OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, DELHI

C I R C U L A R

No. 03/2018

Subject:- Compliance of guidelines of Child Welfare Committee by SHOs/IOs/JWOs.

The Child Welfare Committees are the primary bodies for ensuring care and protection of children in need. The CWCs act as facilitators for all child welfare related activities in their respective districts. It plays the role of a watchdog at the district level and have the authority to dispose of cases for the care, protection, treatment, development and rehabilitation of children in need of care and protection.

Recently, several instances have been brought into the notice of Hon'ble Chairperson, Juvenile Justice Committee, High Court of Delhi that the directions/guidelines issued by CWCs are not being complied with by IOs/SHOs/JWOs. Some of the lapses pointed out by the CWCs are as under:-

1. Delay or inability to produce the Juvenile in Need of Care and Protection before the CWC.
2. Legible copy of statement of child victim recorded under section 164 Cr.P.C is not submitted.
3. Non-attendance on the part of the JWOs/IOs/SHOs despite issuing of Summons/Warrants.
4. Lackadaisical attitude towards the CWC (if for any reason the IO/JWO is unable to produce the child, a written application/Status Report should be filed before the CWC stating reasons for the inability to do so.)

In this regard, detailed guidelines spelling out the duties of the IOs/JWOs under JJ Act, 2015 and Delhi Juvenile Model Rules-2016 already exist

vide S.O. No. 68/2017 circulated vide no. 3102-3251/Record Branch/PHQ, dated 17.11.2017 for meticulous compliance.

In view of the directions given by the Hon'ble Chairperson, Juvenile Justice Committee, Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, all heads of Districts/Investigating Units are hereby directed to properly brief the ACsP/SHOs/IOs/JWOs for meticulous and scrupulous compliance of all guidelines/directions/orders of CWC as well as the instructions contained in S.O. No. 68/2017.

Non compliance of the instructions will be viewed seriously.

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For COMMISSIONER OF POLICE,
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