

Conference on Key Child Rights Issues Odisha State Level on 20-11-2025

National Conference on Child Rights to strengthen child safety and well-being



Bhubaneswar (By Abhishek Mohanty): The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR), in collaboration with the School & Mass Education Department, Government of Odisha, organised a National Conference on Key Child Rights Issues at the Revenue Officers Training Institute (ROTI), Bhubaneswar. The event witnessed participation from senior officials, including Jadumani Mahala, Additional Secretary, S&ME Department, Babita Patra, Chairperson, OSCPCR, Sangeeta Behera, ADG, OSEPA, Dr. Madhulika Sharma, Principal Research & Technical Expert, NCPCR, Manoj Patra, JD, ROTI, and Dr. Santosh Kumar Rout, JD, OSEPA along with representatives from OSEPA, district administration, ADEOs, mental health officers,

protection, and holistic well-being in schools and communities. Delivering the welcome address, Sangeeta Behera underscored the need for safe, inclusive, and emotionally supportive school environments. Dr. Madhulika Sharma highlighted NCPCR's key interventions, including the resolution of 26,000 child-related cases in the past six months, the rescue and rehabilitation of 2,300 children affected by labour and trafficking, the repatriation of over 1,000 children to home-district CCIs, and the introduction of new initiatives such as the Sugar Board and AI-based mental health support systems. The conference featured thematic sessions by eminent experts Prof. Laxmidhar Behera (RIE Bhubaneswar) discussed operationalising child protection under NEP 2020; Prof. Gouranga Charan Nanda (Ravenshaw University) spoke on mental health and well-being in the context of holistic education; and Prof. Biraj Swain (NLU Odisha) elaborated on the legal framework surrounding Juvenile Justice, POCSO, and child safety. The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Santosh Kumar Rout, Joint Director, OSEPA, who acknowledged the contributions of all dignitaries, experts, and participating departments in making

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ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱର, ୨୦।୧୧/ଏନ୍‌ଏସ୍‌ଏସ୍: ଜାତୀୟ ଶିଶୁ ଅଧିକାର ସୁରକ୍ଷା ଆୟୋଗ (ଏନସିପିସିଆର) ଏବଂ ଓଡ଼ିଶା ସରକାରଙ୍କ ବିଦ୍ୟାଳୟ ଓ ଗଣଶିକ୍ଷା ବିଭାଗ ଆହୁରି କିଛି ସମୟରେ ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱରସ୍ଥିତ ରାଜସ୍ୱ ଅଧିକାରୀ ତାଲିମ ପ୍ରତିଷ୍ଠାନ (ରେଟି) ଠାରେ ଶିଶୁ ଅଧିକାର ସମସ୍ୟା ଉପରେ ଏକ ଜାତୀୟ ସମ୍ମିଳନୀ ଆୟୋଜିତ ହୋଇଯାଇଛି । ଏହି କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକ୍ରମରେ ମୁଖ୍ୟ ଅତିଥି ଶ୍ରୀମାତା, ଅତିରିକ୍ତ ଶାସନ ସଚିବ, ବଚିତା ପାତ୍ର, ଅଧ୍ୟକ୍ଷ ଓ ଏସସିପିସିଆର, ସମୀପା ବେହେରା, ଏଡିଜି, ଓସେପା, ତତ୍କଳର ମଧ୍ୟାଧିକାରୀ ପ୍ରମୁଖ ଗବେଷଣା ଏବଂ ବିଶେଷଜ୍ଞ ବିଶେଷଜ୍ଞ, ଏନସିପିସିଆର, ମନୋଜ ପାତ୍ର, ମୁଖ୍ୟ ନିର୍ଦ୍ଦେଶକ, ରୋଟି, ତତ୍କଳର ସମସ୍ତ କର୍ମୀଙ୍କୁ ମଧ୍ୟ ଯୋଗ ଦେଇଥିଲେ । ଏଥିସହ ଏହି ସମ୍ମିଳନୀରେ ଓସେପା ଅଧିକାରୀ, ଜିଲ୍ଲା ପ୍ରଶାସନ, ଅତିରିକ୍ତ ଜିଲ୍ଲା ଶିକ୍ଷା ଅଧିକାରୀ, ମାନସିକ ସ୍ୱାସ୍ଥ୍ୟ ଅଧିକାରୀ ସାମିଲ ଥିଲେ । ମୁଖ୍ୟ ଅତିଥି ଭାବେ ଯୋଗଦେଇ ବଚିତା ପାତ୍ର ବିଦ୍ୟାଳୟ ଛାତ୍ରପୁତ୍ର ପିଲାମାନଙ୍କୁ ରୋକିବା, ଛାତ୍ରାବାସରୁ ଶିଶୁ ସ୍ଥାନାନ୍ତର ରୋକିବା ନେଇ ଆଲୋଚନା କରିଥିଲେ । ଏଥିସହ ମହିଳା ଓ ଶିଶୁ ବିକାଶ ଏବଂ ବିଦ୍ୟାଳୟ ଓ ଗଣଶିକ୍ଷା ବିଭାଗ ମଧ୍ୟରେ ବିଭାଗୀୟ ସହଯୋଗକୁ ସୁଦୃଢ଼ କରିବା, ପରମର୍ଶ ଏବଂ ସାମୁହିକ ଯୋଗଦାନ ମାଧ୍ୟମରେ ବାଲ୍ୟବିବାହ ଏବଂ ଶିଶୁମାନଙ୍କୁ ମୁକ୍ତ କରିବା ଉପରେ ଗୁରୁତ୍ୱରୋପ କରିଥିଲେ । ମନୋଜ ପାତ୍ର ଶିଶୁ ଅଧିକାର ଉପରେ ଆଲୋଚନା କରିଥିଲେ ଏବଂ ପୁଷ୍ଟିକାର, ଛାତ୍ରାବାସ ଏବଂ ସାମାଜିକ ବିକାଶ ଉପରେ

ସଚେତନତା ଦୃଷ୍ଟି ପାଇଁ ଆହ୍ୱାନ କରିଥିଲେ । ମୁଖ୍ୟ ଅତିଥି ଶ୍ରୀମାତା ସୁଲତା ଦେବୀ ଏବଂ ମୌଳିକ ଶିକ୍ଷା ସହାୟକ ପାଠକ ନିଷ୍ଠିତ କରିବା ପାଇଁ ପ୍ରତିବନ୍ଧକକୁ ସୁରକ୍ଷିତ କରିବା ପାଇଁ ଆହ୍ୱାନ କରିଥିଲେ । ଏଥିସହ ଶିଶୁ ଅଧିକାର ସୁରକ୍ଷା ଆୟୋଗ ପ୍ରମୁଖ ପଦକ୍ଷେପ ଉପରେ ଆଲୋଚନା କରିଥିଲେ । ଏଥିରେ ଗତ ୫ ମାସରେ ୨୬,୦୦୦ ଶିଶୁ-ସମ୍ପର୍କୀତ ମାମଲାର ସମାଧାନ, ଶ୍ରମ ଏବଂ ଗଣଶିକ୍ଷା ଦ୍ୱାରା ପ୍ରଭାବିତ ୨୩୦୦ ଶିଶୁଙ୍କ ଉଦ୍ଧାର ଏବଂ ପୁନର୍ବାସ, ୧,୦୦୦ ରୁ ଅଧିକ ଶିଶୁଙ୍କୁ ଯତ୍ନାଳୟରୁ ବିମୁକ୍ତ କରିବା ଏବଂ ବିଭିନ୍ନ ବିଭାଗୀୟ ଅଧିକାରୀଙ୍କୁ ସୁରକ୍ଷିତ ହୋଇଥିଲା । ପ୍ରତିବନ୍ଧକ ଲକ୍ଷ୍ୟରେ ବେହେରା ଜାତୀୟ ଶିକ୍ଷା ନୀତି ୨୦୨୦ ଅନୁଯାୟୀ ଶିଶୁ ସୁରକ୍ଷା କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକାରୀ କରିବା ଉପରେ ଆଲୋଚନା କରିଥିଲେ । ପ୍ରତିବନ୍ଧକ ଗୈରାଜାରିତ ନହେବା ପାଇଁ ଶିକ୍ଷା ପରିପ୍ରେକ୍ଷାରେ ମାନସିକ ସ୍ୱାସ୍ଥ୍ୟ ଏବଂ ପୁସ୍ତକ ଉପରେ ବଳବତ୍ତ ରଖିଥିଲେ । ପ୍ରତିବନ୍ଧକ ବିରାଜ ସ୍ୱଳ୍ପ କିଶୋର ନ୍ୟାୟ, ପୋଲିସ୍ ଏବଂ ଶିଶୁ ସୁରକ୍ଷା ସମ୍ପର୍କରେ ଆଲୋଚନା ନୀତି ଉପରେ ଆଲୋଚନା କରିଥିଲେ ଓସେପାର ମୁଖ୍ୟ ନିର୍ଦ୍ଦେଶକ ତତ୍କଳର ସମସ୍ତ କର୍ମୀଙ୍କୁ ମଧ୍ୟ ଯୋଗ ଦେଇଥିଲେ ।

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