

## Gender Related Articles from Major Newspapers (July 15 – July 21, 2019) & Gender Related Latest Journal Articles

### NEWSPAPERS

#### Violence against Women

##### Abortion

The Asian Age - July 21, 2019

- [SC to examine legal validity of sections in abortion law](#)

The Indian Express - July 21, 2019

- [SC to examine abortion laws for provisions that violate rights to women's free reproductive choice](#)

The Indian Express - July 21, 2019

- [Supreme Court notice to Centre on petition seeking to decriminalise abortion](#)

Times Now - July 16, 2019

- [Towards the right path : Supreme Court must examine abortion laws in India, By – Bharvi Dasson](#)

##### Domestic Violence

Hindustan Times - July 21, 2019

- [Domestic Violence has not got the attention it needs, By – Lalita Panicker](#)

##### Sexual Violence

The Indian Express - July 15, 2019

- [The Punishing State, By – Neetika Viswanath](#)

### [Sexual Harassment](#)

The Indian Express - July 15, 2019

- [Patients' trauma : Medical fraternity yet to wake up to sexual harassment?, By – Jayanthi Pawar](#)

### [Sex Ratio](#)

The Wire - July 21, 2019

- [In Some Uttarakhand Villages, Not a Single Girl Was Born in Three Months](#)

Financial Express - July 20, 2019

- [Male child preference is back, with a vengeance](#)

Deccan Herald - July 20, 2019

- [Demographic Imbalance](#)

[India Today - July 18, 2019](#)

- [Bharat favours birth of girls more than India, By – Mukesh Rawat](#)

Times of India - July 17, 2019

- [Progress, but : Even as fertility rates fall there is less place for the girl child in the smaller Indian family](#)

The Economic Times - July 16, 2019

- [Some Good News on the Population Front](#)

Times of India - July 16, 2019

- [Bad news : Sex ratio down. Good news : So is fertility rate, By – Rema Nagarajan](#)

Economic Times - July 15, 2019

- [Survey shows sex ratio falling further to 896 in 3 years to 2017, By – Rahul Tripathi](#)

### [Maternal Mortality](#)

The Hindu - July 18, 2019

- [Tamil Nadu's Maternal Mortality Rate sees Sharp six-point drop, By – Serena Josephine M](#)

### [Transgender Bill](#)

Times of India - July 19, 2019

- [Transgender rights bill makes way for self declaration of identity, drops screening committee, By – Ambika Pandit](#)

### [Gender & Law / Gender Neutral](#)

Times of India - July 15, 2019

- ['Our society needs to reach that level of maturity for laws to be made more gender neutral'](#)

### [Women & Work](#)

The Economic Times - July 15, 2019

- [How women are sidelined in India's e-commerce growth, By – Rahul Sachitanand](#)

### [Gender Bias](#)

Live Mint - July 19, 2019

- [When pregnant women don't face bias at work, By – Rashmi Menon](#)

### Informal Workers

The Hindu Business Line - July 20, 2019

- [Few jobs, made worse by poor working conditions, By – K R Shyam Sundar & Rahul Suresh Sapkal](#)

Business Today - July 20, 2019

- [Labour reforms : Are rigid laws alone to be blamed for all the ills? By – Prasanna Mohanty](#)

Times of India - July 18, 2019

- [Government to prepare national data on unorganized sector](#)

The Economic Times - July 15, 2019

- [Commendable move, needs more rigour](#)

Business Today - July 15, 2019

- [Labour Reforms : No one knows the size of India's informal workforce, not even the govt, By - Prasanna Mohanty](#)

### Workforce Participation

Youth ki Awaaz - July 17, 2019

- [Are Household Responsibilities Holding Women Back from Participating in the Workforce? By – Aggam Walia](#)

## Minimum Wage

The Indian Express - July 15, 2019

- [Cabinet ignores labour ministry's recommended minimum daily wage hike of Rs.375, By – Pushkar Banakar](#)

## Employment / Unemployment

Scroll.in - July 19, 2019

- [Centre admits unemployment data was leaked, says it's trying to identify those responsible](#)

The Quint - July 16, 2019

- [Fast-Growing States May Not Offer Best, Most Jobs : New Index, By – Priya Sharma](#)

The Wire - July 15, 2019

- [Why Aggregate Employment in India Is Shrinking, By – Anamitra Roychowdhury](#)

Times of India - July 15, 2019

- [Over 6 lakh unemployed youth in Rajasthan](#)

## Labour Code

The Wire - July 19, 2019

- [Repealing the Construction Workers Act Under New Labour Codes Will Prove Disastrous, By – Harshil Sharma](#)

## Education

The Hindu - July 21, 2019

- [Draft education policy violates federal system, encourages commercialisation : CPI\(M\)](#)

The Wire - July 20, 2019

- [In Trying to Defy Colonialism, Draft NEP Walks the Path of the Colonisers, By – Priya Satia](#)

The Hindu Business Line - July 20, 2019

- [Draft National Education Policy needs relook, say science academies, By – T V Jayan](#)

The Indian Express - July 18, 2019

- [Draft NEP advocates gender inclusion fund](#)

The Indian Express - July 18, 2019

- [New Education Policy will ensure our higher education system remains a client of global science, By – Milind Sohoni & Oshin Dharap](#)

The Tribune - July 18, 2019

- [New Education Policy to bring in drastic changes, By – Shivani Bhakoo](#)

Greater Kashmir - July 15, 2019

- [Draft National Education Policy – 2019 ! A Vision Document for New India, By – Dr. Mohammad Sayid](#)

### [Health / Women's Health](#)

Economic Times - July 18, 2019

- [India cuts population rate by improving conditions for](#)

## women

The Indian Express - July 18, 2019

- [Menstrual cups safe but awareness low, says Lancet Study, By – Anuradha Mascarenhas](#)

## Poverty

Times of India - July 17, 2019

- [In 27 yrs, 27 crore Indians escaped poverty](#)

The Hindu - July 15, 2019

- ['Forcible eviction of urban poor will lead to greater poverty' By – T. Ramakrishnan](#)

The Indian Express - July 15, 2019

- [Poverty index : how Jharkhand reduced its poor the fastest](#)

## Child Abuse

The Indian Express - July 15, 2019

- [POCSO Act made stringent, death penalty for aggravated sexual assault on children](#)

Financial Express - July 15, 2019

- [Death penalty for sexual crimes against children now as Cabinet clears amendments to POCSO Act](#)

## NREGA

Economic Times - July 19, 2019

- [Not in favour of continuing with MGNREGA forever :](#)

[Narendra Singh Tomar](#)

The Times of India - July 18, 2019

- [Rural job scheme will end along with poverty : Govt](#)

The Economic Times - July 17, 2019

- [100-day agenda : Skill training for 5 crore MGNREGA workers, By – Nidhi Sharma](#)

**JOURNALS**

Economic and Political Weekly - Vol.54, No.29, July 20, 2019

- [Why India Needs a Crime Victimization Survey, Written by – Nithya Nagarathinam](#)

**ABSTRACT**

To be effective, policies on sexual violence against women must be evidence-based. In India, the National Crime Records Bureau publishes crime statistics based on first information reports. These constitute a useful summary, but do not provide policymakers the understanding to formulate a crime-fighting strategy. A national crime victimisation survey would supplement the NCRB data with critical inputs. Survey data could be used to further research in criminology and police reforms, assess the impact of punitive measures such as of the death penalty on the crime rate, and make informed decisions on legalising offences such as marital rape.

Social Change - Vol.49, No.2, June, 2019

- [Silent Voices : A Critical Analysis of Surrogacy's Legal Journey in India, Written by – P.M. Arathi](#)

**ABSTRACT**

After two decades of debates, the law governing surrogacy in India was passed during the winter session of the Parliament, and Surrogacy



(Regulation) Act 2018 came into existence. This new law prohibits commercial surrogacy on grounds of preventing exploitation of surrogate women and to protect the rights of children born out of surrogacy. The Act allows only 'ethical altruistic' surrogacy. This commentary criticises the false premise of the legislative understanding of identifying patriarchal family structure as exploitation free and argues that the complete ban of commercial surrogacy is not the answer to the exploitation of women who act as surrogates in the current Indian political economy.

### **The Economic and Labour Relations Review - April 29, 2019**

- [Is growth improving employment quality in India? Evidence of widening subnational inequality, Written by – Anamika Moktan](#)

#### **ABSTRACT**

One of the biggest challenges faced by India today is to generate quality employment. Even in areas of rapid per capita income growth, typified by the Gujarat model of neoliberal state-sponsored technological development, there is a substantial and increasing decent work deficit. Across India more generally, the decent work deficit is, in fact, growing along several dimensions, leading to 'growth without development' or 'non-inclusive growth'. This article analyses quality of employment in India across subnational spaces – among states and between rural and urban locations – using three International Labour Organisation decent work dimensions: 'employment opportunity', 'social security benefits' and 'social dialogue'. The analysis is based on published government data, for the period 1993–1994 to 2011–2012 – the period covered by the liberalisation experiment.

### **The Economic and Labour Relations Review - March 6, 2019**

- [Short-term contracts and their effect on wages in Indian regular wage employment, By – Rahul Menon](#)

#### **ABSTRACT**

The increase in regular wage employment in the Indian economy between 2004–2005 and 2011–2012 was accompanied by a significant deterioration in job security; more workers found themselves on short-term and insecure contracts – a continuing trend. Insecurity of tenure results in a significant wage penalty for short-term workers, compared with those with longer term contracts. This article estimates the negative effect of short-term contracts on the wages of Indian regular wage workers all along the income distribution – unlike earlier studies – using the method of unconditional quantile regressions on data from the 68th round and the 61st round of the National Sample Survey Organisation on Employment covering the period 2004–2005 and 2011–2012.

**The Economic and Labour Relations Review - February 26, 2019**

- [Application of Job Security Laws, workers' bargaining power and Employment comes in India, Written by – Anamitra Roychowdhury](#)

### **ABSTRACT**

This article empirically investigates two propositions normally advanced to explain employment stagnation in the organised sector of the Indian labour market namely, rigid labour laws regulating the 'hiring and firing' of workers (along with factory closures) and militant trade union activity boosting workers' bargaining power. It is claimed that labour laws arrest employment creation by making the labour adjustment process difficult. Additionally, it is claimed that workers' increased bargaining power raises the effective cost of labour, hindering employment creation. This article critically examines both these claims. First, it questions whether labour laws can be held responsible as an explanation for employment stagnation in the organised sector as a whole, since a close reading of the Indian legislation reveals that labour laws apply in less than 35% of aggregate employment in the organised sector in India.

**The Free Press Journal - July 14, 2019**

- [India's abortion laws must change for the better](#)

Down to Earth - July 15, 2019

- [Underfunding, misleading claims : The story of MGNREGA in New India, Written by – Debmalya Nandy](#)

Down to Earth - July 2, 2019

- [US anti-abortion policy spiked unwanted pregnancies in Africa : Study](#)

Down to Earth - July 4, 2019

- [Economic Survey 2018-19 : Healthcare still inaccessible in rural India, By – Banjot Kaur](#)

### [Some Recent Publications – Related to Gender](#)

UNDP & OPHI Publication, 2019

- [Global Multidimensional Poverty Index 2019 – Illuminating Inequalities](#)

Just Jobs Network Publication, 2019

- [A Just Jobs Index for India : How Do Indian States Fare in the Creation of Good Jobs?, Written by – Sabina Dewan & Divya Prakash](#)

World Health Organization, 2019

- [Respect Women : Preventing Violence against Women, 2019](#)

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