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10th October, 2022

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Minutes of the 52nd Statutory Meeting of the Commission held on 4th October, 2022 in the Chamber of Chairperson NCPCR.

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of the minutes of the 52nd Statutory Meeting of the Commission held on 4th October, 2022, duly approved by the Chairperson, NCPCR for information and necessary action.

(Rupali Banerjee Singh)

Member Secretary

Encl./As Above:

To

- 1. The Chairperson
- 2. Registrar
- 3. Sr. CL (Legal)
- 4. STE (Child Health / Child Psychology) / STE (NE/J&K Cell/Education)
- 5. TE (LRC) / CL (Child Labour) / CL (JJ/ CL (Programme)
- 6. Assistant Director / CL (Accounts)
- 7. PS to Member Secretary
- 8. Minutes Register/Guard File

Minutes of the 52nd Statutory Meeting of the Commission held on 4th October, 2022 in the Chamber of Chairperson NCPCR, Chanderlok Building, Janpath, New Delhi.

The present strength of the Commission is as follows:

- 1. Shri Priyank Kanoongo, Chairperson
- 2. Ms. Rupali Banerjee Singh, Member Secretary

The 52^{nd} Statutory Meeting of the Commission was held on 04.10.2022 at 11:00 a.m. in the Chamber of Chairperson NCPCR. The following were present:

- 1. Shri Priyank Kanoongo, Chairperson
- 2. Ms. Rupali Banerjee Singh, Member Secretary

The meeting commenced with a welcome note and brief introductory remarks by the Chairperson.

Confirmation of the Minutes of 51st Statutory Meeting of the Commission held on 08.07.2022:

The Chairperson informed that the Minutes of the 51st Statutory Meeting of the Commission were treated as confirmed as no comments were received.

Action Taken Reports (ATRs) on decisions taken in the 51st Statutory Meeting of the Commission held on 08.07.2022:

As there was no formal Agenda for consideration, no decisions were taken by the Commission in its 51st Statutory Meeting. Hence, the question of ATRs does not arise.

Pending Action Taken Reports (ATRs) on decisions taken in the previous meetings, i.e., 34th, 41st, 43rd & 44th Statutory Meetings of the Commission:

Pending Action Taken Reports (ATRs) on decisions taken in the previous meetings, i.e., 34th, 41st, 43rd & 44th Statutory Meetings of the Commission were reviewed. MS was asked to put up the current status of pending ATRs on file.

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AGENDA ITEMS PROPOSED BY LEGAL DIVISION:

Agenda Item No.1: Formulation of Training Modules under Rule 91 (vii) of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016.

The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection) Act, 2015 (JJ Act) has been implemented to provide for the care and protection of children across the country. The Act makes a clear distinction between 'children in need of care and protection' and 'children in conflict with law' and provides for rehabilitation of children as per their individual needs. The Act provides for establishment of structures at the District, State and the National Level for better implementation and monitoring of the provisions and measures provided under the Act. The main aim of the Act is to have nodal officers and bodies at all levels to cater to the needs of each child and to ensure that each officer and body is working effectively as intended by the Act.

After the implementation of the JJ Act, 2015 and its Model Rules, 2016, it must be seen that officials and stakeholders dealing with children have a multifold role to play for rehabilitation of children and they have to follow multiple steps at every stage of the process for each child. The officials and bodies under the Act have to be well-equipped with the provisions of the Act so as to identify the needs of the child and immediately provide for the same. The importance of training of all officers and stakeholders working towards implementation of the Act has grown over time and the same will contribute to cover the gaps still existing in implementation of JJ Act, 2015. Another important development that has taken place is the implementation of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection) of Children Amendment Act, 2021 and Juvenile Justice Model Amendment Rules, 2022, which has increased the role of officials and bodies established under the Act and therefore, there is a need to sensitize and provide trainings to all officials and stakeholders of JJ Act, 2015 about the new amendments.

Rule 89 of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016 provides that personnel appointed under the Act and the Rules shall be provided training to understand and effectively perform their functions. The said provision further provides that the training shall include:

- (i) introduction of the Act and the rules made there under;
- (ii) orientation on child welfare, care, protection and child rights;
- (iii) induction training of the newly recruited personnel;

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- programs, enhancement skill and courses training documentation and sharing of good practices; and (iv) refresher
- (v) Conferences, seminars and workshops.

It is essential that prior to conducting training programs of the officers and stakeholders of JJ Act, 2015, the training modules for each stakeholder are developed. Rule 91 of the JJ (Model) Rules, 2016 while providing for functions to be performed by NCPCR in monitoring of the JJ Act, 2015, also provides that NCPCR may also develop training module for stakeholders along with the State Child Protection Societies and National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development etc.

In this regard, the Commission had recently scheduled a consultation meeting on 28th September, 2022 in order to get inputs regarding the formulation of the Training Modules. In the said meeting, representatives from organizations /institutions like CARA, BPR&D, NIPCCD, NALSA, National Judicial Academy, SAMVAD, Law Schools like GNLU and Rashtriya Raksha University were present. In the meeting, it was shared by the attendees that they are having their own training manuals which are currently being used for training the personnel who deal with child rights/juvenile justice. NCPCR has called for the modules being used by them as well.

This Agenda Item may be placed before the Commission for consideration.

Decision: This was noted by the Commission.

[Action: (MS / Legal Cell)]

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.