Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS)

Gujarat State Child Protection Society (GSCPS)
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Objective of ICPS

- To create a system that will effectively and efficiently protect the ‘best interests’ and ‘rights’ of the children.

- To contribute to the well being of the children in difficult circumstances and to reduce their vulnerabilities.
ICPS: Overview

- ICPS-Centrally sponsored Scheme of GoI – has been adopted by the state and MoU signed with GoI.
- A shift of focus from Scheme Approach to Project Approach
- Emphasis on Family based Non-institutional Care like Foster care, Sponsorship and Adoption
ICPS: Components

- Institutional Care
- Non-Institutional Care
- MIS: Child Tracking System & Missing Children Website
- Emergency Outreach Services
Legal Framework

- Juvenile Justice Act 2000 & Amendment 2006
  - Act addresses the needs and rights of children.
  - Defines juvenile as children below 18 years
  - Targets children in vulnerable conditions
  - Provides for comprehensive and child friendly approach for proper care and protection
Role of Judiciary

- JJBs to be constituted in every district comprising 3 members
- Chaired by Principal Magistrate who should be Judicial Magistrate of the first class having special knowledge or training in Child Psychology or Child Welfare
- Social Workers as two other members one of them should be a woman
- A sitting High Court Judge is empowered to monitor and review child protection related activities.
Role of Judiciary

- A Selection Committee under the Chairmanship of a Retd. High Court Judge to be constituted for selecting and recommending persons for appointment as members of:
  - Juvenile Justice Boards
  - Child Welfare Committee
  - Advisory Committee
  - Inspection Committee
ICPS: Target Group

TARGET GROUP UNDER
INTEGRATED CHILD PROTECTION SCHEME (ICPS)

- Children in need of Care & Protection
- Children in Conflict with Law
- Children in Contact with Law
Delivery Structure

- **Statutory Support Services** (as per the Juvenile Justice Act 2000 and Amendment 2006):
  - Juvenile Justice Boards
  - Child Welfare Committees
  - Special Juvenile Police Units
Delivery Structure

- At National Level
  - Ministry of Woman & Child Development
  - Central Adoption Resource Agency (CARA)
  - Central Project Support Unit (CPSU)
  - NIPCCD
  - Childline India Foundation
Delivery Structure

- At State Level
  - Gujarat State Child Protection Society (GSCPS)
  - State Project Support Unit (SPSU)
  - State Adoption Resource Agency (SARA)
  - State Child Protection Committee (SCPC)
  - State Adoption Advisory Committee (SAAC)
Delivery Structure

- At District Level
  - District Child Protection Units (DCPUs)
  - District Child Protection Committee (DCPC)
  - Specialized Adoption Agency (SAA)
  - Sponsorship & Foster Care Approval Committee
Delivery Structure

- At Block Level
  - Block Level Child Protection Committee

- At Village Level
  - Village Level Child Protection Committee
ICPS: Funding Pattern

- 100% fund by Center to SPSU
- 35:65 for regulatory bodies under JJ Act (JJBs, CWCs & SJPUs)
- 90:10 for all the scheme components for NGO participation will be continued
- 75:25 for other structural components
Implementation Status

- ‘In-Principle’ Government of Gujarat approval in Feb.’10
- MoU signed with GoI in March’10
- Budgetary and Staffing proposals approved in April’10
- Received grant of Rs. 6.75 cr for 2010-11 from GoI in Oct’10. Proposal for second installment of 2010-11 of Rs. 3.61 cr sent to GoI. For 2011-12:

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Implementation Status

- Recruitment on contractual basis for GSCPS, SPSU, SARA and DCPUs being carried out through D-SAG.
- Created State Project Support Unit (SPSU) and Child Protection Division under Directorate of Social Defence.
- Issued orders for setting up District Child Protection Units and Child Protection Committees.
Implementation Status

- Issued orders for setting up State Adoption Resource Agency.
- Set up Juvenile Justice Boards (JJBs) and Child Welfare Committees (CWCs) in all the 26 districts of Gujarat.
- Chief Probation Officers (CPOs) and Probation Officers (POs) are in place to support JJBs and CWCs.
- 26 Observation Homes (16 Govt. and 10 NGO) notified
- 13 Special Homes notified
Implementation Status

- 107 Children Homes (45 Govt. and 62 NGO) notified
- 23 NGOs capable for setting up shelter homes notified
- License to 11 Govt. Organizations and 9 NGOs for in-country adoption
- 13 Govt. institutions (3 for boys and 10 for girls) as After Care Homes notified
Implementation Status

- 3291 children staying at children homes on 1st October, 2010 and approximately 90% of them are pursuing regular education and remaining 10% are pursuing vocational training.

- 847 children have been adopted in the last 5 years

- Children fund of Rs.25 lac for welfare and rehabilitation of juveniles created
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Implementation Plan

Integrated Child Protection Scheme

Project Implementation Plan
State Adoption Resource Agency (SARA)

- Unit under the GSCPS to coordinate, monitor & develop the work of adoption & render secretarial and admin assistance to State Adoption Advisory Committee
- SARA as an apex advisory and overall coordinating body providing technical guidance.
- SARA also responsible for the implementation of Sponsorship and Foster care programs
- See Annexure-VIII, Pg. 73 of scheme guidelines
State Child Protection Committee (SCPC)

- Under the Chairpersonship of State Secretary, SCPC will monitor the implementation of ICPS at the state level.
- Members from allied Government Departments and voluntary organizations.
State Adoption Advisory Committee

- To promote, implement, supervise and monitor the family based non-institutional programmes including sponsorship, foster care, in-country adoption

- Members:
  - Secretary (Chairperson)
  - Director, Social Defence (Member Secretary)
  - Representative of State Health Department
  - Representative of CARA
  - Programme Manager, SARA
  - Chairperson of ACA
  - Representatives of SAA (2)
  - Child Rights expert
  - Legal expert
Specialized Adoption Agency (SAA)

- State to recognize one or more institutions/voluntary organizations as SAA in each district
- Will work under the supervision of SARA & DCPS
- Admission, registration and reporting to CWC
- Maintaining an online database (part of CTS)
- Court processing for adoption and follow up
- Submit quarterly progress report to SARA and DCPU
- Counseling both Parents and Children
Each district will have one such committee consisting of:

- District Child Protection Officer – Chairperson
- Protection Officer (Non-institutional Care) – Member
- Chairperson/Member, CWC – Member
- SAA Representative – Member
- Representative of Voluntary Organization working in the area of Child Protection – Member

See Annexure – III (pg. 51) of ICPS guidelines
State Project Support Unit (SPSU)

- Develop a plan of action for initiating the implementation of ICPS
- Facilitate setting up of required structures under ICPS including GSCPS, SARA, DCPUs, SAA, GSCPC and DCPC
- Facilitate setting up & management of CTS
- Carry out training & sensitization of the stakeholders
- Monitoring, evaluation and documentation of ICPS
District Child Protection Unit (DCPU)

Chairman Zila Parishad & District Magistrate/Collector

District Child Protection Officer (DCPO)

Accountant

Assistant cum Data Entry Operator

Data Analyst

Protection Officer - Institutional Care

- Counsellor*
- Social Worker
- Outreach Worker
- Community Volunteers

Protection Officer - Non-institutional Care

Legal cum Probation Officer

- Social Worker
- Outreach Worker
- Community Volunteers
District Child Protection Committee (DCPC)

- Under the chairpersonship of Chairperson, Zila Parishad
- District Magistrate as co-chairperson
- Supervise the activities of DCPU and the overall implementation of ICPS in the district
- Will comprise of members of the allied Government Departments and voluntary organizations
Delivery Structure

- State Govt.
- Ministry of Women and Child Development
  - Central Project Support Unit
  - State Child Protection Societies
    - State Project Support Units
    - District Child Protection Societies
    - Voluntary Organisations
  - Childline India Foundation
  - National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development (NIPCCD)
  - Central Adoption Resource Agency (CARA)
    - Regional Centres
    - Partner Agencies
    - Regional Centres
    - Voluntary Organisations
      - CWCs & JJBs