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This thesis aims at studying the approach under the Agreement on the World Trade Organization providing the protection of the Labour right in accordance with the core labour standards. Regarding this study. The Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) is taken into account as Article significant issue.

From the study, it is found that an apparent providing the labour protection does not exist under the provisions of the Agreement on the World Trade Organization. The Generalized System of Preferences granted upon the consideration of the labour right remains questionable in that the preferences should, according to the general principle, be granted on the non-reciprocal basic.

The author however is of the view that the Trade Policy Review Mechanism (TPRM) already provided in the Agreement on the World Trade Organization can be applied to protect the labor right. Besides, the cooperation of the World Trade Organization and the International Labour Organization, and other approaches not provided in the Agreement on the World Trade Organization: to illustrate for instance, the responsibility of the international Labour Organization, or the social initiatives including the Code of Conduct, and the Social Labelling, as one of the integrated measures can also be utilized to protect the labour right.

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