A Review Meeting of State Action Plan 2018 was held on 08.12.2019 at Noronha Academy of Administration, Bhopal. The meeting was chaired by Hon'ble Justice S.C. Sharma, Chairperson, Juvenile Justice Committee, High Court of M.P in presence Hon'ble Justice Rohit Arya, Justice Anjuli Palo and Justice G.S. Ahluwalia, Members Juvenile Justice Committee. The Meeting was attended by following participants: -

PRESENT:-

- 1. Shri Manoj Shrivastava, Addl. Chief Secretary, Panchayat and Rural Development, MP
- 2. Shri Satyendra Kumar Singh, Principal Secretary, Department of Law and Legislative Affairs, MP
- 3. Smt. Giribala Singh, Member Secretary, MP State Legal Services Authority.
- 4. Shri Anupam Rajan, Principal Secretary, Department of Women & Child Development (DWCD), MP.
- 5. Shri. Ratnesh Chandra Singh Bisen, Department of Law and Legislative Affairs, MP.
- 6. Smt. Jaishri Kiyavat, Secretary, Department of School Education, MP.
- 7. Shri Mohd. Shahid Afsar, Secretary, Home Department, MP
- 8. Shri Deepak Bansal, Registrar Judicial-I, Secretary, High Court Juvenile Justice Committee, MP.
- 9. Shri Rupam Vedi, Additional Secretary, Department of Law and Legislative Affairs, MP
- 10.Shri Ashutosh Awasthi, Labour Commissioner, MP
- 11. Shri Naresh Pal Kumar, Commissioner, DWCD, MP
- 12. Shri S.S. Dixit, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Labour, MP
- 13. Shri I.P Kulshrestha, I.G. CID, Police Headquarter Bhopal, MP

- 14. Shri Malay Jain, AIG Training, Home Department (Police), MP
- 15. Shri Mahaveer Muzalde, AIG CID Police Headquarter, Bhopal, MP
- 16.Smt. Shalini Dixit, AIG Crime Against Women Branch, Police Headquarter, MP
- 17. Shri Vikash Shahwal, S.P Cyber Crime, Home Department (Police), MP
- 18. Shri Deepak Thakur, Additional SP(C), Police Headquarter, Bhopal, MP
- 19. Shri Dhanraju. S, Director, Skill Development, MP
- 20.Shri Alok Sharma, Deputy Director, Department of Social Justice, MP
- 21. Shri Kuldeep Singh Kushwaha, Chief System Analyst, High Court of M.P
- 22.Dr. Vishal Nadkarni, Joint Director(ICPS), DWCD, MP
- 23. Shri Michael Juma, CFO-UNICEF
- 24. Shri Lolichen P. Joseph, Child Protection Specialist, UNICEF Bhopal
- 25.Smt. Advaita Marathe, Child Protection Officer, UNICEF Bhopal
- 26. Shri Amarjeet Singh, Consultant, UNICEF Bhopal
- 27.Shri Rajesh Deoli, Senior Technical Consultant (Juvenile Justice),HC JJC
- 28. Shri Dilip Kumar, National Health Mission, MP

The meeting started with welcome address by Secretary (undersigned), Juvenile Justice Committee, High Court of M.P. He shared about State Action Plan 2018 (16 points) and submission of State Action Plan 2018 to Justice Madan B. Lokur.

In his introductory remarks Hon'ble Shri Justice S.C. Sharma, Judge, High Court of M.P, Chairperson, Juvenile Justice Committee highlighted that 'best interest of children' is not only legislative commitment but it is Constitutional as well as international commitment for protecting children from any kind of exploitation and abuse. He emphasized on "convergence" as a key to achieve key action points of State Action Plan 2018. He explained multidisciplinary nature of child protection issues and critical role of the Departments in the implementation of State Action Plan 2018.

After introductory remarks, undersigned obtained permission from Chairperson to start elaborate discussion on each action point.

Shri Anupam Rajan, Principal Secretary, Department of Women & Child Development (DWCD), M.P. presented power point presentation and on each Key Action Point updated the Committee (Presentation at Annexure 1). Following were major proposals and resolutions:-

Key Action: 1- Planned Composite Infrastructure:

DWCD proposed that Alternative care and family strengthening being the focus, investment in institutional infrastructure should be reconsidered. Also, large volume of financial resources is required for infrastructure development.

After consideration it has been resolved that:

- Establishment of Planned Composite Infrastructure is important; therefore, Department of Women & Child Development will go one by one and establish first infrastructure at Gwalior and also to continue action to be taken in pending land related issue in Indore.
- Committee was of the view that CCIs are not in good shape as per Act, therefore, DWCD to ensure CCIs are maintaining standards of care as per Juvenile Justice Act and there is less institutionalization.

Key Action: 2- Child Friendly Police Stations with Resources:

DWCD shared the progress. Department of Home (Police) has submitted proposal for allocations of Rs 105 Cr. to Government of India for support

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to make child friendly police corners across all the police stations in the State.

After consideration it has been resolved that:

- Department of Home (Police) to submit periodical reports to Juvenile Justice Secretariat, M.P High Court, Jabalpur regarding functioning of SJPUs and CWPOs and also make this data available online to share with HC-JJC and MP-SLSA. Regular monitoring is required.
- Department of Home (Police) to ensure that SJPUs are established independently (not with Police Stations) and no SJPUs are provided with additional duties.
- Police need to ensure regular & effective trainings, refresher courses for SJPUs and CWPO and include child psychology, psychosocial support and cyber-crime related child protection issues in their training modules.
- Police also need to ensure that frequent transfer of SJPU or CWPO is prevented and at least 3 years be given at a place.

Key Action-3: Development of Child Protection Workforce:

DWCD shared the challenges faced by Department in retaining DCPUs as benefits are unattractive, hence attrition rate is high. He proposed that in partnership with NIMHANS, DWCD will build skills and capacities of all the stakeholders in 2020.

Department of Health proposed that under Adolescent Friendly Health Clinics (AFHS), two more districts will be added from January 2020.

After consideration it has been resolved that:

- DWCD to submit proposal to Cabinet/Minister regarding increase in salary of DCPUs for approval.
- JDs (job descriptions) for DCPU functionaries needs to be shared with Committee.
- DWCD to take up actions towards improving functioning of CWC and Individual Care Plan are prepared and utilized fully, fill all the vacancies so that children are not affected.
- DCPUs not to be given any additional charge.

Key Action: 4- Adolescent Empowerment Programme and preventing child sexual abuse:

DWCD proposed that the Adolescent Empowerment Programme (AEP) is rolled out in 10 districts.

• AEP will be expanded to cover 6 additional districts in 2020.

After consideration it has been resolved that:

- All the present Departments shall share adolescent empowerment initiatives to HC JJC Secretariat in future so that representation of the State is shared in Supreme Court of India or any other programmes of national importance.
- DWCD shall share the documentary/video about initiatives/scheme of DWCD in adolescent empowerment with HC JJC.

Key Action: 5- Communication Campaign to prevent Child Sexual Abuse:

DWCD informed about initiatives taken up by each Department.

After consideration it has been resolved that:

- Department of Women & Child Development and Department of Education to work on sensitization on child protection issues through impactful pictures and videos to reach children. Local dialects needs to be used for better outreach.
- DWCD shall utilize Department of Culture (nukkadnatak and story telling) for spreading awareness on child sexual issues or child marriages to reach rural population.

Key Action: 6 Development of SOPs

DWCD updated Committee that Guidelines for Foster Care, and Sponsorship is underway and Guidelines for JJ Fund will be developed, SOP for Police on JJ Act will be revised and updated based on State JJ Rules being finalized by March 2020.

Key Action: 7- Setting up and strengthening District, Block and Ward Child Protection Committees:

DWCD proposed that 6 Districts (Bhopal, Indore, Gwalior, Jabalpur, Chattarpur and Chhindwara) have been identified for strengthening Ward Child Protection Committee. Also proposed to integrate Child Protection issues especially child marriage and violence against children in the agenda Gram Panchayat meetings and Gram Sabhas, in collaboration with Dept of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, instead creating new committees.

After consideration it has been resolved that:

- All the present dignitaries from various departments under State Action Plan 2018 to have an inter- departmental meeting to ensure that progress is shared with each other. Officers from each Department needs to be appointed as nodal officer.
- All Collectors needs to be directed that District Child Protection Unit Coordination meetings to be conducted regularly monthly basis.

Key Action: 8 Standards of Care and linkage to services in CCIs: -

DWCD proposed:

- capacity and mentoring programmes for improving Standards of Care with the support of UNICEF and NIMHANS will be rolled out in 13 Districts in 2020.
- A Pilot program will be initiated to develop Social Investigation Report, Individual Care Plan and aftercare in Bhopal District for children leaving institutional care.

Department of Health proposed:

- National Health Mission (NHM) will follow up with the district functionaries to ensure the issued directives to MoS for visiting CCIs in the state as per the need.
- An action plan to enlist services of counsellors working in NHMRKSS (Rashtriya Kishor Swasthya Karyakram), Mental Health and 104 health helpline) and MP State AIDS Prevention and

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Control Society for imparting counselling services for children residing in these 120 Child Care Institutions(CCIs) will be developed and implemented.

After consideration it has been resolved that:

- DWCD to ensure two things, one is regular medical check-up of children in CCIs and secondly, periodical visit of doctors, especially girl children health care.
- Department of Health to provide details about Doctors available in the Child Care Institutions in Madhya Pradesh to High Court, Juvenile Justice Committee, MP as well as to CCIs.
- Department of Health to ensure regular check-up of children living in CCIs.

Key Action: 9- Resource pool of counsellors and psychosocial experts: DWCD shared that in 15 districts, 5-day workshops in providing psychosocial counselling with the support of NIMHANS and UNICEF will be completed in January 2020.

After consideration it has been resolved that:

- DWCD to create cadre of Counsellors & Psychosocial Experts as its very important aspect in terms of children mental health. Directed DWCD to prepare a proposal to be submitted to Cabinet for approval for the same.
- DWCD and MP SLSA to coordinate and see if retired judges who are willing can be useful to act as Counsellors & psychosocial experts.

Key Action: 10- De-Addiction Centres for children and Homes for specially -abled children: -

It was highlighted by Department of Social Justice, MPthat it does not have any dedicated centres in the State for children and admitting children to regular de-addiction centres is not possible.

After consideration it has been resolved that:

- Department of Social Justice to establish two De-Addiction Centres.
- Department of Education to take preventive steps through movies/visuals on three issues i.e. de addiction, child abuse and self-defence.

Key Action: 11- Enactment of the Madhya Pradesh JJ Rules, 2016

DWCD updated that draft of JJ Rules are ready and a multi-departmental consultation is being held on 9th December to review and finalise the draft rules for the state. The draft rules may be notified in the first quarter of 2020.

After consideration it has been resolved that:

• DWCD to share soft copy of draft JJ Rules 2016 through mail with Member Secretary, MP State Legal Services Authority, High Court Juvenile Justice Committee and all duty holders further seeking feedback within 7 days of circulation.

Key Action :12- Child Protection Policy:

DWCD mentioned that the Policy and operational guidelines to be ready to be rolled by June 2020.

Key Action: 13- Juvenile Justice Fund:

DWCD shared that Department has sent proposal for opening separate bank account for Juvenile Justice Fund to Finance Department to solicit funds from CSR.

Key Action: 14- Child Protection Management Information System (CP-MIS):-

He shared that new MIS is already in process and Bihar model of CP-MIS is replicated for adoption for the State. Additionally, DWCD will keep in tandem with JJ-MIS, MP HC JJC and MPSLSA.

Key Action: 15- Alternative Care Programme:

It was informed that -

- •State Sponsorship and Foster care guidelines drawing some of the good practices from guidelines of other states is being developed.
- •A resource pool of 20 senior personnel trained on rolling out Alternative Care in the State by Hope and Homes, UK.
- •Action Plan for developing roadmap for strengthening alternative care including after care for the state is being developed.
- •MoUs for skill building of youth is being finalised with CEDMAP & MP Tourism and other agencies.
- It is proposed to develop an MoU with Dept of Higher Education enrol children leaving CCIs or other needy youth for short term courses in government ITIs and Polytechnics.
- Reservation in ITI/Polytechnic for regular courses for eligible children leaving CCIs to be discussed and agreed with Dept of Higher Education.

After consideration it has been resolved that:

- DWCD to roll out sponsorship programmes and foster care programmes at district level.
- DWCD to ensure 'family strengthening' as a core element of Alternative Care Policy and programmes.
- DWCD to provide short term as well as long term professional(vocational) courses to children who leave CCIs and needy youth so that they may be employed in Government setups rather than private ensuring them financial security.
- DWCD to provide effective after care programmes for children who leave CCIs and needy youth to be provided with vocational and educational support with innovative soft skills programme & job

• All Departments need to share important information with Juvenile Justice Committee, High Court.

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