

Manual titled “Living conditions in Institutions for Children in conflict with Law” released by WCD Ministry

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The Ministry of Women and Child Development has developed a manual titled “Living conditions in Institutions for Children in conflict with Law” as per the directions of the Hon’ble Supreme Court dated 05.02.16, in the matter of Re-inhuman conditions in 1382 prisons, WP (C) 406 of 2013, in which the Apex court had directed the Ministry of WCD to prepare a manual similar to the Model Prison Manual as being prepared by Ministry of Home Affairs that will take into consideration the living conditions and other issues pertaining to juveniles who are in Observation Homes or Special Homes or Places of Safety in terms of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015.

The objective of preparing such a Manual for children in conflict with law is to provide guidelines to the States/UTs and other stakeholders which will help them to establish institutions for children in conflict with law and providing appropriate institutional and rehabilitative services to them.

The Manual has been framed within the purview of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016. The Manual puts in one place all aspects of the living conditions and other issues pertaining to children in conflict with law who are in Observation Homes, Special Homes and Place of Safety. It also lays down the processes to be followed by all concerned stakeholders while providing services to children.

The Manual shall enable all duty bearers in Observation Homes, Special Homes and Place of Safety to appreciate the importance of their role and contribute positively and proactively in the rehabilitation of children in conflict with law living in these institutions.

Kindly click on the link given below for Manual on Living conditions in Institutions for Children in conflict with Law:

http://wcd.nic.in/sites/default/files/Final%20Manual%2024%20April%202017_5.pdf

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