**3BW2 - Interview bush worker CCF, female, Otjiwarongo - 31-1-2023**

**So can you please start with a little introduction about yourself? Like how old are you? Where do you**

**Live?**

My name is [name]. I am 26 years old.

**Okay and you live in Otjiwarongo, is that?**

yes

**and are you also from that area or just okay and with who do you live there?**

With my boyfriend and children.

**How many children do you have?**

Five children

**oh wow. How old are your children?**

Big one is 17years old.

**okay, so you work here in this factory and what is it that you do?**

We are cutting the ##[01:01] and we label it.

**And since when do you work here?**

Since 2017.

**okay and have you always done this job or did you do something else?**

I was also an operator at##[01:23]

**Okay and can you tell me a little bit more? So how does how does your day look like when you come here? What do you do?**

It's just looking well. There's no problem.

**okay you say you've got the block**

your package of block here, but now, I'm not doing that anymore, we are labeling the ##[01:55] and we seal it.

**And you do that with the machine?**

Yeah.

**Okay and before you came to work here, what did you do? Did you do another job?**

I was working domestically, domestic work.

**and what do you like about working here?**

I like working with the people and its fine.

**how many people do you work here with?**

I dont know well. 25 or 50 around.

**And only female or male?**

Yeah only female

**and how many days do you work in a week?**

5 days a week. Monday to Friday. And sometimes Saturdays.

**And what time do you start?**

We start at 7. From 7 to 5.

**How many years did you go to school?**

I went from grade 1 to grade 9.

**after that you started working?**

##[03:34] domestic work.

**And why did you change your job from domestic work to doing this?**

Because the Animal Towers ##[03:45]

**So you had to find a new job and do you have a contract?**

Yes I do.

**Is it for one year or is it longer?**

Longer

**And do you also receive benefits like rent?**

##[04:18]

**but you live in the town? Or do you live here?**

In town

**And you get some money for the rent or hospital?**

##[04:36]

**House allowance, and also for food. And when you work here, for example for the lunch, do you get that from the company or do you?**

Yes we get ##[04:47]

**And what do you like to do when you're not working with?**

Watching Television.

**What do you like watching on your television?**

The soaps.

**That is nice and your kids, do they all go to school?**

Yes all go to school. In Otjiwarongo.

**And do you also move around?Do you sometimes move to another place or do you mostly stay here?**

In Otjiwarongo.

**Do you have a car or something like that? Or just how do you move from one place to another?**

Buses.

**Okay also to get here you come with the bus and?**

Yes come with the bus.

**so your work is mainly here in the factory?**

Yes

**and when you're working, do you have like safety? Do you need to wear specific clothes or something like that?**

Yeah glass and the mask. ##[06:19]

**Okay and how did you learn to do this job?**

##[06:36]

**So when you came here, they first showed you how to do and are you also learning new things?**

Yes. ##[06:59]

**Okay and are there also things that you do not like that much?**

Cutting machine that can be dangerous,

**you have an accident with that?Did it happen here?**

Yes

**So the machine what happened with the accident?**

##[07:35]

**and then you went to the hospital and then did the company pay for that?**

Yes

**But now you don't like working with..?**

no

**you don't do that anymore?**

No

**and are you also involved in, like a union?**

No.

**Because there is none or?**

We try but they dont allow it.

**And who refuse them?**

The boss.

**Your bosses?**

Yes.

**And why did you want to join?**

##[09:04]

**But it was not allowed?**

No.

**And what type of house do you live in?**

##[09:21]

**And do you have like a toilet and water, those kinds of things in your house?**

Yes. we built a toilet ##[09:38]

**And if you could improve something in your house, what would it be?**

Would be nice with a bridge.

**How would it be with the bridge?**

##[10:04]

**Okay, and do you now rent the house or is it do you own, did you buy it?**

It’s my boyfriend’’

**Your boyfriend bought it. slowly, step by step? And what does your boyfriend do?**

He also works here.

**Oh he also work here?Okay.Together in the same factory?**

Yes

**Okay. And do you feel like with the money that you both are working here, is that enough for you to provide for you to family?**

Not enough, but ##[10:51]

**can you save some money? Do you have a saving account?**

No

**And if you would earn more money, how would you like to spend that?**

Only the savings for my kids. ##[11:27]

**Yeah. And do you feel safe where you live?**

Yes its safe

**And also do you feel safe here at work?**

Yes.

**There's no problems with that?**

No.

**Where do you get, like, the food and the drinks?**

In the shops.

**Do you think its sufficient? Do you have enough food for you and your family?**

It's not enough. Sometimes it gets finish. we are borrowing it.

**Okay. And do you also have, like, a garden?**

Yeah we are making it.

**Are you making for vegetables and things like that?**

Yes.

**And where do you do that?**

Yes, we do in our yard?

**Okay. Yeah. And are there things that you would like to change your diet or something to improve or?**

maybe the spices.

**The spices?**

Yeah.

**What would you like to change?**

##[13:05]. Some spices, they are too strong.

**Okay, and how is your health? Are you healthy or do you have problems with that?**

##[13:23] blood pressure.

**And when you are sick and you need to go to the hospital, how does that work?**

##[13:32]

**And do you have Insurance that can pay for that or do you need to pay to go to the doctor?**

##[13:46]

**Okay, and do you feel satisfied with your life?**

Yes. I am happy.

**And if you could change anything or improve?**

**Difficult question?**

**Yes. Your children are now going to school, what would you like them to do**

I want them to finish school and Study. ##14.56

**And is it difficult to go to the university to study?**

Yeah

**And why is it difficult?**

##15.12

**And how do you get information?**

**Information about your work or other things happening?**

**Do you have a cell phone or Internet? Or you read the newspaper?**

**Get information the news or things happening?**

Sometimes we’re watching television, ##16.10, facebook.

**and are there things that you feel proud of?**

Yes, I'm working my ##16.37.

**And how is it to work as a woman in this kind of job? Is it common that women work in factory?**

**yes.**

**There's no difference between men and women in this kind of thing?**

##17.05

**So the man, drives the car, but for the rest, you do the same?**

yeah

**and how likely your community, like, do you have a lot of connection with your neighbors and things like that?**

##17.52

**And what do you think of this? All the bush activities and the bush removing, do you think it's a problem that there is bush or like all the bush that is removed, these things?**

It's fine. ##18.40

**And was is it difficult to find this job?**

Yes, it was difficult.

**Why was it difficult?**

We try but ##19.53

**A whole year?**

Yeah.##20.05

**And at this year did your boyfriend had a job or he?**

he was already working.

**And how did you then survive with ##20.40?**

##20.43

**So now it's better?**

Yeah

**so I want to do a little exercise. I have different parts here about different aspects of your life and I want to know from you how important they are for you.If They are very important.You can put it up here and if they are less important you can put it lower then we can discuss it one by one. so one is security or safety. Where would you put that one?**

very important?

**It's very, the highest one. Okay, and why is this very important to you?**

##22.05 for the safety.

**And you feel safe?**

Yeah

**spirituality or religion? Or religion like are you Christian or do you believe in a god?**

Yes

**and do you go to churches and?**

yes

**What kind of churches?**

##22.45

**is that a very important part?**

Yes.

**So where would you put it?**

On top.

**on top as well? And to care for the environment, the nature is that important?**

Yeah, ##23.10.

**so where would you put it?**

On top

**Okay and mobility, like to be able to go to other places or move around?**

##23.35

**Yeah or the bus?**

##23.41 on top.

**and social relationships, friendship,family?**

##24.00. Very important

**all these things are very important, right? Yes and food and nutrition?**

is also on top. ##24.24

**And education?**

Very important. ##24.35

**Free time, play and relax?**

##24.55

**do you have enough time to relax and have enough free time?**

Yes. ##25.14

**Where would you put this one?**

Important.

**I think satisfactory work, work that you are happy with? Is that important to you?**

##25.41

**And house? Your house?**

Important.

**So maybe I can put all these things because they are all important. We have health and to be able to make your own decisions for example? For example you're in your house with your boyfriend and your children who make the decision?**

The men

**always about everything?**

Somethings.

**Okay and how is that for you?**

It's fine.

**and for all these different things, is there one thing or two things that you are not very happy about? If you could improve or change something, what would you choose then?**

I really dont know.

**you don't know. So you're happy with how it goes?**

Yeah

**That is good. These are my questions is there anything you would like to say more as we well, thank you very much.**