



MEGHALAYA STATE COMMISSION
FOR PROTECTION OF CHILD
RIGHTS

ANNUAL REPORT

2019-2020

Acknowledgement

As I am completing my second term as the chairperson, State Commission for Protection of Child Rights, Meghalaya, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Government of Meghalaya for all the support extended to the Commission in upholding the Rights of Children in our State from time to time.

I also wish to thank the Social Welfare Department, Government of Meghalaya, all the DCPO's of the 11(Eleven) Districts without whose support, the Commission would not have achieved its mission in spreading awareness across the State.

I take this opportunity to thank the Meghalaya Police Department, the Education Department, the Labour Department for the overwhelming co-operation received from them and also not forgetting the Non-Government Organizations (NGO's) and Civil Society members for their dedication and commitment towards protecting the Rights of the Children in the State.

Lastly I would like to extend my gratefulness to the Members of the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights, the Member Secretary and all the staffs of the Commission who all stood by as strong pillar towards achieving the goals set by the Commission in the year 2019-2020 and I sincerely pray that the next Chairperson, State Commission for Protection of Child Rights shall uphold the mission of the Commission.

Smti. M. Kharkongor
Chairperson, SCPCR
Lower Lachumiere, Shillong Meghalaya

ii. Inquire into complaints relating to child's right to free and compulsory education; and compulsory education.

iii. Take necessary steps as provided under section 15 and 24 of the Commission for Protection Rights Act.

b. The Commission shall while inquiring into any matters relating to child's right to free and compulsory education under clause (C) of sub-section(1) have the same powers as assigned under section 14 and 24 of the Commissions for Protection of Child Rights.

c. Under section 32(3) of the RTE Act, any person aggrieved by the decision of the local authority may prefer an appeal to the Commissions for protection of Child Rights.

d. The Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of Children) Act, 2015.

e. As per section 109(1) of the JJ Act 2015, the Commission for protection of Child Rights shall in addition to the function assigned to it under the CPR Act 2005, shall also monitor the implementation of the provisions of the JJ Act in such manner as may be prescribed.

The Commission shall while inquiring into any matter relating to any offence under this Act, shall have the same power as are vested in the Communication under the CPR Act, 2005.

As per section 109(3) the Commission shall also include its activities under the section in its Annual Report.

f. The protection of Children from Sexual Offence Act, 2012.

Section 44-Monitoring of implementation of the POCSO Act.

As per section 44(1) of the POCSO Act, the Commission shall in addition to the functions assigned under the CPCR Act, also monitor the implementation of the provisions of the POCSO Act in such manner as may be prescribed.

As per section 44(2) the Commission shall while inquiring into the matter relating to any offence under this act shall have the same powers as are vested in it under the CPCR Act, 2005.

As per section 44(3) the Commission shall also include its activities under this section in its Annual Report.

NOTIFICATIONS OF THE CHARPERSON

10/10/19

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THE HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA AT SHILLONG

NOTIFICATION

Dated, Shillong, the 16th October, 2019

No.HCM.II/440/2013-Estt/50

Hon'ble the Chief Justice, High Court of Meghalaya, in supersession of all previous orders is pleased to reconstitute the Gender Sensitisation and Internal Complaints Committee under Regulation 4 of the Gender Sensitisation & Sexual Harassment of Women at the High Court of Meghalaya and District Courts (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Regulations, 2019 in the High Court of Meghalaya and District Courts as follows:-

High Court of Meghalaya

Sl.No.	Name and Designation of Members	Position
1	Hon'ble Mr. Justice H.S.Thangkhiew, Judge	Chairperson
2	Smti.M.D.Khongmen, Registrar	Member Secretary
3	Shri.S.Chakrawarty, Senior Advocate	Member
4	Smti.P.D.Bujarbaruah, Senior Advocate	Member
5	Smti.M.Kharkongor, Chairperson, Meghalaya State Commission for Protection of Child Rights	Member

East Khasi Hills District, Shillong

Sl.No.	Name and Designation of Members	Position
1	Smti. B. Khriam, Assistant District & Sessions Judge-cum-Special Judge (POCSO Act)	Chairperson
2	Smti. A.M.Pariat, Chief Judicial Magistrate	Member Secretary
3	2 (two) senior members of the Bar to be nominated by the District & Sessions Judge, one of whom shall be a woman	Members

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West Jaintia Hills District, Jowai

Sl.No.	Name and Designation of Members	Position
1	Smti.D.Sohun, Secretary, District Legal Services Authority	Chairperson
2	Smti.D.M.K.Shadap, Judicial Magistrate First Class	Member Secretary
3	2 (two) senior members of the Bar to be nominated by the District & Sessions Judge, one of whom shall be a woman	Members

West Garo Hills District, Tura

Sl.No.	Name and Designation of Members	Position
1	Smti.R.M.Kharsyntiew, Chief Judicial Magistrate	Chairperson
2	Smti.N.M.Sangma, Secretary, District Legal Services Authority	Member Secretary
3	2 (two) senior members of the Bar to be nominated by the District & Sessions Judge, one of whom shall be a woman	Members

Ri-Bhoi District, Nongpoh

Sl.No.	Name and Designation of Members	Position
1	Smti. C.Dkhar District & Sessions Judge	Chairperson
2	Smti.E.Shabong Chief Judicial Magistrate	Member Secretary
3	2 (two) senior members of the Bar to be nominated by the District & Sessions Judge, one of whom shall be a woman	Members

West Khasi Hills District, Nongstoin

Sl.No.	Name and Designation of Members	Position
1	Smti. M.K.Lyngdoh, Chief Judicial Magistrate	Chairperson
2	Smti.B.Majaw Judicial Magistrate First Class	Member Secretary
3	2 (two) senior members of the Bar to be nominated by the District & Sessions Judge, one of whom shall be a woman	Members

East Garo Hills District, Williamnagar

Sl.No.	Name and Designation of Members	Position
1	Shri. B.Joshi District & Sessions Judge	Chairperson
2	Smti.S.P.D.Sangma Judicial Magistrate First Class	Member Secretary
3	2 (two) senior members of the Bar to be nominated by the District & Sessions Judge, one of whom shall be a woman	Members

South West Garo Hills District, Ampati

Sl.No.	Name and Designation of Members	Position
1	Shri. C.G.Momin, Chief Judicial Magistrate	Chairperson
2	Smti.I.R.Marak Judicial Magistrate First Class	Member Secretary
3	2 (two) senior members of the Bar to be nominated by the District & Sessions Judge, one of whom shall be a woman	Member

South West Khasi Hills District, Mawkyrwat

Sl.No.	Name and Designation of Members	Position
1	Shri.A.M.Ripnar, I/c. District & Sessions Judge	Chairperson
2	Smti. R.D.K.Sangma, Judicial Magistrate First Class	Member Secretary
3	2 (two) senior members of the Bar to be nominated by the District & Sessions Judge, one of whom shall be a woman	Members

By order;


REGISTRAR GENERAL

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GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR
NOTIFICATION

Dated Shillong, the 22nd July, 2019

NO.EDN/RTE-218/2011/ 101- In pursuance to the recommendation of the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR), Government of India, and in compliance to Section 29 of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009, the following directions shall be adhered by all institutions.

1. All Schools shall strictly follow the prescribed curriculum (Syllabus, textbooks) and evaluation procedure in elementary classes as prescribed by the State Academic Authority.
2. No child shall be discriminated or harassed or neglected by the school for carrying books published/prescribed by the Academic Authority (SCERT/DERT) resulting to mental or physical suffering. Any action taken on the child, may attract the provision of Juvenile Justice Act, 2015.
3. The school shall display this notification in the school's website and notice board. A copy shall be circulated and disseminated among parents for information.

Any non compliance on the above may prima facie be treated as violation of RTE Act, 2009.

Sd/-

(D.P.Wahlang IAS.)

Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya
Education Department

Memo.No.EDN/RTE-218/2011/101 -A

Dated Shillong, the 22nd July, 2019

Copy for information to:-

1. The P.S. to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Meghalaya, for favour of information of the Chief Minister.
2. The P.S. to the Hon'ble Minister of Education, Government of Meghalaya for favour of information of the Minister.
3. The P.S. to Chief Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya for favour of information of the Chief Secretary.
4. Shri. Priyank Kanoongo, Chairperson, National Commission for Protection of Child Rights, Government of India, 5th Floor, Chanderlok Building, 36- Janpath, New Delhi 110 001, for kind information and in complying with the NCPCR recommendation.
5. Smti. M. Kharkongor, Chairperson, State Commission for Protection of Child Rights, Meghalaya for kind information.
6. The Director of School Education & Literacy, Meghalaya Shillong, to kindly circulate to all the DSEOs/SDSEOs in all the Districts and Sub-Division and consequently to all schools.
7. The Director of Educational Research & Training, Meghalaya Shillong for information.
8. The Director of Printing & Stationery for publication in the Meghalaya Gazette.
9. The Executive Chairman, Meghalaya Board of School Education, Araimile, West Garo Hills District, Tura – 794101 for information
10. The Joint Director, Meghalaya Board of School Education, Shillong, for information.
11. Web Administrator, Education Department (O/o DHTE) to upload the notification in the Department's Web-Portal.

By Order etc.,

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Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya
Education Department

Commission For Protection
of Child Rights
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26/7/19

New PC/Notification

STATEMENT OF CASES**CASES RECEIVED BY THE COMMISSION DURING 2019-2020**

Sl. No	Date of Complaint	Subject	Remark
1	08 th April 2019	Murder Case	FIR filed and DCPO, West Khasi Hills has been instructed to follow- up the case and provide victims compensation to the family of the victim.
2	16 th May 2019	Assault	Case Disposed after inquiry and Apology sought from the media house FIR has been withdrawn.
3	21 st May 2019	Physical Injury	Case disposed off as the child has gone back to Thailand.
4	18 th July 2019	Sexual Assault	Case is under investigation.
5	29 th July 2019	Child Custody	The commission has aided the Complainant to avail the services of Legal Aid for fighting her case in the court since the Respondent did not want to share custody of the child.
6	14 th August 2019	Physical Assault	Case is under Police Investigation.
7	23 th August 2019	Sexual Assault	Case referred to the District Child Protection Officer, West Khasi Hills for support & aiding in filing Victim's compensation.
8	27 th August 2019	Sexual Assault	Case is under Investigation. Child is Undergoing surgery & treatment at AIIMS, New Delhi and is presently Under the care of the Child Welfare Committee, East Khasi Hills District.
9	18 th October 2019	Harassment	Case forwarded to the office of District, Child Protection Unit Nongpoh, Nongpoh, Ri-Bhoi for further necessary action.

10	18 th October 2019	Missing Child	Case is under Investigation. Information sought from Superintendent Police, West Garo Hills On the status of the case.
11	12 th November 2019	Child Custody	Transferred to Child Welfare Committee, East Khasi Hills for taking up the matter.
12	25 th November 2019	Physical Assault & Cruelty on minor children	Children have been restored to the family and the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights has filed an FIR against the group Admin in Social Media for uploading the photography of the injured children. Case is under Investigation.
13	09 th December 2019	Details of the missing child	Child Welfare Committee , East Jaintia Hills District has been communicated to trace the whereabouts of the Parents who were migrant labourers. Report awaited.
14	16 th December 2019	Missing Child	The Tripura Commission has been appraised to trace the child with Copies addressed to the Superintendent of Police concerned. Report awaited.
15	16 TH January 2020	Initiation to meet the child	Child send for counseling to CWC, East Khasi Hills District. Await Report.
16	22 nd January 2020	Missing Child	The matter has been communicated to the Nagaland Commission to initiate the CWC, Dimapur. Through the initiation of the Commission and with the help from CWC Nagaland and CWC, East Khasi Hills District, Shillong the child has been restored back to The mother.
17	23 rd January 2020	Physical Assault	Appraised the Superintendent of Police, East Khasi Hills to initiate in Inquiry.
18	3 rd February 2020	Sexual Assault	Under Investigation
19	6 th February 2020	Child Custody	Case disposed off. The child was Restored back to The Biological Parents vide SCPCR's order date 13/2/2020

Inspections made by SCPCR 2019-2020

Inspections of School

Mawryngkneng RMSA School

During the Awareness Programmes conducted in schools, The Commission came across the dilapidated condition of the Mawryngkneng RMSA School and the students studying there were not having toilet facilities.

Therefore being concerned, meeting was immediately initiated by the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights calling upon the Block development officer (BDO) of the concerned Block and the Authority concerned from the Education Department.

Meeting took place on the 13th September 2019 in the chamber of the Block Development Officer which was chaired by the Chairperson, State Commission for Protection of Child Rights.

The Chair apprised the members present of the sorry state of affairs of the Mawryngkneng RMSA Secondary School, wherein there are no provisions for toilet for the children studying the school. She also informed that the electrical connection and water supply in the school is also non functional which has caused immense hardship to the students and the faculty members of the School.

Shri. R. Wahlang, MCS BDO. Mawryngkneng C&RD Block informed the members present that the Block office will move the State Coordinator, Swachh Bharat Mission for providing funds for construction of toilets in the school. Further, he also informed that he will take up the matter with the VEC Mawryngkneng to explore the possibility of constructing the toilets under MGNREGA.

Shri. Andrew Warjri, S/O and Deputy State Director, DSEL and SSA informed the members present that proposal has been made to the Government of India by the State Government for placement of funds for carrying out repair in the next financial year 2020-2021.

After a threadbare discussion a joint inspection by the BDO, Mawryngkneng Block and the Deputy State Project Director, DSEL and SSA, Government of Meghalaya of the school premises will be carried out on the 17th of September, 2019 at 1:00 PM to ascertain the existing condition of the school infrastructure.



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MISSION AUTHORITY OF
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Joint Report on the Site Visit at Mawryngkneng RMSA Secondary School.

East Khasi Hills

The Joint Inspection was carried out on the request of the Chairperson, SCPCR, in response to the report on the dilapidating condition of the newly constructed RMSA Schools in Mawryngkneng Block.

Shri. R. Wahlang, MCS, Block Development Officer, accompanied the field visit and shared valuable inputs on Swaach Bharat Mission and exploring the possibilities of providing additional support on school fencing, toilets facilities and Capacity Building on Swaach Bharat to children of the school.

The Block Development Officer requested the school authorities to report to his office on any issues pertaining to school safety, additional support etc, for onward submission to the Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills.

During the visit on the construction of Mawryngkneng RMSA Secondary School building accompany by Civil Work Coordinator, Head Mistress & Head Master of the respective schools both RMSA and Govt LPS/UPS on the 17th September, 2019. The following issues were observed:-

1. The school building is completed except Paint Work – (Action to be taken by PWD (B).
2. False ceiling need urgent repair in the Staff Office – (Action to be taken by PWD (B).
3. Side drain of the school building need to be constructed in order to avoid over flowing of water into the classroom.
4. RMSA Toilet shall be constructed within the Govt LPS Septic Tank.
5. Main Gate & Fencing need to be constructed at the earliest. (Proposal alongwith land documents to be submitted to Block Development Officer)

It was also observed during the visit of the school building that due to the lack of initiative of school's representatives for conducting social work etc, the school campus is an eyesore with plastic and paper scattering around the campus and the toilet blocks are unattended.

The Block Development Officer, Mawryngkneng C&RD, advised the school's representatives to submit proposal on immediate requirement for further recommendation to Competent Authority.

Enclosed: Photographs of the school building.

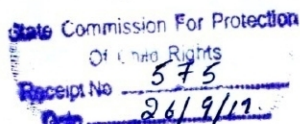
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**Dy. State Project Director
SEMAM – Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan
Meghalaya, Shillong**

No.SEMAM/RMSA/SV/142/2017/15

Dated. Shillong.20th September 2019.

1. Principal Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya and State Mission Director, SEMAM-Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan for information.
2. Chairperson, SCPCR for information.
3. Director School Education & Literacy & State Project Director SEMAM-Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan for information.
4. Chief Engineer, PWD (B) for necessary action.
5. Block Development Officer for information.



**Dy. State Project Director
SEMAM – Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan
Meghalaya, Shillong**

Forward

From the desk of the Chairperson



The Bill for establishing the Commissions exclusively for protecting rights of children was first introduced in Parliament in 2003. Thereafter, it was referred to the Department – related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Human Resources Development. The Committee submitted its 165th Report in 2005 on the Commission for Protection of Child Rights Bill, 2005. The Bill was debated in Parliament and passed in 2005. It received the President's assent on 20th January, 2006.

The Commission of Protection of Child Rights Act, 2005 (CPCR ACT) provides for the constitution of a National Commission and State Commission for protection of Child Rights. It also provides for the establishment of Children's Court for providing speedy trial of offences against children or of violation of Child Rights. The Meghalaya State Commission for Protection of Child Rights was notified and established on 28th February, 2014.

"There is no trust more sacred than the one the world holds with children. There is no duty more important than ensuring that their rights are respected, that their welfare is protected, that their lives are free from fear and want and that they can grow up in peace."

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Nehru Memorial Secondary School, Umsning.

On a verbal complaint by one parent whose child is studying at the Nehru Memorial Secondary School, Umsning, Ri-Bhoi District on the unhygienic condition of the school toilets, The Chairperson and Member, Dr (Smti.) V. Kharmawphlang made a surprise visit to the school on 12th September 2019.

On physical verification of the school and the girl toilets, it was found to be very dirty, dark with no drainage and this has brought in concern for the health of the children using the same.

The principal has been advised to maintain the toilet and surroundings of the school and letter was addressed to the DSEO Nongpoh, Ri-Bhoi to follow-up which was done accordingly. Now the toilets are in better condition.



ACHIEVEMENT FROM THE SCPCR

THE SHILLONG TIMES, SHILLONG, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2019

HC takes up delay in release of compensation for rape victims

By Our Reporter

SHILLONG: The High Court of Meghalaya on Thursday took up the plight of rape victims, who are yet to receive compensation under the approved package.

Earlier on Wednesday, a letter from Meena Kharkongor, the Chairperson of Meghalaya State Commission for Protection of Child Rights in this regard was placed before the Chief Justice of High Court Meghalaya and it was registered as a PIL.

According to the letter, despite the interim compensation of Rs 2 lakh as awarded by the Special Court (POCSO) in Shillong on August 5 this year, the state government has not made any payment to the families of a child victim.

"It appears on perusal of the report that the child victim, a minor girl of 3 ½ years old, has to undergo medical treatment outside the state which, if provided with the compensation, will go a long way in her treatment. Since the state government despite the interim compensation, as ordered, has not yet made any payment, the matter being extremely serious needs to be noticed on the judicial side, the joint registrar (judicial) said. During the hearing on the matter, the division bench comprising Chief Justice Ajay Kumar Mittal and Justice HS Thankhiew, issued notice to Advocate General who accepted it on behalf of the state government. The advocate general produced a copy of the order of November 11 last year passed by the division bench wherein Rs 50 lakh under the victim

compensation fund has been sanctioned by the political department.

The court issued notice to member secretary, MSLSA to be present in the court on Friday.

SHILLONG, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2019

State govt releases over Rs 51L for victims of rape

By Our Reporter

SHILLONG: The state government has released over Rs 51 lakh to Meghalaya State Legal Service Authority (MSLSA) to provide compensation to person under the victim compensation scheme.

The compensation is mostly claimed by victims of rape.

The division bench comprising Chief Justice Ajay Kumar Mittal and Justice HS Thangkhiew took up the matter after the issue was raised by the child rights commission Meena Kharkongor since a minor rape victim urgently required the compensation.

Earlier, a letter was addressed by the chairperson, State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (SCPCR), to Registrar General of the court informing that despite the award of interim compensation of Rs 2 lakh by the Special Court (POCSO) on September 5, the state government had not released the payment to the family of the child.

The letter was then registered as Public Interest Litigation and was taken up on September 12. Later, the case was adjourned to September 13 and during the hearing, the Advocate General Amit Kumar had produce a cheque for Rs 2 lakh drawn in favour of SCPCR, for payment of compensation to the victim child.

On Thursday, it was informed by the Member Secretary, MSLSA that Rs 51, 14,506 has been paid by the state government to enable MSLSA to release

compensation to different persons entitled under the victim compensation scheme. Following this, the petition was disposed of.

MEETINGS CONDUCTED BY SCPCR 2019

DATE: 29/04/2019

1ST MEETING

An emergency meeting was held on 29/4/2019 at 3:0 PM in the presence of the Chairperson and Member, Dr (Smti) V. Kharmawphlang with regard to various issues of Corporal punishment happening across schools even after the Government Notification being circulated. Other matters relating to Awareness of the school Authorities of West Garo Hills was also discussed.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the Chairperson.

Members Present

Smti M. Kharkongor, Chairperson

Smti V. Kharmawphlang, Member

DATE: 22/05/2019

2nd MEETING

The meeting was convened with regards to the use of a child in the circus which was put up at Polo ground, Shillong.

The Chairperson, SCPCR had received a phone call from an unknown person who identified herself as a “Tourist” passing on the information that a child has been employed in the city’s circus show depicting the child as half human half snake.

On this information, an urgent meeting was called informing all the important stakeholders from the Police Department, Child Welfare Committee, Child-line and the DCPU, East Khasi Hills District to visit the Circus and retrieve the Child and the case shall be followed up by the SCPCR on more information from the Concerned Departments.

The meeting ended with the vote of thanks from the Member Secretary, SCPCR.

MEETINGS CONDUCTED BY SCPCR 2019

Members Present

M. Kharkongor, Chairperson SCPCR
(State Commission for Protection of Child Rights)

Dr (Mrs.) V. Kharmawphlang, Member

Smti I. L. Synrem, Centre Coordinator Child line Shillong

Smti M. Khonghat, Protection Officer (Institutional Care) D.C.P.U East Khasi Hills

Smti Z. J. Lyngdoh, Member Secretary SCPCR

Smti C. W. Lyngdoh, Deputy Superintendent of Police City, Shillong

DATE: 19/07/2019

3rd MEETING

Meeting which was supposed to be held on 16th July, 2019 between the Principal, Kiddies Corner, School was postponed due to the Non- Attendance of the Principal and after serving Notice through the Police, he appeared seeking apology and also informed the Members of the Commission that the Foreign Child in connection with this case, has left for his country to pursue his studies under the guidance of his Parents. The School was further advised to have proper Medical Documents accompanying Foreign Students in future. Meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks.

Members Present

Smti M. Kharkongor, Chairperson SCPCR
(State Commission for Protection of Child Rights)

Dr (Mrs.) V. Kharmawphlang, Member SCPCR

Dr Jasmine Mary Lyngdoh, Consultant Clinical Psychologist

Principal Kiddies Corners's Higher Secondary, School

Smti Z. J. Lyngdoh, Member Secretary SCPCR

MEETINGS CONDUCTED BY SCPCR 2019

DATE: 28/08/2019

4th MEETING

Meeting to discuss on engagement of teachers for the Child Right Training was held in the premises of the Commission on 28.8.2019 where the Chairperson, Member, Member- Secretary and the Special Officer/ Dy SPD, education Department were present. It was requested that 50 (Fifty) No. of teachers from East Khasi Hills District may be recommend for the Training which would be conducted by the Office of the Director General of Police, Meghalaya. Th3e said shall be submitted by the Education Department for further necessary action.

Matters relating to the Mawrykneng (RMSA) Secondary school was also discussed where the Infra-structure and construction of Toilets were not found during the visit of the Commission to the School. After joint discussion, it was decided that the Issue must be brought before the Block Development Officer (BDO) concerned and the Education Department for the proper maintenance of the School at the earliest.

Members Present

Smti M. Kharkongor, Chairperson SCPCR
(State Commission for Protection of Child Rights)

Dr (Mrs.) V. Kharmawphlang, Member SCPCR

Shri. A. Warjri S.O/ Deputy SPD Government of Meghalaya, Education Department

Smti Z. J. Lyngdoh, Member Secretary SCPCR

COMPLAINT HEARING CONDUCTED BY SCPCR**Case No. MSCP (CR) 13/2019/131****Date:** 20th May 2019**Proceeding on the Case of *********Sl No. Members Present.**

1. Smti M. Kharkongor ,Chair Person SCPCR
(State Commission for Protection of Child Rights)
2. Dr (Smti.) V. Kharmawphlang
(Member)
3. Smti. Z. lyngdoh
(Member Secretary)

Hearing of the case no 131 of *****

The Managing editor and the news reporter of the North East Today, appeared in person before the Chair Person and the members of the Commission today the 20th May 2019 at 11:00 Am in connection for violating section 23 of the POCSO Act 2012 by uploading the contents in the social media.

A copy of section 23 of POCSO Act. 2012 containing provisions which relate to the procedure for Media Reporting was handed over to the reporter of North East Today.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the Chairperson, reminding the Media Personals again to be cautious while reporting on any news item relating to children.

Case No. MSCP (CR) 13/2019/131**Date:** 30th May 2019**Proceeding on the Case of *********Sl No. Members Present.**

1. Smti M. Kharkongor, Chair Person SCPCR
(State Commission for Protection of Child Rights)
2. Dr (Smti.) V. Kharmawphlang
(Member)
3. Smti. Z. lyngdoh
(Member Secretary)

COMPLAINT HEARING CONDUCTED BY SCPCR

Hearing of the case no 131 of *****

The principal Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Jail Road, Shillong appeared before the Chairperson and members of the Commission today the 30th May 2019 in connection with the statement given by her to the Police on the incident which contradicted the medical report given by the medical officer. As per her letter No GGHSS/MISC-2/2019/574 dt 30/5/2019 addressed to the Chairperson she mentioned that no external injury was visible with regard to the victim on the day of the incident, which was accepted by the commission

Case No MSCP (CR) 121/CL) 2019

Date: 14th June 2019

Proceeding of the Case of a minor boy engaged in the circus.

Sl No. Members Present.

1. Smti M. Kharkongor
(Chair Person State Commission for Protection of Child Rights)
2. Dr (Smti.) V. Kharmawphlang
(Member)
3. Smti. Z. lyngdoh
(Member Secretary)
4. Member Secretary, Child Welfare Committee, East Khasi Hills.
5. Smti L.Lyngkhoi
Member
Child Welfare Committee.
6. Dr Mitul Sangma
Child Welfare Committee
7. Ms. S. Kharkongor
Superintendent
Children's Home Boys Shillong.
8. Smt A. Kharbangar
Counsellor
Children's Home Boys Shillong
9. Smti Ibarilia Lyngdoh Synrem
Centre co-ordinator Childline.
10. Shri L. Upadhya
Child Line Team Member

COMPLAINT HEARING CONDUCTED BY SCPCR

11. Shri Goutam Nath
(Guardian of Krishnada Nath)
Rabindranath Takhur Rd,
Ward No-13 Kotwali Nodia
741101
12. Smti Jitu Biswakarma
Kalitala P.O Kalitala
P.S. Dhantala District- Nadia
West Bengal.

Proceeding of the case No MSCP (CR) 121/CI/2019

After a joint hearing of the case No MSCP (CR) 121/CL/2019, it was decided to handover the boy to his guardian who resides in West Bengal with a direction that the child is to be produced before the concerned Child Welfare Committee of West Bengal whereby the Child Welfare Committee, East Khasi Hills shall follow-up the case. Case disposed off.

Case No MSCP (CR) 13/2019/134

Date: 30th August 2019

Proceeding of the case of Miss *****

Sl No. Members Present.

1. Smti M. Kharkongor
(Chair Person State Commission for Protection of Child Rights)
2. Dr (Smti.) V. Kharmawphlang
(Member)
3. Smti. Z. lyngdoh
(Member Secretary)
4. Mv Rupesh Tiwari w/o Late Aruna Tamang
Smti Roma Tamang mother of Late Aruna Tamang

COMPLAINT HEARING CONDUCTED BY SCPCR

******* Class V Bal Bharati Public School Beltola**

Joint Hearing was convened in the presence on the Chairperson, member and member secretary of State Commission for Protection of Child Rights.

After a long deliberating over the custody of the child Miss ***** (11 ½ years old) the grandmother had agreed that the child may come and stay with her on Saturdays after her exams and also during summer vacation. This was put through to the father of the child who although agreed to it, wanted on week's time to discuss with the lawyer, which was allowed.

Fix for further hearing.

Case No. MSCP (CR) 13/2019/134

Date: 9th October 2019

Proceeding of the case of Miss *****

Sl No. Members Present.

1. Smti M. Kharkongor
(Chair Person State Commission for Protection of Child Rights)
2. Dr (Smti.) V. Kharmawphlang
(Member)
3. Smti. Z. lyngdoh
(Member Secretary)
4. Mv Rupesh Tiwari W/o Late Aruna Tamang
5. Smti Roma Tamang mother of Late Aruna Tamang

Joint Hearing was convened in the presence of the Chairperson, Member and Member Secretary of State Commission for Protection of Child Rights today the 9th October 2019.

The Commission could not come to any decision since Shri ***** father of Miss ***** retracted from his earlier statement given that he agreed to the joint custody of the child. Hence the Commission advised the grandmother to seek legal remedy from the court. The Chairperson had also written a letter to the member secretary, Meghalaya State Legal Services Authority to provide Legal Aid to the lady concerned.

The Mandate of the Commission is to “PROTECT, PROMOTE and MONITOR” Child Rights in any form. The Constitution of India stipulates Rights of Children. Article 15 (3) allows the State makes special provisions for Children, Article 21 A recognizes the Right to Free and Compulsory Education for Children and Article 24 prohibits employment of children below the age of 14 years in factories, mines or any hazardous employment. Further the Constitution also imposes certain duties upon the State in the form of Directive Principles of State Policy, which are Article 39 (c) and (f) and Article 45. It also imposes a fundamental duty under Article 51 (k) upon parents to provide opportunities for Education to their children.

The Meghalaya State Commission for Protection of Child Rights from its inception has been engaged in upholding the spirit of the Constitution by protecting and promoting the Rights of Children and many important steps have been taken up by the Commission for the Protection of Rights of the children in the State to ensure that children have a protective Child- friendly environment.

COMPLAINT HEARING CONDUCTED BY SCPCR

Case NO. MSCP (CR) 13/2019/122

Date: 29th November 2019

**Proceeding of the case of an English teacher, Kendiya Vidyalaya East Air
Command Upper Shillong**

Sl No. Members Present.

1. Smti M. Kharkongor
(Chair Person State Commission for Protection of Child Rights)
2. Dr (Smti.) V. Kharmawphlang (Member)
3. Smti I. Raptap, Programme Manager, State Child Protection Society, Directorate
of Social Welfare, Shillong

Proceeding:

Date: 29th November 2019

The Commission received an anonymous complaint of the students of Kendiya Vidyalaya School, Upper Shillong addressed to The Director, Social Welfare Deputy, which was forwarded to the Commission.

The concerned English teacher was summoned on the 29th November 2019 and after hearing her, it transpired that the teacher was a strict teacher but she denied using physical assault on the students. The members of the Hearing Committee decided to meet the Principal and other teachers since there were no names in the complaint and it would not be fair to pass any directions.

4th November 2019 was fixed for another round of interaction with the Principal of the school.

The Chairperson and two Members visited the Kendiya Vidyalaya School, Upper Shillong at 11:00Am and had interaction with the Principal of the school. During the interaction, it was pointed out that since the complaint did not specify any names, clarification was needed from the head of the school. He had expressed that there were verbal complaints against the said teacher in the past by the co-teacher but nothing was submitted to him in writing. With regard to the physical assault on the students, he said that he has not received any complaints from the students.

It was suggested that in future any complaints addressed to the principal was to made in writing.

COMPLAINT HEARING CONDUCTED BY SCPCR

Regular meeting to be held with the school management and two students representatives to be in the SMC, hence forth.

Later all the Teachers (Primary to the High Secondary) were assembled in the hall where all the members stressed on the role of the teacher in the 21st century. Dr (Smti) Kharmawphlang spoke at length on the changing role of the teacher. Punishment for corporal punishment was also read out by Smti I. Rapthap, State Child Protection Society. Meeting ended with a positive note and the Principal was asked to submit a report to the commission.

Action taken report was submitted by the Principal of Kendiya Vidyalaya School via mail on 5th December 2019.

Case No. MSCP (CR) 13/2020/149

Date: 13th February 2020

Proceeding on the Case of *****

Sl No. Members Present.

1. Smti M. Kharkongor, Chairperson
2. Smti Z. J. Lyngdoh, Member Secretary
3. Smti. V. Malngiang, Program Manager, State Adoption Resource Agency
4. Iaimanda A. Rynksai, Social Worker, Special Cell for Home, Sardar Police Station.

Proceeding of 13/2/2020

Heard both the parties at length. After much deliberation the husband of Smti ***** aged 38 years, Shri ***** aged 40 years has come forward before the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights, and has promised to reconcile with his wife and take the responsibility of his two year old girl child who is at present in her maternal grand-parents home and the wife (complainant) has also agreed to go back and settle with her husband.

Since both the parents who are adults have mutually agreed to move out from The Lady's Parental Home and settle down separately with their minor child, it is therefore directed that the grand-parents are to handover the child in good faith to the biological parents. Child has been restored and handed over to the Biological parents vide SCPCR's order dated 13/2/2020. Case disposed off.

PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2019-2020**Programme attended by the Chairperson SCPCR during 2019-2020****6th April 2019-**

Attended the function organized by the Meghalaya Human Rights Commission which was held at Pinewood Hotel, Shillong whereby the Hon'ble Justice Mohammad Yaqoob Mir, Chief Justice, Meghalaya High Court was the Chief Guest.

14th May 2019-

Attended the Awareness Programme as Resource person on Child Rights organized by the Children Club Lynshing in collaboration with Dorbar shnong and Child Protection Committee held at Lynshing village.

Lynshing village



PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019



25th May 2019-

One day Conference on Juvenile Justice organized by the Meghalaya State Judicial Academy held at Conference Hall, High Court of Meghalaya, Shillong.

27th May 2019-

Attended the In-house Training on Crime against Women & Children which was held at the Conference Hall, office of the Director General of Police, Meghalaya, Shillong.

Conference Hall, office of the Director General of Police



PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019



5th June 2019-

Attended the “Felicitation of class XII boys cum Environment Day Celebration” which was held at Rilang Children’s Home Hall, Shillong.

Rilang Children’s Home Hall.



PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019



12th June 2019-

Attended the National Consultation on **“Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Rescue & Rehabilitation of Child Labour”** organized by the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights to mark the **“World Day Against Child Labour- 2019”** which was held at Constitution Club of India (CCI), New Delhi.

Constitution Club of India (CCI), New Delhi.



PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019



20th June 2019-

Attended the Consultation Meet on prevention of Human Trafficking organized by the Global Organization for Life Development held at Guwahati.

Pragati Manor, Guwahati



PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019



10th July 2019-

Attended the State Level Consultation on Human Trafficking of Women & Girls in Meghalaya organized by Meghalaya State Commission for Women in collaboration with Social Welfare Department at the Auditorium, Yojana Bhawan, Main Secretariat, Building, and took part in the panel discussion



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Meghalaya State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (MSCPCR)

VISION

In keeping with the vision of the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights, the Mandate of the Meghalaya State Commission for protection of Child Rights, is to ensure that all Laws, Policies, Programmes and Administrative Mechanisms are in consonance with the Child Rights perspective as enshrined in the constitution of India and also the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. The Child is defined as a person in the 0 to 18 years age group. The Commission visualizes a rights-based perspective and in order to touch every child, it seeks a deeper penetration to communities and households and expects that the ground experiences gathered at the field are taken into consideration by all the authorities at the higher level. Thus the Commission sees an indispensable role of the State, sound institution-building processes, respect for decentralization at the local bodies and community level and larger societal concern for children and their well-being.

PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019**18th July 2019-**

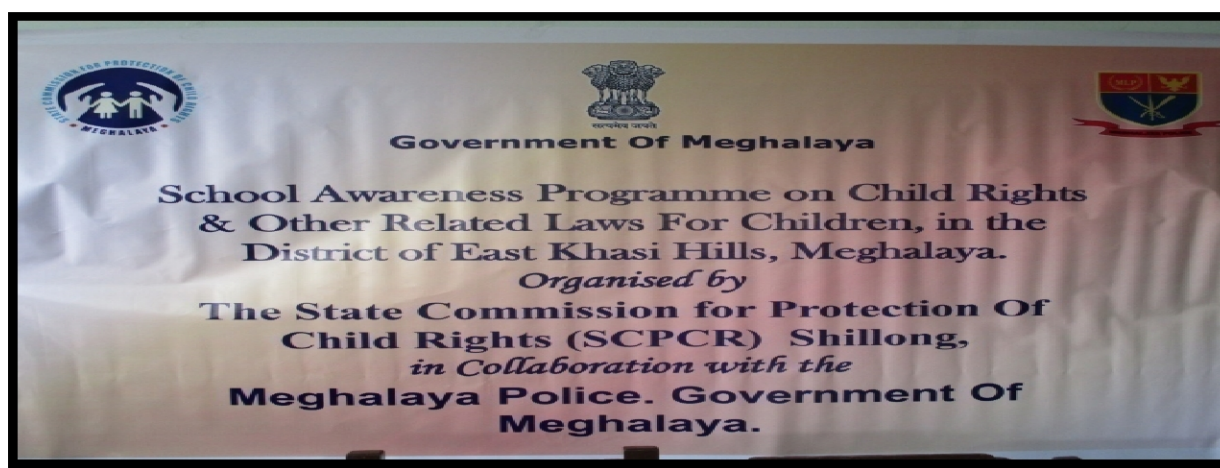
Attended the programme **“Training on Child and Vulnerable Adult Safeguarding and Gender Policies”** at Mary Rice Centre for Special Education, Shillong.

Mary Rice Centre for Special Education, Shillong.



PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019**2nd August 2019-**

At the outset, special thanks is extended to Mr. S. Chandranathan, IPS., DGP, Govt. of Meghalaya who was very keen to conduct the Awareness Programmes in various Govt. Schools in East Khasi Hills Districts in collaboration with the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights. After consultation, 8 (Eight) number of schools responded for the Awareness Programmes. A cheque amounting to Rs 24,000/- (Rupees Twenty Four Thousand) only was also given to the Commission by the office of the DGP, Shillong for providing refreshments to the children in the various schools.

**2nd August 2019-**

Awareness Programme on Child Rights and Other Related Laws for Children conducted by the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights in collaboration with the Cyber Crime Cell of the Meghalaya Police was held at Khasi Jaintia National Upper Primary School, Jaiaw Pdeng, Shillong.

5th August 2019-

Awareness Programme on Child Rights and Other Related Laws for Children conducted by the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights in collaboration with the Cyber Crime Cell of the Meghalaya Police was held at Raid Shabong Border Area Govt. Upper Primary School, Pynursla.

PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019**6th August 2019-**

Awareness Programme on Child Rights and Other Related Laws for Children conducted by the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights in collaboration with the Cyber Crime Cell of the Meghalaya Police was held at Govt. Girls Higher Secondary School, Shillong

9th August 2019-

Awareness Programme on Child Rights and Other Related Laws for Children conducted by the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights in collaboration with the Cyber Crime Cell of the Meghalaya Police was held at Govt. Girls Higher Secondary School, Shillong

10th August 2019-

Attended the **Social Awareness Talk cum Theatre Performance called "TENDER TEARS" on Child Abuse** held at Laban Indoor Sports Stadium organized by the Social Extension Activities Committee of Sankardev College, Shillong.

13th August 2019-

Awareness Programme on Child Rights and Other Related Laws for Children organized by the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights in collaboration with the Cyber Crime Cell of the Meghalaya Police was held at Mawlai Govt. Upper Primary School, Mawlai Nongkwar

19th August 2019-

Awareness Programme on Child Rights and Other Related Laws for Children organized by the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights in collaboration with the Cyber Crime Cell of the Meghalaya Police was held at Govt. Boys Higher Secondary School, Jaiaw Pdeng, Shillong

PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019**23rd August 2019-**

Awareness Programme on Child Rights and Other Related Laws for Children organized by the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights in collaboration with the Cyber Crime Cell of the Meghalaya Police was held at Mawphlang Govt. Upper Primary School, Mawphlang Umrisain

29th August 2019-

Attended the Workshop as a Special Guest on **“Capacity Building on Understanding Child Sexual Abuse and Introduction to Personal Safety Education Programme”** organized by the office of the State Child Protection Society in Collaboration with the Faith Foundation held at KJP, Conference Hall, IGP, Shillong.

29th August 2019-

Attended the Recording on Legal Hints Programme for Doordarshan, Shillong at Addl. Secretariat.

29th August 2019-

Attended a workshop and delivered a short speech “Capacity Building on understanding Child Sexual Abuse” at KJP conference Hall, IGP Shillong.

PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019

4th September 2019-

5th Foundation Day of SPARK cum Teacher's Day at Raj Bhawan Hall, Shillong.

Raj Bhawan Hall, Shillong.



PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019



PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019**16th September 2019-**

Awareness Programme organized by the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights in collaboration with the Childline, Nongstoin Social Service Centre held at Shnong Sangshong, Mairang.

Shnong Sangshong, Mairang.



PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019**17th September 2019 -**

Attended the Inauguration Session of the Ayushman Bharat, at Moreau Institute of Integral training, Cleve Colony, Dhanketi Shillong.

24th September 2019 -

Attended a strengthening program of the Child Protection unit of different villages under Mawkynrew Block, at Smit Dorbar Hall.

27th September 2019 -

Attended the NCPCR camp of the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights on Violation of Child Rights at District Library, Ri-Bhoi, Nongpoh and interacted with different stakeholders.

30th September 2019 -

Attended a One day Programme for Child Protection Awareness cum – Biodiversity Management Programme, Borsora village, South West Khasi Hills District, Meghalaya

Borsora village, South West Khasi Hills District, Meghalaya



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BACKGROUND

With the aim of effectively addressing the issue of protection of child rights in Meghalaya, the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights was set up. The Commission comprised of a Chairperson and six members including two women representatives.

The government of Meghalaya, Social Welfare Department, vide Notification No. SW(S) 112/2009/236 dated, Shillong the 28th February, 2014 under section 4, sub-section (3) of the Commission for Protection of Child Rights act, 2005(4th of 2006) the Governor of Meghalaya appointed Smti. Meena Kharkongor as Chairperson, State Commission for Protection of Child Rights for a period of 3(three) years with immediate effect.

The Chairperson joined the Commission on 11th March, 2014 and the office was opened on the 23rd may, 2014 at Nongshiliang, Nongthymmai, Shillong with a staff strength consisting of only the Chairperson, one peon and a chowkidar. The Commission functioned from the above address till February, 2015 thereafter shifted its office to Lower Lachumiere, Shillong.

PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019**17th October 2019**

Attended a One day workshop on JJ Act, 2015, POCSO Act, 2012 & other Child Related Issues, at Bishop's Hall, Divine Savior Parish, Nongstoin.

Bishop's Hall, Divine Savior Parish, Nongstoin.



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PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019**24th October 2019**

Attended a three day program on “Girl Child Health and Hygiene” Awareness program at Pynthorumkhrah LP and UP school, Shillong.

26th October 2019

Attended a workshop on Awareness/Sensitization on “POCSO Act, rising trends of crime against Women and Children” in the conference hall of the office of The Superintendent of Police, West Garo Hills, Tura.

Office of the Superintendent of Police, West Garo Hills, Tura.



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PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019**13th November 2019**

Attended The Life Skill Training programme which aims to help Children know what to do in everyday situation as well as how to make good decisions about more abstract, long-term choices. Organized by SPARK supported by The Office of the DSWO, East Khasi Hills District Department of Social Welfare, Meghalaya at Pongkun, Mawlynrei, Mawlong & Bara Bazar East Khasi Hills.

14th November 2019

Attended an awareness programme on Children's day, on the theme "Child Rights", which was held at John Roberts Theological Seminary Mawklot Shillong

John Roberts Theological Seminary Mawklot Shillong



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16th November 2019

Attended a Motorsport Event organized by Shillong Endurance Motorsport Club, in collaboration with the Meghalaya AIDS Control Society (MACS) to promote Motorsports in the region and using this platform to create awareness on HIV/AIDS and other Social issues at Jiewshyllong- Umtyngar.

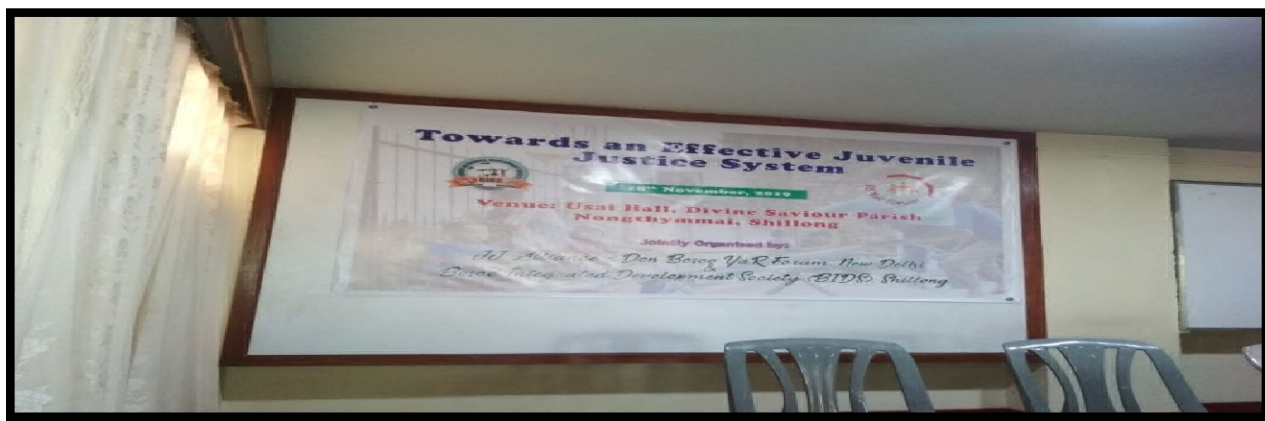
18th November 2019

Attended a Khasi Talk on the topic 'The importance of Children's Rights and their implementation' at All India Radio Shillong.

PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019**18th November 2019**

Attended a One Day Consultation for 'Achieving an Effective Juvenile Justice System', organized by the Don Bosco YaR Forum (JJ Alliance) in collaboration with Bosco Integrated Development Society at Usai Hall Divine Saviour Church, Nongshilliang, Nongthymmai.

Usai Hall Divine Saviour Church, Nongshilliang, Nongthymmai.



BACKGROUND

After the first term of the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights expired, Smti. Meena Kharkongor was reappointed as Chairperson vide Notification No. SW(S) 112/2009/447 dated Shillong, the 26th July, 2017 for further period of 3 (Three) years wef. 01.03.2017

There are three members who were notified and joined the Commission vide Notification No. SW(S) 112/2009/448 dated 27th July, 2017 and Notification No. SW(S) 112/2009/468 dated August, 2017, namely:

Members: Dr. (Mrs) Vanessa Kharmawphlang
 Smti. Badondorlin Hoojon
 Smti. Sume. B. Sangma

But at present, only one member Dr. (Mrs) Vanessa Kharmawphlang is an active member.

PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019**19th November 2019**

Attended a programme on Observation of World Day for prevention of Child Abuse Cum world Toilet Day at district level organized and conducted by World Vision India, East Khasi Hills ADP at Smit Indoor Stadium, East Khasi Hills District

Smit Indoor Stadium, East Khasi Hills District

**26th November 2019**

Attended a Photo Exhibition on the occasion of “Constitution Day” organized by The High Court of Meghalaya in collaboration with the Meghalaya State legal Services Authority at High Court Complex, Shillong.

PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019**30th November 2019**

Attended a Judicial Colloquium on the Role of Law Enforcement in Combating Human Trafficking organized by The Meghalaya State Judicial Academy at Yojana Bhavan

Yojana Bhavan

PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019**2nd December 2019**

Attended the State Launch of Matru Vandana Saptah and Intensified Mission Indradhanush 2.0 organized by PMMVY and National Health Mission, Meghalaya PMMVY and District Health Society, East Khasi Hills District at Ganesh Das Hospital, Shillong.

4th December 2019

Attended the launching of the campaign “Opening Doors for Education to Children” organized by the Meghalaya State Legal Service Authority at The High Court of Meghalaya, Conference Hall.

13th January 2020

Representatives from the SCPCR attended the State Level Meeting to assess Health and Nutrition of Children availing MDM and supplementary nutrition in ICDS centers of Meghalaya, organized by National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) in collaboration with Meghalaya Commission for Protection of Child Rights (MSCPCR) Facilitated by – FISS at Hotel Knight Inn, Shillong.

Hotel Knight Inn, Shillong.



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PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019**17th January 2020** ➤

Chairperson and The Member Secretary, State Commission for Protection of Child Rights on the request made by the Acting Sordar, Nongspung Dorbar attended the meeting and Awareness Programme which was held on 17th January 2020 at 10:00 AM at Nongspung Football Ground.

A rally was conducted by the residents of the village to condemn a case of Rape which happened recently.

The Chairperson and the Member Secretary who is also the Assistant Commission (Disability) explained to the gathering on the various provisions of the POCSO Act, 2012, the Authorities who are to be approached when such cases happen and the Rights of the people while approaching The Police and the Doctors concerned.

The member Secretary Smti Z.J. Lyngdoh also explained the procedure how to avail assistance in cases where people having Disabilities, could through their Anganwadi worker, etc.

Nongspung Football Ground.

PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019



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27th January 2020-

The Chairperson attended the Conference on “Redefining welfare, Safety and security of women And security of women and children- Role of Institutions”. Various expert panelists spoke on the 6 (Six) Agendas relating to the Role of Institutions for the welfare, safety and security of women and children.

The Honorable Minister, Smti Smriti Tubin Orani was the chief guest of the occasion.

During the 1st session’s deliberation on Safety, Protection and Rehabilitation of women and children of Institutional Homes, the Honorable Minister’s Suggestions indicated that the Maintenance grant per child is low and there are problems of under- staffed everywhere in the country. In order to make the system better, she suggested that perhaps initiation should be taken up to have Child Protection Awards by grading CCIs, Guidelines for Inspections of homes should be made uniform. With regards to the other Agendas also, many suggestions were welcomed from different stake holders which were taken note of eg: To indentify alternate care Institutions, Capacity Building of Care-givers, social-Audits to be de-centralized etc and mainstreaming “POSHAN PAKWARA” in schools throughout outreach programmes.

The programme ended on a positive note where the Honorable Minister urged upon all the stakeholders to co-ordinate, collaborate and create a reality eco- system for women and children. She also informed all the participants to put in their views, comments and recommendations in the Ministry’s web-site.

Banquet Hall, The Asoka, New Delhi

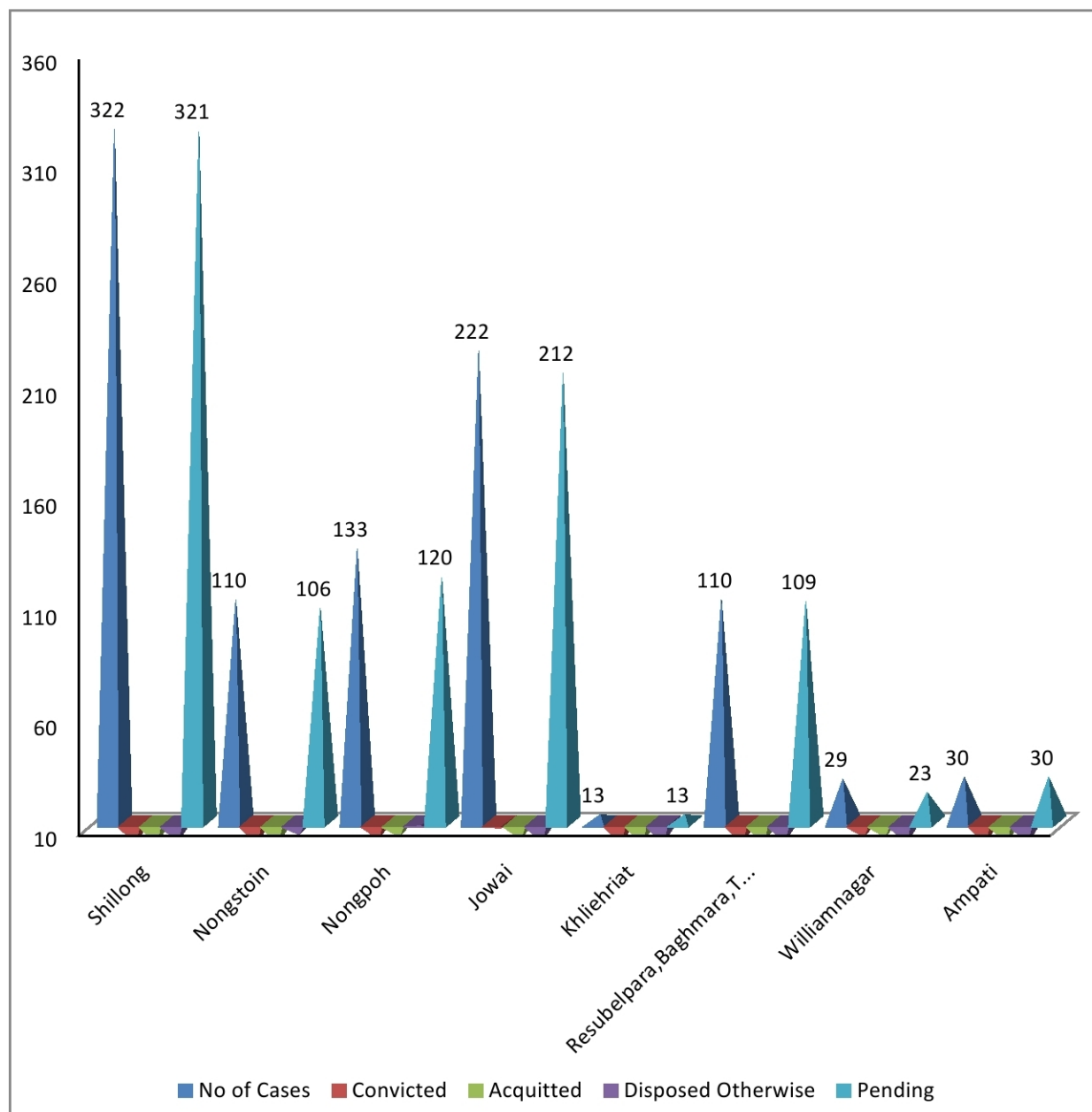


PROGRAMME OF THE SCPCR 2018-2019**12th February 2020-**

Attended a Programme for SPs-Cos Conference 2020, Police Head Quarters, East Khasi Hills Shillong and interacted on the Roles and Responsibilities of the Police



Statements of POCSO cases from the Special Courts as on December 2019



FUNCTIONS AND POWERS OF THE COMMISSION

Functions of the Commission

Section 13 (1) of the Commission for Protection of Child Rights Act, 2005 lays down the functions of the Commission as follows:

- a. Examine and review the safeguards provided by or under any law for the time being in force for the protection of child rights and recommend measures for their effective implementation.
- b. Present to the State Government, annually and at such other intervals, as the Commission may deem fit, reports upon the working of those safeguards.
- c. Inquire into violation of child rights and recommend initiation of proceedings in such cases.
- d. Examine all factors that inhibits the enjoyment of rights of children affected by terrorism, communal violence, riots, natural disasters, domestic violence, HIV/AIDS, trafficking, maltreatment, torture and exploitation, pornography and prostitution and recommend appropriate remedial measures.
- e. Look into the matters relating to children in need of special care and protection including children in distress, marginalized and disadvantaged children, children in conflict with law, juveniles, children without family and children of prisoners and recommend appropriate remedial measures.
- f. Study treaties and other international instruments and undertake periodical review of existing policies, programmes and other activities on child rights and make recommendations for their effective implementation in the best interest of children.
- g. Undertake and promote research in the field of child rights.
- h. Spread child rights literacy among various sections of the society and promote awareness of the safeguards available for protection of these rights through publications, the media, seminars and other available means.
- i. Inspect or cause to be inspected any juvenile custodial home, or any other places of residence or institution meant for children, under the control of the Central Government or any State Government or any other authority, including any institution run by a social organization; where children are detained or lodged for the purpose of treatment, reformation or protection and take up with these authorities for remedial action, if found necessary.

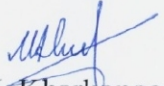
Annexure- I

Requirement of fund for the office of the State Commission for Protection of Child rights for 12 (Twelve) months w.e.f. 1st March 2018 to February 2019.

RECURRING EXPENDITURE.

A)	Honorarium of Chairperson @10,000/- pm x 12 Months	Rs 1,20,000/-
B)	P.O.L of Chairperson @ 15,000/- pm x 12 Months	Rs 1,80,000/-
C)	TA/DA of Chairperson and Members @ 2,500/- pm x 12 Months	Rs 3,00,000/-
D)	Electricity charge @ 2,000/- pm x 12 Months	Rs 24,000/-
E)	Hospitality charges of Chairperson @ 2,000/- pm x 12 Months	Rs 24,000/-
F)	Telephone bills of Chairperson @ 2,000/- pm x 12 Months	Rs 24,000/-
G)	Newspaper and Magazine @ 500/- pm x 12 Months	Rs 6,000/-
H)	House rent of Office Accommodation @ 17,733/- pm x 12 Months	Rs 2,12,796/-
I)	Grade IV staffs 2 Nos. attached with Chairperson 1. Resident 2. Office, Consolidated pay @ 7,000/- pm x 2 Nos x 12 Months	Rs 1,68,000/-
J)	Driver attached with Chairperson @ Rs 12,000/- pm x 12 Months	Rs 1,44,000/-
K)	Sitting fees for Members (6Nos) @ 500/- per sitting for 4 times in a month for 12 months. (1,000/- x 6Nos x 4 times x 12 Months)	Rs 1,44,000/-
L)	Counselor (Part Time) @ consolidated pay of Rs 5,000/- pm x 12 Months	Rs 60,000/-
M)	Maintenance of 1 No Vehicle for 12 Months	Rs 1,20,000/-
N)	Office expenses:- (Stationery & other miscellaneous) for 12 Months	Rs 1,50,000/-
O)	Maintenance of machinery equipment, material supply of repairing & computers, Xerox machine toner ink etc	Rs 75,000/-
Total		Rs 17,51,796/-

(Rupees Seventeen Lakh Fifty-One Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Six) Only.


Smti. M. Kharkongor,
Chairperson,
SCPCR.

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Annexure- II

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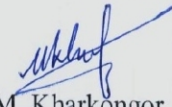
S. No	Name of Post	No of Post	Consolidated per month	Total Requirement
1.	L.D.A	1 (One)	Rs 10,000 pm x 12	Rs 1,20,000/-
2.	Chowkidar	1 (One)	Rs 6,000 pm x 12	Rs 72,000/-
3.	Cleaner	1(One)	Rs 4,500 pm x 12	Rs 54,000/-
			Total	Rs 2,46,000/-

Total= Annexure I= Rs 17,51,796/-

Annexure II= Rs 2,46,000/-

Grand Total = Rs 19, 97,796/-

(Rupees Nineteen Lakh, Ninety Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Six) Only.


Smt. M. Kharkongor,
Chairperson,
SCPCR.

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GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
DIRECTORATE OF SOCIAL WELFARE
MEGHALAYA: SHILLONG

No. SW/SD/6/2006/Pt. IV/ 10303

Dated Shillong, the 1st Feb, 2019
January, 2019

From : Shri. E. Kharmalki, I.A.S.,
Director of Social Welfare
Meghalaya, Shillong.

To : The Chairperson,
State Commission for Protection of Child Rights,
Shillong.

Sub : Released of Cheque for the office of State Commission for Protection of
Child Rights, Shillong.


Madam,

Please find herewith cheque No. 328610 dt. 07.02.2019
for the State Commission for Protection of Child Right (SCPCR) Shillong for an amount
of Rs.19,97,796/- (Rupees nineteen lakhs ninety seven thousand seven hundred ninety
six) only for the year 2018-19. Detailed break up is enclosed herewith.

Utilisation Certificate may be furnished to this office for further necessary
action.

Yours faithfully,

State Commission For Protection
Of Child Rights
Receipt No. 4482
Date 7/2/19


Director of Social Welfare
Meghalaya, Shillong.



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- j.** Inquire into complaints and take suo-motu notice of matters relating to:-
 - i. Deprived and violation of Child rights.
 - ii. Non- implementation of laws providing for protection and development of children.
 - iii. Non-compliance of policy decisions, guidelines or instructions aimed at mitigating hardships to and ensuring welfare of the children and to provide relief to such children, or take up the issues arising out of such matters with appropriate authorities.
- k.** Such other functions as it may consider necessary for the promotion of child rights and any other matter incidental to the above functions.

Powers relating to Inquiries

As per Section 14(1) of the CPCR Act, 2015

- a) The Commission shall, while inquiring into any matter referred to in clause (j) of sub-section (1) of section 13 have all the powers of a civil court trying suit under the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 and, in particular, in respect of the following matters namely:
- i. Summoning and enforcing the attendance of any person and examining him on oath.
 - ii. Discovery and production of any document.
 - iii. Receiving evidence on affidavits
 - iv. Requisitioning any public record or copy thereof from any court or officer.
 - v. Issuing commissions for the examination of witnesses or documents.

Steps after Inquiry

As per section 15 of the CPCR Act, 2005. The Commission may take any of the following steps upon the completion of any inquiry held under this Act, namely:

1. Where the inquiry discloses, the Commission of violation of child rights of a serious nature or contravention of provisions of any law for the time being in force, it may recommend to the concerned Government or authority the initiation of proceedings for prosecution or such other action as the Commission may deem fit against the concerned person or persons.
2. Approach the Supreme Court or the High Court concerned for such directions, orders or writs as the Court may deem necessary.
3. Recommend to the concerned Government or authority for the grant of such interim relief to the victim or the members of his family as the Commission may consider necessary. Specific Mandate of the Commission as per some important Acts:
 - a. The Right of Children to free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009.
 - i. Examine and review the safeguards for rights provided by or under this Act and recommend measures for their effective implementation.