



National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR)

Report on

OORJA- CAPFS YOUTH UNDER- 19 FOOTBALL TALENT HUNT 2017



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List of Abbreviations

NCPCR.....National Commission for Protection of Child Rights

WCD.....Women and Child Department

CPCR.....Commission for Protection of Child Rights

CNCP.....Child in need of Care and Protection

CCL.....Child in conflict with law

CWSN.....Children with Special needs

POCSO.....Protection of Children from Sexual Offences

JJ Act, 2018.....Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children)

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Introduction

BSF's Oorja Initiative, Bangalore

NCPCR was invited for the Oorja CAPFs youth under 19 Football Talent Hunt Tournament (boys and Girls) Bangalore, where children were to be given an awareness on child rights.

The Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India, has organised an under – 19 Football tournament jointly by the CAPFs (CRPF, BSF, CISF, SSB, ITBP and Assam Rifles) in India, under the aegis of All India Police Sports Control Board. The tournament was called the “OORJA – CAPFs Youth Under – 19 Football talent hunt Tournament – 2017 – A PM’s Initiative. The tournament was conducted in three different phases. 12,500 youth were involved in the ‘Orja CAPF U-19 Football Talent Hunt Tournament. The 1st phase of the tournament was conducted at the State/ Union Territories Capitals from 1st May to 15th May 2017. Subsequently, the 2nd and 3rd phases of the tournament will be conducted in Goa (for A&N team) and New Delhi respectively. A Running Trophy will be rewarded to the Winners of the 3rd phase.



Ms. Rupa Kapoor, Member NCPCR with BSF Personnel.

Karnataka Series

In the above series BSF's Bangalore had been assigned the responsibility to conduct 2nd phase of Prime Minister's Football Tournament under 19 (Boys and Girls) in the State of Karnataka (2nd Phase from 17.6.17 to 25.6.17). Around 400 participants (boys and Girls) are expected to participate in the tournament.



Ms. Rupa Kapoor, Member, NCPCR visited Bangalore, Karnataka on 21st June' 17. The BSF chief Shri P.S.Sandhu, IG greeted and shared that since 21st was International Yoga Day and children were not playing on the grounds hence an interactive session has been set up with the participants, for them to learn about child rights and various issues related to children.

Member met 200 children who had come to participate along with officials from BSF. After an initial introduction, Member shared the background of NCPCR. Children were seated in two sides of the auditorium. One side entailed all the male footballers while on the other side



were the girls. The youths had come from villages and small towns of Karnataka, Kerala and Pondicherry. To break the ice and encourage children to participate together, Member asked the young people to sit in one boy one girl system. Initially all the youths were shying away from sitting like this but it helped in teaching them about gender bias and why they need to

believe that men and women are equal in all respects.

After this, a presentation was shown to the group on the various child rights and role of NCPCR in monitoring the rights. Special emphasis was given on the revised JJ Act 2015 and the POCSO Act 2012. Some young people were also selected by Member to conduct a role play on child sexual abuse. In this two girls depicted the role of schoolgirls who were being verbally and physically abused by a group of boys. They later lodge a complaint with the

police and then a friend shares the importance of the POCSO Act with them. The girls gain confidence and later when they are harassed they catch hold of the boys and get them arrested.



The young footballers were excited to watch this role play and shared their views on it.

Mr. Mariswami, Member KSCPCR, also shared the importance of child rights and how child rights were being addressed at Karnataka.

The young group had children mostly from villages, so they were shy initially but the interaction not only helped them to open up, they also learnt their rights and responsibilities along with these crucial Laws. Member was felicitated by member KSCPCR & representatives among the youth footballers.



Display of IEC materials

IEC Materials related to addressing child sexual abuse and the POCSO E Box was displayed at the venue where the workshop with children was organised.



Meeting with BSF Team

A meeting was also held at the BSF Office and mess wherein Mr. Sandhu emphasized on the need to collaborate on cross border trafficking. He shared that his lady Jawans at the border also need to be oriented on child rights and laws and mechanisms will have to be developed to prevent children from entering borders especially from Bangladesh and Nepal. Member agreed to convene a meeting at Delhi on this issue. Mr. Sandhu also appreciated the POCSO e-Box and requested for 3000 copies which he could distribute among his teams and to children whenever they come across them in meetings and visits.

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