

# **NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR PROTECTION OF CHILD RIGHTS**

## **17 MINOR GIRLS RESCUED FROM ORCHESTRA GROUP IN SARAN DISTRICT**

May 19, 2025: The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR), with the help of police department rescued 17 minor girls from an Orchestra group in Saran District of Bihar. NCPCR received inputs from an NGO regarding several minor girls being forced to perform obscene dances by local orchestra groups active in Saran District of Bihar.

Acting swiftly on this sensitive information, NCPCR issued directions to the Superintendent of Police of Saran for taking immediate action for conducting rescue operation. Dr. Kumar Ashish, SP of Saran, acting upon the directions received from NCPCR, constituted a special rescue team comprising police officials of Masrakh, Panapur, and Isuapur.

17 minor girls were successfully rescued by the team which included 6 girls from Masrakh, 7 from Panapur, and 4 from Isuapur. The rescued girls have been produced before Child Welfare Committee (CWC) for issuance of directions in the best interest of these children for their restoration and rehabilitation. A detailed enquiry in this matter is underway.

Considering the importance of the issue of child trafficking, the NCPCR has constituted a Anti Child Trafficking Cell (ATC). So far the Commission has been able to rescue 964 children since formation of the Cell.

NCPCR is mandated to protect the rights of children as enshrined in the Constitution of India and as outlined in various laws and legislations related to the rights of children. The Commission is also mandated to monitor the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection) of Children Act, 2015, Protection of Children Against Sexual Offences , 2012, Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education TRTE), Act, 2009