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## ***Labour News***

- **Strike**

### **Sanitation workers strike against low wages**

More than 100 sanitation workers went on strike in Lanzhou, Gansu Province, in protest against wage payments lower than local minimum wage level. [[Read More](#)]

- **Forced labour**

### **Forced-labour prisoners die in coal mine accident**

Thirteen miners who died in a coal mine accident in southwestern China were forced-labour prisoners, a German news agency and a human rights group reported. [[Read More](#)]

- **Civil rights lawyer arrested**

### **Civil rights lawyer Gao Zhisheng arrested on subversion charge**

Prominent Beijing-based civil rights lawyer Gao Zhisheng, who has defended the rights of labour activists and human rights activists, was arrested on 21 September "on suspicion of inciting subversion of state power", according to his lawyer Mo Shaoping. [[Read More](#)]

- **ANALYSIS : Occupational injury insurance**

### **Weakening of the government's ability to govern hinders implementation of occupational injury insurance system**

The government still faces a formidable task in promoting the expansion of occupational injury insurance coverage to include huge ranks of employed migrant workers. [[Read More](#)]

- **Feature**

### **Why don't rural migrant workers live in government-subsidised low-rent apartments ?**

It remains a question why migrant workers are not attracted to the cheap and well-equipped apartments provided by the government while the living costs in large cities are relatively high for them. [[Read More](#)]