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WELCOME TO OUR  
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## MESSAGE FROM OUR DIRECTOR GENERAL

There has been an increasing concern about the need to extend care and protection to children who experience abuse, violence and exploitation. In order to address the issue of child protection, the Government of India is implementing the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Integrated Child Protection Scheme. These aim to build a safe environment for children in difficult circumstances. Capacity building of various functionaries and stakeholders is one of the key components of ICPS and JJ Act 2015.

In this backdrop, Child Resource Centre (CRC) was established in the year 2016 as a joint initiative of Department for Child Rights (DCR) Rajasthan and Harish Chandra Mathur Rajasthan State Institute of Public Administration (RIPA) with technical support from UNICEF, Rajasthan and Antakshri Foundation, Jaipur. The focus of this intervention is on capacity building of all stakeholders in the child protection system and creation of a knowledge centre on child rights in the State of Rajasthan. This has been a very successful year for Child Resource Centre (CRC). The centre has expanded significantly over the last 10 months and has made notable achievements. I am pleased to learn that the centre has been able to spread awareness and mainstream issues related to child rights and child protection. HCM RIPA wishes to express its heartfelt thanks to all who have contributed to the continuing success of Child Resource Centre and will do its best to maintain its high standards and develop.

We are pleased to publish our first Annual Report for the year 2016-17. The Annual report presents the progress we have made in 2016-17. We are happy that CRC has been able to contribute to the strengthening of child protection system in the State. Thank you all for making it possible.

Best Wishes

Gurjot Kaur





# HIGHLIGHTS OF YEAR 2016-2017

# On 5th October, 2016 Child Resource Centre(CRC) launched its logo, brochure, poster, and a publication on overview of key child protection indicators.

# CRC conducted 4 Training of Trainers programs till March, 2017 as part of development of pool of experts.

# CRC conducted 5 Capacity building programmes till March 2017 for key child protection functionaries including District Child Protection Units (DCPUs), Child Care Institutions (CCIs), CHILDLINEs, Open Shelters and training programme on adoption for Child Welfare Committees (CWCs), Specialized Adoption Agencies (SAAs), CHILDLINEs, CCIs, NGOs, social workers etc.

# CRC conducted total 19 sessions at HCM RIPA till March 2017 on subjects related to child rights and protection in which around 547 government officials have been oriented and sensitized on various subjects.



# 2016-17

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# CRC

## GENESIS

Children constitute around 40% of the population of India. There is a growing concern and need for protection of children from violence, abuse and exploitation in a sustained and holistic manner.

Addressing this State of affairs, the Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) introduced by government of India brings together multiple existing child protection schemes of the Ministry under one comprehensive umbrella, and integrates additional interventions for protecting children and ensuring their rehabilitation.

Capacity building of the various functionaries is one of the key components of ICPS and a significant aspect for implementation of Juvenile justice (Care & Protection of Children) Act, 2015.

It emphasizes on building capacities at all levels of service providers and places importance on developing technical expertise through trainings of personnel in allied system, departments concerned and various stakeholders to undertake responsibilities under ICPS.

In this backdrop Child Resource Centre is a strategic initiative with focus on capacity building of all stakeholders in child protection systems and creation of a knowledge hub. It is a joint venture of Rajasthan State Child Protection Society (RSCPS) under the aegis of Department for Child Rights, Rajasthan (DCR) and HCM RIPA with technical support from UNICEF, Rajasthan and Antakshari Foundation.

CRC aims to facilitate child friendly governance as a part of HCM RIPA, in order to create an enabling environment for children in the society. The key mandate of CRC is to appraise the training needs of the various child rights stakeholders, design course curriculum and customized training packages on the subject of child rights (Protection) and prepare a pool of experts, Documentation and research, relevant to the subject of child rights is another thrust area of CRC.

# ABOUT

The Child Resource Centre (CRC) is a strategic initiative with focus on capacity building of all stakeholders in child protection systems and creation of a knowledge hub. It is a joint venture of Department for Child Rights, Rajasthan and the Harish Chandra Mathur Rajasthan State Institute of Public Administration (HCM RIPA) with technical support from UNICEF Rajasthan & Antakshari Foundation, Jaipur.

## VISION

To facilitate child friendly governance towards creating enabling environment to help children develop with their best potential.

## MISSION

To strengthen child protection systems for promotion of child rights through capacity building & dissemination of information

## PURPOSE

- To identify gaps and address capacity constraints at various levels in child protection systems and structures;
- To conceptualize and implement capacity building programmes for different actors in child protection;
- To mainstream child rights in different levels of government and non-government service structures;
- To integrate innovative approaches for strengthening child protection systems;

# MANDATE

## Identify Gaps & Assess Needs

- Appraise training needs
- Categorize gaps and constraints
- Conduct research & documentation

## Conceptualize & Implement Capacity Building Program

- Design course curriculum
- Develop relevant IEC materials
- Creation of Knowledge hub
- Develop a pool of experts
- Support institutes / departments / structures
- Build resources

## Mainstream Child Rights

- Integrate child right in ongoing training curriculums of HCM RIPA
- Facilitate collaboration
- Leveraging
- Network with various bodies for strengthening child protection system
- Resource Mobilization
- Build resources

## Instill Innovative Approaches


CAPACITY  
BUILDING

KNOWLEDGE  
HUB

DOCUMENTATION  
&  
RESEARCH

PARTNERSHIP  
&  
CONVERGANCE





# CONSULTATION ON “DEVELOPMENT OF TRAINING CALENDAR ON CHILD PROTECTION” 21ST JULY 2016

The consultation on “Development of Training Calendar on Child Protection” was organized jointly with Antakshari Foundation and Child Resource Center on 21st July, 2016. The objectives of the consultation were:

- To identify emerging areas and stakeholders for capacity building
- To provide an integrated framework for structuring the trainings
- To provide support to institutions imparting trainings on child protection.

The consultation was inaugurated by Ms. Gurjot Kaur (Additional Chief Secretary, Training and Director General, HCM-RIPA, Mr. N. L. Meena (IAS, Commissioner and Special Secretary, Department for Child Rights, Jaipur. All the Major stakeholders and experts in the field on child protection and child rights participated in the consultation. The programme held in a participatory mode to seek maximum inputs from the participants. Based on the inputs from various stakeholders and experts, training calendar and action plan was finalized which identified 24 major stakeholders to be trained in the State, based on the preliminary training needs assessment and deliberate discussions with the expert in the area. This training calendar provides an integrated framework to the Department for Child Rights and Child Resource Centre for capacity enhancement of various stakeholders under Juvenile Justice System and Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS). The training calendar also provides a road map for systematic intervention with an aim to strengthen existing child protection system.



# L LAUNCH EVENT

5.10.16



The launch event of Child Resource Centre was organized on 5th October, 2016. The aim of this event was to formally introduce the centre to a wider audience and bring together multiple stakeholders to establish concerted coordination and efforts on child protection. Total 90 participants including senior government officials, representatives from non-government organizations and media attended the launch event.

Shri. Sudharshan Sethi, The Principal Secretary, Social Justice and Empowerment & Shri. Samuel, UNICEF State Chief, were the guests of honour on the occasion, Ms. Gurjot Kaur, Director General, HCM RIPA presided over the event. The distinguished guests addressed the Participants. A street play presentation on key child protection concerns was done which was followed by a presentation on Child Resource Centre.

# LAUNCH OF CRC LOGO

CRC Logo was officially launched during the event to the wider audience. It signifies creating an enabling environment for children by preventing and responding to exploitation, abuse and violence against children.



# LAUNCH OF CRC POSTER

A poster of CRC in Hindi and English was released during the programme. The poster highlights the key focus areas of Child Resource Centre; capacity building, knowledge hub, partnership/convergence and documentation/research.





# LAUNCH OF CRC BROCHURE

Launch of Child Resource Centre Brochure was also done during the programme. The brochure of CRC narrates the vision and mission statement of CRC and gives a bird's eye view of its functions and activities.



# PUBLICATION OF AN OVERVIEW OF KEY CHILD PROTECTION INDICATORS

A document drawing attention on State wide scenario on child protection has been prepared. This document presents statistical analysis of the key child protection indicators such as child sex ratio, birth registration, child workers, child marriage, crime against children, children in conflict with law, missing children and child victims of abuse. The figures are drawn from various sources such as Sample Registration System, Rapid Survey on Children, Census, State Crime Records Bureau and District Information System for Education.



# DEVELOPMENT OF POOL OF EXPERTS: TRAINING OF TRAINERS



Child Resource Centre (CRC) is a joint initiative of Department for Child Rights Rajasthan, (DCR) and HCM Rajasthan State Institute of Public Administration (RIPA) with focus on capacity building of all stakeholders in the child protection system. As part of this work, we have identified experts on various themes of child rights and protection. These experts are envisaged to build capacities of various stakeholders in the sphere of child protection as well as orient and sensitize government functionaries on child rights and child protection. The larger goal is to facilitate child rights programming relevant to roles of various government department functionaries. Total four Training of Trainers (ToTs) programmes were organized till the month of March 2017.

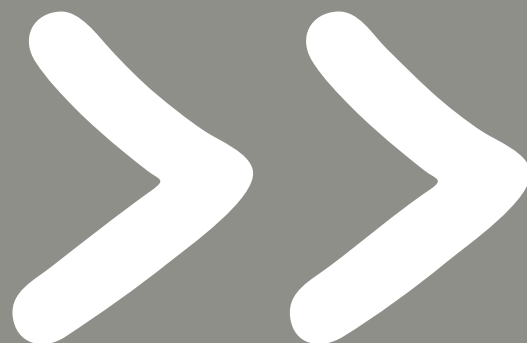
The first programme as a preparatory orientation workshop for Training of Trainers was organized on 21st November 2016 which helped us to empanel experts and agree upon operational formalities. A group of 40 experts of varied expertise in child rights and Juvenile Justice system participated in the workshop. The experts from various organizations, departments with varied technical expertise of subjects related to child rights and protection were invited and were introduced with the objectives of CRC and their role/ contribution in the same. Experts were also trained on the aspects related to training skills, perspective building and related areas for enriching their skills and knowledge for their further expert deliberations at CRC.

After the workshop, two in-depth training workshops were organized with the expert groups, One on 21st to 23rd December, 2016 and second on 27th January in which the experts were oriented on topics like soft skills, training methodologies, development of modules, The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015, Child Labor (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986, Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 etc. Through these workshops the assignment of developing training modules on child protection related subjects were given to the participants.

Another workshop with the expert groups was organized on 23rd February, 2017 for finalization of training modules. Following training modules and course materials have been identified to be developed by CRC through involvement of experts -

- 1) Training Module on Child Rights & Protection for Panchayati Raj Systems (Block and Village Level Child Protection Committee)
- 2) Training Module on Child Sexual Abuse (Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012) for NGOs, youth volunteers & community groups
- 3) Training Module on Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006 for Panchayats
- 4) Training Module on Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006 for Child Marriage Probation Officers
- 5) Training Module on Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006 for Adolescents
- 6) FAQs on Child Marriage

Related course materials on the above mentioned subject as well as preparation of development of course materials for in depth training of Child Welfare Committees & Juvenile Justice Boards have been initiated by the expert group and are in process of development. These experts are further envisaged to build the capacities of various stakeholders in the sphere of child protection and Juvenile Justice System & strengthen the same through development of contents, modules, IECs, conducting training and sensitization programme at various levels.





# CAPACITY

## BUILDING OF CHILD PROTECTION FUNCTIONARIES

There has been increasing concerns about issues related to children and it is imperative to ensure that all children are protected as it adversely affects their all other rights. Ensuring child protection is responding to the problems of children in difficult circumstances. Addressing this state of affairs the government of India is implementing the Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) and the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 (JJ Act) along with other Special Acts, Schemes, and Programmes.

There is absence of an apex institution which could build institutional capacity and prepare quality professionals and subject experts in the domain of child rights. The Department for Child Rights (DCR) within the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment was created to provide operational efficiency to the implementation of ICPS and other related programmes. Several gaps were identified in the effective implementation of capacity building component of the scheme. These gaps were:

- Lack of trained personnel to run child protection structures across the state
- Inadequate understanding of child protection issues, Acts, responsibilities among officials at various levels
- Absence of a centralized source of information on children and their schemes accessible to all.

The components of training and capacity building of all stakeholders have been integrated in the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 making it mandatory for many key functionaries under the Act. The State government has been given the responsibility under the Act for ensuring implementation of the said provisions through conducting effective trainings and capacity building programmes. Against this backdrop, the Child Resource Centre (CRC) has been established in 2016, as a strategic venture with focus on capacity building of all stakeholders in child rights & protection systems.

In line with this, the key mandate of CRC is to appraise the training needs of the various child rights stakeholders, design course curriculum and conducts capacity building programmes for various stakeholders on the subject of Child Rights & Protection. Till the month of March 2017, 5 State level training programmes for key child protection stakeholders were conducted by Child Resource Centre in which 295 key stakeholders were trained including the District Child Protection Units, Child Care Institutions (CCIs), CHILDLINES, Open Shelters and training programme on adoption for Child Welfare Committees (CWCs), Specialized Adoption Agencies (SAAs), CHILDLINES, CCIs, NGOs, social workers etc.

# TRAINING

## OF DISTRICT CHILD PROTECTION UNITS, RAJASTHAN

18.01.17



A State level training programme was organized for the District Child Protections Units of Rajasthan in which 48 personnel were trained and oriented. This was the first time these professional received training on child protection and related legal aspects. The objectives of the training were to –

- To build perspective of DCPOs on various child protection issues, concerns and systems in context of Rajasthan State;
- To discuss the functions, roles and responsibilities of DCPOs on implementation of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and The Integrated Child Protection Scheme;
- To enable understanding on effective implementation, and monitoring of various child protection structures, schemes and procedures;

The training covered subjects including child rights & protection in context of Rajasthan state – Perspective building, Introducing the Integrated Child Protection Scheme – Structure and functions of DCPU, Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 – Salient Features, Implementation of JJ ACT, 2015 and ICPS - Roles and Responsibilities of DCPUs. Mr. Dharamveer Yadav, UNICEF Rajasthan, Mr. Govind Beniwal, Antakshari Foundation and Ms. Lavina Rathore, Child Resource Centre took the technical sessions for the participants.

The participants developed perspective on child protection, operational aspects related to implementation of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and The Integrated Child Protection Scheme were discussed, participants developed understanding on DCPUs roles and responsibilities. Review regarding implementation of the schemes was also done by the Additional Director and her team of officers from Department for Child Rights, Rajasthan.



# TRAINING

## FOR SUPERINTENDENTS & CARETAKERS OF CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS, RAJASTHAN

31.1.17-1.2.17



A State level training programme was organized for the Child Care Institutions (CCIs) of Rajasthan on perspective building, skill development and orientation on Protection of Children against Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012. Total 67 personnel from the CCIs participated in the same. The objectives of the programme were to –

- To build the perspective on child protection and sensitize CCIs' personnel on social milieu that leads to vulnerabilities of children;
- To facilitate understanding on Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of children) Act, 2015 and Protection of Children Against Sexual Offences (POCSO), Act, 2012;
- To develop their skills for a responsive and child friendly delivery of services;

The technical sessions covered child rights & protection In context of Rajasthan State, Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 – Salient Features, Rehabilitation & Social Reintegration – Mandatory Reporting, Child Care Institutions' Management and Running – standard procedures, Roles & Responsibilities of CCI Personnel, Protection of Children Against Sexual Offences (POCSO), Act, 2012 – salient features, Developmental psychology, techniques of positive disciplining, Communicating with children: understanding counseling, implementation of POCSO Act, 2012 in context of CCIs' functioning and mandate.

# TRAINING

## ON ADOPTION

16.2.17



A training programme on "Adoption" was organized on 16th February, 2017 for Specialized Adoption Agencies of Rajasthan and other stakeholders. A total of 63 participants were trained through the programme. The objectives of the programmes were to -

- Sensitizing the participants on social perspective in context of child protection;
- Developing understanding on key procedural norms, roles and responsibilities related to adoption;
- Acquainting the participants with Adoption Regulations, 2017 with orientation on use of CARINGS Portal;

The one day training programme discussed and oriented the participants with the major norms, provisions and procedures of Adoption under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015, Model Rules, 2016 as well as Adoption Regulation, 2017. The participants were also oriented with the procedures of CARINGS portal. Various issues and queries regarding the same were addressed through the programme. Members from 36 Specialized Adoption Agencies, Child Welfare in Rajasthan, representatives from CWCs, CHILDLINES, Rajasthan State Commission for Protection of Child Rights, officials from Medical Department, Dept. of Health and Family Welfare, Police as well as NGOs and civil society organizations participated in the training programme.

# T RAINING FOR CHILDLINE, RAJASTHAN

2.3.17-3.3.17

A State level training for CHILDLINE functionalities was organised on perspective building and interventions for child protection in relation with Juvenile justice (Care & Protection of Children) Act, 2015 & Protection of Children from sexual Offences, Act, 2012. Total 83 CHILDLINE team members, counselors and coordinators participated in the programme. The objectives of the programme were:

- Sensitizing the participants on social perspective in context of child protection;
- Developing understanding on key procedural norms, roles and responsibilities related to adoption;
- Acquainting the participants with Adoption Regulations, 2017 with orientation on use of CARINGS Portal;

The technical sessions covered, child rights & protection in context of Rajasthan State – An overview, CHILDLINE 1098 Service – An Introduction & key mandate, Understanding Counseling: Process & Documentation, Protection of Children Against Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012 & Role of CHILDLINE towards victim compensation, role of CHILDLINE & Mandatory Provisions under JJ ACT 2015, Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 – salient features, outreach and awareness activities, role of CHILDLINE in public awareness on child protection, case intervention & coordination with allied system etc.





# TRAINING

## FOR OPEN SHELTERS, RAJASTHAN

27.3.17-28.3.17



A training programme for the first time in State was organized by CRC for all the open shelters of Rajasthan on the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015, Protection of Children Against Sexual Offences (POCSO), Act, 2012 and child friendly procedures. The objectives of the programme were:

- To develop perspective on child protection and sensitize open shelter personnel on social milieu that leads to vulnerabilities of children;
- To facilitate understanding on Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of children) Act, 2015 and Protection of Children Against Sexual Offences (POCSO), Act, 2012;
- To enhance clarity on concept of open shelters, roles and responsibilities of shelter personnel under the Integrated Child Protection Scheme.
- To strengthen their skills for a responsive and child friendly delivery of services;

Superintendents and Caretakers from 33 Open shelters in Rajasthan Participated in the training programme along with the members & officials from Rajasthan State Commission for Protection of Child Rights and the Additional Superintendent of Police (AHTW).

Ms. Vandana Dubey, Child Protection Expert, Mr. Radhakant Saxena, IG, Prison (Rtd.), Mr. Govind Beniwal, Antakshri Foundation, Ms. Lavina Rathore, Consultant, Child Resource Centre, Ms. Kavita Mangnani, Child Psychologist and Dr. Jyoti Sharma, Child Protection Expert, (Programme Coordinator, JKSMS) were the resource person in the training. The technical sessions included child rights & protection in context of Rajasthan State – Perspective building, Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 – Salient Features, Rehabilitation & Social Reintegration, Concept of Open Shelter, Services to Children and Outreach, Roles & Responsibilities of open shelter Personnel, Protection of Children Against Sexual Offences (POCSO), Act, 2012 – salient features, Developmental psychology (children) – Child Development and positive disciplining, communicating with children: understanding counseling, implementation of POCSO Act, 2012 in context of CCI's functioning and mandate.

# MAINSTREAMING

## CHILD RIGHTS & PROTECTION, INTEGRATION IN HCM RIPA



Capacity building of the various functionaries is one of the key components of ICPS and Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015. The second objective of ICPS is to enhance capacities at all levels, of all functionaries including, administrators and service providers, members of allied systems including, local bodies, police, judiciary and other departments concerned of State Governments to undertake responsibilities under the ICPS.

The components of training and capacity building of all stakeholders have been integrated in the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015. The Rule 89 of the Model JJ Rule, 2016 specifically makes training of various stakeholders mandatory and specifies the training of personnel dealing with children. Child protection is an issue that spreads across various departments and sectors including Health, Medical, Education, Police, Judiciary, Panchayati Raj, Railway, Transport etc. Strong allied system is the key feature for ensuring child protection and strengthening systems across the country.

In view with this, mainstreaming of child rights and protection is one of the key objectives of the Centre. CRC also aims to strengthen governance for children and it strives to inform, educate and empower arms of State government to mainstream child rights/child protection. The process has been initiated through ensuring trainings and sensitization sessions for all the government functionaries receiving trainings at HCM RIPA and till March 2017, 19 sessions conducted at HCM RIPA on subjects related to child rights and protection in which around 547 government officials have been oriented and sensitized on various topics related to child protection and Juvenile Justice including child rights and protection; an Introduction, situation of children, child sexual abuse and Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012 (POCSO), trafficking of children, child at risk, situation of children during disasters, schemes and programme related to children etc.

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