

**A STUDY ON FACTORS INFLUENCE IN LABOUR
MIGRATION FOR THE OVERSEAS LABOUR
OPPORTUNITY IN ERAVUR TOWN**

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ABSTRACT

Employment plays a vital role in the country's economy. Creation of employment opportunity is very essential to maintain national income, and maximum utilization of human resources and other physical resources. Employment in overseas has contributed significantly towards reducing unemployment and poverty, especially in the rural areas of Sri Lanka and up lifting the standard of living of migrant and their families.

Foreign employment means "the employment to be obtained by a worker to abroad".

The Sri Lankan government encourages this labour migration to increase foreign exchange income and develop the country by increasing standard of quality of the life of the people.

In Eravur town most of the people involve in the international labour migration. But there were no details about why do workers migrate to abroad. Due to lack of availability data could not be evaluated with the factors influence in migrant people. Therefore this study was carryout.

In order to identify the factors influence in international labour migration, two variables and eight dimensions were considered. Variables are push factors and pull factors. Dimensions are poverty, unemployment, family burden, conflict, lured, higher wages, freedom from discrimination and professional development. The questionnaire was used to collect the primary data for this study from 200 respondents based on random sampling method. Collected data were analyzed by using SPSS and outcomes discussed in percentage.

The factor found that according to the discussion most of the people have gone due to pressure of poverty and unemployment. The people is getting more income from their foreign employment, but it is not adequate them to upgrade their standard of living.

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