### DI71: Decent Work and the Digital Gig Economy

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##### Synopsis Questions

1. What are the positive and negative impacts of the digital gig economy in developing countries? [Sections B1 & B2]
2. What would be the justification for intervening in the digital gig economy? [Section B3]
3. What should a “decent digital work” set of standards consist of? [Section C1]
4. What key issues will be faced in implementation of decent digital work standards? [Section C2]
5. What is the research and practice agenda for the digital gig economy? [Section D]

##### Development Questions

1. Is the digital gig economy large enough to justify attention from academic research?
2. Do you agree with the view of global South workers that “the positives outweigh the negatives” for DGE work? Would you like a job as a DGE worker?
3. Discuss the four different rationales – economic, legal, social, ethical – for intervening in the digital gig economy. Which of these do you feel is most important, and why?
4. If you’ve not already done so, sign up for a DGE platform and see if you can obtain paid work. What conclusions do you draw about the findings of the paper?
5. What actions could you take – either individually or collectively – to address the negative impacts of the digital gig economy?