**INTRODUCTION**

Adoption is a legal proceeding that creates a parents-child relation between people not related by blood. The adoptive child is entitled to all privileges belonging to a natural child of the adoptive parents. As per Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 adoption shall be restarted to for ensuring right to family for the Orphan, Abundant and Surrendered children.

In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (c) of section 68 read with clause (3) of section 2 of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 (2 of 2016), and in supersession of the Guidelines Governing Adoption of Children, 2015 published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, section 3, sub-section (ii) dated the 17th July, 2015 vide notification number S.O. 1945 (E) dated the 17th July, 2015, except as respects things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the Central Government notified the Adoption Regulations, 2017, which came into force on the 16th January, 2017. To facilitate, guide and monitor the adoption program Child Adoption Resource Information and Guidance System (CARINGS) has been developed by CARA.

In order to support CARA in promoting in-country adoption and regulating inter-country adoption, ICPS provides for establishing of a State Adoption Resource Agency (SARA) in every State/UT as a unit under the SCPS. SARA, as nodal body in the State, was established in 2011.It liaisons with DCPU at District levels and provides technical support to the Child Welfare Committees in carrying out the process of rehabilitation and social reintegration of all children through sponsorship, foster-care, in-country and inter-country adoption. Specific roles and responsibilities of SARA are Functioning as the State level Resource Centre to coordinate, monitor and develop the adoption program in the State. It facilitates to set up SAAs, provide legal recognition to SAAs and maintain a comprehensive list of such agencies and ensures all Adoptions/permanent placements of children are done in accordance with the Laws & Guidelines of the Supreme Court of India and Government of India. The Governing Body of the SARA has recently been setup as per (33) (1) of adoption regulation, 2017.

Director, department for Child Rights is ex office secretary of SARA and 35 Specialized Adoption Agencies (SAAs) have been recognized in the State to identify vulnerable families and children for foster care support and prepare the Individual Care Plan of the child and recommend the case to the CWC for issuing appropriate order.

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| **Programme Schedule** | | |
| TIME | SESSION | FACILITATOR |
| 09.30 AM – 09:45 AM | Registration | Child Resource Centre |
| 09:45 AM -10:00 AM | Welcome & Introduction of Participants  Sharing of expectations | Ms. Lavina Rathore,  Technical Expert, Child Resource Centre, HCM RIPA |
| 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM  10:30 AM – 11:30 AM | * Introduction to Juvenile Justice Act, 2015. * Provisions related to Adoption | Mr. Govind Beniwal  OSD, Department For Child Rights |
| 11:30 AM – 11:45 AM | **Tea** | |
| 11: 45 AM – 12:45 | * Revisiting the Major Provisions of Adoption Regulation, 2017. | Mrs. Reena Sharma  Joint Director, Department For Child Rights./  Ms. Aparna Sharma, Consultant, CARA |
| 1:15 PM- 2:00 PM | **Lunch** | |
| 2:00 PM – 3:40 PM | * Procedure OF In country Adoption * Procedure Of Inter-Country Adoption | Mrs. Reena Sharma  Joint Director, Department For Child Rights./  Ms. Aparna Sharma, Consultant, CARA |
| 3:40 PM – 4::00 PM | **Tea** | |
| 4:00 PM – 04:45 PM | Introduction and detailed review of Family and Step Parent Adoption and Role of DCPU.  Discussion on status and procedure of CSR, MER and HSR | Ms. Shraddha Gautam  Deputy Director, Department For Child Rights./  Ms. Aparna Sharma, Consultant, CARA |
| 4:45 PM - 05:30 PM | Demonstration on Carings Portal and SAA CCI Linkage | Anirudh Jemini |
| 5:30 PM | Conclusion and Vote of thanks | Child Resource Centre |