotional development.
- experience discrimination.
- face the risks of neglect and abuse.

Life, development, protection, and participation rights of children living in poverty conditions are at risk.

