

Draft Guideline for Forming Block Level & Panchayat Level Child Protection Committees (CPC)

A. Background:

The Integrated Child Protection Scheme mandates the formation of Child Protection Committees (CPC) at the State, District, Block and Village/Panchayat level for addressing various child protection issues in the State. The following committees have to be formed as a part of the ICPS structure:

- The State Child Protection Committee (SCPC) at the State level
- The District Level Child Protection Committee(DCPC) at the district level
- The Block Level Child Protection Committee(BLCPC) at the Block Level
- The Panchayat/Village Level Child Protection Committee(PLCPC) at the Panchayat/Village Level

These guidelines are being issued to the Districts for formation of Block Level Child Protection Committees (BLCPC) and Panchayat/Village Level Child Protection Committees (PLCPC) across the State.

B. Structure and Function of the BLCPC & PLCPC:

i. Composition:

a. Block Level Child Protection Committee (BLCPC):

The Committee will be formed with the following members:

1. Block Chairman -Chairperson of the BLCPC
2. Block Development Officer -Member Secretary
3. A member from DCPU-nominated by DCPO -Member
4. A representative from ICDS functionary-CDPO -Member
5. A representative from Education -SI- Member
6. A representative from Health -Medical Officer from PHC- Member
7. Chairpersons from PLCPC - Members
8. Socially Respected (Eminent person of the community) Community Members - As Members (2 or more depending upon the requirement to make the committee odd in number) - recommended by DCPC/District Selection Committee
9. Civil Society Representatives - As Members (2 or more depending upon the requirement to make the committee odd in number) As decided by DCPC//District Selection Committee

[Quorum: The strength of the BLCPC will vary from block to block depending upon the number of Panchayats. In all cases one more than 50% including the Chairperson of the strength of the BLPAC will form the quorum for the meeting.]

b. Panchayat Level Child Protection Committee (PLCPC)

The PLCPC will be formed with the following members:

1. The Sarpanch - Chairperson
2. A representative from DCPU - Member
3. An Anganwadi worker- nominated by CDPO- -Member
4. School Teacher-(2) One from Primary and one from secondary, recommended from CI,SI- Member
5. Auxiliary Nurse Midwife - recommended by PHC /CHC Medical Officer- Member
6. Socially respected village members - Members (2) - recommended by the Panchayat Samiti.
7. Child Representatives -- Members (2) (01 boy and 01 girl) nominated by the School Management Committee/School Advisory Committee.
8. Civil Society Representatives -- Members (2) - recommended by the Panchayat Samiti.

[Quorum: The quorum for the PLCPC meeting must be **SEVEN** including chairperson.]

ii) Functions


- a. Creating grass root level awareness on Child Protection issues.
- b. Be vigilant and act as a watchdog to report violation of Child Rights at the Community level.
- c. Recommend potential families/children for sponsorship, alternative forms of child care and linkage with various Government welfare schemes.
- d. Convergence with other existing structures at the community level for effective implementation of ICPS.
- e. Develop and implement an action plan to address community level issues.
- f. Act as a liaison between the community and various Child Protection Structures in the District.

C. Committee Formation Procedure

1. Communication will be sent to concerned authorities for recommending of names for the CPC.
2. Recommendations received by the DCPU will be discussed with the chairperson of PLCPC for final approval during formation of PLCPC. The same will be placed before the BDO for notification.
3. All recommendation received by the DCPU will be placed before the District Collector for notification of BLCPC.
4. 1st meeting shall be held within a month from the date of notification issued.

D. Reporting

The CPC should provide a copy of the proceedings of its meetings to the District Child Protection Unit.


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