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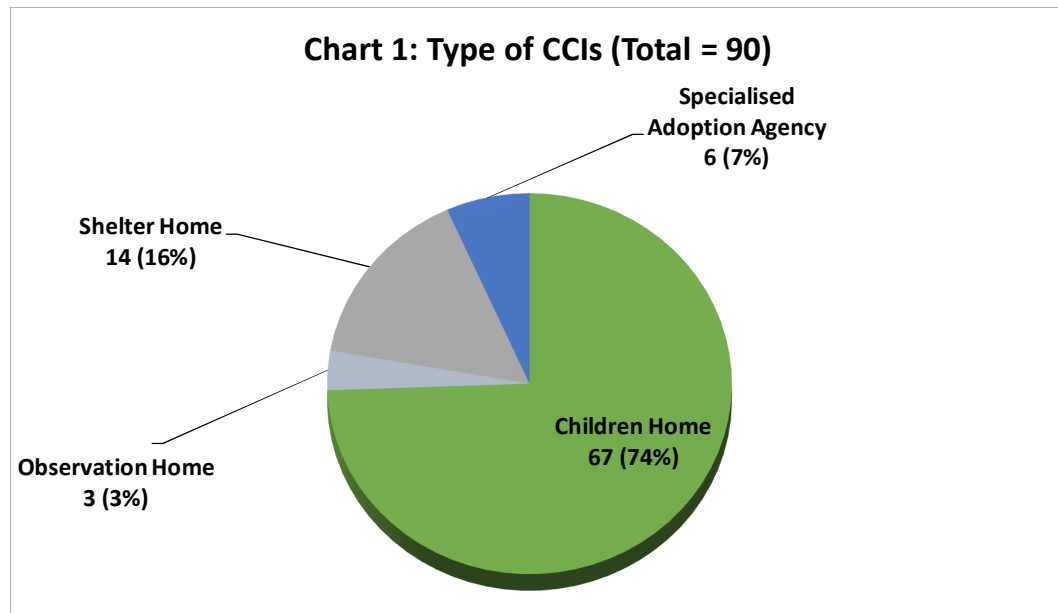
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1. Type of CCIs (Total = 90)

There are five types of Juvenile Justice Institutions/ Child Care Institutions (CCI) that exist in India – Children’s Home/ Fit Facility, Shelter Home/ Open Shelter, Specialized Adoption Agency, Observation Home, and Special Home/ Place of Safety. The following table (Table 1) gives the CCI wise break-up for the state of Meghalaya.

CCI Type	Count	%
Children Home	67	74.4%
Observation Home	3	3.3%
Shelter Home	14	15.6%
Special Home	0	0.0%
Specialized Adoption Agency	6	6.7%

Based on observation and records of CCIs.



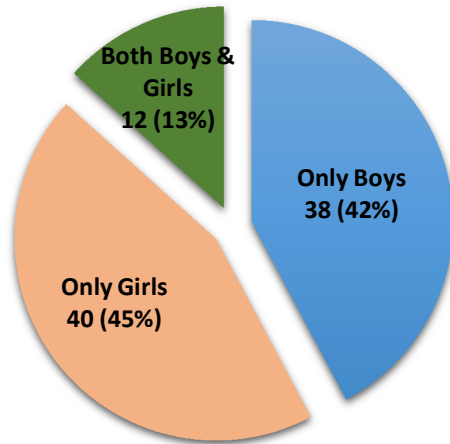
2. Distribution of CCIs by the Gender of Children

Meghalaya has a total of 90 CCIs for accommodating children; either girls or boys or both. The Table below (Table 2) gives details of the distribution of CCIs by the gender of the children.

Gender Type	Number	Percent
Only Boys	38	42.2
Only Girls	40	44.4
Both Boys & Girls	12	13.3
Total	90	100.0

Based on observation and records of CCIs.

Chart 2: Distribution of CCIs by the Gender of Children

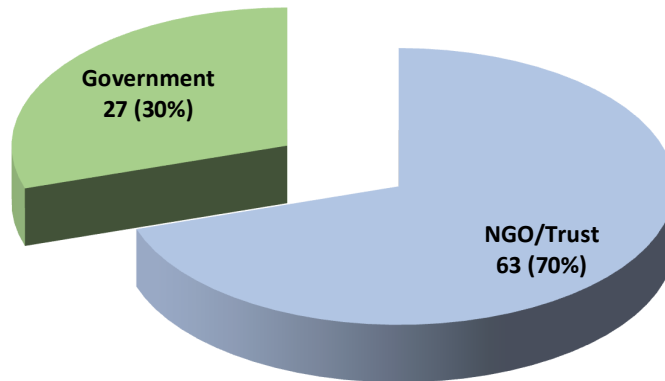


3. Type of Management of CCI

As per the provisions laid out under Section 50(1) of JJ Act 2015, CCIs could be established by every district or group of districts, either by itself or through voluntary or non-governmental organizations. The CCI wise break-up on basis of type of management is tabulated below (Table 3).

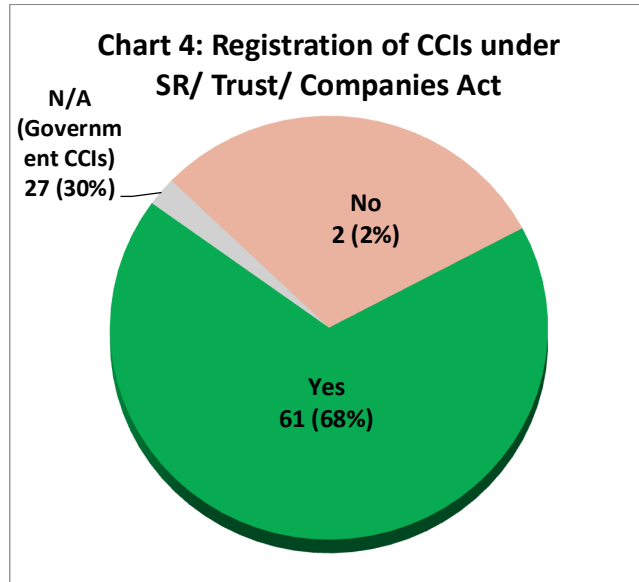
Table 3: Type of Management of CCI		
Management Type	Number	Percent
NGO/ Trust	63	70.0
Government	27	30.0
Total	90	100.0
Based on responses of the management of CCIs.		

Chart 3: Type of Management of CCI



4. Registration of CCIs under SR/ Trust/ Companies Act

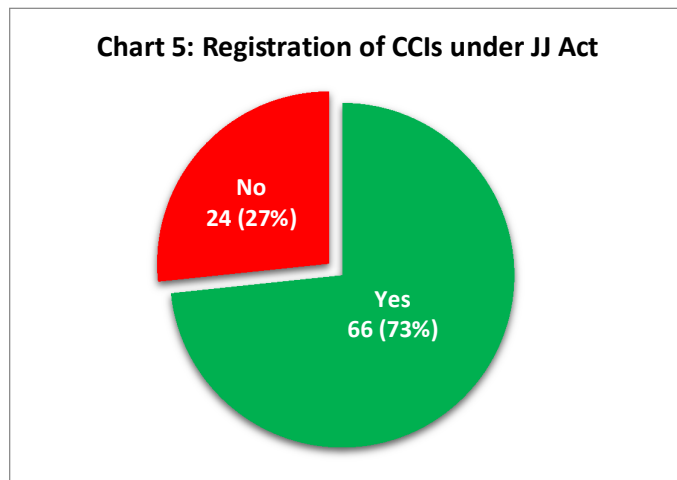
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	61	67.8
No	2	2.2
N/A* (Government CCIs)	27	30.0
Total	90	100.0
*: Government CCIs need not be registered under SR/ Trust/ Companies Act. Based on records and responses given by the management of CCIs.		



5. Registration of CCIs under JJ Act

According to Rule 21 (JJ Model Rules, 2016) and Section 41 (JJ Act, 2015), at the time of registration, the State Government shall determine and record capacity & purpose of the institution; and shall register the institution as a Children’s Home/ Open Shelter/ Specialized Adoption Agency/ Observation Home/ Special Home (Place of Safety), as the case may be.

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	66	73.3
No	24	26.7
Total	90	100.0
Based on records and responses given by the management of CCIs.		

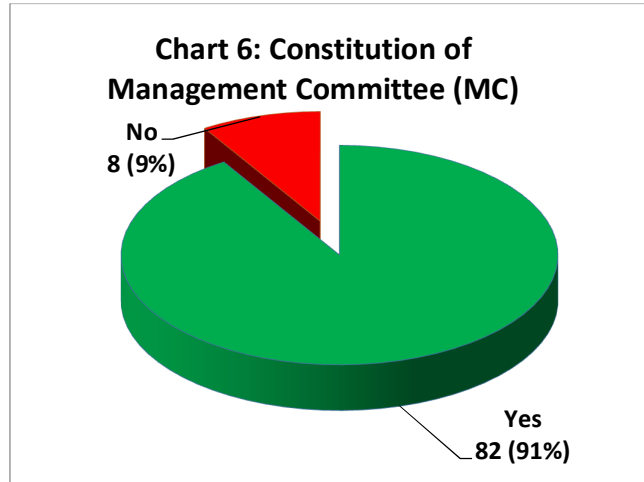


6. Constitution of Management Committee (MC):

According to the JJ Model Rules, 2016; Rule 39(1), every Child Care Institution shall have a Management Committee for the management of the institution and monitoring the progress of every child.

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	82	91.1
No	8	8.9
Total	90	100.0

Based on responses given by the management of CCI's.

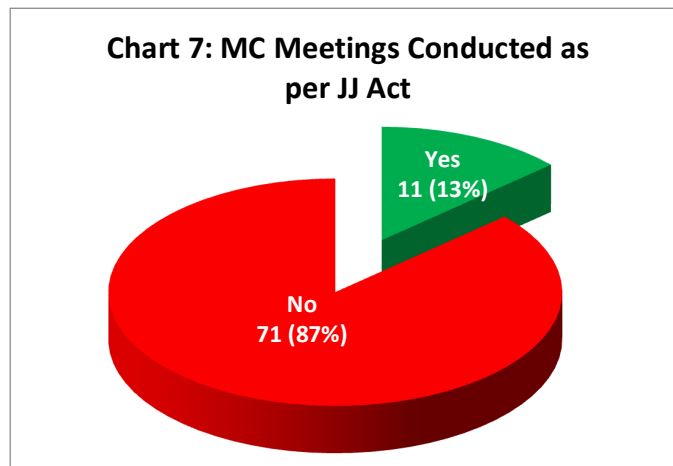


7. MC Meetings Conducted as per JJ Act

According to the JJ Model Rules, 2016; Rule 39(4), the Management Committee shall meet at least once every month to consider and review the functioning of Child Care Institution.

MC Meetings Conducted as per JJ Act	Number	Percent
Yes	11	13.4
No	71	86.6
Total	82	100.0

*: Total number of CCI's where MC was formed.
Based on responses given by the management of CCI's.

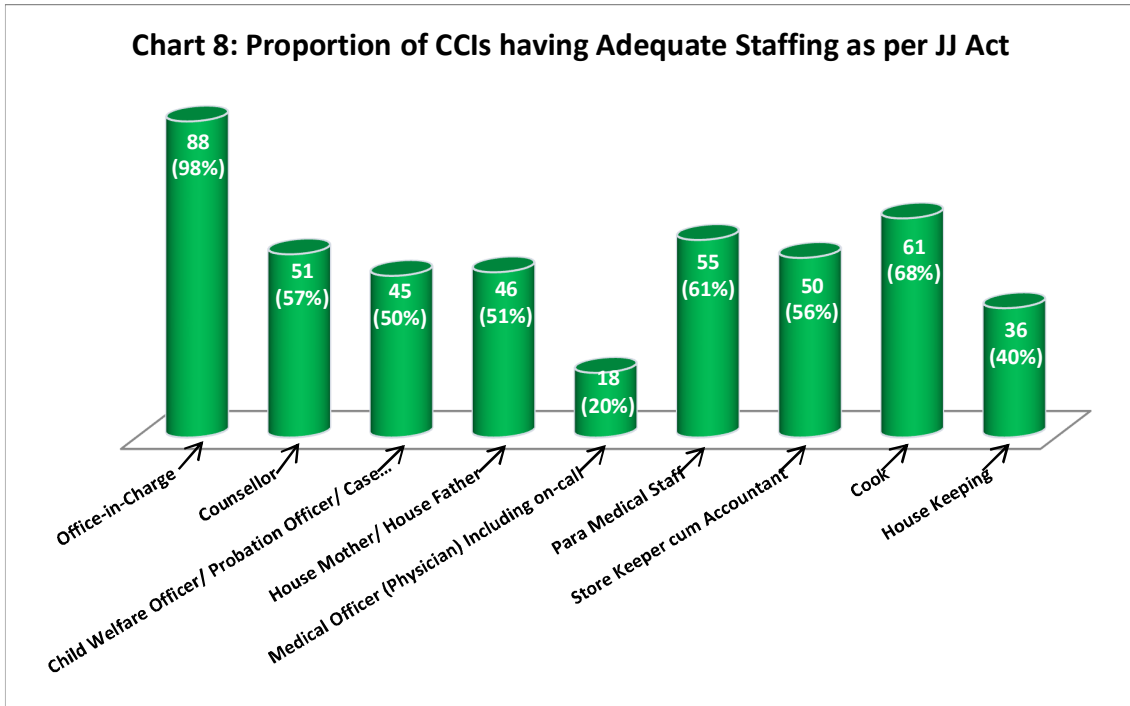


8. Proportion of CCI's having Adequate Staffing as per JJ Act

According to the JJ Model Rules, 2016, staffing pattern for a Child Care Institution has been specified in Rule 26(7). The number of posts in each category of staff shall be fixed on the basis of capacity of the institution and shall proportionately increase with the increase in the capacity of the institution [Rule 26(3)]. Abiding by these rules, the staffing pattern was thus adjusted for Child Care Institutions covered in this study.

Staff Personnel	Yes	
	Count	%
Office-in-Charge	88	97.8%
Counsellor	51	56.7%
Child Welfare Officer/ Probation Officer/ Case Worker	45	50.0%
House Mother/ House Father	46	51.1%
Medical Officer (Physician) Including on-call	18	20.0%

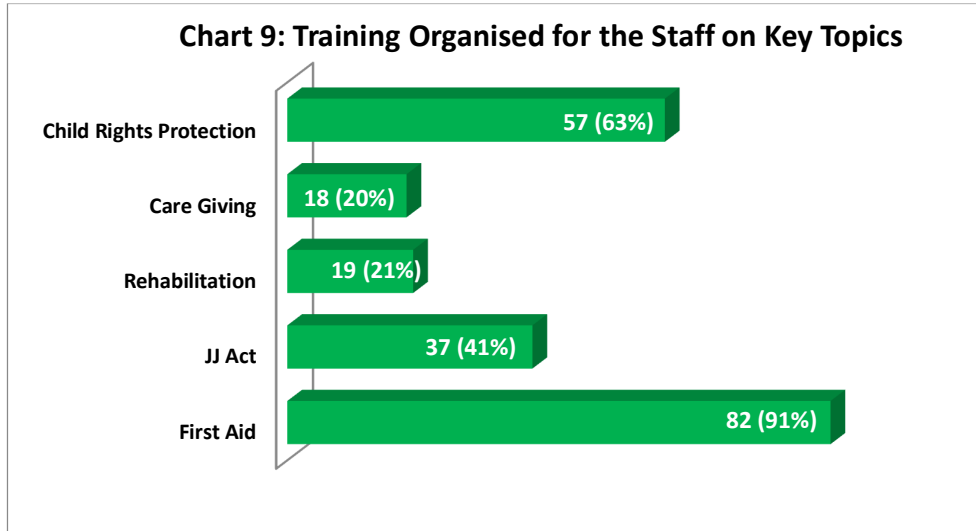
Table 8 : Proportion of CCIs having Adequate Staffing as per JJ Act		
Staff Personnel	Yes	
	Count	%
Para Medical Staff	55	61.1%
Store Keeper cum Accountant	50	55.6%
Cook	61	67.8%
House Keeping	36	40.0%
The total of percentages may exceed 100 due to multiple responses. Based on observation and records of CCIs.		



9. Training Organized for the Staff on Key Topics

According to Rule 89(1) [JJ Model Rules, 2016], the State Government shall provide for training of personnel appointed under the Act and the rules and each category of staff, keeping in view with their statutory responsibilities and specific job requirements. In addition, Rule 34[3(vi)] suggests that every institution to have first aid kit and all staff to be trained in handling first aid.

Table 9: Training Organized for the Staff on Key Topics		
Key Topics	Yes	
	Count	%
Child Rights Protection	57	63.3%
Care Giving	18	20.0%
Rehabilitation	19	21.1%
JJ Act	37	41.1%
First Aid	82	91.1%
The total of percentages may exceed 100 due to multiple responses. Based on records of CCIs.		



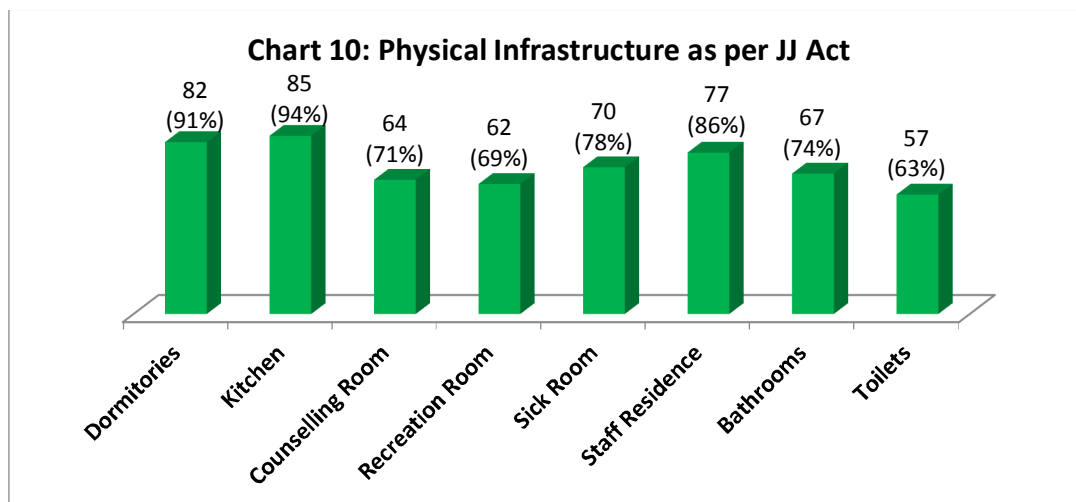
10. Physical Infrastructure as per JJ Act

According to Rule 10(i) (JJ Model Rules, 2016), all institutions shall make provision of first-aid kit, fire extinguishers in kitchen, recreation room, dormitories, store rooms and counseling room.

Table 10: Physical Infrastructure as per JJ Act

Physical Infrastructure	Yes	
	Count	%
Dormitories	82	91.1%
Kitchen	85	94.4%
Counseling Room	64	71.1%
Recreation Room	62	68.9%
Sick Room	70	77.8%
Staff Residence	77	85.6%
Bathrooms	67	74.4%
Toilets	57	63.3%

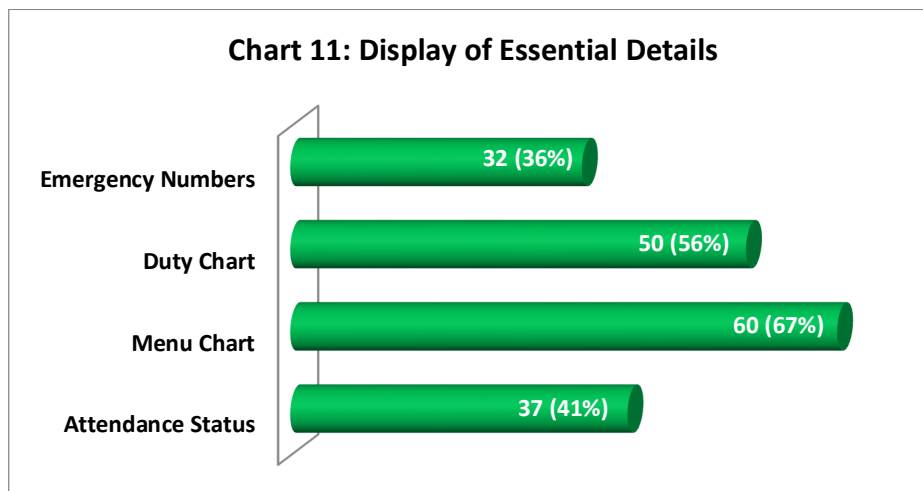
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Based on observation of CCIs.



11. Display of Essential Details

- According to Rule 67[5(iii)] (JJ Model Rules, 2016), a duty roster shall be prepared and displayed at some prominent place in the premises of the Child Care Institution by the Person-in-charge.
- According to Rule 33(5) (JJ Model Rules, 2016), the menu for the day shall be prepared in consultation with the Children’s Committee and shall be displayed in the dining hall.
- According to Rule 77(1) (JJ Model Rules, 2016), the Person-In-Charge shall maintain registers and forms under the JJ Model rules, 2016.
- According to Rule 36(5) (JJ Model Rules, 2016), regularity of the education programme and attendance of the children shall be ensured.

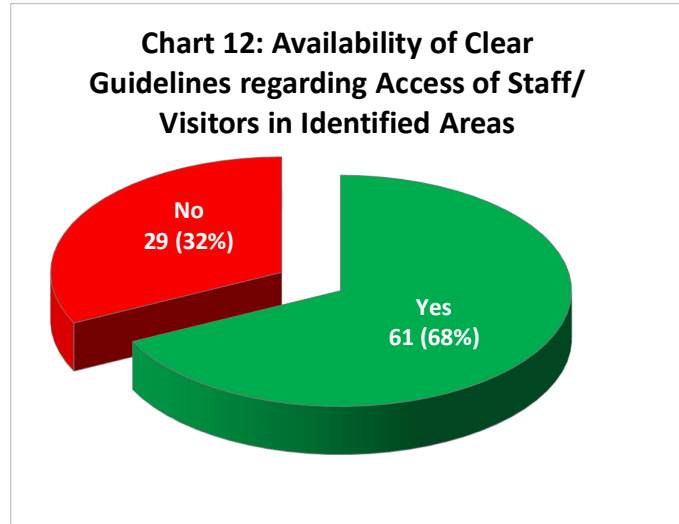
Essential Details	Yes	
	Count	%
Emergency Numbers	32	35.6%
Duty Chart	50	55.6%
Menu Chart	60	66.7%
Attendance Status	37	41.1%
The total of percentages may exceed 100 due to multiple responses. Based on observation of CCIs.		



12. Availability of Clear Guidelines regarding Access of Staff/ Visitors in Identified Areas

According to Rule 78(5), the Person-In-Charge shall take all steps to inform the visitors to maintain the dignity of the children.

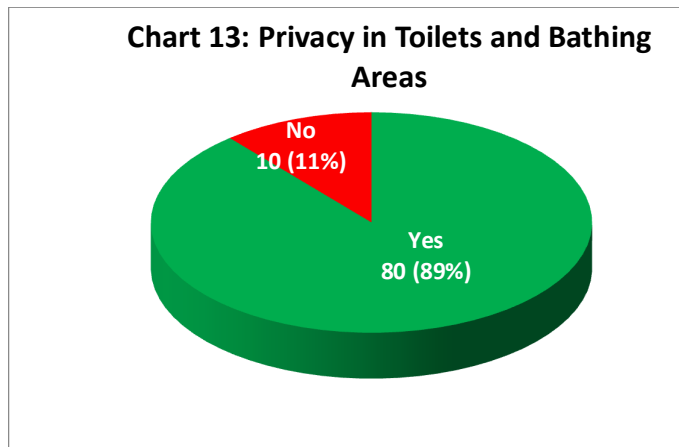
Table 12: Availability of Clear Guidelines regarding Access of Staff/ Visitors in Identified Areas		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	61	67.8
No	29	32.2
Total	90	100.0
Based on observation of CCLs.		



13. Privacy in Toilets and Bathing Areas

According to Rule 67(12) [JJ Model Rules, 2016], Closed Circuit Television cameras may be installed at all key points such as all entry and exit points to the Child Care Institution, reception, corridors, kitchen, pantry or store room, dormitories, entry and exit points of the washrooms with due regard to the privacy and dignity of the children.

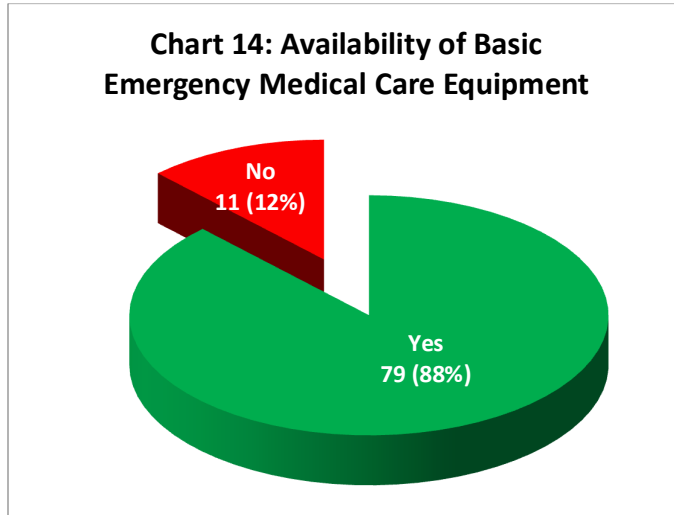
Table 13: Privacy in Toilets and Bathing Areas		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	80	88.9
No	10	11.1
Total	90	100.0
Based on observation of CCLs.		



14. Availability of Basic Emergency Medical Care Equipment

According to Rule 34(6) [JJ Model Rules, 2016], the State Government through the District Child Protection Unit shall make provisions for those children diagnosed with special problems such as hormonal problems, immuno-compromised diseases, physical and mental disabilities on the recommendation of the medical officer.

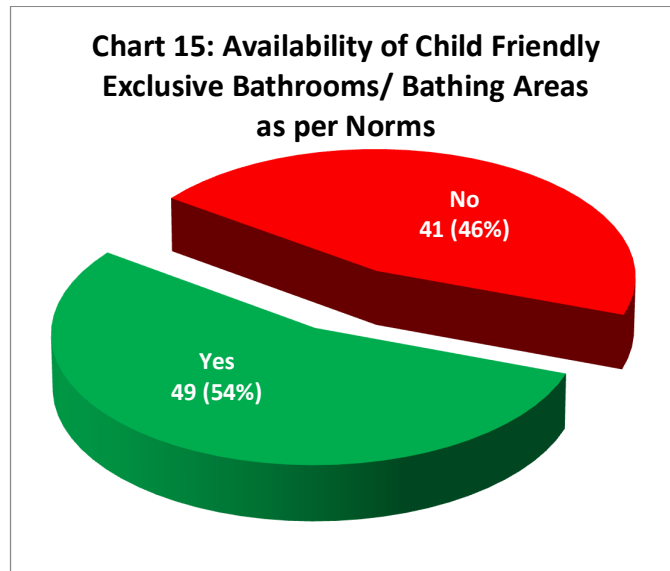
Table 14: Availability of Basic Emergency Medical Care Equipment		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	79	87.8
No	11	12.2
Total	90	100.0
Based on observation of CCIs.		



15. Availability of Child Friendly Exclusive Bathrooms/ Bathing Areas as per Norms

According to Rule 31[1(viii)] (JJ Model Rules, 2016), every Child Care Institution shall have sufficient number of well-lit and airy bathrooms with proper fittings in the proportion of at least one bath room for ten children.

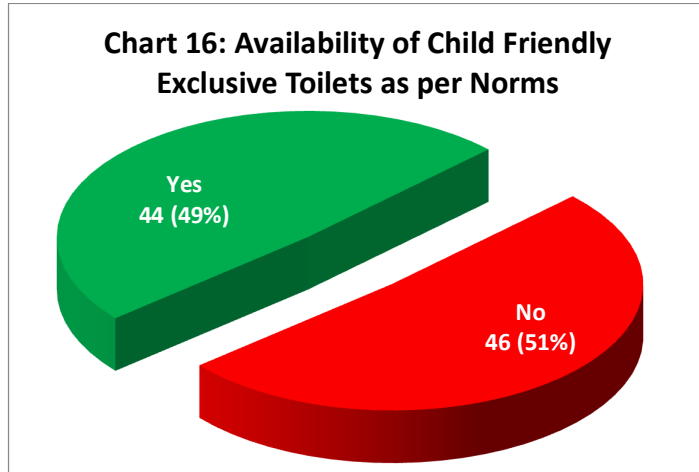
Table 15: Availability of Child Friendly Exclusive Bathrooms/ Bathing Areas as per Norms		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	49	54.4
No	41	45.6
Total	90	100.0
Based on observation of CCIs.		



16. Availability of Child Friendly Exclusive Toilets as per Norms

According to Rule 31[1(vii)] (JJ Model Rules, 2016), every Child Care Institution shall have sufficient number of well-lit and airy toilets with proper fittings in the proportion of at least one toilet for seven children.

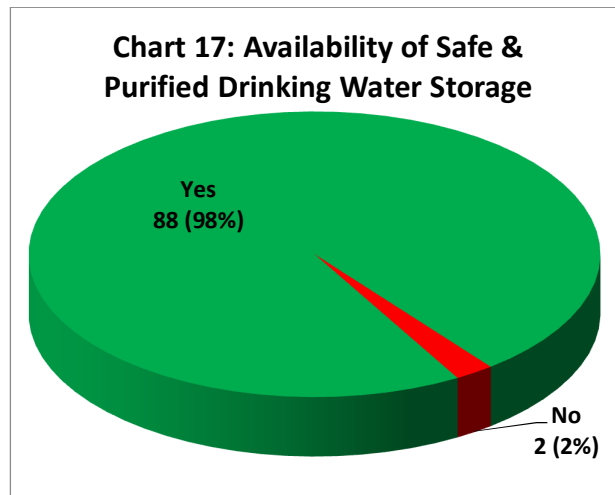
Table 16: Availability of Child Friendly Exclusive Toilets as per Norms		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	44	48.9
No	46	51.1
Total	90	100.0
Based on observation of CCIs.		



17. Availability of Safe & Purified Drinking Water Storage

According to Rule 31[1(i)] (JJ Model Rules, 2016), every Child Care Institution shall have sufficient treated drinking water; water filters or RO shall be installed at multiple locations in the premises for easy access such as kitchen, dormitory, recreational rooms etc.

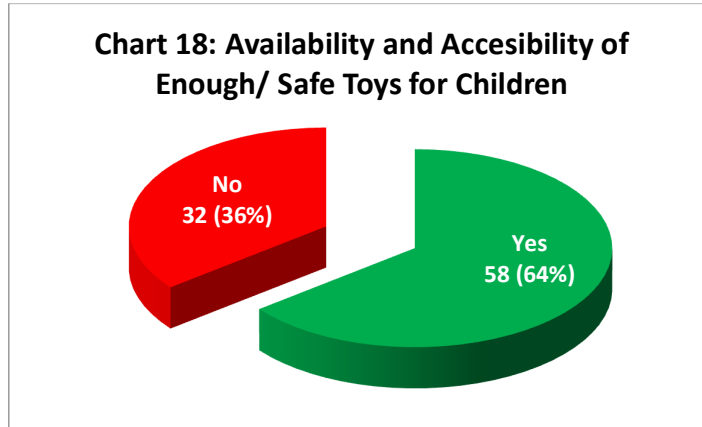
Table 17: Availability of Safe & Purified Drinking Water Storage		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	88	97.8
No	2	2.2
Total	90	100.0
Based on observation of CCIs.		



18. Availability and Accessibility of Enough/ Safe Toys for Children

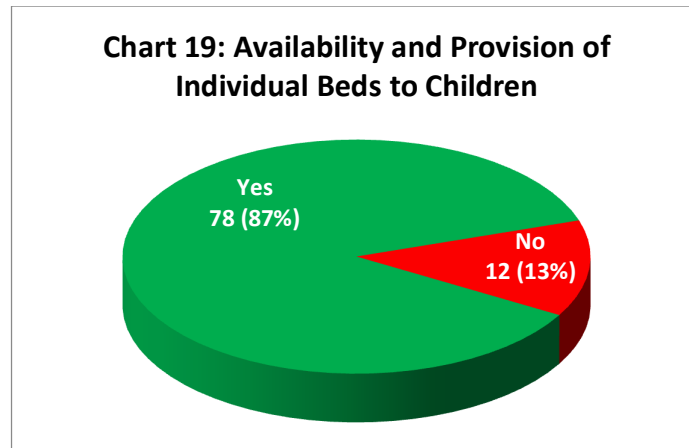
According to Rule 38(2) (JJ Model Rules, 2016), sufficient space shall be made available for outdoor sports and games.

Table 18: Availability and Accessibility of Enough/ Safe Toys for Children		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	58	64.4
No	32	35.6
Total	90	100.0
Based on observation of CCIs.		



19. Availability and Provision of Individual Beds to Children

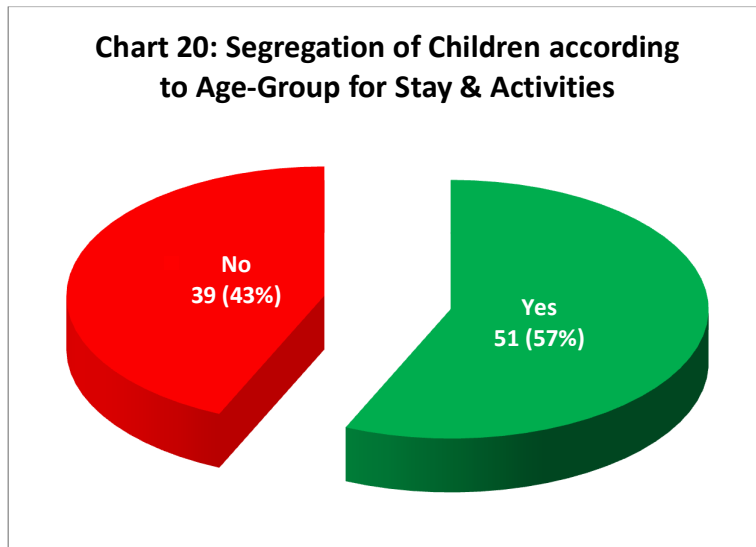
Table 19: Availability and Provision of Individual Beds to Children		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	78	86.7
No	12	13.3
Total	90	100.0
Based on observation of CCIs.		



20. Segregation of Children according to Age-Group for Stay & Activities

According to Rule 39(2) (JJ Model Rules, 2016), in order to ensure proper care and treatment as per the individual care plans, children shall be grouped on the basis of age, nature of offence or kind of care required, physical and mental health and length of stay.

Table 20: Segregation of Children according to Age-Group for Stay & Activities		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	51	56.7
No	39	43.3
Total	90	100.0
Based on observation of CCIs.		

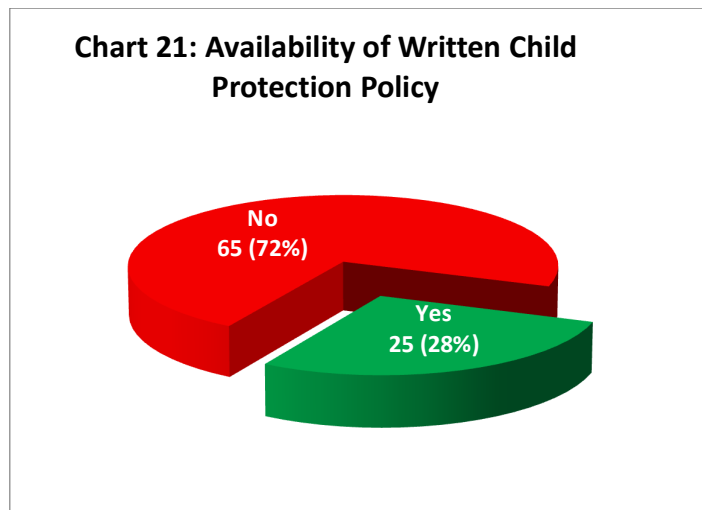


21. Availability of Written Child Protection Policy

According to Rule 29(3) (JJ Model Rules, 2016), every Child Care Institution shall keep a copy of the Act and the rules framed by the State Government, for use by both the staff and children residing therein.

Table 21: Availability of Written Child Protection Policy		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	25	27.8
No	65	72.2
Total	90	100.0

Based on observation of CCIs.

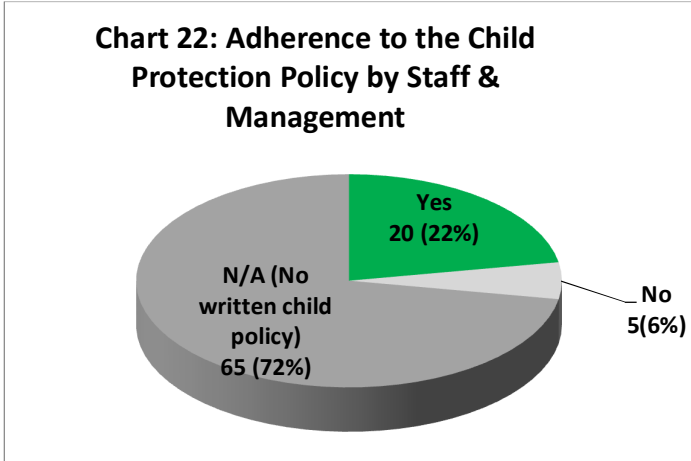


22. Adherence to the Child Protection Policy by Staff & Management

According to Rule 29(3) (JJ Model Rules, 2016), every Child Care Institution shall keep a copy of the Act and the rules framed by the State Government, for use by both the staff and children residing therein.

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	20	22.2
No	5	5.6
N/A (No written child policy)	65	72.2
Total	90	100.0

Based on responses given by the management of CCIs.

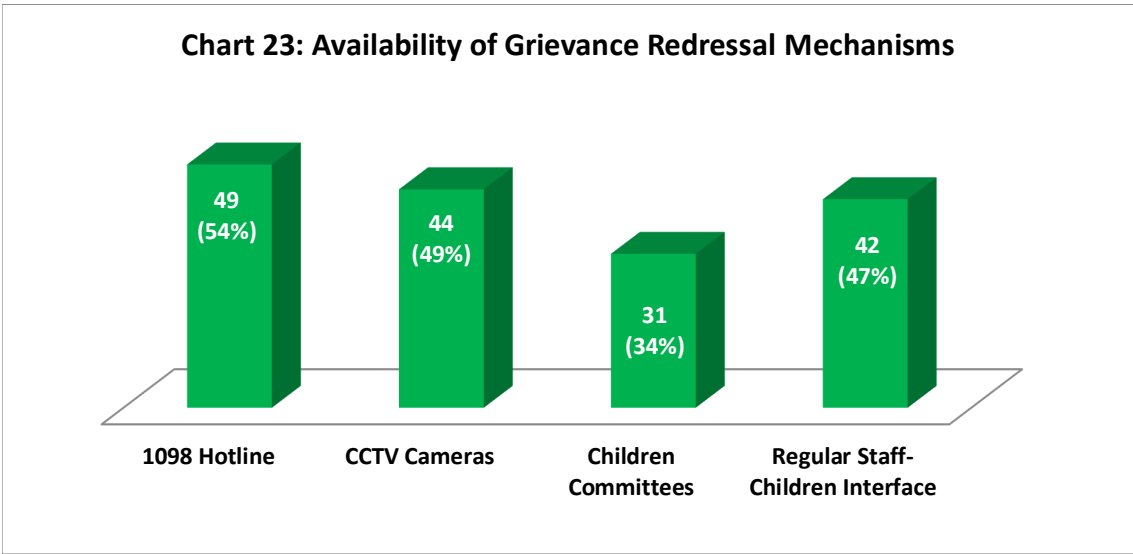


23. Availability of Grievance Redressal Mechanisms

According to Rule 39(5) (JJ Model Rules, 2016), the Management Committee shall set up a complaint and redressal mechanism in every Child Care Institution and a Children’s Suggestion Box shall be installed in every institution at a place easily accessible to children away from the office set up and closer to the residence or rooms or dormitories of the children.

Grievance Redressal Mechanisms	Yes	Yes
	Count	%
1098 Hotline	49	54.4%
CCTV Cameras	44	48.9%
Children Committees	31	34.4%
Regular Staff-Children Interface	42	46.7%

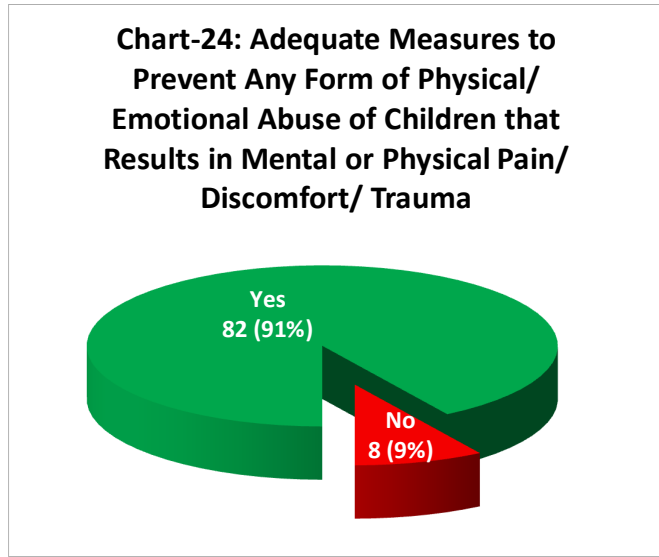
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Based on observation and records of CCIs.



24. Adequate Measures to Prevent Any Form of Physical/ Emotional Abuse of Children that Results in Mental or Physical Pain/ Discomfort/ Trauma

According to Rule 76(1) (JJ Model Rules, 2016), every Child Care Institution shall evolve a system of ensuring that there is no abuse, neglect and maltreatment and shall include the staff who is aware of what constitutes abuse, neglect and maltreatment, and their early indication and how to respond to these abuses.

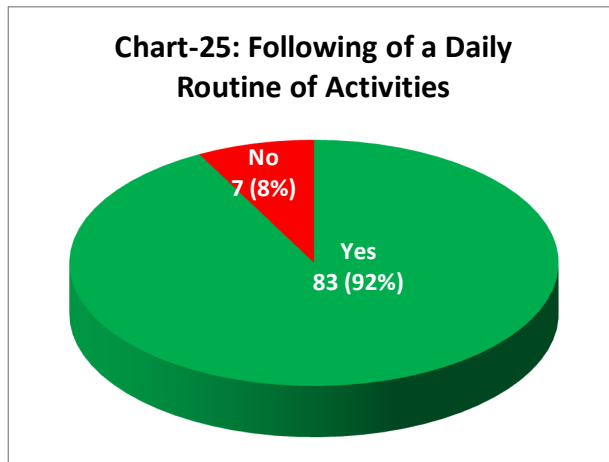
Table 24: Adequate Measures to Prevent Any Form of Physical/ Emotional Abuse of Children that Results in Mental or Physical Pain/ Discomfort/ Trauma		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	82	91.1
No	8	8.9
Total	90	100.0
Based on observation and records of CCIs.		



25. Following of a Daily Routine of Activities

According to Rule 32(1)/ Rule 69 [L(2)] (JJ Model Rules, 2016), every Child Care Institution shall have a daily routine for children developed in consultation with the Children’s Committees, which shall be prominently displayed at various places within the Child Care Institution.

Table 25: Following of a Daily Routine of Activities		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	83	92.2
No	7	7.8
Total	90	100.0
Based on observation of CCIs.		

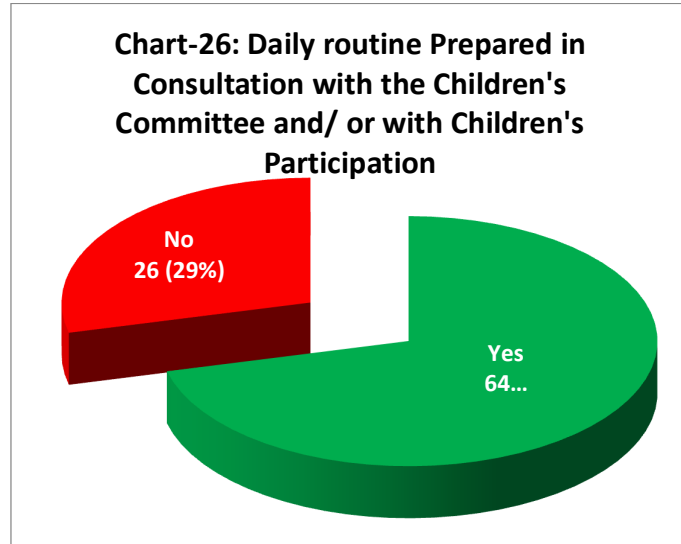


26. Daily routine Prepared in Consultation with the Children's Committee and/ or with Children's Participation

According to Rule 32(1)/ Rule 69 [L(2)] (JJ Model Rules, 2016), every Child Care Institution shall have a daily routine for children developed in consultation with the Children's Committees, which shall be prominently displayed at various places within the Child Care Institution.

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	64	71.1
No	26	28.9
Total	90	100.0

Based on responses given by the management of CCIs.

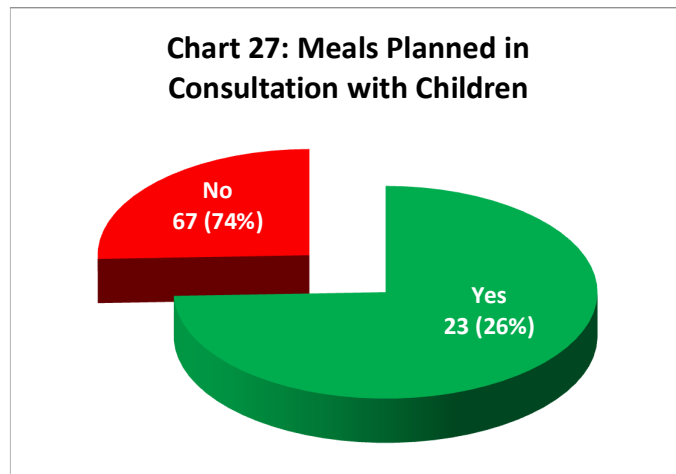


27. Meals Planned in Consultation with Children

According to Rule 33(5) (JJ Model Rules, 2016), the menu for the day shall be prepared in consultation with the Children's Committee and shall be displayed in the dining hall.

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	67	74.4
No	23	25.6
Total	90	100.0

Based on observation and responses given by the management of CCIs.

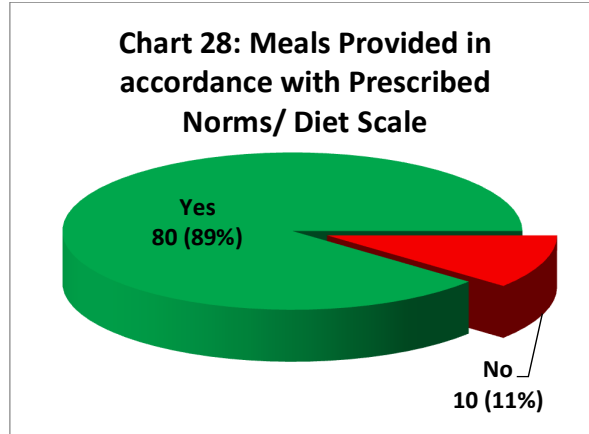


28. Meals Provided in accordance with Prescribed Norms/ Diet Scale

According to Rule 33(1) (JJ Model Rules, 2016), nutrition and diet scale shall be followed by the Child Care Institutions.

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	80	88.9
No	10	11.1
Total	90	100.0

Based on observation and responses given by the management of CCIs.

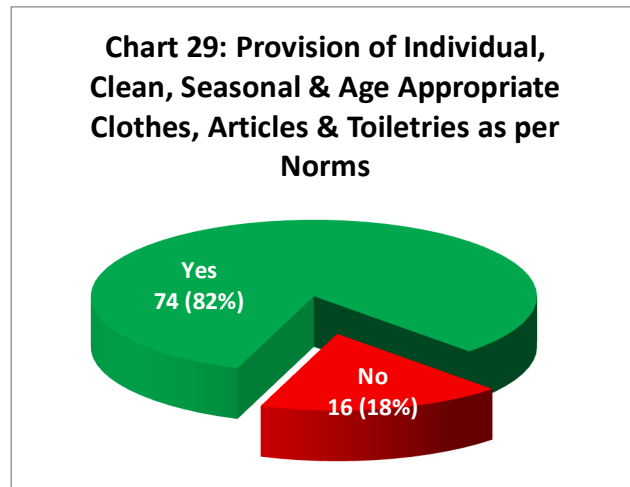


29. Provision of Individual, Clean, Seasonal & Age Appropriate Clothes, Articles & Toiletries as per Norms

According to Rule 30(1) (JJ Model Rules, 2016), minimum standards for clothing and bedding shall be as per the scale and climatic conditions.

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	74	82.2
No	16	17.8
Total	90	100.0

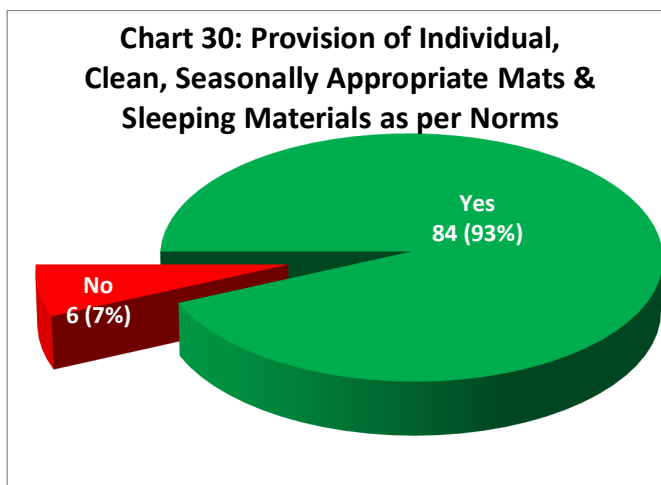
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30. Provision of Individual, Clean, Seasonally Appropriate Mats & Sleeping Materials as per Norms

According to Rule 30(1) (JJ Model Rules, 2016), minimum standards for clothing and bedding shall be as per the scale and climatic conditions.

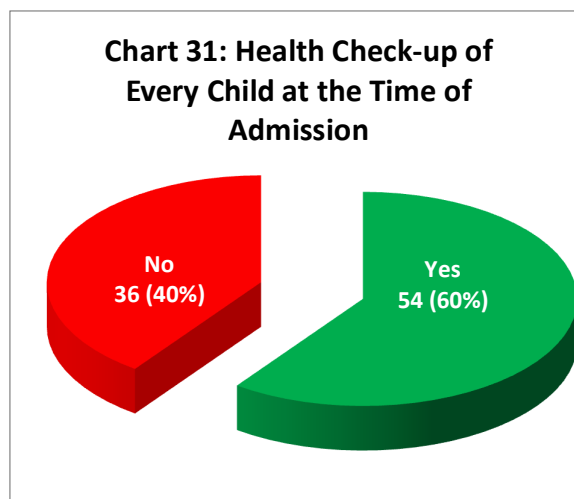
Table 30: Provision of Individual, Clean, Seasonally Appropriate Mats & Sleeping Materials as per Norms		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	84	93.3
No	6	6.7
Total	90	100.0
Based on responses given by the management of CCIs.		



31. Health Check-up of Every Child at the Time of Admission

According to Rule 34[3(i)] (JJ Model Rules, 2016), every Child Care Institution shall arrange for medical examination of each child admitted in an institution by the Medical Officer within twenty-four hours of admission and in special cases or medical emergencies immediately.

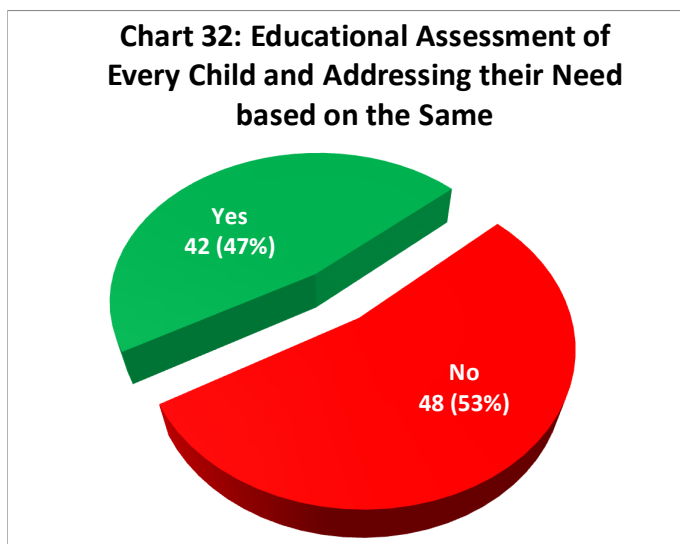
Table 31: Health Check-up of Every Child at the Time of Admission		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	54	60.0
No	36	40.0
Total	90	100.0
Based on responses given by the management of CCIs.		



32. Educational Assessment of Every Child and Addressing their Need based on the Same

According to Rule 36(4) (JJ Model Rules, 2016), specialized trainers and experts shall be appointed to cater to the educational needs of children with special needs either physical or mental. Learning disorders shall be identified, assessed and reported in the Individual Care Plan. Further assistance shall be given to the child by trained professionals.

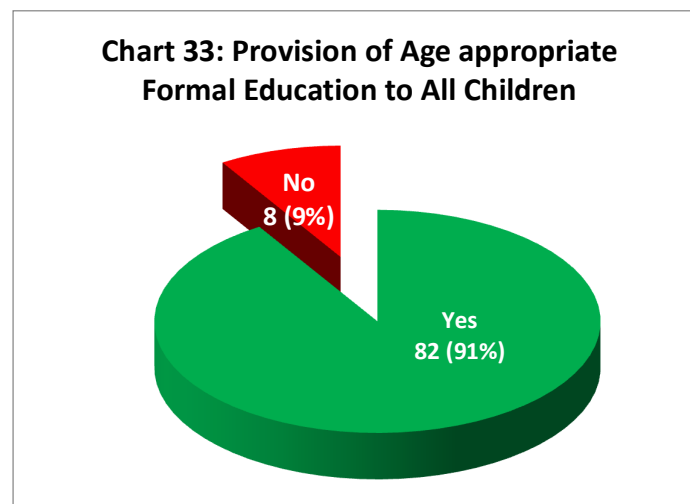
Table 32: Educational Assessment of Every Child and Addressing their Need based on the Same		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	42	46.7
No	48	53.3
Total	90	100.0
Based on observation, records and responses given by the management of CCl's.		



33. Provision of Age-appropriate Formal Education to All Children

According to Rule 36(1) (JJ Model Rules, 2016), every child care institution shall provide education to all children according to the age and ability, both inside the institution and outside, as per requirement.

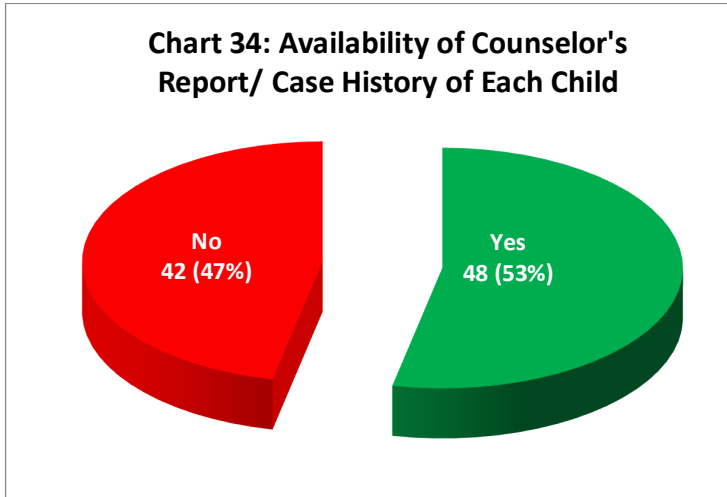
Table 33: Provision of Age appropriate Formal Education to All Children		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	82	91.1
No	8	8.9
Total	90	100.0
Based on responses given by the management of CCl's.		



34. Availability of Counselor's Report/ Case History of Each Child

- According to Rule 73[3(v)], every Child Care Institution shall maintain Case History form of each child under the JJ Model rules, 2016.
- According to Rule 73[3(vii)], every Child Care Institution shall maintain Counselor's report of each child under the JJ Model rules, 2016.

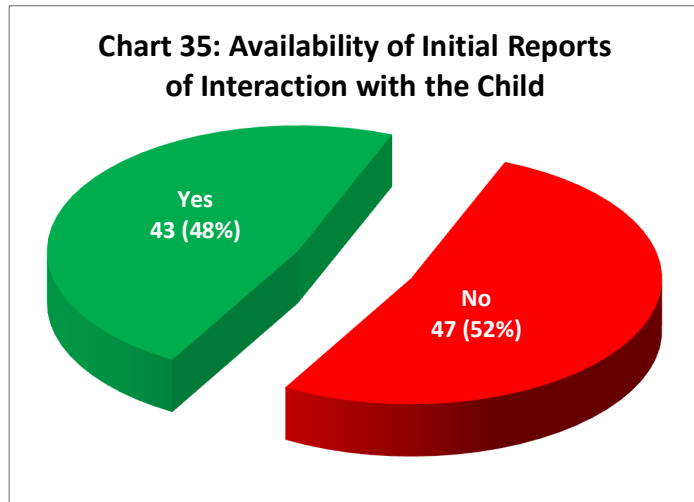
Table 34: Availability of Counselor's Report/ Case History of Each Child		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	48	53.3
No	42	46.7
Total	90	100.0
Based on records of CCIs.		



35. Availability of Initial Reports of Interaction with the Child

According to Rule 73[1(ix)], every Child Care Institution shall maintain initial reports of interaction with the child under the JJ Model rules, 2016.

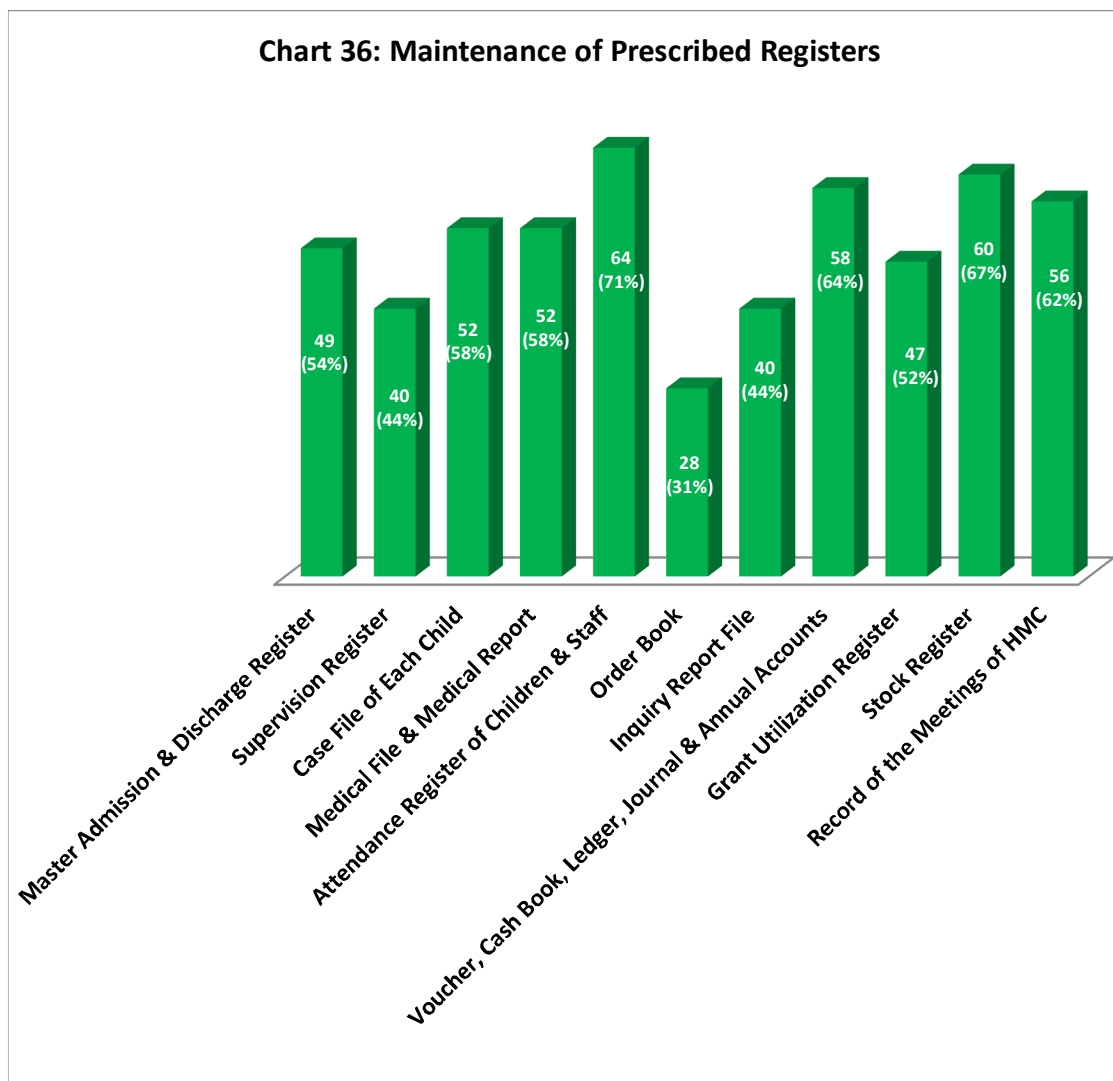
Table 35: Availability of Initial Reports of Interaction with the Child		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	43	47.8
No	47	52.2
Total	90	100.0
Based on records of CCIs.		



36. Maintenance of Prescribed Registers

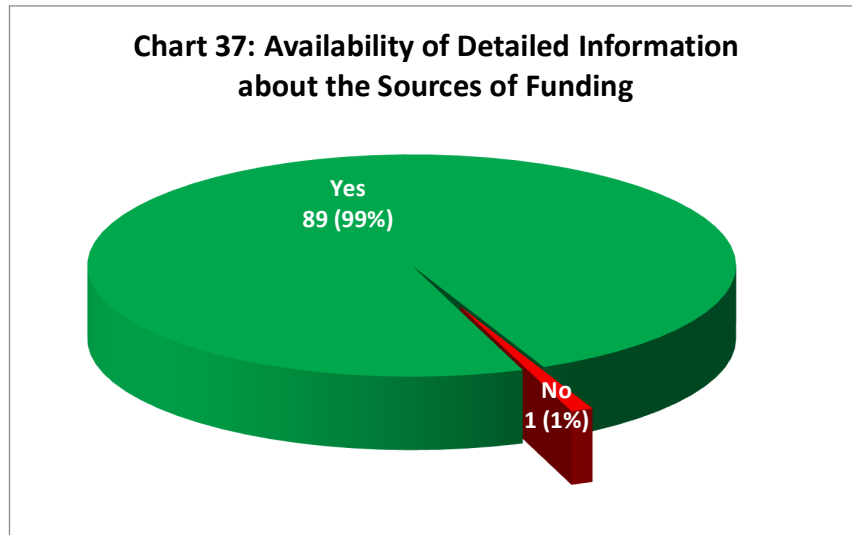
According to Rule 77(1), the Person-In-Charge shall maintain registers and forms under the JJ Model rules, 2016.

Table 36: Maintenance of Prescribed Registers		
Prescribed Registers	Count	%
Master Admission & Discharge Register	49	54.4%
Supervision Register	40	44.4%
Case File of Each Child	52	57.8%
Medical File & Medical Report	52	57.8%
Attendance Register of Children & Staff	64	71.1%
Order Book	28	31.1%
Inquiry Report File	40	44.4%
Voucher, Cash Book, Ledger, Journal & Annual Accounts	58	64.4%
Grant Utilization Register	47	52.2%
Stock Register	60	66.7%
Record of the Meetings of HMC	56	62.2%
The total of percentages may exceed 100 due to multiple responses.		
Based on records of CCIs.		



37. Availability of Detailed Information about the Sources of Funding

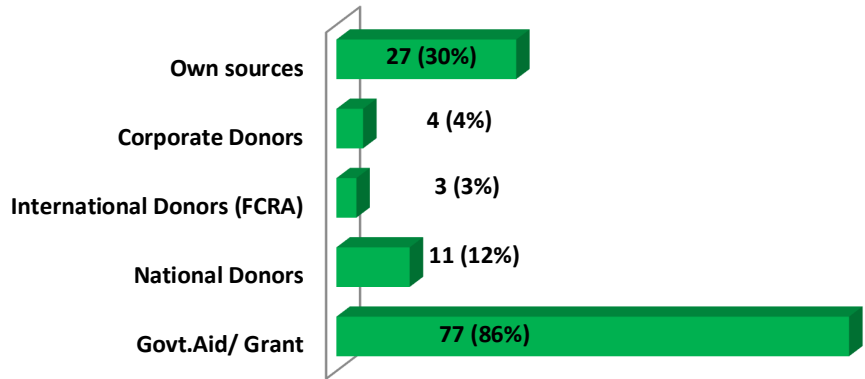
Table 37: Availability of Detailed Information about the Sources of Funding		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	89	98.9
No	1	1.1
Total	90	100.0
Based on records of CCIs.		



38. Various Sources of Funding Reported by the CCIs

Table 38: Various Sources of Funding Reported by the CCIs		
Sources of Funding	Yes	
	Count	%
Govt. Aid/ Grant	77	85.6%
National Donors	11	12.2%
International Donors (FCRA)	3	3.3%
Corporate Donors	4	4.4%
Own sources	27	30.0%
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Based on responses given by the management of CCIs.		

Chart 38: Various Sources of Funding Reported by the CCIs



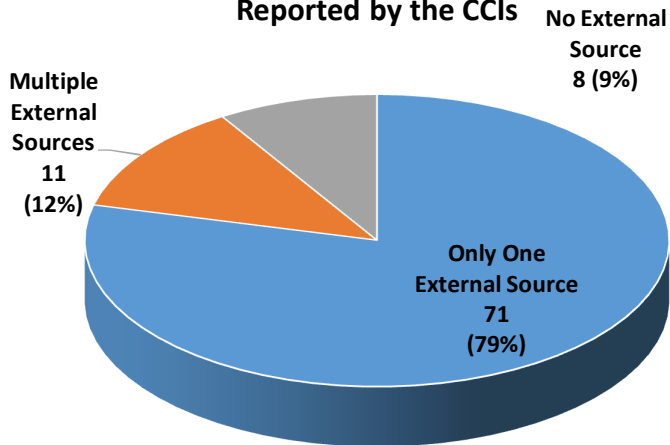
38a. Number of External Sources of Funding Reported by the CCIs

Table 38a: Number of External Sources of Funding Reported by the CCIs

Number of External Sources of Funding	Yes	
	Count	%
Only One External Source	71	78.9
Multiple External Sources	11	12.2
No External Source (Run solely through Own Sources)	8	8.9
Total	90	100.0

Based on records of CCIs.

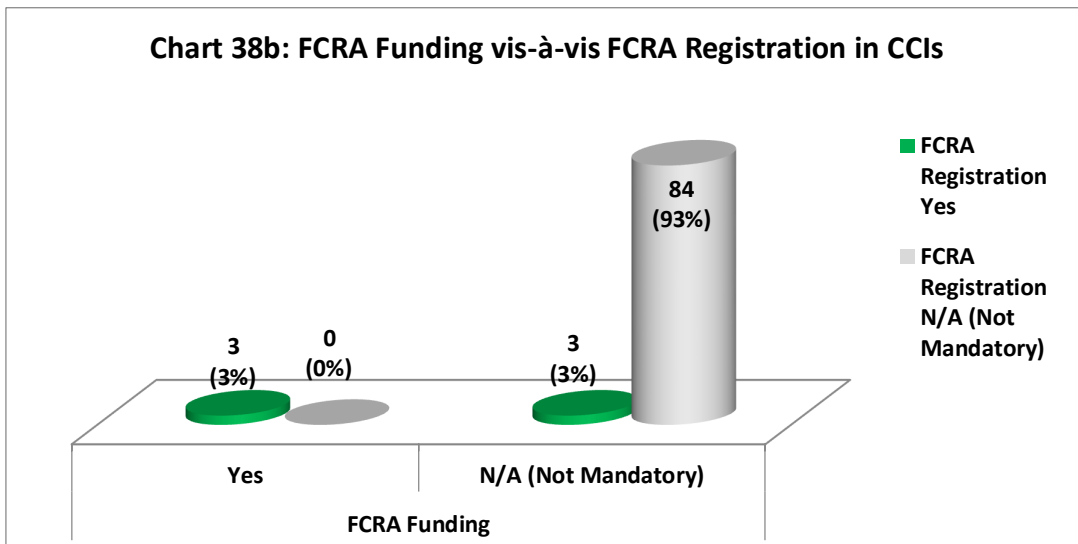
Chart 38a: Number of External Sources of Funding Reported by the CCIs



38b. FCRA Funding vis-à-vis FCRA Registration in CCIs

Table 38b: FCRA Funding vis-à-vis FCRA Registration in CCIs				
		FCRA Funding		Total
		Yes	N/A (Not Mandatory)	
FCRA Registration	Yes	3	3	6
	N/A (Not Mandatory)	0	84	84
Total		3	87	90

Based on records of CCIs.

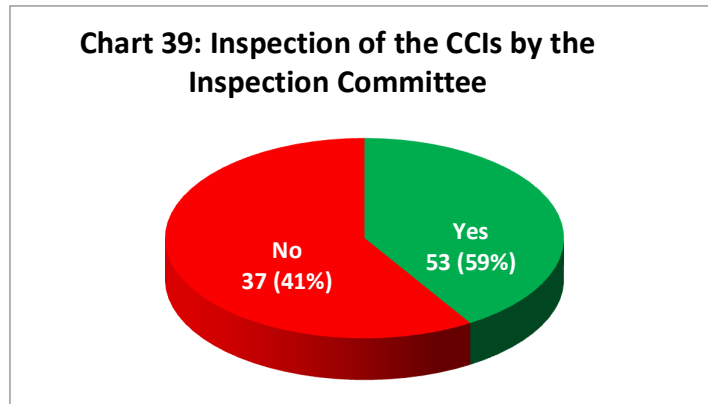


39. Inspection of the CCIs by the Inspection Committee

According to Rule 73(4), the State Inspection Committee shall carry out random inspections of the institutions housing children to determine whether such institution is housing children in need of care and protection.

Table 39: Inspection of the CCIs by the Inspection Committee		
Response	Number	Percent
Yes	37	41.1
No	53	58.9
Total	90	100.0

Based on records of CCIs.

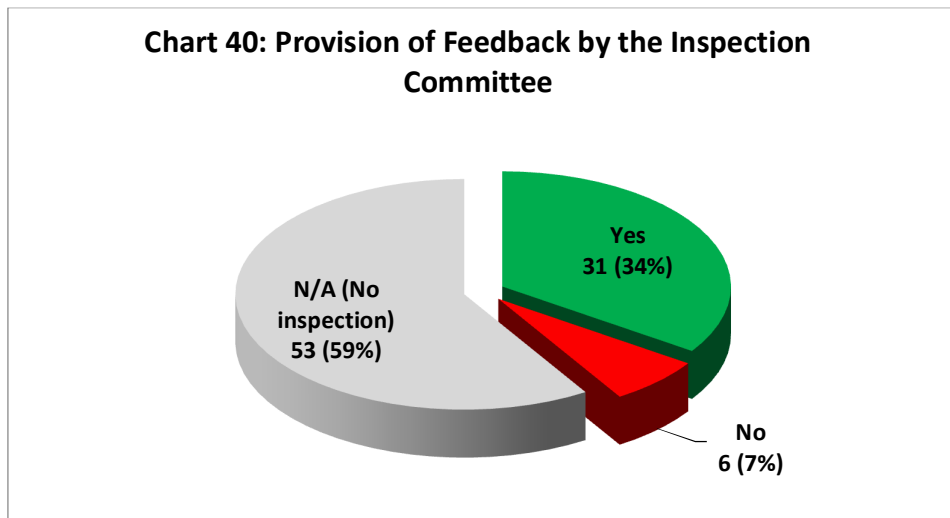


40. Provision of Feedback by the Inspection Committee

According to Rule 73(4), the State Inspection Committee shall carry out random inspections of the institutions housing children to determine whether such institution is housing children in need of care and protection.

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	31	34.4
No	6	6.7
N/A (No inspection)	53	58.9
Total	90	100.0

Based on records of CCIs.

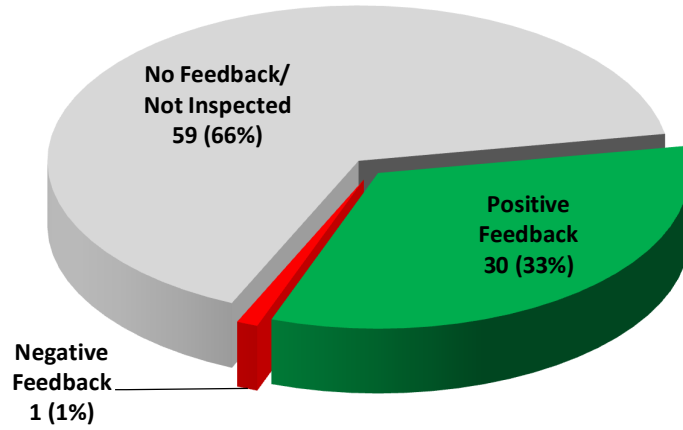


41. Nature of Feedback Provided by the Inspection Committee

Feedback	Number	Percent
Positive Feedback	30	33.3
Negative Feedback	1	1.1
No Feedback/ Not Inspected	59	65.6
Total	90	100.0

Based on observation and records of CCIs.

Chart 41: Nature of Feedback Provided by the Inspection Committee



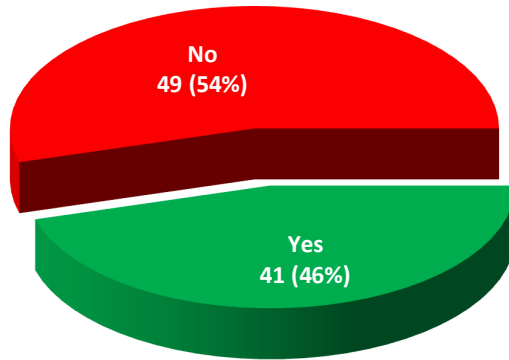
42. Inspection of the CCIs by the Child Welfare Committee/ JJ Board

Table 42: Inspection of the CCIs by the Child Welfare Committee/ JJ Board

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	41	45.6
No	49	54.4
Total	90	100.0

Based on records of CCIs.

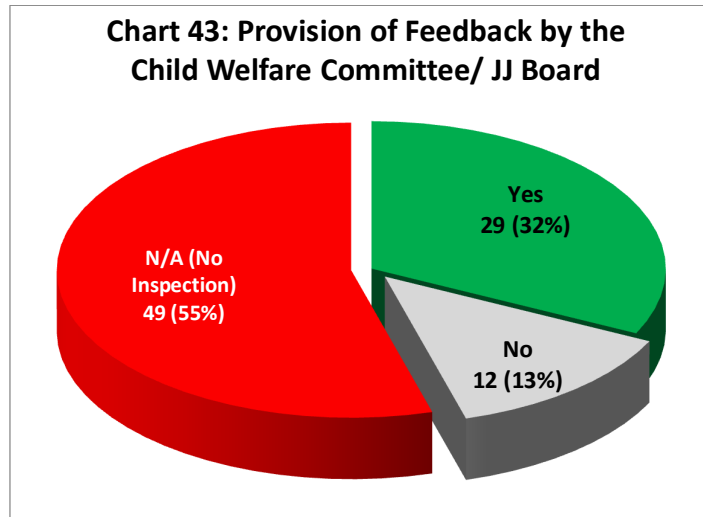
Chart 42: Inspection of the CCIs by the Child Welfare Committee/ JJ Board



43. Provision of Feedback by the Child Welfare Committee/ JJ Board

Response	Number	Percent
Yes	29	32.2
No	12	13.3
N/A (No Inspection)	49	54.4
Total	90	100.0

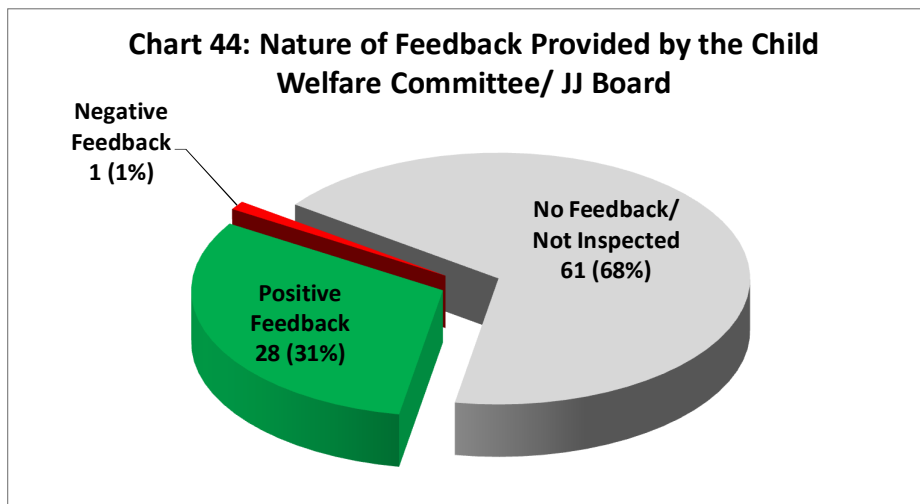
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44. Nature of Feedback Provided by the Child Welfare Committee/ JJ Board

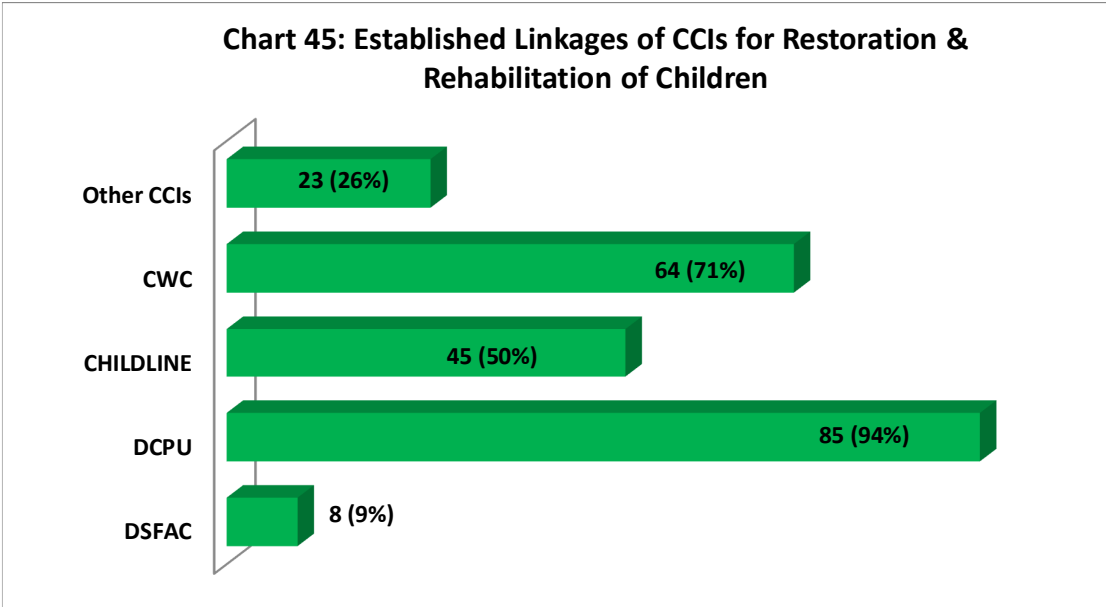
Feedback	Number	Percent
Positive Feedback	28	31.1
Negative Feedback	1	1.1
No Feedback/ Not Inspected	61	67.8
Total	90	100.0

Based on records of CCIs.



45. Established Linkages of CCIs for Restoration & Rehabilitation of Children

Table 45: Established Linkages of CCIs for Restoration & Rehabilitation of Children		
Linkage	Count	%
Other CCIs	23	25.6%
CWC	64	71.1%
CHILDLINE	45	50.0%
DCPU	85	94.4%
DSFAC	8	8.9%
The total of percentages may exceed 100 due to multiple responses. Based on records and responses given by the management of CCIs.		



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