

## State of play

MIGRANT WORKERS' RIGHTS IN QATAR AT FIFA WORLD CUP KICK-OFF

## The FIFA World Cup 2022 kicks off in Doha on 20 November.

For over a decade since the World Cup was awarded, Gulf researchers and civil society have sought to shed light on the labour conditions for migrant workers in one of the most opaque contexts for company operations.

Ahead of the tournament, we break down what labour abuse looks like for the millions of migrant workers employed by the private sector in Qatar. Our data shows migrant workers across Qatar continue to suffer exploitation at the hands of employers and recruiters, despite reforms that have sought to improve their employment conditions and claimed to abolish the exploitative kafala system. Hundreds of thousands of migrant workers are working to make the World Cup happen, but their experiences are too often unheard.

Data based on publicly reported allegations of labour abuse against migrants by businesses (January 2016 – November 2022). Head to our website for further information.

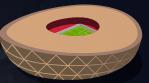
## Qatar

accounts for 46% of all allegations of abuse we've recorded in the six Gulf GCC states. 350 cases of alleged abuse have been recorded since 2016

of private sector workforce of private sector workforce in Qatar are migrant workers

## Every World Cup stadium has been associated with at least 3 cases of abuse since 2014...





12 cases

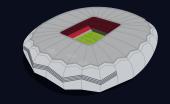


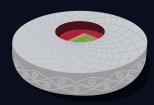




9 cases

Number of cases







Al Bayt

Lusail

Al Janoub

12 cases

9 cases

Khalifa International Ahmad Bin Ali 7 cases

**Education City** 

6 cases

3 cases

974

Al Thumama

What kind of abuse have workers reported?



Construction & engineering

28

Transport

Nepal







Which sectors are linked to most cases of abuse?

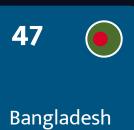




Most workers are from South Asia and East Africa Number of cases













Violations of conditions of employment **75%** Violations of occupational health/safety 39% Arbitrary denial of freedoms 30% Inhumane/precarious living conditions 29% Verbal or physical abuse 24% 20% Deaths Modern slavery/human trafficking 3% Injuries **3**%