

**WELCOME  
to  
Discussion  
on**

**Preventive Strategy on Child Sexual Abuse  
26.4.2018**

**As per Crime in India, NCRB's reports for the year 2014 to 2016, details of POCSO cases are as under:**

<b>Year</b>	<b>No of cases recorded</b>	<b>Person arrested</b>	<b>Persons convicted</b>	<b>Conviction rate under POCSO</b>	<b>Conviction rate under IPC</b>
<b>2014</b>	<b>8904</b>	<b>1172</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>24.6</b>	<b>31.3</b>
<b>2015</b>	<b>14913</b>	<b>18651</b>	<b>858</b>	<b>41.9</b>	<b>29.4</b>
<b>2016</b>	<b>36022</b>	<b>42196</b>	<b>3226</b>	<b>29.6</b>	<b>23.9</b>

**90205 cases were pending trial at the end of the year 2016**



In order to tackle Sexual Crime against Children, the need was felt to develop a comprehensive preventive strategy with public participation. An open request was made on 27.11.2017 to general public on NCPCR's website seeking suggestions .

160 Responses were received. They have been grouped as follows:

1. Awareness	- 75
2. Legal	- 38
3. School	- 30
4. Policy/Programme	- 16
5. Childline	-01

### **Suggestions received on Awareness generation**

- **Community awareness program - 27**
- **Sex education - 06**
- **Sensitize public on POCSO Act, 2012 - 26**
- **Empowering children with Life Skills for self protection - 06**
- **Public awareness on punishments through all TV/Radio/Print media - 08**
- **To guide parents to teach their children regarding csa- 01**
- **Non-interference of politicians in filling of FIR- 01**
- **Focus on Children under 6 years, who require the most nurturing care and protection - 01**

## **Suggestions received on Legal issues**

- **Punishment should be increased in csa - 15**
  
- **Eradication of pornography/alcohol/obscenity/ vulgarity /violence in Movies/Censorship of TV Serials and such content on TV Channels/ a total clean up of content on Internet /ban of such drugs eg Jinga Gold /viagara - 07**
  
- **Fast Track Court/quick decision in csa cases-10**
  
- **POCSO Act to ensure safe & secure future of child also-02**

## **Suggestions received on Legal issues (Contd.)**

- **Amendment in the POCSO Act (01):**
  - **Joint coordination or mechanism to be set up wherever possible to minimize the repeated recording of the statement of the victim child (eg: the CWC, Police and the Magistrate).**
  - **Reducing period of recording evidence of child from 30 days to maximum of 7 days.**
  - **Reducing the period of trail from one year to 6 months.**
  
- **More accountability of staff of Government Children's Home for security and safety of children - 02**
  
- **Punishment of false alarm creators - 01**



### **Suggestions received on School issues**

- .School should have one counsellor - 05
- Installation of CCTV Cameras - 08
- Verification of every staff including teachers etc.-07
- Conduct of regular safety audits and transparency in sharing results along with action plan to stakeholders (e.g. parents, children, etc.)- 07
- Designated Child Protection Officer - 01
- Prevention of csa should be part of syllabus-01
- Bullying should not be stopped by teachers. I used to get bullied but lesson taught to me by my parents was 'face it, learn from it and then reply back' and 'you have to fight on your own - 01

### **Suggestions received Policy/Programme issues**

- A separate Rehabilitation Centre to be established in every district for professional therapeutic intervention for the victims of csa -01
- Legal Resource Centre for Child Rights (LRCCR) should be set up to prevent child sexual abuse -01
- Independent body for addressing and managing such cases-01
- Creating a post of Social Worker Protection Officer at Police Station, at Primary/High School Level and in society for every 5000 people -01
- Create a Dedicated Helpline (just like Dial 100 for police) for registering a Child Abuse case. Alternative is to have a website to report the same-01
- Create a National Database with the list of Abusers accessible to Schools, Hotels and institutions where the abusers can be employed-01



### **Suggestions received on Policy/Programme (contd..)**

- Many cases goes unreported, as the reporter is harassed. Recognize /incentivize the reporter so that more people will come forward-01
- Providing clinical support services to paedophiles and hebephiles (Project Dunkelfeld is an example) - 01
- Encourage sports & physical outdoor games -01
- Cameras & Audio monitoring of places that children visit -01
- Prevent Begging -01
- Increase the capacity & number of Child Counselors & Psychiatrists -01
  
- Increase the staffing of CWCs - 01
- Parents Children Counseling -01
- Avoid Parental Alienation Syndrome (PAS) -01
- Permanent Special Public Prosecutors should be appointed for POCSO courts -01

### **Suggestions received on Childline issues**

Childline should have more counsellors and trained staff.

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**Thank you**

