

FUTURE OF YOUTH EMPLOYMENT

A COVID-19 SERIES BY BIPSS

The COVID-19 Pandemic has imposed a real shock to the employment of the youth. The COVID-19 economic crisis is hitting young people harder and faster than any other group. In Bangladesh also jobs prospects have vastly reduced and the vulnerable youth population are affected disproportionately.



23%

CUT-OFF IN WORKING HOURS OF THE EMPLOYED PEOPLE IN PANDEMIC



1 IN 6 PEOPLE HAVE STOPPED WORKING SINCE THE ONSET OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC

IMPACT ON YOUTH EMPLOYMENT DUE TO PANDEMIC

- Economic Shock = Reduction in Job prospects
- Decrease in household income = Inadequate access to healthcare facilities
- Increase in Unemployment rate = Increase in social instability
- Rise of digitalization & automation = Decrease in opportunities in labor intensive sector.
- Increase in part-time, contractual works & Decrease of full time well paid opportunities

RECOMMENDATION

- Emphasis on skill-based educational curriculum.
- Digital adaptation to the existing Business models
- Increase of Online based job opportunities
- Proper access of all levels of youth to Distance learning programs
- Developing human capital with updated training programs
- More focus on STEM & TVET field of works to increase employability