



MEDIA WORKSHOP

2016 - 2017

4
Workshops

240
Journalists

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Impact



Coordination

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INTRODUCTION

UNICEF has always been at the forefront to empower children and give them a safe environment to grow as individuals, with access to right education and health facilities as well as a promising future. UNICEF recognizes the significant role played by the media and has taken it up to enlighten the media fraternity and make them partners in this journey.

Media has the power to save children or expose child right violations, at its own will. The responsibility of media is sharper analysis and protecting victims from further victimization. Reflection on the portrayal of children in the media and use of media power to transform society in favour of children is a challenge. To meet these challenges UNICEF conducted a series of four workshops for the media fraternity in several districts of Karnataka.

These workshops highlighted and deliberated on some alarming facts and figures on the rise in human rights violations, specifically child rights. The initiative was a huge step towards making the media aware of their responsibilities in protecting child victim's individuality and helping them survive and cope up with abuse, both physical and mental.

The workshops were also meant to liberate a significant number of children and their families from the humiliation that result often from reckless media coverage, of events that call for sensitivity.

This initiative by UNICEF and members of the media fraternity is to help media professionals to make their decisions and choose their actions to transform the world in favour of children.

THE WORKSHOPS AIMED TO

- Sensitize the media about being careful and proactive in their roles and responsibilities while reporting on any child issue.
- Update the media on child-sensitive legislations and the changing policies on child rights and child protection.

THE WORKSHOPS WILL ENABLE JOURNALISTS TO

- Make a positive difference in the lives of children, their families and communities.
- Influence attitudes, and social norms through media.
- Act like a bridge between society and government to power relationships.
- Build a pro-child and child-sensitive environment across the country/world.

PLACES WORKSHOPS HELD

58

Journalists attended



Bengaluru



Kalaburagi

58

Journalists attended



Belagavi

81

Journalists attended



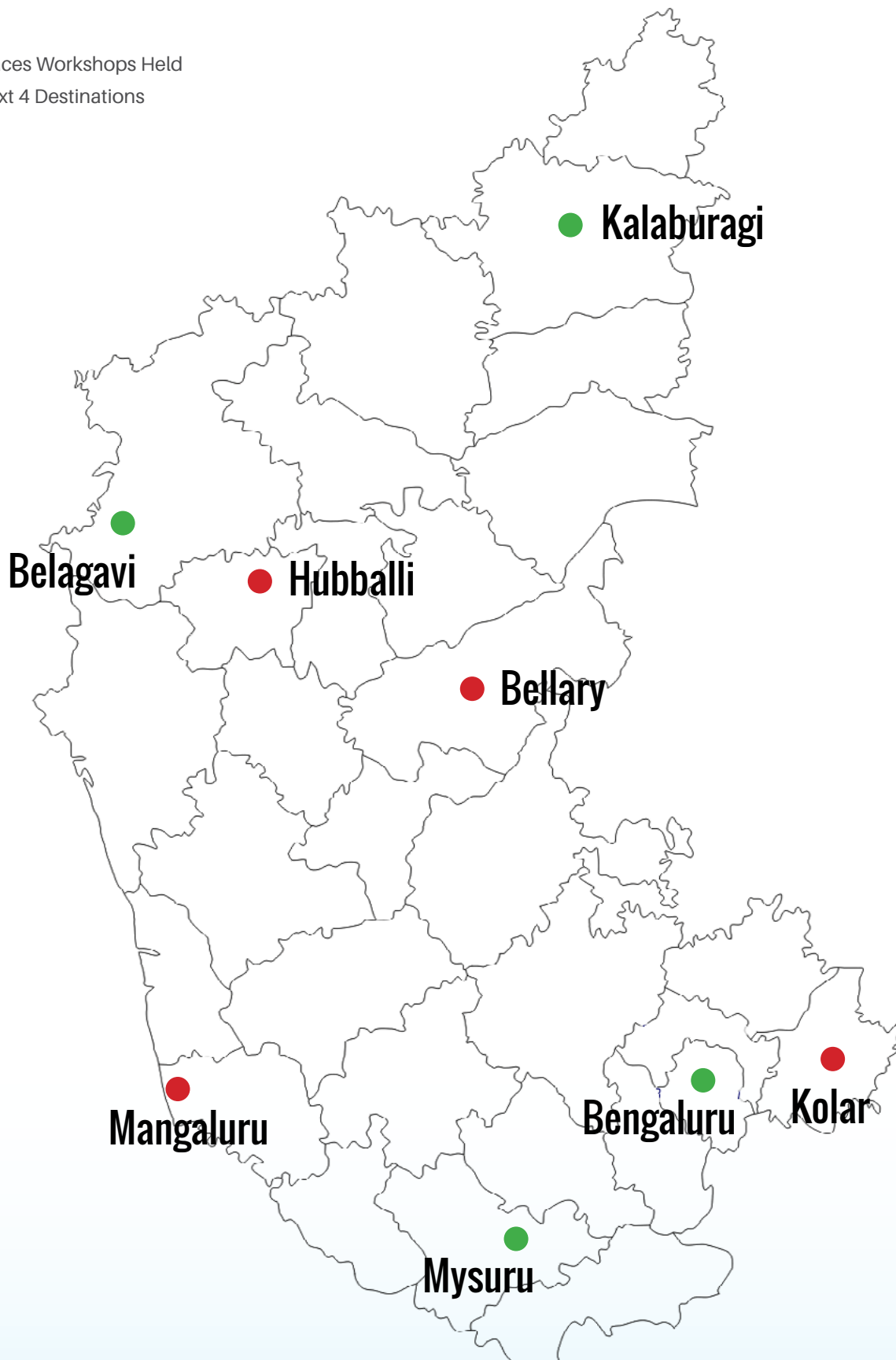
Mysuru

43

Journalists attended

WORKSHOPS' DESTINATIONS

- Places Workshops Held
- Next 4 Destinations



BENGALURU WORKSHOP

Integrated Child Protection Society (ICPS) and Department of Women and Child Development (DWCD) conducted a half-day workshop in collaboration with Karnataka State Information and Public Relations Department, Karnataka Madhyama Academy, UNICEF's Child Protection Project team, Bangalore TV Journalist Association and VERBINDEN, in Bengaluru on June 4, 2016.

This workshop was exclusively for journalists, as UNICEF strongly believes that 'Communication for Development' is one of the most empowering ways of improving the society and media is one of the key stakeholders in this process.

58 journalists from different media houses in Bengaluru participated in the programme. Dr. Rajneesh Goel, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Women and Child Development; B M Vijayashankar, Director, Department of Women and Child Development; N R Vishukumar, Director, Department of Information and Public Relations; Siddaraju, President Karnataka Madhyama Bengaluru; Sonykutty George, Child Protection Unicef Hyderabad; and Narmada Anand, Project Director, ICPS-Karnataka graced the inaugural function. The guests shared their valuable thoughts and real life examples to show how and why media should be more responsible.





ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆ: ನಮ್ಮೆಲ್ಲರ ಹೊಣೆ.

ಇಂದಿನ ಮಕ್ಕಳು : ಇಂದಿನ ಪ್ರಜೆಗಳು.



“ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಮಾಧ್ಯಮ” ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮಗಳ ಪಾತ್ರ ಕುರಿತು ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರ Upholding Child Rights - Media and Child Protection



16, ಹೋಟೆಲ್ ಭಾನ್ಸರಿ ಲ್ಯಾವಲಿ ರೋಡ್, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು.

ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 10 ರಿಂದ ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 2



During the second half of the workshop, attendees witnessed two highly impactful sessions titled 'Perspectives on Child Rights and Child Protection in the present context' and 'Towards Child Sensitive and Child Friendly Media Reporting/Broadcast' conducted by Mr. Sonykutty George and Ms. Kavita Ratna respectively. This was followed by a highly interactive plenary session on 'Child protection and Media - Legislative mandate, and media partnership for a protective and favourable environment for children.'



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ಸಂಯೋಜನೆ

ವಾರ್ತಾ

ಮಹಿಳಾ ಮತ್ತು ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮ ಅಕಾಡೆಮಿ

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PANELISTS & PARTICIPANTS SPEAK



Kavita Ratna, Director
Advocacy, The Concerned
for Working Children

“Congratulations to UNICEF for organizing multiple capacity building workshops for media persons in relation to children’s rights and its reportage. This workshop was timely and urgently needed. Often, media lapses related to their coverage of children’s rights and issues stem from a lack of information or a limited understanding of the rights framework. Such programmes accompanied by the dossier compiled by UNICEF for their ready-reference will certainly contribute to an informed and empathetic media which is indeed the need of the hour. I am very happy to be associated with this process.”

“I would thank UNICEF and all the departments in collaboration, for taking such an initiative through this workshop. The interaction with the resource persons was informative and also the insights of the interaction have really made a difference in reporting crime, related by and against minors. Also, the workshop exposed us to the cultural, social and economic aspects of crime by and against minors.”



Kiran Parashar K M,
Senior Reporter, New
Indian Express, Bengaluru



Viraj K V, Reporter,
Vishwavani, Bengaluru

“I have just started my career as a journalist. This workshop made me realise that power always comes with responsibility. I am grateful to the UNICEF for organising the workshop with a goal to sensitize the media, as media can play a key role to make this world a better place for children, who are the future of the nation. And I must say these kinds of workshops should be organized across the country so that all the media representatives can experience this and realize the importance of responsibility that they owe to the society.”

GLIMPSES





MEDIA COVERAGE

ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಮೇಲಿನ ದೌರ್ಜನ್ಯ: ಕರುಣೆ, ಕಳಕಳಿಯಿರಲಿ

(ನಮ್ಮ ಪ್ರತಿನಿಧಿಯಿಂದ)
ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ಜೂ. 4- ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಮೇಲಿನ ದೌರ್ಜನ್ಯ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮಗಳು ಎಚ್ಚರ ಹಾಗೂ ಸಂಯಮ ವಹಿಸುವ ಅಗತ್ಯವಿದೆ ಎಂದು ಮಹಿಳಾ ಮತ್ತು ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಕಲ್ಯಾಣ ಇಲಾಖೆ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕ ಬಿ.ಎಂ. ವಿಜಯಶಂಕರ್ ಹೇಳಿದರು.

ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಮೇಲೆ ದೌರ್ಜನ್ಯ ನಡೆದಾಗ ಅದನ್ನು ಮಾಧ್ಯಮಗಳು ಬಿತ್ತರಿಸುವಾಗ ಟೀಕಾಟ ಮುಖ್ಯವೇ, ಸಾಮಾಜಿಕ ಕಳಕಳಿ ಮುಖ್ಯವೇ ಎಂಬುದು ಮಿಲಿಯನ್ ಡಾಲರ್ ಪ್ರಶ್ನೆಯಾಗಿದೆ. ದೌರ್ಜನ್ಯ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಮಗುವಿನ ಗುರುತು ಬಹಿರಂಗವಾಗದ ರೀತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ವರದಿಗಳು ಇದ್ದರೆ ಒಳ್ಳೆಯದು ಎಂದು ಅವರು ಹೇಳಿದರು.

ಹೇಳಿದರು. ನಗರದಲ್ಲಿಯೂ ಯೂನಿಸೆಫ್ ಸಹಯೋಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಮಹಿಳಾ ಮತ್ತು ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ವಾರ್ತಾ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಟಿವಿ ಪತ್ರಕರ್ತರ ಸಂಘ, ಫರ್ಬಂಡನ್ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಜಂಟಿಯಾಗಿ ಆಯೋಜಿಸಿದ್ದ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಮಾಧ್ಯಮ ಕುರಿತ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರವನ್ನು ಉದ್ಘಾಟಿಸಿ ಮಾತನಾಡಿದ ಅವರು, ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಮೇಲಿನ ದೌರ್ಜನ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಕಾನೂನು ದೃಷ್ಟಿಯಿಂದ ನೋಡುವುದಕ್ಕಿಂತ ಕಳಕಳಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಪ್ರೀತಿ, ಕರುಣೆಯಿಂದ ನೋಡಬೇಕು. ದೌರ್ಜನ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ಒಳಗಾದ ಮಗುವಿನ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಅಂತರಂಗದ ಒಲವನ್ನು ತೋರುವ ರೀತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮಗಳ ವರದಿಗಳು ಇರಬೇಕು ಎಂದರು.

ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಕ್ಕು ಹಾಗೂ ಸುರಕ್ಷತೆಯ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಪ್ರತಿಯೊಬ್ಬರೂ ಬದ್ಧತೆಯಿಂದ ನಡೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು. ನಮ್ಮ ಮಗು ಸಮಾಜದಲ್ಲಿ ಸುರಕ್ಷಿತವಾಗಿ ಇರಬಲ್ಲದು ಎಂಬ ವಾತಾವರಣವನ್ನು ರೂಪಿಸುವ ಜವಾಬ್ದಾರಿ ಎಲ್ಲರದ್ದು ಎಂದರು. ಇದೇ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾತನಾಡಿದ ವಾರ್ತಾ ಇಲಾಖೆ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕ ಎನ್.ಆರ್. ವಿಶುಕುಮಾರ್, ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಮೇಲಿನ ದೌರ್ಜನ್ಯ ಪ್ರಕರಣಗಳನ್ನು ಬೆಳಕಿಗೆ ತರುವಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮಗಳು ಉತ್ತಮವಾಗಿ ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿವೆ. ದೌರ್ಜನ್ಯಕ್ಕೊಳಗಾದ ಮಕ್ಕಳನ್ನು ನಮ್ಮ ಮಕ್ಕಳು ಎಂಬ ಮನೋಭಾವವನೆಯನ್ನು ಬೆಳೆಸಿಕೊಂಡರೆ ಆ ಮಗುವಿನ ಗುರುತು ಹೊರ ಬರದೆ ಉಳಿಯಲು ಸಾಧ್ಯ ಎಂದರು.



ಇಂದಿನ ಈ ಸಮಾಜದಲ್ಲಿ ವಿಕೃತ ಮನಸ್ಸಿನ ಕೆಲ ಘಾತಕ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿಗಳು ಮಕ್ಕಳನ್ನು ಲೈಂಗಿಕವಾಗಿ ದುರ್ಬಳಕೆ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತಿರುವ ಪ್ರಕರಣಗಳು ಹೆಚ್ಚಿವೆ. ಹಾಗಾಗಿ ನಮ್ಮ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಸುರಕ್ಷತೆಯ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಅರಿವು ಮೂಡಿಸುವ ಅಗತ್ಯವಿದೆ ಎಂದರು.

ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಸುರಕ್ಷತೆ, ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮುಂದಿನ ದಿನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ವಿಭಾಗೀಯ ಮಟ್ಟದಲ್ಲಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಮಟ್ಟದಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರಗಳನ್ನು ಆಯೋಜಿಸಲಾಗುವುದು ಎಂದು ಅವರು ಹೇಳಿದರು.

ಈ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ರಾಜ್ಯದ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ರಕ್ಷಣಾ ಸೀನೈಟಿಯ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕ ನರ್ಮದಾ ಅನಂದ್, ಹೈದರಾಬಾದ್ ಯೂನಿಸೆಫ್‌ನ ವಿಷಯ ತಜ್ಞ ಸೋನಿ ಕುಟ್ಟಿ ಜಾರ್ಜ್, ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳ ರಕ್ಷಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ತೊಡಗಿಕೊಂಡಿರುವ ಕವಿತಾರತ್ನ, ಫರ್ಬಂಡನ್ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯ ಸತೀಶ್ ಚಪ್ಪರಿಕೆ ಸೇರಿದಂತೆ ಹಲವು ಗಣ್ಯರು ಉಪಸ್ಥಿತರಿದ್ದರು.

ಪ್ರಜಾವಾಣಿ ಭಾನುವಾರ • ಜೂನ್ 5, 2016

ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಮೇಲೆ ದೌರ್ಜನ್ಯ: ಮಾಧ್ಯಮ ಸಂಯಮ ಅಗತ್ಯ ಮಹಿಳಾ ಮತ್ತು ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕ ಬಿ.ಎಂ. ವಿಜಯಶಂಕರ್ ಆಶಯ

ಪ್ರಜಾವಾಣಿ ವಾರ್ತೆ
ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು: 'ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಮೇಲಿನ ದೌರ್ಜನ್ಯದ ಪ್ರಕರಣಗಳ ವರದಿ ಮಾಡುವಾಗ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮಗಳು ಸಂಯಮ ವಹಿಸಬೇಕು' ಎಂದು ಮಹಿಳಾ ಮತ್ತು ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಇಲಾಖೆಯ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕ ಬಿ.ಎಂ. ವಿಜಯಶಂಕರ್ ತಿಳಿಸಿದರು.



'ದೌರ್ಜನ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ಒಳಗಾದ ಮಗುವಿನ ಗುರುತು ಬಹಿರಂಗವಾಗದ ರೀತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ವರದಿಗಳು ಇರಬೇಕು' ಎಂದರು.

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಸಮಗ್ರ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ರಕ್ಷಣಾ ಸೀನೈಟಿ, ಯುನಿಸೆಫ್, ಮಹಿಳಾ ಮತ್ತು ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ, ವಾರ್ತಾ ಹಾಗೂ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಪರ್ಕ ಇಲಾಖೆಯ ಅಶ್ರಯದಲ್ಲಿ ನಗರದಲ್ಲಿ ಶನಿವಾರ ಆಯೋಜಿಸಿದ್ದ 'ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಮಾಧ್ಯಮ' ಕುರಿತ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ಅವರು ಮಾತನಾಡಿದರು.

ಯುನಿಸೆಫ್‌ನ ವಿಷಯ ಪರಿಚಿತ ಸೋನಿ ಕುಟ್ಟಿ ಜಾರ್ಜ್, ಬಿ.ಎಂ. ವಿಜಯಶಂಕರ್ ಹಾಗೂ ಎನ್.ಆರ್.ವಿಶುಕುಮಾರ್ ಮಾತುಕತೆ ನಡೆಸಿದರು. ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಮಗ್ರ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ರಕ್ಷಣಾ ಸೀನೈಟಿಯ ಆಯೋಜನಾ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕ ನರ್ಮದಾ ಚಿತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿಯೂ ಪ್ರಜಾವಾಣಿ ಚಿತ್ರ

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ಶನಿವಾರ, 4, ಜೂನ್, 2016, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ಸಂಯುಕ್ತ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು: ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮ ಅಕಾಡೆಮಿ: ಮಹಿಳಾ ಮತ್ತು ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ ಸಹಯೋಗದೊಂದಿಗೆ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳು ಕುರಿತು ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರ. ಸ್ಥಳ: ಚಾನ್ಸಲರ್ ಹೋಟೆಲ್, ಲ್ಯಾಪ್ಲೇ ರಸ್ತೆ, 9.30

ಪ್ರಜಾವಾಣಿ ವಾರ್ತೆ
ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು: 'ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳು ಮತ್ತು ಮಾಧ್ಯಮ' ಮಕ್ಕಳ ರಕ್ಷಣೆ ಮತ್ತು ಮಾಧ್ಯಮಗಳ ಬಾಕಿ ಕುರಿತು ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರ. ಅತಿಥಿಗಳು: ಮಹಿಳಾ ಮತ್ತು ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕ ಬಿ.ಎಂ.ವಿಜಯಶಂಕರ್, ವಾರ್ತಾ ಮತ್ತು ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಸಂಪರ್ಕ ಇಲಾಖೆ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕ ಎನ್.ಆರ್. ವಿಶುಕುಮಾರ್, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮ ಅಕಾಡೆಮಿ ಅಧ್ಯಕ್ಷ ಸಿದ್ದರಾಮು, ಮಕ್ಕಳ ರಕ್ಷಣಾ ತಜ್ಞ ಸೋನಿ ಕುಟ್ಟಿ ಜಾರ್ಜ್, ಸ್ಥಳ: ಹೋಟೆಲ್ ಚಾನ್ಸಲರ್, ಲ್ಯಾಪ್ಲೇ ರಸ್ತೆ, ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 9.30.



KALABURAGI WORKSHOP

The second workshop on Upholding Child Rights - Media and Child Protection was held at S S Patil Auditorium, Hyderabad Karnataka Chamber of Commerce and Industry Building in Kalaburagi, on April 7th, 2017.

58 journalists participated in the half-day workshop. The Deputy Commissioner in-charge and Zilla Panchayat CEO, Hephisiba Rani inaugurated the workshop and addressed the journalists. In her remarks, Rani stated that, "In spite of many acts and laws we (government) still held back to control child marriage. Recently a report revealed that, 50 per cent of the marriages which happen in the rural area involve minors, which is shocking. We all in the society should hold the responsibility to protect child rights because they are the future of the nation."

"Media is a powerful tool which telecasts day-to-day affairs by presenting facts and figures, which reaches millions of viewers resulting in a huge impact. So, it's the duty of the media to make the public aware and discourage the evil practices like child marriage and child labours." added Rani.

There were few journalists who raised questions about the system and the steps taken by the government to punish the culprits involved in child labour. The question and answer session witnessed some heated arguments as well, which brought many stories into limelight.



The second half of the workshop was taken over by K Raghavendra Bhat, Regional Coordinator, GOK-Unicef Child Protection Project Koppal, who presented the perspectives on Child Rights and Child Protection in the present context in a presentation. He also highlighted the legislative mandate on Child Protection. Sister Dulcine Crasta, Resource person, spoke about Child Sensitive and Child Friendly Media Reporting/Broadcast best practices, challenges and the way forward.

The workshop was organized by Karnataka State Integrated Child Protection Society(ICPS), Department of Women and Child Development (DWCD), Department of Information and Public Relations, VERBINDEN Bengaluru, District Child Protection Unit, Department of Information Kalaburagi and Unicef Hyderabad. Journalists from Yadgir, Bellary, Bidar too took part in the workshop.



PANELISTS & PARTICIPANTS SPEAK



Hepsiba Rani Korlapati,
CEO, Zilla Panchayat,
Kalaburagi

“A lot of child marriage cases are reported from rural areas. Village accounts and other officers should be vigilant about them. Officers should be very sensitive towards stopping child marriages and child labour and should immediately take action in case of media reporting.”

“The workshop on ‘Child Rights and Child Protection’ organized by UNICEF Child protection programme was very useful. It provided valuable inputs to journalists on reporting child rights and their abuse. Mr. Raghavendra Bhat with his profound knowledge and beautiful presentation enriched our knowledge on child rights, their abuse and related legislations in force. I am happy that I did not miss the opportunity. Such workshops need to be organized at other centers for sensitising journalists so that the common errors in the reporting abuse of child rights could be minimised. I strongly feel that such workshops would help media persons expand their understanding on the issue and result in informed and sensitive reporting.”



Kumar Buradikatti,
Principal Correspondent,
The Hindu, Kalaburagi



Prashanth H G,
Photojournalist, Prajavani &
Deccan Herald, Kalaburagi

“It was an amazing workshop organized by Unicef. It’s just not limited to reporters and photojournalists and people from the electronic media, in fact all the media community right from desk to designers must attend such workshops to upgrade themselves and know the laws. It also makes us aware of how things can go wrong when we are in a hurry to break the news and commit blunders. I suggest and request the organizers to conduct similar workshops in all districts and talukas as well, so that many damages can be avoided and journalists can be educated on the issues of child rights and protection.”

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MEDIA COVERAGE



In-charge Deputy Commissioner Hebsiba Rani inaugurating a workshop on Upholding Child Rights - Media and Child Protection at HKCCI in Kalaburgi on Friday. (U.P. PHOTO)

'Protect rights of children'

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He was speaking during the one day workshop for media on 'Upholding child rights-media and Child Protection' at A S Patil Auditorium of Hyderabad Karnataka chamber of Commerce and Industry here, on Friday.

The workshop was jointly organised by Karnataka State Integrated Child Protection Society (ICPS), Department of Women and Child Development and other organisations.

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ನಮ್ಮ ವಿಳಾಸ ಕಲಬುರಗಿ

ಹಳ್ಳಿಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಅರ್ಧದಷ್ಟು ಬಾಲವಿವಾಹ: ಕಳವಳ

ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಪರಿಶುದ್ಧತೆ ಮತ್ತು ಅಧಿಕಾರ ಅಧಿಪತ್ಯ... (ಕಲಬುರಗಿ ಸಂವತ್ಸರ)...

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THE HINDU

'Societal participation vital to protect child rights'

Workshop on child rights

Hebsiba Rani Korlapati,

CEO of the Kalaburagi Zilla Panchayat and in-charge DC, emphasised the need for active participation from society in protecting child rights. She was addressing a workshop on sensitising the media on child rights and child protection at the S.S. Patil Auditorium on Friday.

It was organised by the Integrated Child Protection Society, Department of Women and Child Development, Unicef Child Protection Project, Koppal, and other departments.



ಜಾಗೃತಿ ಮೂಡಿಸುವಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮದ ಪಾತ್ರ ಹಿರಿದು

(ಕಸ್ತೂರಿ ಪ್ರಕಾಶನದಿಂದ)

ಕಲಬುರಗಿ: ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳ ರಕ್ಷಣೆ ಮತ್ತು ಅವರ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಸಹಕಾರವನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯುವಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮದ ಪಾತ್ರ ಹಿರಿದು. ಇದರ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು ಮಾಧ್ಯಮದ ಸಹಕಾರವನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯುವಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮದ ಪಾತ್ರ ಹಿರಿದು. ಇದರ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು ಮಾಧ್ಯಮದ ಸಹಕಾರವನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯುವಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮದ ಪಾತ್ರ ಹಿರಿದು.

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ಮಕ್ಕಳ ರಕ್ಷಣೆ ಪ್ರತಿಯೊಬ್ಬರ ಹೊಣೆಯಾಗಿದೆ

ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳ ರಕ್ಷಣೆ ಕುರಿತು ಯುನಿಸೆಫ್‌ನಿಂದ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮ ವರದಿಗಾರಿಕೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರ

ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳಿಗೆ ಭಂಗ ತರದಿರಲಿ ವರದಿ

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ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳ ರಕ್ಷಣೆ: ಕಾಳಜಿ ಅಗತ್ಯ

ಕಲಬುರಗಿ: ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳ ರಕ್ಷಣೆ ಮತ್ತು ಅವರ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಸಹಕಾರವನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯುವಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮದ ಪಾತ್ರ ಹಿರಿದು. ಇದರ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು ಮಾಧ್ಯಮದ ಸಹಕಾರವನ್ನು ಪಡೆಯುವಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮದ ಪಾತ್ರ ಹಿರಿದು.

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BELAGAVI WORKSHOP

The third workshop on 'Upholding Child Rights, Media and Child Protection' was organized in Belagavi on April 21, 2017 at Hotel Adarsh Palace. Apart from Belagavi, journalists from Ranebennur, Haveri, Gadag districts too took part in this workshop and the total number of journalists counted to 81 at the registration counter. With a resourceful team of Integrated Child Protection Society (ICPS) and Department of Women and Child Development(DWCD) jointly with UNICEF - Child Protection Project, UNICEF CP Project Koppal, Karnataka State Information and Public Relations Department - Bengaluru, District Administration, District Child Protection Unit Belagavi and VERBINDEN Bengaluru the workshop was organized.

Deputy Commissioner, N Jayaram inaugurated the workshop and addressed the media fraternity. He said that while reporting the cases of atrocities against the children, media should be judicious and in particular, in incidents like sexual assault, these things can impair the future of the children. More writings should be on the provisions the victims can appeal for, the legislation and it has to be written in such a way where news should reach to the public but without causing damage to the victim who is already in trauma. Deputy Commissioner of Police (Law & Order), Radhika G also elucidated the topic by stating few examples where these incidents made lives of victims miserable. Wrong questions by -media at the wrong time and reporting with unwanted photographs, revealing the family and the victim's identity leads to irreparable damage. Therefore, media persons should be well aware of the consequences and practice mindful reporting.

Karnataka State Child Rights Protection Committee Senior Assistant Director Usha, UNICEF Regional Co-ordinator K Raghavendra Bhat, Child Rights Trust, Bengaluru Director Vasudev Sharma, V Susheela of Spandana Trust, Child Rights Commission member Anand Lobo, Senior Assistant Director of Information and Public Relation Department, Belagavi Gurunath Kadaburu and District Child Protection Officer Basavaraj Varatti and others were present.



PANELISTS & PARTICIPANTS SPEAK



N Jayaram, Deputy
Commissioner, Belagavi

“The judiciary’s verdict can be revised, executive orders too can be modified but a report published in the media cannot be corrected or, modified. So when the media reports on child rights and crime, it must exercise caution and sensibility. One should be sensitive and aware of the circumstances under which a girl becomes a victim of sexual abuse.”

“In the last year, more than 400 child rights violation cases were reported, and in 60 cases action was initiated after suo moto cases were registered after the media reported the cases. And while reporting such incidents, the media should not reveal any detail which can harm the victims mentally and make life difficult for them. The report should help in creating a better society for children.”



G Radhika, DCP Law &
Order, Belagavi



Basavaraj S Annigeri,
District Correspondent,
Sanjaydarshana, Gadag

“The workshop was on the role that media should play towards child rights and child protection. It was a great experience for me to be a part of it. I came to know about couple of new policies on the same.”



Manjunath Gudisagar,
(Reporter, Kourava
Kannada, Haveri)

"The legislations and policies were well described in the workshop which is very useful for media. So I feel this kind of program should be organized often and at least for one whole day. Thank you for inviting us."

"Children are wealth of the nation and it is our responsibility to protect them. The workshop spoke about a very sensitive issue and the presentation was full of facts and figures which clearly conveyed the policies on child rights and child protection are still at stake in our country. But it also made me feel media can make this happen easily by being more responsible."



Dr. K N Doddamani
(District Correspondent,
All India Radio, Belagavi)



Bhairoba Kamble,
(Reporter, Udayavani,
Belagavi):

"Thanks to UNICEF for conducting an explanatory workshop on child-sensitive legislations and policies. The speech delivered by Deputy Commissioner N Jayaram during the workshop was an inspiration."

GLIMPSES





MEDIA COVERAGE

Media urged to exercise care while reporting assault cases

Revealing victims identity leads to their social ostracisation

REAGAN, Deputy Commissioner N Jayaram called upon media to be judicious while reporting cases of sexual assault. He said that revealing the identity of victims leads to their social ostracisation.



Deputy Commissioner N Jayaram addressing a workshop on Upholding Child Rights, Media & Child Protection organised by Information & Public Relations Department, Women & Child Welfare Department and UNICEF, in Bellary on Friday.

Children should be treated as victims and not as criminals. Media should not reveal their identity. It is the duty of the media to report the facts and not to sensationalize the news. The media should report the facts and not to sensationalize the news. The media should report the facts and not to sensationalize the news.

21ಕ್ಕೆ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರ

ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮಗಳ ಪಾತ್ರ ಕುರಿತು ಸಂವಾದ

ಕೆಳವರ್ತಿ ವರ್ತಕ ಮೂಡಿಸಲು ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಹಕ್ಕುಗಳ ರಕ್ಷಣೆಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದಂತೆ ಇರುವ ಕಾನೂನುಗಳ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಂವಾದ ಮಾಡಿದ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ 21ರಂದು ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 9.30ಕ್ಕೆ ನಗರದ ಆರ್ದರ್ ಪ್ಯಾಲೇಸ್ ಹೋಟೆಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮಗಳಿಗೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರವನ್ನು ಆಯೋಜಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

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ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ : ರಾಜ್ಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮಗಳ ಪಾತ್ರ ಕುರಿತು ಸಂವಾದ ಹಾಗೂ ಕಾನೂನು ಉಲ್ಲೇಖಿಸಿದ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಳ ಪರಿಚಯ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರವನ್ನು ಶುಕ್ರವಾರ ನಗರದ ಆರ್ದರ್ ಪ್ಯಾಲೇಸ್ ಸಭಾಂಗಣದಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆಸಲಾಯಿತು. ಈ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರವನ್ನು ಮಹಿಳಾ ಮತ್ತು ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಇಲಾಖೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಸಮಗ್ರ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ರಕ್ಷಣಾ ಸೇವೆ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ವಾರ್ಡ್ ಇಲಾಖೆ ಮೇಲೇನ್ ಇಲಾಖೆ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ರಕ್ಷಣಾ ಘಟಕ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ ಯುನಿಸೆಫ್ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣಾ ಯೋಜನೆ ಫಲವರಿಸಿದ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಇವರ ಸಂಯುಕ್ತ ಆಯೋಜನೆಗಾಗಿ ದೀಪ ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ ಮೂಲಕ ಮಾಡಿ ಮಾತನಾಡಿದ ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿ ಜಯರಾಜ್‌ವರ್ಮನು ಮಾತನಾಡಿದರು. ಅವರು ಆಂಗ್ಲ ನಿಯಮ ಸಂವಾದ ದೇಶದ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಯ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಗಮನ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಪಾತ್ರ ಒಬ್ಬ ವರದಿಗಾರ ಎಂದು.



ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿ ಜಯರಾಜ್‌ವರ್ಮನು ಮಾತನಾಡಿದರು. ಅವರು ಆಂಗ್ಲ ನಿಯಮ ಸಂವಾದ ದೇಶದ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಯ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಗಮನ ಮುಖ್ಯ ಪಾತ್ರ ಒಬ್ಬ ವರದಿಗಾರ ಎಂದು.

ಪತ್ರಕರ್ತರಿಗೆ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಗಾರ

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MYSURU WORKSHOP

Media plays a significant role in making this world a better place to live in. And to make this medium conscious of the issues pertaining to children, Government of Karnataka - UNICEF-Child Protection Project in association with Integrated Child Protection Society (ICPS), Department of Women and Child Development, Unicef CP project Koppal, Karnataka State Information and Public Relation Department, Bangalore, District Administration, VERBINDEN, District Child Protection Unit Mysuru organized a half-day workshop on April 28, 2017 at Maneangala, Kalamandir in which 43 journalists of both print and electronic media participated.

The workshop was chaired by the eminent personalities like Deputy Commissioner of Mysuru D Randeep, Deputy Director of Women and Child Development Department K Radha, Director of Child Rights Trust Vasudev Sharma, Deputy Director of Women and Child Welfare Department Shailaja, Women Development Officer Padma, Mysuru District Children Welfare Officer Nagaraju and Mysuru District Press Club General Secretary Lokesh Babu.



Deputy Commissioner D Randeep inaugurated the workshop and while addressing the journalists he stated that journalists must follow the ethics while they report on issues like abuse, atrocities against children and in an urge to provide news, media persons should not violate the rules. In fact, they must handle these cases with great care. All the experts shared their views and the cases they handled in their respective departments. The second session of the workshop witnessed both discussion and debate on various issues where children are involved. Regional Co-ordinator CP Project, Koppal, Raghavendra Bhat spoke on the statistics, survey, and acts related to Child Rights and Protection. Later, Vasudev Sharma explained the legislations involved. He also explained how negative aspects can be ignored while reporting on child abuse, discrimination or any other sensitive cases related to children. The participants appreciated the organizers for conducting the workshop exclusively for journalists, and the leanings they received from the workshop.



PANELISTS & PARTICIPANTS SPEAK



Vasudeva Sharma,
Executive Director, Child
Rights Trust, Bengaluru

“The two workshops that I was part of (Belagavi and Mysuru) were well attended by media personnel from local newspapers, TV channels and local government officials from the concerned departments. Most of the local newspapers and channel representatives honestly said that information on child rights and the need for self-restraint, as well as the legal provisions involved, were new information to them. It is easy to dismiss and say that most of the media representatives are ill-equipped, ill-informed and biased about children and child rights. But, an introspection has to be done on the part of the concerned government departments, national and international bodies on the investments made to educate and equip the media

personnel to be the guardians of child rights. On the otherhand not many attempts are done in developing material and methods in this regard.

The interest shown by some representatives from the media towards discussing the role of media as the gatekeepers to protect children’s interests and rights, have been encouraging.”

“The workshop organized by UNICEF to sensitize journalists about various aspects related to children was very useful. I got to know things from the workshop regarding the laws concerning media reporting on children. It will help me to be careful while writing news reports on children. The resource persons like Raghavendra Bhat and Mr. Vasudev Sharma gave us very useful information. I thank the organizers for organising such a wonderful event and also for providing us with some good materials. Hope such events take place every year to brush up the memory of journalists.”



Vincent D'Souza, Principal
Correspondent, The New
Indian Express, Mysuru



Shivaranjini S, Managing Editor, CRI Tv, Mysuru

“The workshop was the first-of-its-kind in Mysuru. I appreciate organizations and people involved in taking efforts to conduct such a workshop for media persons which is much needed. We are unaware of many terms and conditions, under which the identity of victims should not be revealed. We have been taught in our journalism classes about it, though. Anyhow, since much of the theories are not applicable in the field of journalism. We had an opportunity to understand most of the issues related to children being victims. Crimes against children have increased over years, and knowledge about the issues pertaining to them are need of the hour, I believe.”

Do’s and Don’ts are basic knowledge for journalists and are surely important when it’s related to children’s cause. Thank you Verbinden, for arranging such a workshop in association with UNICEF and others.”

“We (Journalists) were writing many stories related to child rights and Protection from years together, but this workshop made us to think and frame the sentences with greater care. I also got to know various aspects of law which are related to children. The workshop is an eye-opener to sensitize on many issues of children where media has to reach and create an impact.

I thank the organizers of the workshop for conducting such a great workshop. Wish to attend few more such workshops in coming years.”



Shekar Gopinathan B, Senior Reporter, Kannada Prabha, Mysuru

“Child rights and child protection workshop was well-organized and very informative. In a democratic country all the rules and regulations are equal for all, there is no discrimination.

Many times we ignore few things while writing about child issues, but this workshop showed us how small things matter in this. We have to be very careful and responsible when it comes to a child-report.”



K J Lokesh Babu, Secretary, Press Club, Mysuru & Associate Editor, Prajanudi, Mysuru

GLIMPSES



MEDIA COVERAGE

ಮಾಧ್ಯಮಗಳಿಗೆ ಬೇಕು ಸಂವೇದನಾಶೀಲತೆ
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ಮೈಸೂರು, ಏಪ್ರಿಲ್ 2 - ದೇಶಾದ್ಯಂತ ಒಳಗಡೆ ಮತ್ತು ಹೊರಗಡೆ ಸಂಭವಿಸುತ್ತಿರುವ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಕಾರ್ತವ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಎದುರಿಸಲು, ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮಗಳ ಪಾತ್ರ ಕುರಿತು ಸಂವಾದ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮವು ನಡೆಯಿತು. ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮಗಳ ಪಾತ್ರ ಕುರಿತು ಸಂವಾದ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮವು ನಡೆಯಿತು. ಮಕ್ಕಳ ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಮಾಧ್ಯಮಗಳ ಪಾತ್ರ ಕುರಿತು ಸಂವಾದ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮವು ನಡೆಯಿತು.

ಸರ್ಕಾರಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮಗಳನ್ನು ಅರ್ಪಣೆಗೆ ತಲುಪಿಸುವುದು ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳ ಜವಾಬ್ದಾರಿ

ತಜ್ಞರ ವರದಿ ಆಧರಿಸಿ ಕುಕ್ಕರಹಳ್ಳಿ ಸಿಬ್ಬಂದಿಗೆ ಕಾರ್ಯತಂತ್ರ

ವರದಿ ಮಾಡುವವರಿಗೆ ಲಕ್ಷಣರೇಖೆ ಅಗತ್ಯ

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ಮಕ್ಕಳ ವಿಚಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ಸೂಕ್ತ ತೆ ಇರಲಿ

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Workshop on Child Rights and Child Protection

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It was heartening to see that the workshops held by UNICEF led to a wide range of meaningful reportage in the mainstream press about topics related to child abuse and minor marriages. The reports, appeared on regional and national pages on popular newspapers.

The workshops received extensive pre-event and follow-up coverage, validating its relevance in the current times. Clearly, the impact of the workshops stretches beyond the two-day engagement. Journalists vouch that the information and resource material shared by UNICEF during the workshops were insightful and helped in the creation of many exceptional articles.

ACTIVISTS CALL FOR ENHANCED MONITORING
In the last two weeks, four child marriages were prevented in Belagavi, Kalaburagi and Bidar districts

Child marriages rampant in Hyd-K'taka region

THE severity of child marriages in Karnataka has been highlighted by a report from the Karnataka Commission for Women (KCW). The report, titled 'Child Marriages in Karnataka: A Report of the Commission for Women', states that in the last two weeks, four child marriages were prevented in Belagavi, Kalaburagi and Bidar districts.

The report also mentions that the number of child marriages in Karnataka has increased significantly in the last few years. It is estimated that about 10,000 child marriages take place in Karnataka every year.

The KCW has called for enhanced monitoring and strict enforcement of laws to prevent child marriages. It has also urged the government to take steps to educate children and parents about the dangers of child marriages.

Month	Child marriages prevented
April	1
May	2
June	1
July	0

26 PC KIDS DON'T HAVE BIRTH CERTIFICATES

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By Manoj Sharma

The government's efforts to ensure that every child born in the state gets a birth certificate are yet to see success. It is estimated that almost 25 per cent of the children existing in schools for the first time still don't have birth certificates and show their birthday as June 1.

The government introduced online applications to make the process simpler, but it still needs to see the desired results.

Regional coordinator of UNICEF Bangalore said that "Up to 26 per cent children in the state are still born on June 1. This number is seen areas after the government made it compulsory to record birth certificates and later introduced the online application system."

He was speaking at a workshop organised for journalists, jointly organised by the Public Information Department and UNICEF under Child Protection Project at Manayagalla of Kalamandira in Mysore on Friday.

He said, "Although the government has been working hard to control the issue, the problem of birth certificate still exist in the state due to the lack of cooperation and organized work structure of the departments. The proportion of children who have no birth certificate was about 1 per cent to 10 years ago, while this has come down, we are yet to see 100 per cent success."

Speaking to Bangalore Mirror after the workshop, he said, "The birth certificate of each child is essential in order to maintain the judicial system concerned with juvenile justice. In some cases of child marriage and child labour that because of a lack of it. As parents in rural areas and to some extent in urban areas fail to remember the exact, school principals file the birth flow as June 1 to ensure their admission," he said.

The gram panchayat and village administration should follow up the name of parents and hospital admissions where they can find the entries. If parents have not registered the birth of a child, the authorities must follow up and get this done. But they must be coordinating," he said.

"I do not really say this is the failure of authorities. They have been successful in bringing down the number from 25 to 10 percent. But there is still a long way to go," he said.

Speaking to Bangalore Mirror, Dhanubasappa, General Secretary, Association of Management of English Medium Schools in Karnataka, said, "I do not think there could be as much as 26 per cent of children denied of birth certificate. Recently, we came across the RTI applications, all of which had birth certificates. But this might be the picture in rural areas," he said.

The government made online applications for birth registrations in 2014 after a strict order from the supreme court on the absence of each child as a source of the country.

"The National Family Health Survey which was conducted on child rights in 2015 and the document released in 2016 has stated that there are about 25 percent of children who are still not issued their documents, which could create a huge imbalance in the figures," an activist said.

When a helpline curtailed child marriages

Following a campaign in schools, children themselves are tipping off authorities via dedicated phone number 1098

REKHA BHASKARASWAMY

It was among the brightest in her class and dressed in a green kurta like any 16-year-old, but her migrant worker parents had other plans. They had received from the drought hit Hyderabad-Karnataka region to the west coast in search of work and wanted to "settle" their daughter as soon as possible.

As she returned home after her last exam of Class 10 in April, they informed her that she was soon to be married to a relative in their native village in Kalaburagi district. Nagaveni realised, but her parents had her that the boy would let her study further and find it would be a great burden off their backs if she agreed to the marriage. Her wedding had been arranged on a single day in the large clan to cut down on expenses.

The message protested but had no choice but to go along with her parents. However, news of the proposed marriage reached the District Child Welfare Committee (CWC) through the child helpline. Committee members rushed to Nagaveni's home and found that two of the four girls to be married were minors - Nagaveni was 16 and the other was just 13.

The welfare workers played good cop/bad cop, convincing the parents but also warning them of the stringent laws against child marriage, which could land them in prison. And they managed to convince the parents to call off the weddings of the two minors.

When the results for the Class 10 exams were declared earlier this month, Nagaveni notched up a very creditable 82.72% (87 out of 625 marks) to her joy.

Not uncommon, Child marriage is not uncommon in the six backward Hyderabad-Karnataka districts. As many as 87 minor girls were rescued from child marriages in the last five months alone from January to May 23 in the Kalaburagi district in co-ordinated operations by the CWC and the district authorities. In the first three weeks of May alone, 43 minor girls were rescued, most aged between 13 and 16. In one case, a 16-year-old was to be married to a 48-year-old man.

A bright spark in this

child marriage, say officials. It was one such anonymous call which rescued Nagaveni.

Friends of the girl facing marriage, who are potential victims of the practice themselves, call the child helpline or a community worker, which sets in motion the rescue operation. About 90% of the calls received are from children, mostly friends of those being pushed into

child marriage, say officials. It was one such anonymous call which rescued Nagaveni.

Emergency number

Following an initiative by Superintendent of Police N. Shankar Kumar, Kalaburagi has seen an intensive two-month campaign, called Anjali Bala - Belagavi Bhavishya Let Childhood Bloom - Let Future Glow) among chil-

dren studying in high schools and pre-university colleges. Along with a series of activities, crucially, the child helpline number - 1098 - was shared with every child and her parents as part of the campaign.

The results are evident. While only 27 child marriages were prevented in 2015 and 71 in 2016, the number has crossed 150 in just the first four months this year.

"Our campaign yielded good results as children in remote rural areas are voluntarily calling the child helpline to tip us off about the child marriages. The number and identity of the caller is kept confidential," District Child Protection Officer C.V. Kannan said.

Preventing a lapse

To ensure that the rescued children are not forced into marriage again, the authorities this year are conducting a thorough counselling session for the girls before they are sent home.

"Earlier, we used to stop the marriage and return after getting a written undertaking from the parents that they would not get their child married until she turns the age of 18. The method, however, did not yield desired results as the

marriages were reorganised. In 2014, for instance, 54 of the 86 children rescued were married off within a few days or weeks," Vittal Chitambar, a member of CWC told *The Hindu*.

The CWC also assists the girls in continuing their education. For instance, Ponasa, a 16-year-old from Kalaburagi city, who landed in an abusive marriage and called the helpline hotrod, was helped by CWC to return to school. She has just completed her Class 10 and the CWC has arranged for her to move into a pre-university college in Bengaluru, since she was keen to leave her native city where her childhood was riddled with abuse.

Passionately involved in the cause, Mr. Chitambar feels that the active involvement of the State machinery at the grassroots level can end the practice.

"There are 4,000 government officers who are given additional responsibility of preventing child marriages. If they all work, the menace can be checked," he says, recalling the pooled role of Deputy Commissioner of Kalaburagi district Iqbal Hussain Ghosh in curbing the practice.

"Many of the girls have been changed to protect their identity."

FROM THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

ARTICLE 13

Children have the right to get and to share information, as long as the information is not damaging to them or to others.

ARTICLE 17

Children have the right to reliable information from the media. Mass media such as television, radio and newspapers should provide information that children can understand and should not promote materials that could harm children.

EXCERPTS FROM THE HANDBOOK ON CHILD RIGHTS

Chapter-7 LEGAL PROVISIONS FOR MEDIA COVERAGE

Media coverage on matters relating to children may have long term consequences on their overall development (physical, mental, psychological and emotional). Therefore, the privacy,

dignity, physical and emotional development of children is of the utmost importance, which are to be preserved and protected at all times, while reporting and broadcasting of publication of news, programmes and documentaries on and for children.

Some of the legal provisions in India that protect children from being exposed to media are mentioned below:

1. **SECTION :74.(1) THE JUVENILE JUSTICE (CARE AND PROTECTION OF CHILDREN) ACT, 2015.** No report in any newspaper, magazine, news-sheet or audio-visual media or other forms of communication regarding any inquiry or investigation or judicial procedure, shall disclose the name, address or school or any other particular, which may lead to the identification of a child in conflict with law or a child in need of care and protection or a child Victim or witness of a crime, involved in such matter, under any other law for the time being in force, nor shall the picture of any such child be published: Provided that for reasons to be recorded in writing, the Board or Committee, as the case may be, holding the inquiry may permit such disclosure, if in its opinion such disclosure is in the best interest of the child.
(2) The Police shall not disclose any record of the child for the purpose of character Certificate or otherwise in cases where the case has been closed or disposed of.
(3) Any person contravening the provisions of sub-section (1) shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to six months or fine which may extend to two lakh rupees or both.
2. **Section: 20 THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN FROM SEXUAL OFFENCES ACT, 2012** Any personnel of the media or hotel or lodge or hospital or club or studio or photographic facilities, by whatever name called, irrespective of the number of persons employed therein, shall, on coming across any material or object which is sexually exploitative of the child (including pornographic, sexually-related or making obscene representation of a child or children) through the use of any medium, shall provide such information to the Special Juvenile Police Unit or to the local police, as the case may be.
Section 23 (3) the publisher or owner of the media or studio or photographic facilities shall be jointly and severally liable for the acts and omissions of his employee.
Section 23 (4) any person who contravenes the provisions of sub-section (1) or sub-section (2) shall be liable to be punished with imprisonment of either description for a period which shall not be less than SIX months but which may extend to one year or with fine or with both

3. Section 228 A India Penal Code (IPC) punishes whosoever who discloses by printing or publishing the identity of the rape victim.
4. Section 293 IPC prohibits the sale, hire, exhibition or circulation of obscene books, or print material to persons below 20 years.
5. Section 327 (3) of the Criminal Procedure Code prohibits any reporting of a court case that deals with the sexual exploitation of a child, without specific permission of the court.
6. Immoral Trafficking Act, 1956, prohibits the publication of the name of a victim, below the age of 18 years, or the identification of place of the offence so as to protect the identity of the victim.
7. Cinematography Act, 1952, prohibits the glorification of crime against children, and sexual exploitation and abuse of children in films.
8. Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act, 1971, prohibits publication of the name of women below the age of 18 years.
9. Young Person Harmful Publication Act, 1956, prevents dissemination of certain publications that are harmful for young person's that propagate or glorify sexual abuse and exploitation of children.
10. Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act, 1986, forbids the depiction of women in an indecent or derogatory manner in the mass media.
11. The Press Council Act lays down the norms to be followed by the media, keeping in mind the rights of children.

UNICEF'S DIRECTIVES FOR MEDIA

UNICEF's media principles are founded on the belief that children and young people have the rights of adults, and the right to be protected from harm. The organization urges media to maintain the highest ethical standards while reporting on children. UNICEF's directives include a list of principles and guidelines that reporters must follow while interviewing children and dealing with reports on them.

UNICEF cautions that reporting on children must be done with an overarching aim to respect and uphold the dignity and rights of children under every circumstance. UNICEF stresses on giving children an opportunity to be heard, to contribute towards making the decisions that affect them. For instance, when a child is being reported on, people closest to the child's situation and are best able to assess it, must be consulted. A reporter must confirm the accuracy of what the child has to say, even if it means cross checking with other children or adults who understand the contexts or the child well.

There are directives on interviewing a child as well: for instance, an interviewer's questions must not include questions that are judgemental, insensitive or cause the child humiliation, anxiety or pain. The child's guardian must be informed that the child is talking to a reporter and any material such as photographs, videos etc used in a report must be with permission.

In its guidelines to the media for reporting on children, UNICEF says that the media must obscure the identity of a child who is accused of violence or atrocities, a victim or perpetrator of sexual abuse, or is HIV positive or charged with a crime.

Among other instructions, UNICEF says that overall, the interest of a reporter must be to safeguard the child's interest, even if it is at the cost of the newsworthiness of a story.

(From **UNICEF - Media Principles**)

MESSAGE



N R Vishukumar, Director, Information and Public Relation Department, Bangalore

“To an extent, media is playing a significant role to prevent exploitation, attacks on and, humiliation of children and there is no doubt about it. But at the same time it’s the responsibility of the media to not mention any unnecessary information about the child’s family or reveal the identity when it’s not required. So, it’s their responsibility to protect the child’s family too. There is a need to organize these kind of workshops in all district and regional/divisional level. Because the information has to reach at the grassroots level, reporters who are working in the rural areas should update themselves and prevent child marriages.”



Sonykutty George, Child Protection Specialist, UNICEF, Hyderabad

“Media is a powerful weapon to educate public and government officials. If children are safe and happy then that society is considered as a healthy society. I appreciate all the departments who united to conduct these workshops which aim to safeguard child rights. If any changes have to be made which can help the future of the children and protect their interests, then Unicef is always ready to work on it.

Media should consider that children are also the viewers/readers or consumers of their particular channel or paper. So keeping this in mind they should provide them or give a better platform to publish best news or articles which educate them.

Media should consider the directions of Supreme Court and Press Council of India while reporting on violation of child rights. The days are gone when we used to consider today's children as tomorrow's future. In reality, today's children are today's future. So it's the need of the hour to protect the children and their rights and it's just not limited to media persons but to all the general public, police officers.

If all follow the directions without fail we can re-create a healthy and productive atmosphere for children.

These four workshops have provided great learnings for the media fraternity and hope all the correspondents who have attended it make use of it by reporting children's issues sensitively."



Narmada Anand, Programme Manager, ICPS at Department of WCD, Bengaluru

"Media should through sensitive and meaningful projection and coverage of the issue, be instrumental in creating a sense of moral indignation and outrage over incidents of child sexual abuse or any kind of offence against children. When media reports an incident of sexual abuse, it should also report subsequently on action taken by concerned authorities and continue to report until action is taken to punish the abuser.

Media should never glorify the act of sexual abuse by giving undue prominence to the perpetrator."



Konila Raghavendra Bhat, Regional Coordinator,
UNICEF, Child Protection Project, Koppal

“Media is known as the fourth estate of democracy. In the same lines media upholds the responsibility to alert the bureaucrats, community in various cases. On the other hand media too must be careful while reporting on the Children’s issue, especially on the violation of child rights. It’s the duty of media persons to secure the stature of the child’s family as well. Media do not hold the rights to write or telecast according to their whims and fancies.

If children are protected well and they avail their rights then there is no doubt that they will be the best human resource in the future. Reporting more on child rights and child protection will create a healthy environment for the children and the related departments can think further whether there is any necessity of new policy or updating of existing policy. Any article, book, event on child rights and child protection is the motivation and strength for those NGOs who work on the same.

In the present scenario the media should present the relevant facts and features very sensitively, it may be in the form of articles, news, books, columns etc. Because millions of viewers/readers will be watching it and the impact will be huge. So these workshops for media fraternity will help them to know well about the implementation of child rights, make them aware about the various issues of children, related laws and many more. I appreciate the coordination of the department like Information and Public Relation, Child Protection Unit, Children and Women Welfare and the participants from various media organization for making all four workshops possible and successful too. In the same way Integrated Child Protection Society – ICPS and Department of Women and Child Development – DWCD will come forward to conduct the workshops in each district and Talukas then we can easily curb the problems which children are facing.”

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