The Conditions of Myanmar Workers during the Colonial Period, (1886-1920)

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Abstract

The British, had nurtured the conditions to introduce the colonial imperialist economy to the nation. Since its annexation of Myanmar, so, there emerged the workers class together with factories, mills and production enterprises in Myanmar. In Myanmar, workers' movements were inspired by Indian workers, who migrated to Myanmar to earn their living. The British economically exploited and politically oppressed the people. In consequence, workers in the colonial days suffered from a wide range of economics, social and political crises. During the 1920s, in political organizations, students and monks were taking a leading role in political movements and the entire workers came to set up organizations for anti-colonialist movements, national liberation campaigns, and rights of fellow workers.

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