

## Employment Prospects in Afghanistan: A Rapid Impact Assessment

16 March 2022 | 4.00 PM to 5.30 PM (IST)

Afghanistan has entered a new chapter of its history by the Taliban take-over on 15 August 2021. The country is currently grappling with enormous challenges arising from political uncertainty and security concerns and is experiencing humanitarian and economic crises. Given the limited availability of current information on the labour market, the ILO conducted a rapid assessment of the potential impact of the change in administration and events of mid-August on employment in Afghanistan. The findings show that more than half a million workers are estimated to have lost their job in the third quarter of 2021, relative to a hypothetical scenario with no change in administration, which represents 8 per cent fewer working women and men. Employment losses are expected to increase to nearly 700,000 by the second quarter of 2022, as enterprises struggle to stay viable and work becomes scarce. If the situation of women deteriorates further and outmigration intensifies, employment losses could increase to more than 900,000 jobs by the second quarter of 2022.

### Speaker



**Dr. Ramin Behzad**  
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### Opening Remark and Moderator



**Prof. Binod Khadria**  
Former Professor, JNU,  
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### Programme Schedule

4.00 PM – 4.05 PM	<b>Welcome</b> <b>Prof. R. B. Bhagat</b> IIPS, Mumbai
4.05 PM – 4.10 PM	<b>Inauguration</b> <b>Dr. K. S. James</b> Director & Sr. Professor IIPS, Mumbai
4.10 PM – 4.20 PM	<b>Opening Remark and Moderator</b> <b>Prof. Binod Khadria</b> Former Professor, JNU, New Delhi
4.20 PM – 5.00 PM	<b>Presentation</b> <b>Dr. Ramin Behzad</b> ILO Senior Coordinator for Afghanistan.
5.00 PM – 5.25 PM	<b>Discussion</b>
5.25 PM – 5.30 PM	<b>Vote of Thanks</b> <b>Dr. Reshmi R. S.</b> IIPS, Mumbai

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