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Krishna Tirath

D.O.No. 1-4/2011-CW.II/8746
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Dear *Smt. Khivraj Singh Choudhary,*

I am writing this to share my deep concern regarding the spate of incidents reported in the media, of abuse of children in the Children's Homes in various States in the country. The revelation, that such incidents have been going on for long, even in Homes that are registered under the Juvenile Justice Act (JJ Act), indicates that the systems for monitoring the functioning of Child Care Institutions (CCIs) in the States are either not properly established or are dysfunctional.

There is an urgent need to identify and register all CCIs in the State and to establish mechanisms for monitoring the management of the Homes through Inspection Committees and Management Committees as prescribed under the JJ Act and Rules. We have written to Chief Secretaries and Principal Secretaries of State Governments in this regard and I request you to kindly issue instructions so that speedy action is taken to ensure that all Homes are properly managed and regularly inspected.

I take this opportunity to suggest that a quick review be undertaken by the State Government through specially appointed teams, of all the Homes for taking steps for their registration and for determining the quality of services. In case such reviews indicate a need for up-gradation of infrastructure in the registered Homes, my Ministry would be happy to consider financial support under the Integrated Child Protection Scheme.

In cases where gross violations of rights of the children come to notice or where the children are not receiving proper services, the State Government may like to explore steps to transfer the management of such Homes to alternate agencies or to manage such Home temporarily through the district administration.

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It is understood that in many States, the social worker Members of JJBs/CWCs have not been selected in accordance with the procedure laid down in JJ Act and Rules. I would, therefore, request you to kindly review recruitment procedure of the CWCs/JJBs in your State and ensure that verification of their antecedents has been carried out to establish that they are not in any way unsuitable for dealing with children.

I request your intervention for ensuring an early action on the above suggestions so that the children in the Homes in the State are afforded an environment which is conducive to their growth and development.

with regards,

Yours sincerely,

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All States / UTs.