Minutes of the 46th Statutory Meeting of the Commission held on 4th June, 2021 in the Chamber of Chairperson, NCPCR, Chanderlok Building, Janpath, New Delhi.

The present strength of the Commission is as follows:

- 1. Shri Priyank Kanoongo, Chairperson
- 2. Shri Yashwant Jain, Member
- 3. Dr. R.G. Anand, Member
- 4. Ms. Pragna Parande, Member
- 5. Ms. Rosy Taba, Member
- 6. Ms. Rupali Banerjee Singh, Member Secretary

The 46th Statutory Meeting of the Commission was held on 04.06.2021 at 12:00 noon in the Chamber of Chairperson, NCPCR. The following were present:

- 1. Shri Priyank Kanoongo, Chairperson
- 2. Ms. Rupali Banerjee Singh, Member Secretary

The meeting commenced with a welcome note and brief introductory remarks by the Chairperson.

Confirmation of the Minutes of 45th Statutory Meeting of the Commission held on 05.02.2021:

The Chairperson informed that the Minutes of the 45th Statutory Meeting of the Commission were treated as confirmed as no comments were received.

I. <u>AGENDA ITEMS PROPOSED BY MEMBER (PSYCHOLOGY & SOCIOLOGY) -</u> DR. R.G. ANAND:

<u>Agenda Item No.1</u>: Orientation and Sensitization of Child Welfare Police Officers (CWPOs)/SJPUs/AHTUson essentials on counselling and psycho social support of children affected during COVID-19 pandemic:

COVID-19 has disrupted the environments in which children grow and develop. These disruptions to families, friendships, daily routines and the wider community can have negative consequences for children's well-being, development and protection.

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Further, measures used to prevent and control the spread of COVID-19 can expose children to protection risks. Home-based, facility-based and zonal-based quarantine and isolation measures can all negatively impact children and their families. There are also indications that domestic violence is on the increase. In such a situation, the police have a critical role to play; whether it is to provide support to children in distress, ensuring violence prevention in camps and temporary shelters for migrant populations, being vigilant and responsive on any reports of violations of children's rights or ensuring children are referred to child protection services.

As per section 107 of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, in every police station, at least one officer, not below the rank of assistant sub-inspector, with aptitude, appropriate training and orientation may be designated as the child welfare police officer to exclusively deal with children either as victims or perpetrators, in co-ordination with the police, voluntary and non-governmental organisations.

In view of the above, it is proposed to develop a chapter on "essentials on counselling and psycho social support of children affected during COVID-19 pandemic" for police training curriculum. This will also include orientation on SAMVEDNA- a toll free tele-counselling number for children affected during COVID-19 pandemic. Virtual/physical meetings shall be held in this regard in all the zones of the country, to begin with in south zone

Decision: This Agenda Item was not discussed.

II. <u>AGENDA ITEMS PROPOSED BY MEMBER (CHILD LABOUR) – MS. ROSY TABA:</u>

Agenda Item No.2: A Virtual Review Meeting with Hotspot Districts:

It is proposed to hold a Virtual Review meeting with Hotspot Districts with DTF, DC, Labour Officers, etc. to know how many child labour cases had been registered against the offenders involved in child labour and action taken thereon.

Decisions: This Agenda Item was not discussed.

Agenda Item No.3: A Virtual Meeting /Webinar to be held on 12th June, 2021:

It is proposed to hold a Virtual Meeting /Webinar on 12th June, 2021 to celebrate "World day against Child Labour Day" on theme *COVID-19 protect children from child labor now more than ever.*

Decision: This was noted by the Commission. Member(RT) was asked to put up the proposal on file.

[Action: Member (RT)]

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Agenda Item No.4: Training of District Task force on Child Labour:

Training of District Task Force on Child Labour regarding planning, rescue operation, interim care, prosecution of employers/violators under all relevant laws including Bonded Labour System (Abolition) Act, 1976, repatriation, rehabilitation/social reintegration and follow-up action is proposed; and The District Task Force will meet once in a week. It has been noticed that employers are not fined by the rescue team and no FIRs have been lodged against the employers.

Decision: This was noted by the Commission.

[Action: Member (RT)]

III. AGENDA ITEMS PROPOSED BY EDUCATION DIVISION:

Agenda Item No.5: NCPCR (Education Division) conducted 25 Workshops in different States / Districts till 31.03.2021:

As approved by the Ministry of Education (MoE) in PSB 2020-21, Education Division conducted 25 Workshops till 31.03.2021 in different States / Districts across the country as per details given below.

Sr.	State / District level Workshops	States/UTs
No.		
1	State level Workshop for teachers on identification and	
7	coping strategies w.r.t stress among children in schools	Jharkhand, Telangana
2	UT level Workshop on Out of School Children in the UTs	Ladakh, Jammu &
	of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh	Kashmir
3	State level Orientation Workshops on Safety and Security	Andhra Pradesh,
	of Children in Residential Schools	Manipur,
		Uttarakhand,
		Odisha, Rajasthan
4	District level Awareness Workshops on Implementation	Punjab, Uttar
	of Hon'ble Supreme Court Guidelines for Safe and Secure	Pradesh, GOA,
	Transport facilities for children by school	Rajasthan, Odisha
5	District level Workshop on Sensitization on	Jammu & Kashmir
	Comprehensive Manual for Safety and Security of	Ladakh, Himachal
	Children in schools- II.	Pradesh, Uttar
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	Pradesh, Telangana.
	Sikkim,
	Lakshadweep, A&N
	Island

This is for kind information of the Commission.

Decision: This item relating to Education Division looked after by Chairperson was ratified by the Commission.

[Action: Education Division]

Agenda 6: The Standard Operating Procedures (SoP) for Implementation of Section 12 (1) (C) of the RTE Act, 2009:

The Standard Operating Procedures (SoP) for Implementation of Section 12 (1) (C) of the RTE Act, 2009 - Model Procedures for Effective Implementation was circulated among the State Education Departments and SCPCRs for their comments; and has been finalized (placed at *Annexure*).

Decision: This item relating to Education Division looked after by Chairperson was ratified by the Commission.

[Action: Education Division]

It was decided to hold the next Statutory Meeting of the Commission in July, 2021.

The meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.

