



ACTIVITY REPORT

August- October 2018

Project:

Establishing Chair on Child Rights at NLUO

Implementing Partner:

Centre for Child Rights, NLUO

Supported by:

UNICEF

The activities undertaken by the Centre for Child Rights of NLUO with the support of UNICEF in the period between 22 August and 31 October 2018 are given hereunder.

1. Training of Newly Appointed Chairpersons and Members of the Child Welfare Committees in Odisha: Centre for Child Rights in collaboration with Odisha State Child Protection Society, Department of Women & Child Development, Government of Odisha has organized induction training for the newly appointed chairpersons and members of the CWCs in Odisha for sensitization and orientation of their roles and functions as per the mandate of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015. After successful completion of 2 nos. of seven training programmes held on 16-22 July and 6-12 August, 2018 respectively, CCR organized third batch training for the child welfare committees from 29 October to 4 November 2018. The training targets to develop a comprehensive understanding of juvenile justice and child protection framework, to equip appropriate knowledge and skills to deal children in need of care and protection within the juvenile justice system, and to enhance understanding of the roles and responsibilities of CWC in children's rehabilitation, repatriation and reintegration.

A total of 30 persons from 12 CWCs across eleven districts of participated in the training held from 29 October- 4 November 2018. Persons participated in the training included 6 chairpersons and 24



members of the CWCs. Participants included 17 males and 13 females.

It is noteworthy to mention that a total of 120 newly appointed personnel of CWCs have trained altogether in these three training programmes. Number of person trained from respective CWC is given below.

Sl.No	CWC of the district	No. of persons trained	Sl.No	CWC of the district	No. of persons trained
1	Angul	4	16	Kendrapada	4
2	Balangir	5	17	Kendujhar	4
3	Balasore	3	18	Khurda	4
4	Bargarh	5	19	Khurda(Additional)	3
5	Bhadrak	5	20	Koraput	5
6	Boudh	4	21	Malkangiri	3
7	Cuttack	4	22	Mayurbhanj	3
8	Deogarh	4	23	Nayagarh	2
9	Dhenkanal	5	24	Nuapada	3
10	Ganjam	5	25	Puri	5
11	Jagatsinghpur	4	26	Rayagada	5
12	Jajpur	5	27	Sambalpur	4
13	Jharsuguda	4	28	Subarnapur	3
14	Kalahandi	5	29	Sundargarh	5
15	Kandhamal	5			

The training was structured with six modules which were covered in 30 sessions given below.

M -1: Understanding Child Rights

- Defining child in legal perspective
- Understanding childhood and adolescent in psycho-social perspectives
- Understanding child rights in Human Rights Approach
- Children in difficult circumstances:



Identification of issues, Psychosocial assessment, Intervention & support

M-2: Law and Policy Framework on Child Protection

- Overview of constitutional provisions, law, policies and institutional mechanisms for children in India
 - Understanding the principles and values of juvenile justice and evolution of juvenile justice legislation in India in the context of international perspective
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- Overview of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act 2015 and its interconnectivity with other child-centric legislations pertaining to protection of children from sexual offences, prohibition of child marriage, child labour and right to education for holistic safeguarding of children
 - ICPS

M-3: Juvenile Justice

- Overview of structures and institutions of juvenile justice system as per JJ (CPC) Act 2015 and Rules in the context of Odisha State
 - Understanding of 'child in conflict with law' and 'child in need of care and protection'
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- Rehabilitation and Social Reintegration
 - Institutional services and standards of care in child care institutions
 - Standards, Protocols, Registration and Regulations of Child Care Institutions
 - Non-Institutional Services: Sponsorship, Foster Care and other alternative care

M-4: Roles and Functions of CWC in Juvenile Justice

- Powers , Functions and Responsibilities of CWC
- Procedures of production, inquiry, statement recording, documenting evidence, , follow up action to sponsorship, foster care
- Interacting with children : Protocols to safeguard dignity, confidentiality and privacy of the child
- Understanding ‘adoption’ in the context of JJ (CPC) Act, 2015 and Regulation of CARA and Guiding procedures and protocols for CWC for declaring a child legally free for adoption



M-5: Documentation, Reporting and Management

- Individual Care Plan
- Social Inquiry Report
- Forms and Mandatory Report
- Counseling
- Techniques and Guidelines for writing order
- Financial Management of CWC
- MIS: Sishu Suchana portal



M-6: Coordination and Convergence

- Linkages with other institutions of child protection structure
- Childline Services and Linkages with CWC

- Rescue, Repartition and Rehabilitation
- Schemes and Programs for Children
- Legal Aid



Resource persons involved in the training were the persons from the field of law, justice, psychology, mental health, child rights activism, finance, police and policy executive. Among others, Hon'ble Dr. Justice D.P Choudhury, Former Judge and Member of Juvenile Justice Committee , Orissa High Court, Ms. Nina Nayak, Former Member NCPDR, Ms. Enakshi Ganguly Thural, HAQ, New Delhi , Ms. Persis Sidhva, Majlis Law, Mumbai, Ms. Vasundhara, Centre of Excellence in Alternative Care, New Delhi were the resource persons.

2.Study on Effective Case Disposal by JJBs in Odisha: In the endeavor to study the case pendency following the publication of pendency report of 10 districts, CCR has completed the data collection from the JJBs of remaining 20 districts of Odisha by October 2018. During this reporting period, data has been collected from the districts of Deogarh, Keonjhar and Sambalpur and visits were made to Bargarh, Balangir and Jharsuguda for to collect the opinions of the Principal Magistrate regarding the functions and challenges of JJB.

3.Preliminary Assessment of Children in conflict with Law: In pursuance of the approval of activity for undertaking a study on the procedures and methods adopted by Juvenile Justice Boards in assessing the mental and physical capacity of children in conflict with law who have committed heinous crimes and aged above 16 years but less than 18 years of age, we have drafted the project proposal and developed the necessary

tools for data collection in August and September 2018. It includes review of literature and developing the tools for data collection. We held discussion with Hon'ble Justice & Chairperson, Orissa High Court Juvenile Justice Committee about the study for according permission. Based on the discussions held, the proposals were submitted and the High Court of Orissa accorded permission to collect data from the Juvenile Justice Boards. In this regard, we have already sent letters to the Principal Magistrates of Juvenile Justice Boards in 12 districts of Cuttack, Puri, Khurda, Pallasoore, Berhampur, Korput, Sambalpur, Nawarnagpur, Sundargarh, Bargarh, Jhursuguda and Kandhamal.

4. ICSSR Research Project: ICSSR supported the Centre for Child Rights towards the project titled “**Changing dynamics of Children related legislations in the post liberalization Era.**” The project report was drafted, edited and finalized during the months of August and September 2018 and submitted to ICSSR.

5. International Executive Course on Juvenile Justice: In collaboration with University of Geneva, Switzerland and IDE, Sion, Switzerland, NLUO has developed an international course on juvenile justice. Activities for the preparation and dissemination of the course are being coordinated by the Centre for Child Rights. In this endeavor, Centre has developed a brochure depicting the objectives, course structure, methodology, learning outcomes, evaluation, course fees, eligibility and application form. CCR has taken follow up initiative to get nomination from judiciary, National Law Schools, NIPCCD to the course.

7. Partiicipation in National Consultation: CCR represented by Dr. Yogesh Pratap Singh, Associate Professor, NLUO in the Building Bridges Conference: National Level Consultation with Child Rights Centre in India, organized by HCM- Rajasthan, State Institute of Public Administration on 31-31 October 2018 at Jaipur.