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*All SDPOs*

*and SP/CPD*

Kindly refer to my earlier letter dated 4.12.2015 regarding rolling out sustained campaign titled 'Operation Smile-II' from 1<sup>st</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2016 to rescue, recover the missing children and approximately 25000 children were rescued/recovered during this campaign.

2. After such a remarkable achievement, it is felt that a similar campaign titled 'Operation Muskaan-II' be rolled out throughout the country from 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2016 to 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2016 as a follow up of the earlier campaigns to undertake a set of activities as listed in Annexure-I.

3. Effective coordination between various Departments such as Women and Child Development, Police, Labour Department, etc. may be ensured and rescue teams should have representatives from concerned Departments.

4. In addition to above, all States/UTs are specifically advised:

- (i) to extend all possible cooperation during inter-State rescue operations,
- (ii) to ensure proper provision of availability of food, clothes, medical aid, professional translators, psychiatrists and shelter homes for rehabilitation/reintegration well before the rescue operation.
- (iii) to ensure that such operations are conducted in strict compliance of the existing legal provisions.

5. In view of the above, we expect whole hearted participation of all concerned so that encouraging results are reported at the end of the proposed 'Operation Muskaan-II' in your State/UT.

*All SDPOs/CP-Muthialpet*

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Yours Sincerely,

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Activities suggested for 'Operation Muskaan-II'

(1<sup>st</sup> July, 2016 to 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2016)

- (i) Before 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2016, the Police personnel from each State may be properly trained in methodology to extract information from such children tactfully without they getting intimidated, as well as in various provisions of POCSO Act, JJ Act, Protection of Child Right Act, relevant sections of Cr. PC & IPC and Advisories issued by MHA, etc.
- (ii) Police personnel should also be trained about protocol & procedure to be adopted during Operation at difference stages and about victim compensation scheme notified by the respective States. Eligible cases should be compensated.
- (iii) Assistance of BPR&D team, experts on the panel of MHA and policemen already trained in your State may also be used as resource persons for training purpose.
- (iv) To know the magnitude of the problem, data with full details of number of cases of missing children should be maintained and shared at intra-State and Inter-state level. Strategy should be planned accordingly.
- (v) Prepare data of number of shelter homes/Child Care Institutes/orphanages/Placement agencies and other such institutes(Government and private) in the State and check whether they are registered or not and appropriate action must be taken.
- (vi) Information about CWCs should be prepared and shared among all rescue teams and stakeholders. Preferably this may be hosted on the website.
- (vii) During this operation, all children residing in shelter homes, platforms, bus stands, roads, religious places, etc. may be screened by trained police personnel. While screening, cases of those children considered to be of 'missing children' category should be documented. Their photographs should be taken by the Police. During this exercise, if required, video recording should also be done.
- (viii) All out efforts should be made to identify parents/legal guardians of all children residing in the shelter homes, observations homes, orphanages and other child care institutions. This will help in reuniting many missing children as experienced in the last two drives.

- (ix) Particulars of such identified children should be uploaded on the 'Missing child' portal of the Ministry of Women and Child Development by the respective State Police.
- (x) Rehabilitation measures whenever needed should be taken up in coordination with the other line Departments like Department of Women & Child Development, Labour, etc so that scope of re-victimization is eliminated.
- (xi) Public awareness should be increased by way of national campaign, advertisement on national media, etc.
- (xii) The best practices shared during National Conference on Anti Human Trafficking by the State Nodal Officers i.e. (i) framing an SOP for investigation of cases of missing children, (ii) authorising SPs to reward any person giving information regarding any missing child leading to his/her rescue and (iii) setting up of Mahila & Shishu desks headed by Women Sub-Inspectors in all Police Stations to deal with all cases relating to women and children, may be adopted.
- (xiii) Role of various concerned Departments in State Governments should be notified to avoid any confusion about jurisdiction and concerned should also be directed to extend adequate support and coordination during rescue operations.
- (xiv) After rescue, the rescued child should be brought to the Govt. protection house or shelter home with proper safety and security.
- (xv) Children should be medically examined if required and produced before the CWC at the earliest.
- (xvi) Mentally challenged children should be treated accordingly.
- (xvii) Counseling of children as well as their parents/legal guardians should be done to avoid re-victimization.