

Child Protection Policy Workshop

Child Protection Policy workshop for CMCJ Representatives was held on 25th September to 27th September 2015 at CMCJ field Office, Tiruchuli. Totally 34 Participants are participated in this Workshop. This workshop is supported by Kinder not hlife and Facilitated by CCRD.

Purpose of the Child Protection Policy in Organisation

To protect good practice, challenge practice that is abusive to children and ensure everyone works together to create a safe environment for children.

To protect children from abuse and exploitation including abuse by staff or other representatives.

To provide targets for agencies to aim at when assessing and developing their organisations internal child protection measures.

Why CMCJ needs Child Protection Policy?

CMCJ is children led movement, which is committed to the protection of children against any form of abuse including environmental degradation and causing climate change. Hence CMCJ adopts this Child Protection Policy to ensure practice of the highest standards of child protection amongst all its stakeholders.

CMCJ is a binding across all cadres and members of CMCJ and will include all volunteers State and National committee members. Though all the facilitating KNH partner organizations have their own CPP for their organization, this policy will include those field level workers and members of staff who interact with children associated with the movement, in particular to all CMCJ cadres and members. This will also include any consultants hired for the purpose of special programs, trainings and other activities.

The policy makes provision for appropriate reporting mechanisms and redress in line with National child protection policies. This policy calls for mandatory reporting of all child protection violations. Every member within the scope mentioned earlier in this policy paper is expected to report as they witness, suspect or come to know of any form of child protection violation.

The three days' workshop discussed about the

- Understanding Child Rights
- Child Protection Issues
- Legal Perspectives on Child Rights & Child Protection
- Child Abuse (Attitudes + values + Types of abuse)
- Case studies of Abuse and Barriers
- Identifying of risks of Child Abuse
- Elaboration of Child Protection Policy
- Preventive Strategies
- Case Management Systems

At the end of the meeting CMCJ representatives are given suggestion and inputs to draft the CPP of CMCJ. CMCJ representative found this workshop so helpful to protect children from abuses and other problem.

Some decision taken during the Workshop

- Proposed Leadership Training on October 22nd -25th 2015 at YMCA Chennai
- CPP Module will be held on December 27th -29th 2015 at Bangalore
- National Consultation Meeting on January 25th – 26th 2016 at Bangalore