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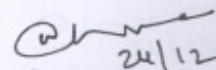
All States/UTs

Sir/Madam,

The Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS) provides for setting up of State Adoption Resource Agency (SARA) under the State Child Protection Society with the objective to support Central Adoption Resource Agency (CARA) in promoting in-country adoption and regulating inter-country adoption. SARA is required to monitor and develop the work of adoption in the State and, in liaison with the District Child Protection Society (DCPS), provide technical support to the CWCs in carrying out the process of rehabilitation and social integration of children through non-institutional care.

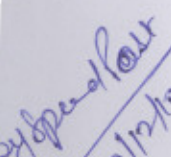
As the functions of SARA are more or less similar to that of Adoption Coordinating Agency to avoid duplication of efforts, it has been decided that SARA will take over the functioning of ACA which will cease to exist w.e.f. 31.3.2012. In case of those States which have existing ACAs, they may decide to absorb the staff from ACA to SARA. The Chairperson of ACA could also be considered for appointment as Member of the SARA. You are requested, therefore, take an early action for constitution of SARA and train the staff appropriately so that the transition is seamless. The ACA of your State may also be advised regarding this decision at the earliest.

Yours faithfully,


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