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Field Visit Report: Child Welfare Centre (CWC), Mysuru.

### Details of the department organizing the event in collaboration with institution:

The Department of Criminology & Forensic Science organised the event in collaboration with Child Welfare Centre (CWC), Mysuru.

## Purpose and scope of the event:

The field visit to the Child Welfare Centre (CWC), Mysuru, was conducted to enhance the knowledge of the students regarding the function and power of Child Welfare Centre and the role played by the government to protect and reform the children.

#### Details of the event:

The students from the Department of Criminology and Forensic Science visited the Child Welfare Centre (CWC), Mysuru on 5th July, 2023 (Wednesday). We were accompanied by our Lecturer Ms. Megha Nilajkar, the then HoD of the Criminology and Forensic Science Department.

We entered the CWC in Mysuru which is located in Sidhartha layout. Boys are not allowed in as the institution has only girls and for safety measures, they did not let boys in. We were led to a hall where Miss Kamala, the chairperson, was present. She began to explain how CWC has people on their bench where there is one chairperson and four subordinates. Also there is to be a minimum of one woman on the bench. Miss Kamala told us how sensitive the kids are and the need for building rapport. The bench acts as the voice of the kids providing a comfort zone.

Children are not developed fully in all areas thus needing guidance to have a good life and that is what is being provided in the EWC for destitute, trafficked children, beggars and those suffering from illness. There is a bifurcation in age factors being six to twelve, twelve to eighteen, and zero to six. must be strictly provided RTI can know their information. The people of CWC do not wear dark clothes, like dark black to keep a friendly atmosphere. The district police are in charge of the children and can only approach them when wearing plain clothes.

Accused children are not to be handcuffed and use a different entrance while entering court. The main goal of CWC is not to punish but rather to reform children. If there is sufficient evidence of care for children, they are encouraged to go back to society to their parents or caregivers after the children are 18, they are moved to aftercare. Children are allowed to go to schools and colleges to pursue education in CWC.

They give first preference for adoption and foster care with terms and conditions also providing allowance to the family that wants to take care of the child who is economically weak. Other than that birth house mothers are assigned to take care of the children.

Over all it was a rich experience to learn in-depth about children and how the Government is doing its best to protect and reform them.

# Brief profile of the resource person:

Miss Kamala, the chairperson, and Sir Dhananjay are amazing. Miss Kamala has served for 3 years and due to covid is her second and last term here. She is well experienced in dealing with these children. Sir Dhananjaya has worked with UNICEF and provided us with a lot of details on case studies, the laws on children, and how NGOs work.

Target audience and no. of participants:

In total 10 students were a part of the field visit to the Child Welfare Centre (CWC).

Signature of the HOD

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