PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

SUBJECT: Setting up of Special Juvenile Police Units (SJPUs) in Karnataka, monitoring & review of its functions as per Sec 107 of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Rule 86 of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016-reg.

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1. Government Order No.HD 393 PCC 2011, Dated:31.01.2012.

Letter No.CRIMES-3(1)/130/2017, Dated:27.01.2021 and 15.04.2021 from the Director General and Inspector General of Police Karnataka.

3. Karnataka State Legal Services Authority Final report Dated:17.04.2021.

Preamble: 08.01. 2021

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1. The Government has ordered for setting up of Special Juvenile Police Units (SJPUs) in Karnataka monitoring and review of its function as per Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2000 and the Amended Act, 2006 vide read at (1) above.

The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2000 and the Amended Act, 2006 has been amended and at present Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016 are existing. A proposal has been received from the Director General and Inspector General of Police Karnataka vide letter dated: 27.01.2021 read at (2) above for setting up of Special Juvenile Police Units in Karnataka as per the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016.

- 3. In Writ Petition No.10096/2020, The Karnataka State Legal Services Authority has submitted Final report Dated: 17.04.2021 and department wise recommendation / steps to be taken regarding Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016 vide read above (3). In this report recommendation regarding to Home Department is as follows.
 - I. As per the said provision, SJPU must be headed by a police officer not below the rank of Dy.S.P. Although in City of Bengaluru, such arrangement is made, but in other parts of Karnataka, the SJPU is headed by the police officials below the rank of Dy.S.P. Hence, steps may have to

be taken to properly designate head of the SJPU as per Section 107(2) of JJ Act, 2015.

- II. As per Section 107(1) of JJ Act, 2015 it is mandated that at least one officer not below the rank of Assistant Sub Inspector must be exclusively designated as Child Welfare Police Officer(CWPO) in every police Station. Mere designating CWPO is not sufficient compliance of the provision. It is necessary to make the CWPO's exclusive officers for handling the children related cases.
- III. As per Section 107(2) of JJ Act, 2015 it is further necessary to depute 2 Social workers in every SJPU, of whom, one should be a woman. SJPUs in City of Bengaluru the Social Workers should be deputed to a minimum number of 16. It is desirable that the Police Department itself recruits the competent Social workers to assist them.
- IV. Pursuant to Section 107 of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Rule 86 of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016, to co-ordinate all functions of Police related to the children, the State Government has to constitute Special Juvenile Police Unit in every district and city. Accordingly DG&IGP in his proposal read above(2) has requested for constituting Special Juvenile Police Units throughout the State for this purpose and also requested to amend the previous Government order Dated:31.01.2012 read above(1).

Hence, the following order.

GOVERNMENT ORDER NO.HD 20 PCC 2021, BENGALURU,

DATED: 29-06-2021.

The above proposal has been examined in detail by the Government, the earlier Government Order No. HD 393 PCC 2011, Dated: 31.01.2012 is withdrawn with immediate effect and sanction is hereby accorded for setting up of Special Juvenile Police Units as per Section 107 of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Rule 86 of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016 in all the following districts and 6 City Commissionerates in the State.

S.N.	Name of the Unit	Sr. Child Welfare Police Officer (Amendment as per JJ act,2015)
1.	East Division, Bengaluru City	Asst. Commissioner of Police Pulakesinagar Sub-division

2.	West Division, Bengaluru City	Asst. Commissioner of Police
3.	Central Division, Bengaluru City	Asst. Commissioner of Police Sheshadripuram Sub-division
4.	North Division, Bengaluru City	Asst. Commissioner of Police Yeshwanthpur Sub-division
5.	Northeast Division, Bengaluru City	Asst. Commissioner of Police Yelahanka Sub-division
6.	South Division, Bengaluru City	Asst. Commissioner of Police Subramanyapura Sub-division
7.	Southeast Division, Bengaluru City	Asst. Commissioner of Police Madiwala Sub-division
8.	Whitefield Division, Bengaluru City	Asst. Commissioner of Police Whitefield Sub-division
9.	Mysuru City	Asst. Commissioner of Police City Crime Records Bureau
10.	Mangaluru City	Asst. Commissioner of Police City Crime Records Bureau
11.	Belagavi City	Asst. Commissioner of Police City Crime Records Bureau
12.	Hubballi – Dharwad City	Asst. Commissioner of Police City Crime Records Bureau
13.	Kalburgi City	Asst. Commissioner of Police 'B' Sub -Division
14.	Bidar District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Bidar Sub-Divison
15.	Kalburgi District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Rural Sub-Divison
16.	Yadgir District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Yadgiri Sub-Divison
17.	Vijayapura District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Vijayapura Sub-Divison
18.	Bagalkote District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Bagalkote Sub-Divison
19.	Belagavi District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Belagavi Sub-Divison
20.	Dharwad District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Dharwad Rural Sub-Divison
21.	Gadag District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Gadag Sub-Divison
22.	Davangere District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Davangere Sub-Divison
23.	Chitradurga District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Chitradurga Sub-Divison

24.	Shivamogga District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Shivmogga Sub-Divison
25.	Haveri District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Haveri Sub-Divison
26.	Ballari District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Ballari Sub-Divison
27.	Raichur District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Raichur Sub-Divison
28.	Koppal District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Koppal Sub-Divison
29.	Dakshina Kannada District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Puttur Sub-Divison
30.	Udupi District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Udupi Sub-Divison
31.	Uttara Kannada District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Karwar Sub-Divison
32.	Chikkamagalur District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Chikkamagaluru Sub-Divison
33.	Bengaluru Rural District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Hosakote Sub-Divison
34.	Tumakuru District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Tumakuru Sub-Divison
35.	Kolar District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Kolara Sub-Divison
36.	KGF	Dy. Superintendent of Police KGF Sub-Divison
37.	Ramanagara District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Ramangara Sub-Divison
38.	Chikkabalapura District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Chikkaballapura Sub-Divison
39.	Mysuru District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Mysuru Rural Sub-Divison
40.	Chamrajanagar District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Chamarajanagara Sub-Divison
41.	Kodagu District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Madikeri Sub-Divison
42.	Mandya District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Mandya Sub-Divison
43.	Hassan District	Dy. Superintendent of Police Hassan Sub-Divison
44.	Bengaluru Sub-division Railway Police	Dy. Superintendent of Railway Police

45.	Hubballi Sub-division Railway Police	Dy. Superintendent of Railway Police
46.	Kalburgi Sub-division Railway Police	Dy. Superintendent of Railway Police
47.	Traffic East Division, Bengaluru City	Asst. Commissioner of Police Traffic Central Sub-division
48.	Traffic West Division, Bengaluru City	Asst. Commissioner of Police Traffic South Sub-division
49.	Traffic North Division, Bengaluru City	Asst. Commissioner of Police Traffic Northeast Sub-division
50.	C.I.D – CCD Bengaluru.	Dy. Superintendent of Police Cyber Crime department –CID

- 2. Government further orders that the following police officers shall be the designated officers in charge of functioning and monitoring of the Special Juvenile Police Units.
 - a. Director General of Police (Training) shall be the State Nodal Officer for all the Special Juvenile Police Units in the State.
 - b. Additional Superintendents in the Districts, Deputy Commissioner of Police (Crime & Traffic), Mysuru, Hubbali-Dharwad, Mangaluru, Belagavi, Kalaburagi and the Deputy Commissioner of Police of the divisions in Bengaluru City shall be the District/Division Nodal Officers respectively.
 - c. Each Special Juvenile Police Units in the Districts/City Commissionerates shall be headed by an Officer not below the rank of Deputy Superintendent of Police designated as 'Senior Child Welfare Officer (Sr. CWO)' as per Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Rule 86 of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016.

The responsibility and nature of work of the Sr.CWO is in Annexure-1.

- d. Two Social Workers having experience of working in the field of Child welfare, of whom one shall be a woman should be deputed to each SJPU as per Section 107 of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Rule 86 of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016. It is desirable that the Police Department itself recruits the competent Social workers to assist them.
- e. In Bengaluru city, the Joint Commissioner Crimes (West) shall be the Nodal Officer and the Asst. Commissioner of Police City Crime Branch

(Women and Narcotics) shall be the Co-ordinating Officer for all Special Juvenile Police Units as per Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Rule 86 of Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model rules, 2016

f. In every Police station, at least one officer not below the rank of Assistant Sub-Inspector with aptitude, appropriate training and orientation may be designated as the Child Welfare Police Officer, as per Section 107(1) of JJ Act, 2015.

The responsibility and nature of work of the CWO is in Annexure-2.

- 3. Training of Senior Child Welfare Officers & Child Welfare Officers and setting up of Special Juvenile Police Units shall be carried out by the GSPP (Gender Sensitisation and People Friendly Police Project) Team working under DGP (Training).
- 4. Each Police Station shall maintain two separate registers to record crimes against women and children as prescribed in Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016. Senior police officers visiting the police stations shall check and sign these registers along with other mandatory registers at the police stations.
- 5. Bi-monthly meetings, to review functioning of each Special Juvenile Police Units shall be held by the District/Divisional Nodal Officer with the assistance of the Senior Child Welfare Officer. In Bangalore City the review shall be held by the Joint Commissioner-Crimes (West). The following officers shall participate:
 - a. All Child Welfare Officers (CWOs) at the Police stations.
 - b. Officials from the Dept. of Women and Child Development and District Child Protection Unit.
 - c. Chairperson and Members of the Child Welfare Committee.
 - d. Chairperson and Members of the Juvenile Justice Board.
 - e. Superintendents of Children's Home in the District/City.
 - f. Social Workers at the District Child Protection Unit.
 - g. Representatives of Childline/Nodal Agency.
 - h. Representatives of Hospital Based Child Response Unit for cases related to child abuse, wherever.
- 6. The agenda for the quarterly review shall be as follows:
 - a. Each Child Welfare Officer shall report the cases of the children handled by them at their respective police stations. Cases of the children must be handled by the Child Welfare Officers only.

- b. Register as prescribed in Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016 has been maintained (Register should be brought for the monthly meetings by the Child Welfare Officers for verification by Senior Child Welfare Officers and GSPP Team).
- c. Monthly report on the cases of children has been submitted as per the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016. Hence forth a copy of that report should be sent to DCRB, CCRB, SCRB and KSLA also.
- d. All data/ report pertaining to missing children to be submitted and reviewed.
- e. Social workers participating shall give feedback on the cases handled.
- f. In case of transfer, retirement or promotion of Child Welfare Officers at any station immediately action shall be taken by the District/Divisional Nodal Officer to designate other police personnel as CWP in his/her place as per Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model rules, 2016.
- g. The minutes of the meeting shall be recorded by Sr. Child Welfare Officer and sent to the District/Divisional Nodal Officer with a copy to Director General of Police (Training), Women and Child Development Department, and Project Director Integrated Child Protection Scheme within seven days of the meeting.
- 7. Director General of Police (Training) and the Director, Women and Child Development Department, Project Director Integrated Child Protection Scheme shall jointly monitor the functioning of the Special Juvenile Police Units and organise half-yearly review meetings with all the Senior Child Welfare Officers.

By Order and in the name of the Governor of Karnataka

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Deputy Secretary to Government, Home Department (Crimes, Prisons & Cinema).

To:

1. Director General & Inspector General of Police of Karnataka, Nrupathunga Road, Bengaluru.

- 2. Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Department of Women and Child Development and Empowerment of Differently Abled & Senior Citizens.
- 3. Advocate General, High Court of Karnataka Bengaluru.
- A. Director, Department of Women and Child Development.
 - 5. Director General of Police (Training).
- 6. Member Secretary, Karnataka State Legal Services Authority, Nyayadegula, Siddaiah Road, Bengaluru-27.
- 7. Inspector General of Police All Ranges through DG & IGP.
- 8. All Commissioners of Police through DG & IGP.
- 9. All Superintendents of Police through DG & IGP.
- 10. Project Director Integrated Child Protection Scheme through DG & IGP.
- 11. All Special Juvenile Police Units through DG & IGP.
- 12. PS to Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Home Department.
- \$3. PS to Principal Secretary to Government(PCAS), Home Department.
- 14. PA to Deputy Secretary to Government, Home Department.
- 15. Spare copies/Section Guard File.

Annexure-1

<u>Duties and Responsibilities of Assistants to Senior Welfare Officers at SJPUs.</u>

- 1. Master register should be maintained in every SJPU Police Stations. with the following details.
 - Data of Missing and traced children in the respective Police station limits.
 - > Data of traced children of other police station limits.
 - Data of Neglected children.
 - ➤ Data of children rescued from Child marriage, Child Labour, Beggary and with other problems.
 - Data of Sexual harassments /Rape case child victims.
 - Data of children of conflict with law.
 - ➤ Details of Children produced before CWC and JJB in respect of their cases and its progress should be entered in the Master Register.
- 2. Places where children in problem and problem expected shall be identified and reviewed and mapped cases related to children.
- 3. Attend and extend the cooperation in police stations and other departments.
- 4. Attend the meetings of Juvenile Justice Board and summons/warrants issued by JJB should be sent to concerns Police stations for execution and also collect the information of execution/non execution.
- 5. Charge Sheets should be filed within the time limit in conflict with law cases.
- 6. Crime and harassment against children by Adult should be reported to Child Welfare Board (CWB).
- 7. Meeting of Child Welfare Board attended and report the meeting discussions to the Senior Child Welfare Officers.
- 8. Assist to organize monthly meetings of SJPU and draw the meeting proceedings and send it to the senior Officers through Senior Child Welfare Officers.

Annexure-2

Role of Senior Child Welfare in City/District DySP/ACP Rank officers in handling cases related to children alleged to be in conflict with law and children in need of care and protection

- Directions to be issued to the child welfare office at stations in handling cases relating to children related as per the Juvenile Justice(Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and POSCO Act.
- Ensure that a Master Register is maintained at the SJPU where all cases handled by the police stations in the Unit are documented, reviewed and followed up on.
- Ensure that a separate register to document cases relating to children is maintained and updated regularly at the police stations
- Map vulnerable and at-risk areas and organize preventive programs
- Organise and facilitate monthly reviews of the SJPU with members of the Child Welfare Committee (CWC), Juvenile Justice Board (JJB) and District Child Protection Unit (DCPU, NGO Social workers and Support Persons participating.
- Ensure that CWPOs organize Community Outreach Programs "Samudhaya Samparka Sabha" and Open House Programs "Therade Mane" in their respective jurisdiction on child protection issues, information about rights of children along with access to support and services available for children.
- Reports received from the Police Stations in concerned to Child and Women related issues to be consolidated and sent to SCRB every month of 5th.
- Keep track of transfers, retirement, long leave of CWPOs and designate new officers in their place.

- Organise periodic training, including orientation programmes, sensitization workshops and refresher courses for officers and staff designated to the Special Juvenile Police Units.
- Inform State Nodal Officer of any changes regarding the Sr. CWPO or CWPOs.
- Information relating to missing children to be recorded Daily at Police Station in Child Tracking System.
- Meeting to be organized with the Child Welfare Officer once in 2 months and proceedings of the meeting to be sent to SP/DCP.