

ವಿಶ್ವೇಶ್ವರಯ್ಯ ಕೇಂದ್ರ, ಚಿಕ್ಕಗೋಪುರ, 03ನೇ ಮಹಡಿ, ಡಾ॥ಬಿ.ಆರ್. ಅಂಬೇಡ್ಕರ್ ವೀದಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು-560 001.

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ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಐಸಿಪಿಎಸ್/ಸಾರಾ–09/ಬಾಲ ಹಿತೈಷಿ/2021–22

ದಿನಾಂಕ: **26** –07–2021

ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ರಕ್ಷಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು, ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ರಕ್ಷಣಾ ಘಟಕ, ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಗಳು.

ಮಾನ್ಯರೇ,

ವಿಷಯ: ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಬಾಲಹಿತೈಷಿ ಯೋಜನೆಯನ್ನು ಯಶಸ್ವಿಯಾಗಿ ಅನುಷ್ಠಾನಗೊಳಿಸಲು ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಮಟ್ಟದ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಪ್ರೇರಣೆ ನೀಡಲು ಬರೆದಿರುವ ಪತ್ರವನ್ನು ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಮಟ್ಟದ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ತಲುಪಿಸುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ.

ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ: 1. ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಆದೇಶ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಮಮಇ 64 ಮಭಾಬ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ದಿನಾಂಕ:05-06-2021.

2. ಐಸಿಪಿಎಸ್/ಸಾರಾ-09/ಬಾಲ ಹಿತೈಷಿ/2018-19, ದಿನಾಂಕ:23.06.021.

ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ವಿಷಯಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ, ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ (1) ರ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಆದೇಶದನ್ವಯ ಕೋವಿಡ್– 19 ರ ವಿಪತ್ತಿನಿಂದ ಬಾಧಿತ ಮಕ್ಕಳಿಗೆ ನೈತಿಕ, ಭಾವನಾತ್ಮಕ, ಸಾಮಾಜಿಕ ಬೆಂಬಲವನ್ನು ನೀಡಿ ಮಗುವಿನ ಸರ್ವತೋಮುಖ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಗೆ ಅನುವಾಗುವಂತೆ ಬಾಲ ಹಿತೈಷಿ ಯೋಜನೆಯನ್ನು ಅನುಷ್ಠಾನಗೊಳಿಸಲು ಆಡಳಿತಾತ್ಮಕ ಅನುಮೋದನೆ ದೊರೆತಿರುತ್ತದೆ, ಹಾಗೂ ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ಉಲ್ಲೇಖ (2) ರ ಪತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ಸದರಿ ಯೋಜನೆಯನ್ನು ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಸಮರ್ಪಕವಾಗಿ ಅನುಷ್ಠಾನಗೊಳಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಆದೇಶ ಹಾಗೂ ಅನುಬಂಧಗಳನ್ನು ಲಗತ್ತಿಸಿ ಕಳುಹಿಸಲಾಗಿತ್ತು.

ಕೋವಿಡ್–19 ರಿಂದ ಇಬ್ಬರು ಪೋಷಕರನ್ನು ಅಥವಾ ಏಕಪೋಷಕರನ್ನು ಕಳೆದುಕೊಂಡು ಏಕಪೋಷಕರ/ವಿಸ್ತೃತ ಕುಟುಂಬದ/ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಪಾಲನಾ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಗಳ ಆರೈಕೆಯಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಮಕ್ಕಳನ್ನು ಮಾನಸಿಕ ಆಘಾತದಿಂದ ಹೊರತರಲು ಮತ್ತು ಮಗುವಿನ ದೀರ್ಘಕಾಲಿಕ ಸಕಾರಾತ್ಮಕ ಬೆಳವಣಿಗೆಗೆ ಮತ್ತು ಮಗುವಿನ ಸರ್ವತೋಮುಖ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಗೆ ಅನುವಾಗುವಂತೆ ಸದರಿ ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿ ಮಗುವಿಗೆ ಮಾರ್ಗದರ್ಶಕರ ಸಹಾಯವನ್ನು ಅನುಸಂಧಾನಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು. ಈ ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿ ಮಾರ್ಗದರ್ಶಕರು ಇಚ್ಛಿಸಿದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ತಮ್ಮ ವೈಯಕ್ತಿಕ ಆದಾಯದಿಂದ ಮಕ್ಕಳಿಗೆ ಮಾಹೆಯಾನ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಸಹಾಯವನ್ನು ಸಹಾ ಒದಗಿಸಬಹುದು ಆದರೇ ಸದರಿ ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿ ಮಾರ್ಗದರ್ಶಕರಾಗಲು ಮಕ್ಕಳಿಗೆ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಸಹಾಯ ಒದಗಿಸುವುದು ಕಡ್ಡಾಯವಲ್ಲ.

ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ಬಾಲಹಿತೈಷಿ ಕುರಿತ ಮಾಹಿತಿಯನ್ನೊಳಗೊಂಡ ಹಾಗೂ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಯೋಜನೆಯನ್ನು ಯಶಸ್ವಿಯಾಗಿ ಅನುಷ್ಠಾನಗೊಳಿಸಲು ಪ್ರೇರಣೆ ನೀಡುವಂತೆ ಪತ್ರವೊಂದನ್ನು ಸಿದ್ಧಪಡಿಸಿ ಈ ಪತ್ರದೊಂದಿಗೆ 49 ಪ್ರತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಲಗತ್ತಿಸಿದೆ. ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿನ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು, ಮುಖ್ಯ ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಹಣಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು, ಪೊಲೀಸ್ ವರಿಷ್ಠಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು, ಜಿಲ್ಲೆಯ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಐಎಎಸ್ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು, desktop(letter)

ಐಪಿಎಸ್ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು, ಕೆಎಎಸ್ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು, ನಿವೃತ್ತ ಮಿಲಿಟರಿ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಸುತ್ತಿರುವ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಇಲಾಖೆಗಳ ಉಪನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು/ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಮಟ್ಟದ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು ಹಾಗೂ ಇನ್ನಿತರೇ ಸೂಕ್ತ ವರ್ಗದ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಕಳುಹಿಸಲು ಕೋರಿದೆ. ಹಾಗೆಯೇ ಸದರಿ ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿ ಮಾರ್ಗದರ್ಶಕರಾಗಿ ಪಾಲ್ಗೊಳ್ಳಲು ಮತ್ತು ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಜೀವನಕ್ಕೆ ಮಾರ್ಗದರ್ಶನ, ಬೆಂಬಲ ಹಾಗೂ ಸಾಧ್ಯವಾದಲ್ಲಿ ಆರ್ಥಿಕ ಸಹಾಯ ನೀಡಿ ಅವರುಗಳ ಸುಂದರ ಬದುಕಿಗೆ ನೆರವು ಒದಗಿಸಲು ಈ ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿ ಭಾಗೀದಾರರಾಗಲು ಸದರಿಯವರನ್ನು ಕೋರುವಂತೆ ಹಾಗೂ ಯೋಜನೆಯನ್ನು ಸಂಪೂರ್ಣವಾದ ಯಶಸ್ವಿಯಾದ ಅನುಷ್ಠಾನಕ್ಕೆ ಅಗತ್ಯ ಕ್ರಮವಹಿಸುವಂತೆ ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ತಿಳಿಸಿದೆ.

ತಮ್ಮ ವಿಶ್ವಾಸಿ.

,26.07.2021

ುರ್ದೇಶಕರು

ಮಕ್ಕಳ ರಕ್ಷಣಾ ನಿರ್ದೇಶನಾಲಯ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು. Letter No:ICPS/SARA-09/Bala Hitaishi/2021-22 Dated: 22.07.2021

Dear Officer,

"There can be no keener revelation of a society's soul than how it treats its children"

- Nelson Mandela, Former President of South Africa.

We all know that the Covid-19 pandemic has left many children in deep distress due to the loss of both parents or single parent. Hence it becomes the responsibility of the society to nourish the childhood of these children and prove that caring for children is part of Social consciousness in the State of Karnataka.

Accordingly the Directorate of Child Protection has introduced this new scheme known as "Bala Hitaishi" to provide a Mentor for Children Affected by Covid-19 who are staying with their single parent or extended families or in the Child Care Institution to give them emotional, moral and social support and follow-up that the child's requirements are fulfilled and the child's overall development is ensured till they cross 18 years of age.

Objectives of the Scheme:

"It is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men."

— Frederick Douglass, abolitionist and statesman.

Hence Bala Hitaishi tries to bring the child out of the trauma due to the loss of both parents or single parent and help them coming back to normalcy and be strong children.

• To provide Moral, Emotional and Social and other required support and care for a child who is undergoing trauma owing to the loss of both parents or one of the parents and is in an alternative family or with a Single Parent or in a Child Care Institution.

To build a one-to-one caring mentoring relationship

between children affected by COVID-19 and committed Mentor.

• To make a positive long term difference in the lives of these children (even beyond the age of 18 years) and assist them to achieve their highest potential both academically and socially.

"Children are like wet cement whatever falls on them makes an impression." — Haim Ginott, child psychologist.

Hence it becomes our moral responsibility to mobilize community interest and sensitize adults to the problems and issues faced by children affected by Covid-19 and turn them into advocates for children's rights and best interests so that these children get a positive impression of the society in which they are being brought up.

The beneficiary of the Scheme will be all children below the age of 18 years affected due to the death of both parents or Single parent due to COVID-19 and are staying with Single parent or extended family or in a Child Care Institution. This Scheme will be implemented through the District Child Protection Unit.

The Child Welfare Committee will consider the following while linking the mentor and the child

"Children need models rather than critics." - Joseph Joubert, French moralist.

Hence the prospective Mentor should be devoid of Smoking, Drinking, Drugs etc and other bad Habits so that they can be a good model for the child.

- Location/Geographical proximity,
- Language,
- Interests/hobbies
- Background
- Gender,
- Qualifications,
- All-female Children will be matched to female mentors. In the case of siblings belonging to both the genders, they will also be matched with female mentors only,

District Child Protection Unit should get Mentorship Order from the Child Welfare Committee and the Mentorship Order needs to be renewed once in a year through the Child Welfare Committee.

It is brought to your notice that Mentor will NOT receive any honorarium from Government for the services rendered under this Scheme. This Scheme is actually a means to provide a platform for the Mentor/Bala Hitaishi who is willing to give monthly financial support to the Child from their personal income, though providing financial support is not compulsory to become a Mentor. If Mentor is willing to provide financial support Mentor must commit the same minimum for One year. The Child Welfare Committee mentorship order will mention the amount and the account of the child or Joint Account of the Child and Guardian to be credited etc.. details.

Mentors would be expected to spend a minimum of 6-8 hours per month with the child and can design activities based on the child's needs and preferences, the child's age and their skills and networks. Activities may include sports, Fine arts, reading books, helping with homework, exam preparation, nurturing their hobbies and interests etc...

The Social Worker of the District Child Protection Unit(DCPU), will submit regular periodical feedback about the effectiveness of the Mentorship to Child Welfare Committee(CWC) through District Child Protection Officer which will help the Child Welfare Committee to give appropriate Orders.

The above Mentorship Scheme "Bala Hitaishi" has been approved by

the State Government vide

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Dated:05.06.2021.

For full details of the Scheme Guidelines of the Scheme may kindly be perused.

The children who lost both their parents or single parent due to Covid-19 are most vulnerable to various abuses. In this context, the following words of *Nelson Mandela, Former President of South Africa* are to be remembered and to be implemented by all of us.

"Safety and security don't just happen, they are the result of collective consensus and public investment. We owe our children, the most vulnerable citizens in our society, a life free of violence and fear."

Hence I request you to kindly implement this scheme with personal interest and ensure that every Covid affected child in your district is linked to a meaningful and effective mentor so that the child's overall development is ensured and every child reaches their dream.

I would like to express my gratitude to all of you for helping me in implementing this scheme with the words of *Fred Rogers, television* personality

"Anyone who does anything to help a child is a hero to me."

Yours faithfully,

Pallavi Akurathi, I.A.S

Director

Directorate of Child Protection

Bangalore