

## GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA DIRECTORATE OF CHILD PROTECTION

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To,
The Commissioner,
Bhruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike,
Government of Karnataka.

Sub: Regarding submitting compliance to the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka on the recommendations made by KSLSA in their Memo to W.P 10096/2020 to the High Court so that the Children do not come on roads either for begging or Hawking.

ref:

- 1. Hon'ble High Court Writ Petition 10096/2020 order Dated 20.07.2021.
- 2. Report submitted by KSLSA on 17.04.2021.
- 3. As per the MEMO submitted by KSLSA on 07.07.2021 regarding WP 10096/2020.

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In the Writ Petition No.10096/2020 before the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka filed by LETZKIT foundation regarding vulnerable children who are forced to sell toys, flower etc. in the streets of Bengaluru and in particular at traffic junction, in this regard Karnataka State Legal Service Authority (KSLSA) has filed detailed MEMO before the Hon'ble High Court as per above reference (3).

The KSLSA has undertaken a field survey of vulnerable children into begging & hawking in BBMP area and has submitted its final report to Hon'ble High Court vide at reference(2) for perusing and giving directions to implement this report. KSLSA has further submitted MEMO to High Court at reference (3). In the MEMO at reference (3) the KSLSA has categorised vulnerable children into 6 categories and has made many recommendations for the rehabilitation of these children. In this recommendations pertaining to BBMP are as below:

d. "Reg. Prevention measures: It is observed that most of the vulnerable children in the city are belonging to migrate labourers. As such it is desirable that the name and particulars of the children of these migrate labourers must be informed to the BBMP by those persons who bring workers to Bengaluru. The labour Department, which is

the authority under the Inter State Migrant Workmens Act 1979 and is mandated to have such information, must also be directed to co-ordinate with the BBMP. If this exercise is taken up, certainly District Administration/BBMP will have data of these children so that their health and educational issues can be easily attended.

e. Reg. Awareness: The BBMP, department of information and Public Relations, Directorate of Children protection may be strictly directed to create awareness to the public against "giving alms or purchase toys or other items from vulnerable children in the streets". As suggested in the final report the concept of "food coupons" instead of giving alms by the general public may be introduced and encouraged by the stakeholder government department."

Accordingly it is requested to take action as follows:-

- 1. BBMP should pass order that no employer should take the services of migrant labourers who have not been issued ID cards by the BBMP and also to ensure that it is being implemented effectively.
- 2. The above order shall be mandated to inter-state and inter district migrant labourers.
- 3. To create ample awareness to the public against giving alms or purchase toys or other items from vulnerable children in the streets.
- 4. To bring about official food coupon scheme as recommended by Karnataka State Legal Services Authority as a Government Scheme on behalf of BBMP.

Hence it is requested to implement the above recommendations of KSLSA and submit compliance to the Hon'ble High Court directly and also send a copy of the compliance to this office for information purpose.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully

06.11.2021

Directorate of Child Protection, Bengaluru.

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Member Secretary, Karnataka State Legal Services Authority, Bengaluru.