



OFFICE OF DISTRICT LEGAL SERVICES AUTHORITY, SOUTH 24 PARGANAS

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To,
The Principal / Director,
_____ School,

Subject: Online awareness programme on 6th September 2025 from 11:00 AM to 13:00 PM for School Principals and Directors of South 24 Parganas West Bengal District on "Consensus Building on Implication of POCSO and JJ Act on School Child Protection Policy."

Madam/Sir,

In the view of the above-mentioned subject, I am glad to bring to your kind attention to an upcoming event of significant importance that the District Legal Services Authority South 24 Parganas West Bengal is organizing in collaboration with NGO Social Axiom Foundation - Project CACA (Children Against Child Abuse), New Delhi:

A two-hour online webinar on "Consensus Building on Implication of POCSO and JJ Act on School Child Protection Policy." covering pertinent aspects of POCSO Act, Juvenile Justice Act, & Legal Services in relation to a school's Child Protection Policy. It is scheduled to take place via the online platform Zoom on 6th September 2025 from 11:00 AM to 13:00 PM.

As a capacity-building webinar, it will help the School Principals and Directors to put together a policy framework to further define the roles and responsibilities of the stakeholders at the grassroots level. The objectives of the webinar:

1. Raise legal awareness as well as sensitize the School Principals and Directors of South 24 Parganas West Bengal district on the POCSO Act, 2012, and JJ Act.
2. To help schools understand how a School Child Protection Policy Template should be structured and legally aligned while integrating legal, psychological, and academic strategies to create a safe, abuse-free, and child-friendly learning environment.
3. Help them with the framework of Complaint Handling & Reporting Mechanism, various committees and standard operation procedures inherit to the SCPP.
4. Introduction of "Project CACA - A safety programme for schools to keep our students Happy, Healthy and Safe" in accordance with the Gazette notification of POCSO Rules 2020.
5. Introduction of DLSAs and various services provided by them.

Schools across India have partnered with Project CACA. It is the flagship school safety programme by NGO Social Axiom Foundation, Delhi. As a comprehensive, curriculum-integrated intervention, it addresses the legal, psychological, and academic aspects of children's safety and is implemented by schools as part of their Child Protection and Wellbeing Policy. It constitutes the preventive mechanisms within the child protection framework and supports schools in complying with various mandates on child protection and safety.

In particular: POCSO Rules, 2020 - THE GAZETTE OF INDIA: EXTRAORDINARY Notification of 9th March 2020 issued by MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT. Kindly refer to: Sub-rule 1, 4 and 5 of Rule 3: "Awareness generation and capacity building."

Your presence and engagement in this programme will help promote a safer environment for our children and ensure that these essential laws, and policy framework are well understood and implemented.

Working on the safety of children and their well-being is a collaborative effort and will take the participation of all the stakeholders.

Therefore, Principals and Directors are requested to attend the aforesaid webinar. We look forward to your active participation in the aforesaid webinar.

Yours faithfully,

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