## National Commission for Protection of Child Rights Government of India



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## NCPCR cautions Media organisations against disclosing the identity of rape victim or sexually-abused children.

It has come to the notice of the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) that a section of the Media including some T.V. channels has shown/is showing the pictures/photographs of the 8 year old minor girl who was raped and murdered in Rasana Village of Kathua District of Jammu & Kashmir.

Such publication of photographs of rape victim or sexually-abused children is prohibited under section 74 (1) of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and makes the violator punishable with imprisonment and/or fine even in the case of a deceased victim.

It may be recalled that this Commission had issued a press release on March 8, 2018 informing that even disclosure of the identity of a <u>deceased</u> child also attracts the penal provisions of section 74(1) of the above said Act.