



## **GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT**

WD, CW & DW Deptt. - Adoption of Minimum Standards of Care by Institutions & Service providers providing protective and rehabilitative facilities to victims of commercial sexual exploitation / sex trafficking - Orders - Issued.

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WOMEN DEV. CHILD WELFARE & DISABLED WELFARE (WP) DEPARTMENT

**G.O.Ms.No. 16**

**Dated: 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2010**

Read the following :-

1. G.O.Ms.No. 661, EM & SW (H1) Deptt., Dt : 28.08.74
2. G.O.Ms.No. 1, WD CW & DW (Prog) Dept., Dt : 31-01-2003.

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### **ORDER:**

Government of Andhra Pradesh acknowledges that human trafficking particularly for commercial sexual exploitation is among the worst forms of human rights violation, destroying the lives of thousands of women and children. All available reports and testimonies of trafficked survivors reveal that a victim when trafficked is subjected to in human torture, threat and intimidation leaving deep psychological scars. Lack of holistic care and support for rescued victims, can have serious repercussions for the society, as these victims could be further re-trafficked and the crime of trafficking can go on unabated.

2. Government of Andhra Pradesh is firmly committed to combat trafficking and provide all care and support required for a victim so that she can eventually be re-integrated into the mainstream society to lead dignified and independent life. PRAJWALA - a voluntary organization committed to the cause of anti-human trafficking has furnished "Minimum Standards of Care", in consultation with all stake holders including Government officials concerned, NGOs, victims of trafficking etc.,

3. The Government after due consideration, with a view to ensure holistic care and support for all rescued victims of commercial sexual exploitation / sex

trafficking, hereby direct that the minimum standards of care as detailed in Annexure shall be adopted and adhered to by all institutions and service providers providing protective and rehabilitative facilities to victims of sex trafficking/commercial sexual exploitation. Any non-adherence, deviation or violation of the minimum standards of care shall entail cancellation of license/registration/recognition/grant-in-aid as the case may be, apart from other appropriate action.

4. Further, no institution providing such shelter shall be considered for license/registration/recognition or grant-in-aid unless the Minimum Standards of Care as prescribed are provided and fully adhered to by the institution/service provider.

5. Finally, all such institutions and service providers shall also adopt and put in place the computerized tracking system with effect from 01-06-2010 as per the software to be made available to them by the Director, W.D. & C.W. Dept.

6. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide their UO Note. 3253/69/Expr. WD/2010, Dated : 19-03-2010.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

**M. CHAYA RATAN**

PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To

The Additional Director General of Police - CID.

The Director, Women Development & Child Welfare Department.

All District Collectors.

All Superintendents of Police.

All Regional Deputy Directors of Women Development & Child Welfare Department.

All Swadhar homes & Service providers concerned through Director, Women Development & Child Welfare.

Copy to :

The Principal Secretary to Government Home Department, A.P. Secretariat, Hyderabad.

The P.S. to Chief Secretary, A.P. Secretariat, Hyderabad.

The P.S. to Chief Minister Government of Andhra Pradesh, Hyd.

The Commissioner Information & Public Relation.

All District Medical & Health Officers through Commissioner, Family Welfare Vidiya Vidhan Parishat, Hyderabad.

All Project Directors DRDA / Indra Kranti Padam through CEO. IKP.

All District Legal Service Authorities through A.P. State Legal Service Authority.  
All District Aids and Leprosy through Project Director, Aids Control  
All Child Welfare Committees through Director Juvenile Welfare, Correctional Services & Welfare of Street Children.  
The Managing Director of Housing, A.P. Hyderabad.  
All District Supply Officers through Commissioner Civil Supplies Department, Hyd.  
The Principal Secretary to Government Housing.  
The Commissioner Family Welfare, A.P. Hyderabad.  
The Director, Medical & Health Services, Hyderabad.  
The Principal Secretary to Government Civil Supplies Department.  
The Principal Secretary to Government Education Department.  
The Principal Secretary to Government Rajiv Vidya Mission.  
The Principal Secretary to Government Higher Education Department.  
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