

The Asian Regional Conference to be held in China in 1949 should consider, on the basis of the reports to be supplied by Governments, the progress being made with a view to the ratification and application of these Conventions and the extent to which modifications, if any, of their provisions may be necessary to permit of their application in the Asian countries.

Scope of Labour Legislation

11. Every effort should be made to extend the scope of existing Labour Legislation to include workers and work places not so far within its protection.

VI

Expert Assistance

12. The International Labour Organization should, in accordance with Article 10 of the Constitution of the Organization as amended in 1946, afford all appropriate assistance within its power to Asian countries in the preparation and execution of programmes for the progressive application of international labour standards, and more particularly in the framing of laws and regulations on the basis of the decisions of the International Labour Conference and Regional Conferences and in the improvement of administrative practices and systems of labour inspection.

VII

Periodical Reports

13. The Asian countries represented at the Conference should be asked by the Governing Body to submit periodical reports, at intervals of not more than two years, on action taken to give effect to this resolution, and indicating, more particularly, the nature and scope of the protection afforded, the scale and duration of the benefits, the machinery set up to give effect to the provisions of the conventions, the number of workers covered by the various protective and regulative measures, the nature, type, and number of undertakings to which they are applied, the circumstances in which relaxations, if any, have been allowed, and such other information as may be necessary to judge the extent to which important labour standards are being progressively applied and extended.

Copies of such reports should be communicated to representative organizations of employers and workers in the countries concerned.

14. The Governing Body of the International Labour Office is requested—

- (a) To give special consideration to the conventions specified in paragraph 10 of this resolution when fixing a programme for the preparation of the reports on the action taken to give effect to unratified conventions provided for in the constitution of the Organization as amended in 1946.
- (b) To place the question of the progressive implementation of the International Labour Code on the agenda of the Asian Regional Conference to be held in China in 1949, and to instruct the Office to submit, in connection therewith, one or more reports analysing and commenting upon the reports received from the Governments of various Asian countries concerning the progress made by them to give effect to the provisions of this Resolution.