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A. INTRODUCTION.

The Department of Social Welfare was set up in 1968 with the sole purpose of implementing Welfare programmes to uplift the weaker sections of the society.

The Social Welfare Department is the Nodal Department for 3 Ministries:

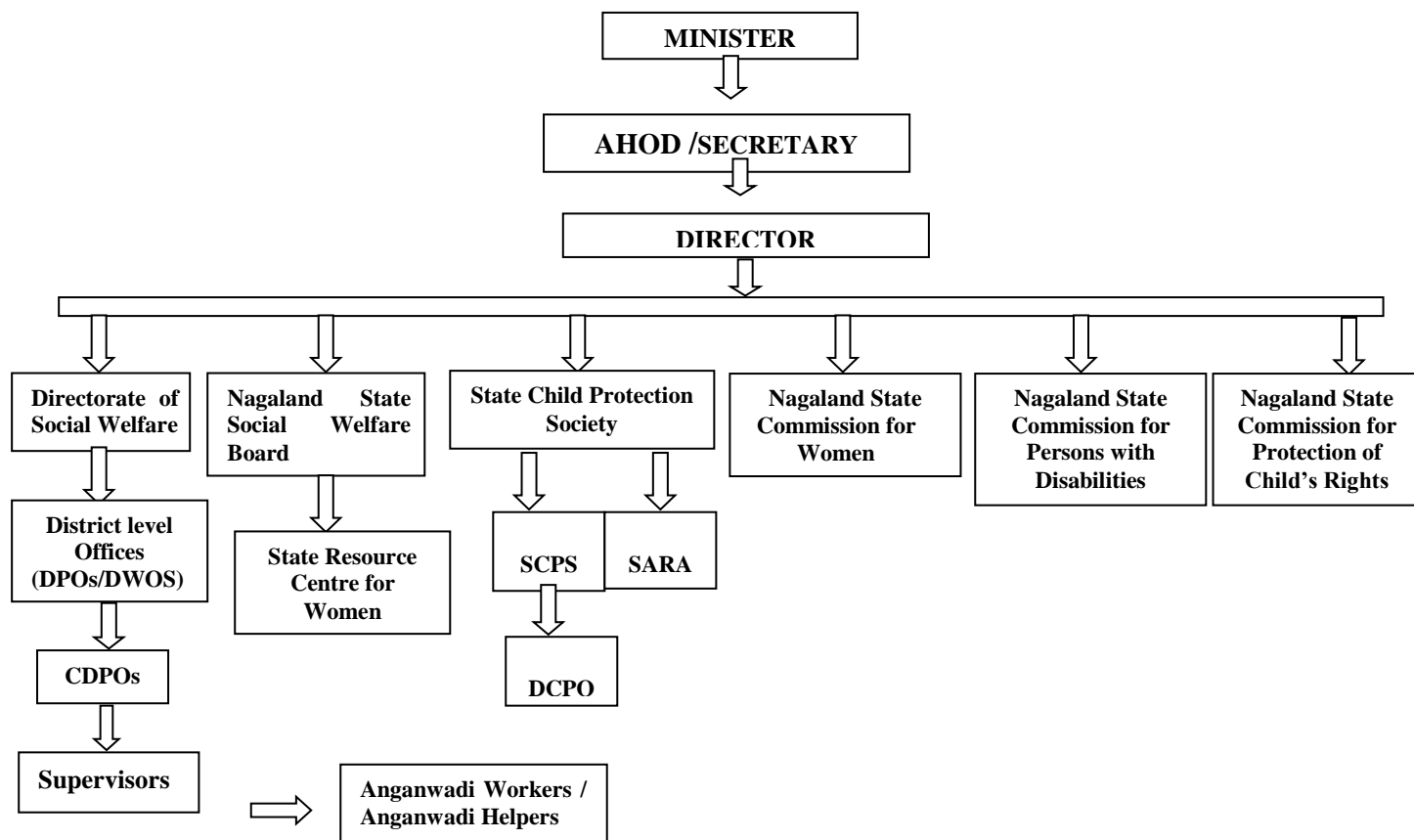
1. Ministry of Women and Child Development.
2. Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.
3. Ministry of Rural Development.

Under the 3 Ministries the following welfare programmes are being implemented for the benefits of the poor, the needy and the vulnerable.

1. Child Welfare programme.
2. Women Centric Schemes under NSSWB/SRCW
3. Welfare programme for Senior Citizens
4. Welfare programme for Persons with Disabilities.
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ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

The Department is under the charge of Hon'ble Chief Minister as Minister in charge, Social Welfare. The Administrative Department is headed by the Commissioner & Secretary who is assisted by, 1(one) Secretary, 1(one) Joint Secretary, 1(one) Under Secretary, 1(one) Section Officer and Ministerial Staffs'.



DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

I. Directorate of Social Welfare

A. Organizational Set-up:

The Directorate is manned by the following officials: -

Sl.No.	Designation of official	No. of official
1	Director	1
2	OSD (in the rank of Additional Director)	1
3	Joint Director	2
4	Deputy Director	3
5	Asstt. Director	3
6	Research Officer	2
7	Senior Accounts Officer	1
8	Registrar	1
9	Office Superintendent	2
10	Asstt. Superintendent	2

- At the District level there are 7 District Welfare Officers and 9 District Programme Officers.
- At the Project level 60 Child Development Project Officers looks after the implementation of the ICDS Programme.
- The Chief Instructor is in-charge of the Anganwadi Workers Training Centre at Diphupar where Job training, Refresher Training & Orientation Trainings are imparted to the ICDS functionaries.

B. PROGRAMMES AND SCHEMES OF THE DEPARTMENT

1. CHILD WELFARE PROGRAMME:

(a) Integrated Child Development Services Scheme (ICDS): -

The Integrated Child Development Services Scheme (ICDS) is one of the flagship programmes of the Government of India and represents one of the world's largest and unique programmes for early childhood care and development. It is the foremost symbol of the country's commitment to the children and nursing mothers, to address the challenge of providing pre-school non-formal education on one hand and breaking the vicious cycle of malnutrition, morbidity, reduced learning capacity and mortality on the other.

**Due to Covid-19, as instructed by the Ministry the Anganwadi centres had to be closed. However, keeping in mind, the importance of nutrition during this pandemic, the Anganwadi workers continue to provide Supplementary Nutrition services by delivering it to the doorsteps of the beneficiaries.*

- **Package of services provided through ICDS are:**
 - i. Supplementary Nutrition.
 - ii. Pre-school non-formal Education.
 - iii. Nutrition & Health Education.
 - iv. Immunization.
 - v. Health Check-up.
 - vi. Referral Services.

****The last three services are related to health and are provided by Department of Health and Family Welfare through NRHM & Health system.***



- The beneficiaries under the Scheme are children in the age group of 0-6 years, pregnant women and lactating mothers and adolescent girls.
- There are 60 ICDS projects and 9 District ICDS Cells operating in the State covering more than 3.50 lakh beneficiaries under 3980 Anganwadi Centres.
- Each ICDS project is under the charge of a Child Development Project Officer who is assisted by Supervisors for implementation of the scheme.
- District having more than 5 ICDS Projects has a District Cell which is under the charge of a District Programme Officer.
- The Anganwadi Worker (AWW) assisted by a Helper looks after the delivery of services and activities of ICDS at the Anganwadi Centre. The AWW also conduct regular health and nutrition education in the centres and home visits are carried out regularly.

District-wise No. of ICDS Projects, ICDS Cells and AngawadiCentres

Sl.No	Name of District	No.of ICDS Cell	No.of ICDS Project	No.of AWC
1	KOHIMA	1	5	434
2	MOKOKCHUNG	1	6	400
3	ZUNHEBOTO	1	8	385
4	WOKHA	1	5	358
5	MON	1	6	403
6	TUENSANG	1	8	458
7	PHEK	1	6	392
8	LONGLENG	-	2	162
9	PEREN	1	5	260
10	KIPHIRE	-	3	204
11	DIMAPUR	1	6	524
	Total	9	60	3980

(b)Supplementary Nutrition Programme: -

The Supplementary Nutrition Programme (SNP) is funded jointly by the Central and State Govt. on 90:10 basis. Under this programme, various supplementary nutrition items such as micronutrient fortified Khichiri, Kheer, biscuits, cornflakes and weaning food are

distributed to around 3.50 lakh targeted beneficiaries in 3980 Anganwadi Centres under 60 ICDS Projects located across the State.

(c) The Anganwadi Workers Training Centre (AWTC): -

- Various trainings for Anganwadi Workers/Helpers are imparted at the Anganwadi Workers Training Centre viz. Job Training, Refresher Training and Orientation/Induction Training.
- The AWTC is headed by one Chief Instructor and two Instructors.
- This year due to COVID-19 outbreak, the training centre could not conduct any training.

(d) Nagaland Bal Bhavan: -

- The Nagaland Bal Bhavan was set up at the Tribal Welfare Complex, Kohima on 7th November, 2008 which is sponsored by the National Bal Bhavan, New Delhi.
- The Bal Bhavan aims at enhancing creativity among children in the age group between 10 to 16 years where various activities of children on science, literacy, creative arts, painting, integrated activities, performing arts and physical activities will be provided in due course of time.

(e) Schemes for Adolescent Girls (SAG)

- The erstwhile SABLA scheme for Adolescent Girls now known as SAG was introduced during 2011-12 for out of school adolescent girls from 11 years to 18 years of age which was covering only 3 Districts in Nagaland. Now, it is extended to all the remaining Districts covering a total of about **7320** out of school Adolescent Girls in the age group of 11 to 14 years only.
- This scheme promotes vocational skills as well as home-based skills along with providing nutritional needs to the out of school Adolescent girls in the age group of 11- 14 years.

(f) Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY)

- The erstwhile Indira Gandhi Matritva Sahyog Yojana (IGMSY) now known as the Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandhana Yojana (PMMVY) was launched in 2017 in India and the Scheme was implemented in Nagaland from 2018 onwards. It was implemented only in Kohima District but now extends to the entire Districts of Nagaland.
- The objective of the scheme is to improve the health and nutrition status of Pregnant Women and Lactating Mothers (PW&LM) and infants. It is also to provide partial compensation for the wage loss in terms of cash incentives so that women can take adequate rest before and after delivery of the first living child.
- Under PMMVY, PW&LM shall receive a cash benefit of Rs.5000/- in three instalments directly in their bank account at the following stages as specified in the table given below:

Conditionalities and Instalments		
Instalment	Conditions	Amount
First Instalment	Early Registration of Pregnancy	Rs.1000/-
Second Instalment	Received at least one ANC (can be claimed after 6 months of pregnancy)	Rs.2000/-
Third Instalment	I. Child Birth is registered II. Child has received first cycle of BCG, OPV/DPT and Hepatitis – B or its equivalent/substitute	Rs.2000/-

The eligible beneficiaries would receive the remaining cash incentives per approved norms towards Maternity Benefit under Janani Suraksha Yojana(JSY) after institutional delivery so that on an average, a woman will get Rs.6000/-.

❖ **As on January 2021 there are 24008 beneficiaries enrolled.**

(g) National Nutrition Mission –Rashtriya Poshan Abhiyan:

The **National Nutrition Mission- Rashtriya Poshan Abhiyan** was launched on March 8 2018 by the Hon'ble Prime Minister with fixed targets and time frames. POSHAN Abhiyaan is a multi-ministerial convergence mission with the vision to ensure attainment of malnutrition free India by 2022. It aims to ensure holistic development and adequate nutrition for pregnant women, lactating mothers and children.



i. The Objective of the NNM are:-

1. Prevent & reduce Stunting in children (0-6 years).
2. Prevent & reduce under nutrition in children (0-6 years).
3. Prevent & reduce Anemia amongst young children (6-59 months).
4. Reduce the prevalence of Anemia among women and adolescent girls (15-49 years).
5. Reduce Low Birth Weight (LBW).

In Nagaland, the NNM was rolled out in Kiphire and Tuensang initially as Pilot Districts. Now it has extended to all the 11 Districts of Nagaland.

ii. PILLARS OF THE NATIONAL NUTRITION MISSION

1. ICDS-CAS (Common Application Software)
2. Convergence
3. Behavioral Change & Communication
4. IEC Advocacy
5. Incremental Learning Approach
6. Innovations

7. Incentives
8. Grievance Redressal

iii. **Growth Monitoring Device:**

3980 Anganwadi Workers are provided with Growth Monitoring Devices namely, Infantometer, Stadiometer, Weighing Scale (Infant), Weighing Scale (Mother & Infant). This enables monitoring of under-nutrition, stunting and wasting at the same time creates opportunity to determine specific intervention to the cause.



iv. **Smartphones:**

All the 3980 Anganwadi Workers are provided with smart phones to enable Name Based Tracking of beneficiaries, prioritize home visits at critical life stages through a home-visit planner, improves record keeping and retrieval of growth and nutrition status of children, help track immunization status & enables the state and central to monitor the activities of the frontline workers on a Real Time-Based dashboard.



v. **ICDS-CAS application refresher training:**

All 3980 Anganwadi Workers have been provided ICDS-CAS refresher training course.

vi. **Incremental Learning Approach (ILA):**

Capacity enhancement of the Anganwadi Workers is done through the Incremental Learning Approach (ILA) training. All together training been completed on 21 modules.



vii. **Community Based Events (CBE):**

1, 37,698 Community Based Events (CBE) were conducted from April 2019 to October 2020. CBE are conducted to create awareness in the community about health and welfare of women and child.



viii. **Village Health Sanitation and Nutrition Day:**

Village Health Sanitation and Nutrition Day are conducted all over the State in convergence with H&FW Dept. This is a strong point where convergences between Social Welfare and H&FW Dept. are highly achieved.



ix. **Home Visit:**

Home Visits are done regularly by the frontline workers comprising Anganwadi workers, ASHA basing on home-visit planner.



- x. **Poshan Maah:** Along with the rest of the country, Nagaland observed successfully POSHAN Maah in the month of September 2020. Activities included POSHAN Mela, Cycle



Rallies, Nutrition Camps, Anemia screening camps etc. A total of 26,191 Activities and 4, 21,423 participations were conducted during POSHAN Maah 2020.

xi. **Poshan Pakhwada:**

POSHAN Pakhwada or fortnight was celebrated throughout the State from 8th March – 22nd March 2020 to take the message of nutrition to every household in the state.



xii. **Governance Dashboard:**

Training on Governance Dashboard for District Co-ordinators, Block Co-ordinators, Swachh Preraks were conducted successfully. Training was held in Kohima.



xiii. **Convergence Action Plan (CAP):**

A Convergence Action Plan committee meeting is being held regularly at the different levels to deliberate on the issues of implementation and reviewing of the mission parameter.

xiv. **Nutritional Surveillance System (NSS)**

NSS locates and tracks every month all severely malnourished children by name and by location, and captures ICDS data from all Anganwadi centre of the State.

The NSS carries out real-time monitoring based on the assessment of nutritional problems, analysis of causes or consequences, and takes action to mitigate the observed nutritional problems



xv. **Nutri-Garden**

A Nutri-Garden is a cost-effective model for growing nutrient-rich crops for personal/community consumption to promote good health and well-being. It helps tackle both under-nutrition and over-nutrition by adopting a sustainable life cycle approach.



xvi. **Model Anganwadi Center**

The Objective of Model Anganwadi Center is to develop Anganwadi centers that have all facilities which can contribute to the all-round Aspect of child development. Their whole life will be better if they are provided good care and facilities in pre-school level.



xvii. **e-ILA (e-Incremental Learning Approach)**

e-ILA or e-Incremental Learning Approach are online thematic modules on Nutrition and Early Childhood Education (ECE) developed to support the worker improve their knowledge and skills in an ongoing, incremental manner. In addition to providing easily accessible and

interactive online content for revision and recall, the e-ILA modules allow for self-paced learning, helping AWWs develop practical job skills and a clear and grasp of programmatic and thematic priorities. With a knowledge assessment built-in at the end of each module, it provides immediate feedback to the AWW motivating her to improve herself and follows up at the end of the month to assess actions taken by the AWW based on the IL modules completed.



xviii. **Supportive Supervision**

State level officials visit AWCs every month to monitor the performance of ICDS service delivery and the POSHAN Abhiyaan. To facilitate a “supportive” supervision approach as opposed to an “inspection” approach, a supportive supervision checklist has been developed and is expected to be used by all officials during their field visits. The checklist is aimed at understanding the status of under nutrition and service delivery at the Centre and to enhance AWW capacity and motivation to improve AWC performance and outcomes. It is geared to support the AWW deliver services more effectively and findings from the use of the checklist will be used to provide feedback to the workers to strengthen service delivery through identification of key actions for the worker as well as feed into the States plan for capacity and skill enhancement of workers.



xix. **Covid - 19 Programme**

1. Supply of Hand washing Kit to Anganwadi Workers
2. Special Poster campaign against discrimination/stigma associated with Covid-19
3. Animation videos on
 - (a) Importance of Hand washing
 - (b) Covid-19
 - (c) Breastfeeding
4. Posters/Flex-Banners/Hoardings on Covid-19



(h) **National Crèche Scheme for the Children of Working Mothers:**

- National Crèche Scheme was introduced with the aim of providing quality day-care services, improve nutrition and health status of children, to promote holistic development of children from 6 months upto 6 years of age for children of working mothers in rural and urban areas and to educate and empower parents/caregivers for better childcare.
- Under this Scheme preference is given to poor children and children with special nutritional needs.

- Ideally the number of children in the Crèche should not be more than 25. Of these, at least 40% of children, preferably, should be below 3 years of age.
- The Scheme provide an integrated package of the following services:
 - (i) Daycare facilities.
 - (ii) Early Stimulation for children below 3 years and Pre-School Education for 3 to 6 years old children.
 - (iii) Supplementary Nutrition (to be locally sourced)
 - (iv) Growth Monitoring.
 - (v) Health Check – up and Immunization.
- In this regard it may be mentioned that the earlier listed Crèches run by NGOs were discontinued and the Scheme is now under the direct supervision of the Directorate of Social Welfare. The department is now in the process of re-establishing the new 163 Crèches selected as per the guidelines of the Ministry to be run by the NGOs/ Govt. agencies. The Crèches will be functional depending on the funding of the Govt. of India.

*** REGULAR ACTIVITIES**

1. ICDS day:

ICDS Day is observed every month in all the projects of the Districts. On this day the public are sensitized about the importance of ICDS and various ICDS activities are carried out in each Anganwadi centres. The AWWs and AWHs are also encouraged to carry out their duties efficiently.



2. National Deworming Day

National Deworming Day is observed throughout the country in all the schools and Anganwadi Centres on 10th of February. It is implemented with an aim to combat parasitic worm infections among school going children and Anganwadi children. Albendazole 400 mg a chewable tablet is distributed to the children in Government, Private schools and Anganwadi Centres.



3. Breast Feeding Week

- Along with the rest of the country, World Breastfeeding Week is held annually between 1st to 7th August in all the projects.
- During this week, pregnant women and lactating mothers are made aware on the importance of breastfeeding.
- They are encouraged to feed their child exclusively on breast milk for six months and to continue till they are two years of age.



4. National Nutrition Week

- The National Nutrition Week (NNW) is an annual nutrition event observed throughout the country from 1st to 7th September initiated by Food and Nutrition Board, Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India.
- Its main objective is to raise awareness on the importance of nutrition for health which has an impact on development, productivity, economic growth and ultimately National development.



5. National Girl Child Day.

- National girl child day is celebrated every year on 24th of January as a national observance day for the girl child.
- It is celebrated to offer more supports and new opportunities to the girls in the country, raise awareness about the importance of girl's promotion and promotes the girls position to make their living better in the society.
- In the State, National Girl Child day is also observed in all ICDS projects across the Districts.

6. Bal Swachhta Mission:

- Bal Swachhta Mission is celebrated in all the ICDS projects in the month of November.
- It is a weeklong annual programme where children are sensitized about the importance of cleanliness and involved in different aspects of hygiene/safe sanitation

7. Village Health Sanitation and Nutrition Day (VHSND):

Village Health Sanitation and Nutrition Day is celebrated at the village Anganwadi Centers once every month on a designated day. This is the interaction day between the community and the service provider from the Health and Nutrition system as well as the platform for providing package of essential services to the local community. On the designated day Anganwadi Worker, ASHAs and other frontline workers mobilize the villagers especially women and children together at the nearest Anganwadi Center. VHSND allow to interact freely with the frontline workers and to avail basic information. On the VHSND, the ANM, ASHAs along with the Anganwadi Workers work together and provide various services. On this day women are also counseled about essential nutrition for themselves and their children.

8. Community based Events:

- Community Based Events (CBE) is an activity of Poshan Abhiyan organized to sensitize and create awareness among pregnant women and mothers of children upto 2 years of age and their key influencers on key health, nutrition and child care practices in order to strengthened positive practices related to survival, growth and development of children.
- To create awareness about the benefits available to pregnant women and lactating mothers (PW & LM) under



PMMVY and JSY.

- To improve health seeking behaviour among the Pregnant Women (PW) and Lactating Mothers (LM).
- To enhance community participation in promoting good nutrition and health behaviours.
- Under the CBE, two events are conducted every month (1 event every 15 days) in every Anganwadi Centres based on the themes covering the Target group:
 - Caregiver's viz., mothers and family members including fathers, grandparents and older siblings.
 - Community representatives: Community leaders, religious leaders, PRI members, SHG members, VHSNC members, facilitators / Resource Persons: AWW, ASHA, ANM and ICDS Supervisors.

II. WELFARE PROGRAMME

Under the Welfare Programme, the Department provides services to Senior Citizens, Widows, Persons with Disabilities and NGOs working in various fields relating to Children, Women, Persons with Disabilities, Drug Abuse and the Aged. The Welfare Programme is classified into 4 categories:

- a) Welfare Programme for Senior Citizen.
- b) Welfare Programme for the Widows.
- c) Welfare Programme for the Persons with Disabilities.
- d) Grant- In Aids.

- **International Day for Older Persons (IDOP)** is observed on 1st October every year in the State level as well as in all the District HQs. Distinguished Senior Citizen Certificates are also awarded to the selected senior citizens in the state & district level in recognition of their remarkable contribution in enriching the downtrodden people of the society.



- The event is celebrated to raise awareness on issues adversely affecting the elderly persons and also appreciate the contributions that older persons have been making to the society.
- Functions such as walkathons, rallies, meetings etc. are organized with the active participation of senior citizens and large number of general public's in the State/District level on the occasion of the IDOP.
- Rev. Yankey Patton and Smti. Alhouii Albina Dzuovichu are the State recipients for distinguished Senior Citizens Award for 2020-2021.

(2) NATIONAL SOCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME (NSAP):

The NSAP Scheme is funded by the Ministry of Rural Development and the Department of Social Welfare implements the following 3 Schemes:



(a) **Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme (IGNOAPS):**

- Senior citizens who are BPL and are 60-79 years of age are given a monthly pension of Rs. 200/-per month.
- Senior Citizens who are BPL and are 80 years and above is given a monthly pension of Rs. 500/- per month.
- State Government also provides Rs.100/- per month to each beneficiary as State contribution towards the IGNOAPS.

(b). **Indira Gandhi National Widow Pension Scheme (IGNWPS): -**

- Under IGNWPS deserving BPL widows of 40-59 years of age are provided with pension @ Rs.300/- p.m.

(c). **Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme (IGNDPS):**

- Under IGNDPS deserving BPL persons with severe multiple disabilities from 18-59 years of age are provided with pension @ Rs.300/- p.m.

District-wise list of beneficiaries under NSAP

Sl.No.	Name of District	IGNOAPS (60-79 years)	IGNOAPS (80+years)	IGNWPS	IGNDPS
1.	KOHIMA	6495	725	508	169
2.	MOKOKCHUNG	6808	639	475	139
3.	TUENSANG	5515	625	460	92
4.	MON	6167	725	465	113
5.	ZUNHEBOTO	5742	531	435	132
6.	WOKHA	5490	517	412	136
7.	PHEK	5828	523	436	145
8.	DIMAPUR	4384	834	481	117
9.	LONGLENG	1485	145	261	77
10.	KIPHIRE	1762	186	261	75
11.	PEREN	2074	200	270	81
	Total	51,750	5,650	4,464	1,276

** It may be mentioned that during the Covid -19 pandemic, one-time ex-gratia of Rs. 500 X 2 was given to all eligible NSAP pensioners under the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana Package (PMGKYP) as monetary relief.*

No. of NSAP pensioners who have received PMGKYP

Sl.No.	Name of the Scheme	Total Number
1	IGNOAPS (60-79 yrs)	48533
2	IGNOAPS (80+yrs)	5352
3	IGNWPS	4278
4	IGNDPS	1241
G/Total		59404

(d). National Family Benefit Scheme:

- The Ministry of Rural Development implements **National Family Benefit Scheme (NFBS)**, through State Governments and UT Administrations.
- In the event of death (Natural or Accidental) of the primary bread earner of families living below the poverty line, the bereaved families are assisted with a one-time financial assistance of Rs. 20,000/-.

Eligibility:

- Financial assistance under the National Family Benefit or NFBS is available upon the fulfillment of the following criteria:
 - The main breadwinner has to be a family member whose income constituted a major share of the family's total earnings.
 - The death of such a bread-earner should have occurred whilst she/he is above 18 years of age and below 60 years of age.
 - A woman in the family, who is a home maker, is also considered as a 'bread-winner' under this scheme. The deceased's family shall qualify as a family living under the poverty line.
- 400 beneficiaries were provided onetime financial assistance under this scheme during 2019– 2020.

III. WELFARE PROGRAMME FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES:

In accordance with the Provision under the PwDs Act 2016, the categories of Disabilities have been expanded from the existing 7 to 21 conditions. Persons with Benchmark disabilities are defined as those with at least 40% of any of the 21 categories of disability as listed below:

The different categories of disabilities are:

- | | |
|---|--|
| 1. Blindness | 12. Chronic Neurological conditions |
| 2. Low – Vision | 13. Specific learning Disability |
| 3. Leprosy Cured Persons | 14. Multiple Sclerosis |
| 4. Hearing impairment
(deaf and hard of hearing) | 15. Speech and language disability |
| 5. Locomotor Disability | 16. Thalassemia |
| 6. Dwarfism | 17. Haemophilia |
| 7. Intellectual Disability | 18. Sickle Cell disease |
| 8. Mental Illness | 19. Multiple Disabilities including
deaf/ blindness |
| 9. Autism Spectrum | 20. Acid Attack victim |

10. Cerebral Palsy
11. Muscular Dystrophy
21. Parkinson's disease.

Medical Board for certifications of PwDs has been constituted in all the districts and the Medical Certification Boards has fixed its sittings at the Civil Hospital every Wednesday.

a. Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme (IGNDPS):

Government of India has launched the Scheme during February 2009.

Eligibility Criteria:

1. BPL persons with severe and multiple disabilities.
2. 18 – 59 years of age.
3. Medical Certification from the Medical Board (80%)

Dwarfs will also be an eligible category for this pension. 1276 disabled persons have been availing the pensions under the scheme at an amount of Rs.300/- per month.

District Wise Coverage of Beneficiaries under IGNDPS State Disability Pension Programme:

Sl.No	Name of the District	IGNDPS
1	KOHIMA	169
2	MOKOKCHUNG	139
3	TUENSANG	92
4	MON	113
5	ZUNHEBOTO	132
6	WOKHA	136
7	PHEK	145
8	DIMAPUR	117
9	LONGLENG	77
10	KIPHIRE	75
11	PEREN	81
Total		1,276

b. National E-Scholarship:

National e-Scholarship scheme for students with disabilities have been implemented by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Department of Empowerment of persons with disabilities through the National e- Scholarship Portal which will provide scholarships for students with disabilities.

5 categories of scholarships have been implemented for students with disabilities which are:

1. Pre-Matric Scholarship for Class IX and X.
2. Post Matric Scholarship for class XI to Post Graduation.
3. Scholarship for top class education for Post Graduate degree or diploma in 197 notified institutions.
4. National Overseas scholarship for students with disabilities for pursuing Master's level courses and PhD abroad.
5. National Fellowship for PwDs is a fellowship Scheme for pursuing M. Phil/ PHD courses in any university recognized by UGC.

The State of Nagaland has so far identified the first 3 categories and has awarded scholarships of an amount ranging from ` 12,830/- to 22,420/- through DBT account funded by MOSJ&E as mentioned below in the table:

Sl.No	Category of Scholarship	No. of Beneficiaries
1	Pre-Matric Scholarship	32
2	Post Matric Scholarship	4
3	Top Class Education Slot	0

**Note: Disabled Students to apply online, verify by the institute, verify by the Nodal Officer at the Directorate of Social Welfare.*

c. District Disability Rehabilitation Centre – (DDRC)

DDRC was established in Dimapur and is under the supervision of Medical Superintendent, District Hospital, Dimapur. The functioning is in progress. The DDRC in Mon and Tuensang is on the process of establishment with the sanction of the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment. The Integrated Development Society, Tuensang and Wenkhang Foundation, Mon have been identified and recommended as implementation Agencies by the District Management Committee.

d. Unique Disability ID – (UDID):

Unique ID for Persons with Disabilities project is being implemented with a view of: -

- Creating a National Database for PwDs.
- To issue a Unique Disability Identity Card to each person with disabilities.
- Encourage transparency, efficiency and to ensure uniformity in delivering the Government benefits to the person with disabilities.
- To help in stream-lining the tracking of physical and financial progress of beneficiary at all levels of hierarchy of implementation – from village level block level, District level, State level and National level.

Objectives:

1. To enable the PwDs to obtain the new UDID card / Disability Certificate. 2. To avail schemes and benefits provided by the Government through its various Ministries and their Departments.

3. This card will be valid PAN-India.

- The UDID portal shall be designed to provide an online platform for the following:
 1. New application for UDID.
 2. Renewal of existing Certificate/Card on expiration of validity.
 3. In the event of loss of card/certificate.

- In addition to the above, the UDID Portal shall also provide information on:
 1. The various schemes/benefits.
 2. Procedures to apply for Disability Certificate/UDID Card.
 3. Success Stories, Suggestions/Feedback, Manuals etc.

e. Vocational Training Center-Cum Blind School:

The construction of Vocational Training Center-cum-Blind School at Dimapur under the th13 Finance commission is nearing completion.

IV. STATE WELFARE PROGRAMMES FOR DISABLED PERSON:**ELIGIBILITY** - Disability of 40% and above /Medical Board Certification**Schemes:**

Schemes		No of Beneficiaries	Amount
SCHOLARSHIP	Class A to VIII	208 Students	300/-per month
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE	(a). DISABLED (b). BLIND	3166 Persons 1706 Persons	300/-per month 300/-per month

V. STATE SPONSORED GRANT IN AID PROGRAMME:

Under this programme, grant-in-aid is provided to the deserving NGOs for rendering welfare services in various fields such as Care & Protection of Orphans and Destitute Children, Drug Abuse Prevention Programme, Welfare Programme for Senior Citizen and Person with Disabilities.

Categories of NGOs who had received GIA from the Department:

- Welfare of Children – 14 NGO's
- Disabled Persons – 8 NGO's
- Old Age Persons – 7 NGO's
- Drug Abuse – 8 NGO's

Note: Total numbers of 37 NGO's were provided Grant-in-Aid during 2019 - 2020.

• GIA DISABILITY SECTOR 2019 - 2020

Sl.No.	Name of the NGO
1	Development Association for Disabled, Dimapur
2	Care & Support Society, Mokokchung
3	People in Need Foundation, Peren
4	Jo Foundation Inclusive School, Kohima
5	Cure Foundation, Aongza Ward, Mokokchung
6	Tabitha Enabling Society, Kohima
7	Cherry Blossoms Society, LerieChazou, Kohima
8	Baseleia Mission Organisation, Dimapur

• GIA FOR OLD AGE HOME 2019 - 2020

Sl.No.	Name of the NGO
1	Kohima Old Age Home, Meriema, Kohima
2	Aloino Centre, Chekiye, Dimapur
3	Tribal Old Age Home cum Day Care Centre, Indisen Village, Dimapur
4	Aonglar Women Welfare Society, Mokokchung
5	Immanuel Welfare Society, Kuhuboto Town, Dimapur
6	Suna Services Society, Kohima
7	Vikhito Multipurpose Society, Zunheboto

• **GIA FOR DRUG ABUSE/ HIV PROGRAMME 2019 - 2020**

Sl.No.	Name of the NGO
1	Gospel Outreach Ministry and Committee on Drug Addict, Mon
2	Lightway Society, Pfutsero Town
3	Kripa Foundation, Kohima (Main office)
4	Eureka Life Foundation, Phek
5	Dimapur Life Challenge, Chumukedima
6	ArokKhu Society, AitLenden ward, Tuli, Mokokchung
7	Water of Life for People Ministry, Mon
8	Honphoi Multipurpose Cooperative Society, Hongphoi Village, Mon

• **GIA FOR CHILD WELFARE 2019 - 2020**

Sl.No.	Name of the NGO
1	T.Island Club, Tangnyu Village, Mon
2	Loyung Tribal Welfare Society, MangkolembaMokokchung
3	Destitute Home, Kezieke North Block, Kohima
4	Eden Garden Children's Home, Kohima
5	Highland Hall, Child Development Society, Dimapur
6	Green Land Society, Kiphire
7	Zeme Women Organisation, Peren
8	PhomLempong Children Home, Longleng
9	Shalom Children Home, Aboi, Mon
10	Team Metamorphosis, Wokha
11	Rev. Longsa Memorial Orphanage Home, Dimapur
12	Friends Eleven Fraternity Society, Chekiye Village, Dimapur
13	Society of Aborigines, Zunheboto
14	Zavmast Children's Home, K. Basa, Chozuba, Phek

OTHER ACTIVITIES

1. The Anganwadi children across the district celebrated Children's day on 14th November 2020.



2. The Department of Social Welfare in collaboration with the Department of Rural Development observed Panchayati Raj Day



3. Seen below are some of the Anganwadi functionaries taking part in the Covid-19 vaccinations campaign taken up by the Department of Health & Family Welfare.



DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

4. National Action Plan Drug Demand Reduction:

a. An awareness programme on prevention against drug abuse was conducted through online platform.

b. “**International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking**” was observed across the State.

c. On 15th August 2020, Nasha Mukh Bharat Abhiyan was launched in Nagaland. In the State, this scheme will focus on three Districts viz. Mon, Kohima & Dimapur as identified by the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment as the districts most affected by drug abuse.



d. An awareness programme through various competitions such as dance, quiz, painting etc., was organized to raise awareness on the ill effects of drug abuse.



5. The functionaries of Social Welfare Department in the entire District took part in a State Level Polio Immunization programme by assisting the Asha Workers.

6. Initiated by the Hon'ble Governor of Nagaland, Shri. R N Ravi, an award was instituted in 2020 to be awarded to NGOs for Creating Social Impact and Awareness on Prevailing Social ills and its Amelioration. The Joint Action Committee Against Opium Addiction (JACAOA), Mon was the recipient of the **Governor's Award** in 2020 while ARK Foundation, Kohima was the recipient in 2021.



Nagaland State Social Welfare Board Kohima: Nagaland

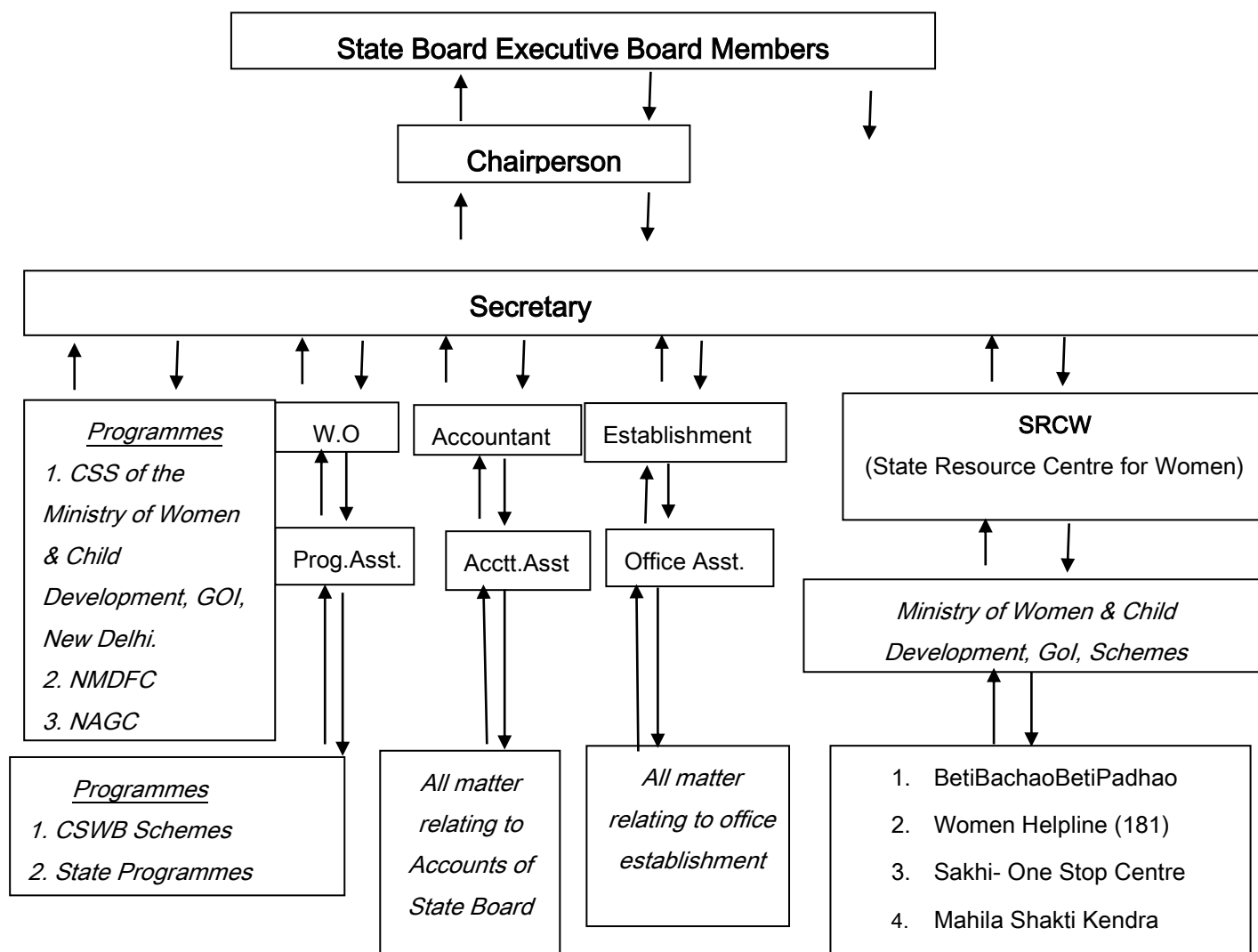
1. INTRODUCTION.

The Nagaland State Social Welfare Board came into existence in the year 1958 with the mission to implement various programs and assist the Central Social Welfare Board (CSWB) programmes for sustaining the growth and development of Voluntary Organizations working for women, children and weaker sections of our society and providing financial assistance for taking up various welfare programs in the State.

Our Mission

As a national organization, to strive to be recognized as the most progressive entity for providing services of unequivocal excellence to women and children for their protection, capacity building and total empowerment. To raise awareness about the legal and human rights of women and girl child and to run campaigns against social evils affecting them.

2. ORGANOGRAM OF THE NAGALAND STATE SOCIAL WELFARE BOARD



ACTIVITIES OF THE NSSWB

1. Activities of the State Board

The State Board has been implementing various programmes under Central Social Welfare Board (CSWB), Ministry of Women & Child Development, Ministry of Minority Affairs, New Delhi and State Government Plan programmes.

A. CSWB PROGRAMMES

a) Family Counseling Centre (FCC)

Family Counseling Centre is for the welfare of women and their families who needs counseling for any disorder or difference occurring between the spouse and the children. 2 voluntary organization were accorded sanction for running FCC in Dimapur & Mokokchung District.

b) Voluntary Action Bureau (VAB)

VAB was formed to assist the Board in dealing with the cases of atrocities and exploitation on women and children. The main purpose of the bureau is to meet the challenge of crime against women and to streamline the voluntary organization to implement welfare activities for the affected women and children. The Voluntary Action Bureau also tackles social evils affecting the community.

B. CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEME (CSS)

(Ministry of Women & Child Development & Ministry of Minority Affairs, Govt. of India)

a) National Minorities Development & Finance Corporation - The Nagaland State Social Welfare Board - State Channeling Agency of NMDFC was incorporated during 2009 with the aim to promote micro-finance support for women SHGs all over Nagaland. Assistance in terms of loan at lower rates is given to Women SHGs to expand their income generation activities.

b) Support to Training & Employment Programme for Women (STEP)

The programme of STEP aims to make a significant impact on Women in traditional sectors by upgrading skills and providing skills that give employment to women and to provide competencies and skills that enable women to become self-employed/entrepreneurs. The scheme is intended to benefit women who are in the age group of 16 years and above.

The sectors /trades covered under this programme:

- a) Agriculture
- b) Horticulture
- c) Food processing
- d) Handlooms
- e) Tailoring, Stitching, Embroidery, Zari etc.
- f) Handicrafts

- g) Computer & IT enabled services along with soft skills and skills for the work place such as spoken English.
- h) Gems & Jewelry
- i) Travel & Tourism
- j) Hospitality

The project duration will be for a maximum of 18 months including time set aside for the post-training activity evaluation.

Under the STEP scheme, financial assistance to meet a maximum of 90% of the project cost can be sanctioned by Government of India. The remaining 10% will have to borne by the implementing agency from its own resources.

c) Working Women Hostel (WWH)

The objective of the scheme is to promote availability of safe and conveniently located accommodation for working women, with day care facility for their children, wherever possible, in urban, semi urban, or even rural areas where employment opportunity for women exist.

d) Ujjawala

A comprehensive scheme for Prevention of trafficking and Rescue, Rehabilitation & Re-integration of victims of trafficking for commercial sexual exploitation.

e) Swadhar Greh(A SCHEME FOR WOMEN IN DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES)

The scheme is meant to provide temporary accommodation, maintenance and rehabilitative services to women and girls rendered homeless due to family discord, crime, violence, mental stress, social ostracism or are being forced into prostitution and are in moral danger. The scheme through the provisions of shelter, food, clothing, counselling, trainings, clinical and legal aid aims to rehabilitate such women in difficult circumstance.

f) Ambedkar HastshilpVikasYojna (AHVY) under the Ministry of Textiles

Objectives:

- To identify potentials villages and artisans actively involved in handicraft activities.
- To carry out situational analysis of the artisans in the proposed project area
- To introduce AHVY scheme
- To mobilize and motivate artisans practicing similar craft to form into thrift and credit groups.

The scheme provides Skill Up gradation, Design & Technical Development Workshop, Publicity to attain optimum Market segment, Common Facility Centre to enhance efficiency of production system to improve quality, Organizing Exhibitions, opening a Permanent Sales

outlet, Work shed to the targeted families, Insurance coverage to all artisans is to be implemented in the cluster with appropriate institutional back-ups.

C) STATE GOVT. PROGRAMMES

❖ Nagaland Adolescent Girls Club

The Nagaland Adolescent Girls Club is a new initiative of the NSSWB. It is formed to facilitate Adolescent Girls to emerge as formidable agents, as ambassadors of change in attitudes and systems which will benefit them and society at large in innumerable ways. The motto of the club is “**Live the Promises**”. The Nagaland Adolescent Girls Club was formally launched during the celebration of the Golden Jubilee cum inauguration of the NSSWB Office on 22nd May 2008. Presently the AGC is formed in 7 schools in Kohima, 2 schools in Wokha and 2 schools in Jalukie.

❖ REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE NAGALAND ADOLESCENT GIRLS’ CLUB, 2020

1. Observance of Swathchta Pakhwada

The Nagaland Adolescent Girls Club (NAGC) in collaboration with Mahila Shakti Kendra DLCW Kohima, State Resource Centre for Women (SRCW), Sakhi One Stop Centre Kohima, Sakhi-One Stop Centre Dimapur under the aegis of Nagaland State Social Welfare Board (NSSWB) conducted a signature campaign on Swathchta Pakhwada observed from 1st March- 13th March at Govt. Middle School L.Khel, Bayavii Hill Higher Secondary School and Thinuovicha Memorial Government Higher Secondary School.

The primary objective of the campaign was to achieve universal sanitation and hygiene and to eliminate open defecation. More than 1000 students participated in the campaign and the pledge was recited.



2. Nagaland Adolescent Girls’ Club (NAGC) Felicitates Successful Candidates Virtually, 2020

On 2nd July, 2020, the Nagaland Adolescent Girls’ Club under the aegis of Nagaland State Social Welfare Board conducted a virtual felicitation programme. Keeping in mind the novel corona virus, the safety of the children has been our uttermost priority as such unlike the other year the board has decided to felicitate the young members for their success in HSLC and HSSLC examination this year through a virtual programme instead of a live assembly. All the virtual recording was done maintaining all social distancing norms.

This year, a total of 117 students were awarded certificates of excellence from different AGC schools viz-



Christ King Higher Secondary School, TM Higher Secondary School, Oking Christian School, Mezhiir Higher Secondary School, Bayavü High School, Mewi Higher Secondary School and Gilgal School, Wokha.

3. Distribution of Face Shield for the Naga Teachers –in- Charge

On 21st September, 2020 the Nagaland Adolescent Girls' Club under the aegis of the Nagaland State Social Welfare Board initiated to distribute face shield to every teacher under the Nagaland Adolescent Girls' Club.



4. Nagaland Adolescent Girls Club Online Competition, 2020

The Nagaland Adolescent Girls Club under the aegis of Nagaland State Social Welfare Board conducted an online competition under the theme “Celebrating Creativity”. This competition was solely conducted with a view to discover and explore talented adolescent girls across the state.

There were 9 categories viz. singing, instrumental piece, dance, poem, spoken word, photography, videography, illustration, painting, craft and DIY. With the time duration from 11th September- 21st September, 2020 we've had a total number of 84 participants from across the state.

All participants have been presented with certificates of merits and participation.



5. Signature Campaign on Account of International Day of the Girl Child

Nagaland Adolescent Girls' and Mahila Shakti Kendra under the umbrella of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao, Nagaland State Social Welfare Board conducted a signature campaign under theme, “BE A SUPER HERO, BE THE AGENT OF CHANGE”. This campaign was held to recognize and spread awareness on violence against the girl child on account of International Day of the Girl Child which falls on 13th October, 2020 - 16th October, 2020. The campaign was conducted keeping in mind the pandemic safety guidelines.



6. Skill Development conducted for the Nagaland Adolescent Girls' Club

On 9th November, 2020, the Nagaland Adolescent Girls' Club Schools were distributed with a bag wild apple fruit's each which were collected from Riisoma.

The students were given the liberty to make anything and sell the finish products. All benefits from the finish products were given to the girls.



7. The Annual Online Conference cum Pre-Christmas for the Nagaland Adolescent Girls' Club, 2020

On 23rd December, 2020 the Nagaland adolescent Girls' Club under the aegis of the Nagaland State Social Welfare Board conducted the Annual Online Conference cum Pre-

Christmas, 2020. Due to the pandemic, all programs for 2020 had to be resorted to virtual online gatherings as the safety of our children is our outmost priority.

All the virtual recording was done maintaining all social distance.

C. STATE RESOURCE CENTRE FOR WOMEN (SRCW) - NAGALAND

The SRCW works towards strengthening the processes to promote holistic empowerment of women, gender equality and gender justice through inter-sectoral convergence of schemes and programmes of the Government, impacting women, forging synergy amongst various stakeholders and creating an enabling environment conducive to social change.

The Social Welfare Department is the Nodal Department in the State and it is established under the aegis of the Nagaland State Social Welfare Board. The State Mission Authority is headed by the Hon'ble Chief Minister as the Chairperson and the State Coordination Committee is headed by the Chief Secretary. At the District level, the District Task Force is set up under the Chairpersonship of the Deputy Commissioner.

The SRCW has been actively working to facilitate the implementation of various women centric programmes and schemes under the Ministry of Women and Child Development, GoI:

- a. **Mahila Shakti Kendra (MSK):** MSK provides One Stop Convergent support services for empowering rural women. The SRCW is the Project Management Unit for Mahila Shakti Kendra (MSK) - District Level Centre for Women (DLCW) and Block Level Centre for Women (BLCW). DLCW is set up in 11 districts and Block Centre is set up in Aspirational district, Kiphire. MSK-DLCW provides a foothold for Beti Bachao Beti Padhao at the district level.
- b. **Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP):** The SRCW has been notified as the Project Management Unit (PMU) of the BBBP Scheme, and is responsible to provide technical and coordination support for implementation of the State Action Plan. The overall goal of this scheme is to celebrate the girl child and enable her education. At the district level, the BBBP is being implemented for multi-sectoral intervention in 7 districts i.e., Longleng, Mon, Wokha, Peren, Phek, Tuensang & Mokokchung. For media and Advocacy, 4 Districts are covered, i.e., Zunheboto, Kiphire, Dimapur & Kohima.
- c. **Women Helpline -181:** The SRCW has been appointed as the Nodal Agency to implement the Universalization of Women Helpline (181) Scheme in the state. The scheme intends to provide 24-hour immediate and emergency response to women affected by violence through referral and providing information about women related government schemes and programmes across the country through a single uniform number (181). WHL-181 is integrated with One Stop Centres.

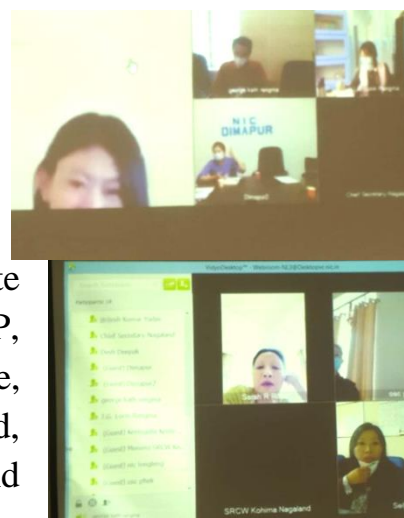
- d. Sakhi- One Stop Centre (OSC):** The SRCW as the Nodal Agency is responsible to facilitate the implementation of OSC Scheme in the State. OSCs are established in 11 district headquarters. The objective of the scheme is to provide integrated support and assistance to women affected by violence, both in public and private spaces under one roof. It aims to facilitate immediate, emergency and non-emergency access to a range of services including medical, legal, psychological, counselling support and shelter during crisis period.

ACTIVITIES OF THE STATE RESOURCE CENTRE FOR WOMEN (SRCW) - NAGALAND (April – December, 2020):

1. Trainings/ Workshops Undertaken:

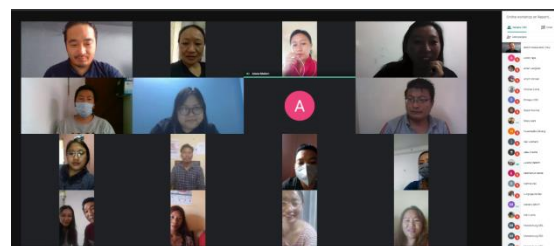
i. State-Level Training on Public Finance Management System (PFMS):

The SRCW Nagaland and Public Finance Management System (PFMS) State Directorate, Kohima Nagaland conducted a one-day online State-Level Training on PFMS on the 15th July 2020, hosted through a live video conference from Kohima provided by the State National Informatics Centre (NIC), with special emphasis on BBBP, MSK, 181-WHL and Sakhi OSC schemes. Smt. Sarah R. Ritse, Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Nagaland, Department of Social Welfare, and the Administrator of the Nagaland State Social Welfare Board, delivered the keynote address.



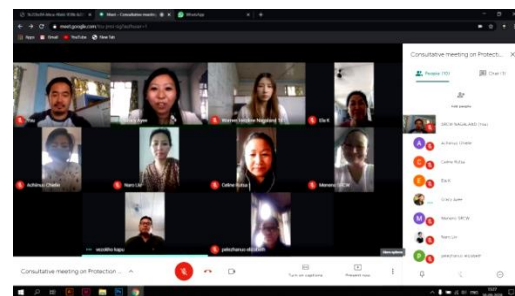
ii. Online Workshop on Reporting and Documentation:

An online workshop on Reporting & Documentation was organized by the SRCW on 28th August 2020 for the functionaries of the MSK DLCWs and Sakhi-One Stop Centres in the State.



iii. Consultative Meeting on Protection of Women and Children in Shelter Homes:

Online Consultative Meeting on Protection of Women and Children in Shelter Homes with Special Emphasis on Swadhar Greh and Ujjawala Homes was organized by the SRCW, 181-WHL Nagaland and the NSSWB on 30th September, 2020



2. Important Days Observed:

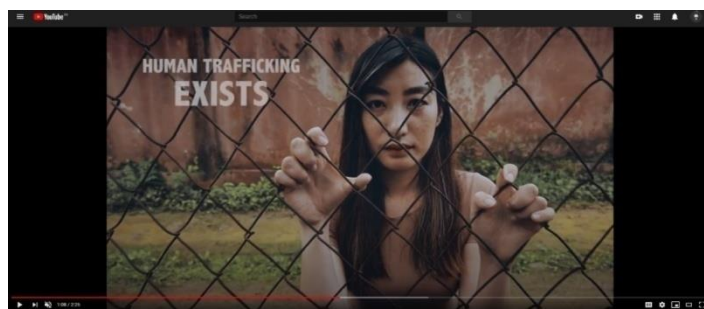
i. **World Environment Day | 5th June 2020:** In commemoration of World Environment Day, 5th June 2020, a state-level digital essay writing competition was organized by the SRCW Nagaland with the DLCW Kohima under the theme: *Biodiversity*, with the topic, “The Impact of Agriculture on the Livelihood of Women.” The competition was open to two categories of students: classes 8 to 12 students and Bachelor’s and Master’s Degree students.



Winners of the State-level Digital Essay Writing Competition

ii. **World Day against Trafficking in Persons | 30th July 2020:** On the occasion of World Day against Trafficking in Persons, 30th July 2020, the SRCW, MSK and the 181 Women Helpline Nagaland initiated a digital campaign to mark the day and to highlight the issue of Human Trafficking in the state. The campaign was launched by Smt. Sarah R. Ritse, Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Nagaland, Department of Social Welfare, and the Administrator of the Nagaland State Social Welfare Board.

“*Break the Chain – Stop Human Trafficking*,” a short video on Human Trafficking in Nagaland, brought out by the SRCW was released on this occasion. As well, several Information Education and Communication (IEC) materials on Legal Protection against Human Trafficking and general awareness on the issue were launched. The video and IEC materials are available on the official pages of the SRCW Nagaland and 181 Women Helpline Nagaland on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube channel. As part of this commemoration, the District Administrations and the District Level Centres for Women (DLCWs) and OSCs carried out various activities in the 11 districts and reached out to the masses, creating awareness through their involvement and participation in various activities, such as – art/ poster contest, photo caption competition, etc.

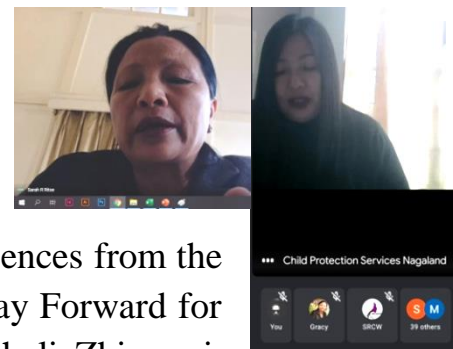
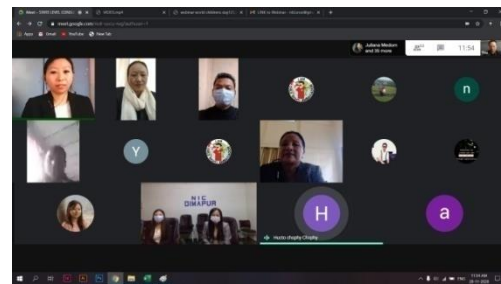


‘Break the Chain’, a video on human trafficking, was released on YouTube on the World Day Against Trafficking in Persons as part of the Digital Campaign against Human Trafficking.

Video Link URL: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9nup82kPYGM>

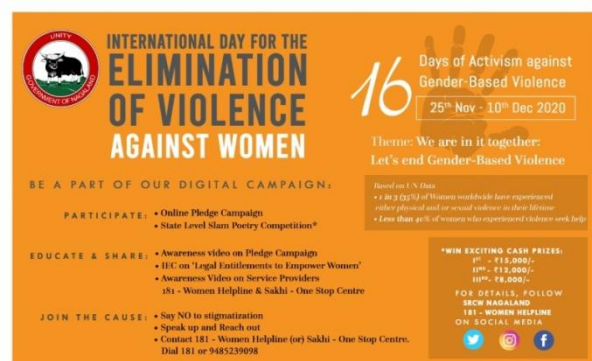
iii. State Level Consultative Webinar on the Issue of Negligence and Abandonment of Children on the Occasion of World Children's Day 2020:

On the occasion of World Children's Day, 20th November, 2020 a State-Level Consultative Webinar on the Issue of Negligence and Abandonment of Children was jointly organized by the Department of Social Welfare, State Resource Centre for Women and the State Child Protection Services (CPS). Smt. Sarah R. Ritse, Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Nagaland, Department of Social Welfare launched a video titled, "Deafening Silence," brought out by the CPS about children in need of care and protection. Presentations were made on the topics: *Situational Analysis from Gender Perspective*, and *Intervention Strategies under Child Protection Services*; and experiences from the districts were also shared, as well as issues and challenges. The Way Forward for Convergence to Protect Child Rights was proposed by Smt. Tosheli Zhimomi, Joint Director, Social Welfare & Society Director, CPS.



iv. International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women (25th Nov., 2020) & 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence | 25th November—10th December, 2020:

On the occasion of International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women on 25th November 2020 under the theme, "We are in it together: Let's End Gender-Based Violence," Sarah R. Ritse, Commissioner and Secretary to the Government of Nagaland, Department of Social Welfare, & Administrator, Nagaland State Social Welfare Board, virtually launched the digital campaign to commemorate the same. This day marks the launch of the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence, which culminates on 10th December (Human Rights Day).



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STATE RESOURCE CENTRE FOR WOMEN - MAHILA SHAKTI KENDRA | 181 - WOMEN HELPLINE

The digital activities were jointly organized by the Department of Social Welfare, Nagaland State Commission for Women (NSCW), Nagaland State Social Welfare Board (NSSWB), State Resource Centre for Women (SRCW) Nagaland-Mahila Shakti Kendra, and 181-Women Helpline (WHL) Nagaland. They included an Online Pledge Campaign, Poetry Slam Video Competition, Awareness Video on Pledge Campaign, IEC on 'Legal Entitlements to Empower Women', and an Awareness Video on Service Providers 181-WHL & Sakhi-One Stop Centre (OSC), inclusive of people with hearing disabilities.

3. BBBP STATE LEVEL ACTIVITIES

i. Distribution of Relief Package to Frontline Workers, NGOs and Widows

On account of the outbreak of the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, DLCW Kohima in collaboration with the State Resource Centre for Women and Nagaland State Social Welfare Board, distributed relief packages from 29th of April to 5th of May 2020 to various Frontline

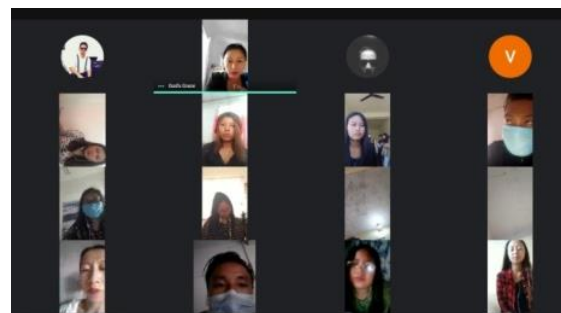
workers (Medical Staffs, Traffic Police, Police New Reserve, Colony Volunteers, Security Personnel), NGOs (Old Age Home, Underprivileged families), Hospitals (Naga

Hospital Kohima, KOHIMAS, Bethel Hospital Kohima, Putuonuo Nursing Home New Market, Mental Hospital Lerie, KP Bethesda Hospital) and the DC Kohima.



ii. Orientation on BetiBachaoBetiPadhao and Mahila Shakti Kendra

An orientation on BBBP and MSK scheme was held via video conference with the District Level Centre for Women (DLCW)-Mahila Shakti Kendra (MSK) districts of Phek, Mokokchung, Tuensang, Wokha, Kiphire, Longleng, Mon, Peren and Kohima on 30th June, 2020, hosted by the DLCW Kohima.



iii. Felicitation of Young Mothers

On 9th – 10th July 2020, under the banner of the BBBP, the District Level Centre for Women-MSK Kohima, in collaboration with the State Resource Centre for Women distributed BBBP gift packs to the young mothers at Putuonuo Nursing Home, Oking Hospital, KP Bethesda and Bethel Hospital. This was done to assist and felicitate the young mothers in times of the COVID-19 pandemic.



i. Virtual Conference to Promote BBBP in Nagaland

The DLCW Kohima held an online video conference on 5th August, 2020. Discussions were held in regard to conducting online activities in times of COVID-19, and it was decided that an online Consultation for Competitive Exams would be organized to uplift the spirit of competitive exam aspirants in times of the pandemic, and to promote the Nagaland BBBP scheme.

ii. Online Baby Show for BBBP Media and Advocacy Districts

The DLCW Kohima in collaboration with State Resource Centre for Women under the aegis of the Nagaland State Social Welfare Board organized online baby show for the BBBP Media and Advocacy districts in the month of August to encourage women's participation, to promote the importance of child rearing and role of parents for children. Competition was divided into photo and video category and the result was declared on 15th August where prizes were distributed to all the winners.

iii. Virtual Meeting with Teachers In Charge of BBBP Adopted Schools

With the intent to sponsor underprivileged students, the DLCW- Kohima, MSK as part of the BBBP Ambassador for Girl Child adopted a total of 10 schools in Kohima. A series of survey were conducted with four of these BBBP adopted schools for the month of July and August 2020, in line with the pandemic safety guidelines such as social distancing and virtual online survey.

Consecutive meetings were held on 28th and 29th August, 2020, by the DLCW-Kohima, MSK who organized a virtual meeting with the teachers in charge of BBBP adopted schools to discuss the sponsorship of its students from classes 10 and 12 through BBBP- Ambassador for Girl Child. The teachers in charge were briefed about the scheme, its current progress, its aims and objectives and how it sought to help the underprivileged girl students in their school.

iv. Google Conference for BBBP Media and Advocacy Districts

DLCW-MSK Kohima conducted a google conference for media and advocacy districts was conducted on 1st September 2020 with DLCW- MSK staffs of Kiphire, Dimapur and Zunheboto for evaluation of conducted 'Baby show competition'. The objective of the meeting was to share the outcome encountered from the competition. Feedback received from the participants was also shared from DLCW-MSK staffs from media and advocacy districts. More than 10 (ten) participants from media and advocacy districts attended the google meeting.

v. Acknowledging Teachers of BBBP Adopted Schools in Commemoration of Teachers' Day

DLCW-MSK Kohima distributed gift packs to teachers in charge of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao adopted schools on 7th September 2020, Kohima – Oking Christian School, Mewi School, Bayavü School, Govt. Middle School, T.M. Higher Secondary School, Christ King School,

Rüzhükhrie Higher Secondary School. This was conducted in commemoration of Teachers' Day to honour their tireless efforts towards students and to encourage them in their profession.



vi. Commemoration of Girl Child Month for the Month of September

In commemoration of Girl Child Month, BBBP gift packs were distributed to new born baby mothers at Bethesda Hospital and Putuonuo Nursing Home in the month of September 2020. This was carried out to acknowledge the birth of the girl child and to raise awareness and improve the efficiency of welfare services intended for girls.



vii. State-Level Training on Public Finance Management System (PFMS) For BBBP Multi-Sectoral Districts

A State- Level Training on Public Finance Management System (PFMS) was held with the nodal officers of the Multi-sectoral districts with special emphasis on BetiBachaoBetiPadhao on 8th September, 2020 at the Finance Department Conference Hall. The programme was organized by the DLCW Kohima and the SRCW, in collaboration with PFMS State Directorate, Kohima and Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure. The programme was attended by 7 nodal officers from the districts of Mon, Tuensang, Peren, Wokha, Longleng, Phek and Mokokchung.



181-WOMEN HELPLINE NAGALAND CASE CHART
From 1st April– 31st December 2020

Sl. No.	TYPES OF CASES	Total no. of calls received	Total no. of effective calls received
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WHL Nagaland provides 24-hour immediate and emergency response to women affected by violence through referral and provides information about women related government schemes and programmes across

the country through a single uniform number (181). WHL-181 is integrated with Sakhi- One Stop Centres.

I.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Distress: 1 2. Support & Assistance: 12 3. Obscene Phone Call: 3 4. Physical Assault: 2 5. Rescue: 2 6. Harassment: 2 7. Domestic Violence: 10 8. Cyber Crime: 5 9. Mischief/ Blackmail/Threaten: 2 10. Cheating/ Fraud: 3 <p>Information on Government related to schemes/programme /laws/ Covid-19 related: 518</p>	7717	560
II.	<p>District Wise Breakup:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dimapur: 216 2. Kohima: 38 3. Peren: 2 4. Mokokchung: 251 5. Wokha: 2 6. Zunheboto: 5 7. Phek: 17 8. Kiphire: Nil 9. Tuensang: Nil 10. Mon: 22 11. Longleng: 1 12. Other States: 6 		

SAKHI- ONE STOP CENTRE (OSC) NAGALAND*OSC facilitates access to integrated range of services including police, medical, legal, psychological support and temporary shelter***Case Data of assistance given to women affected by violence/ distress (April- December 2020)**

District	Type of cases								
	Domestic violence	Rape	Sexual offence /harassment	Child sexual abuse	Missing/kid napping/ abduction/ Runaway	Cyber crime	Abandoned/ distressed women	Any other form (mention)	Total cases
Dimapur	10		4		11		16	Mentally unsound-2 Repatriation-1	44
Kohima	2	1	1		3		5		12
Kiphire		1						Intra-clan marriage-1 Relationship issue-1	3
Longleng	4						1		5
Mokokchung	8						2		10
Mon	2		2						4
Peren	5		1				1		7
Phek	3	1	1			1	2	Divorce-1 Child custody-1	10
Tuensang						3	6		9
Wokha	6				1	3	11	Attempt to murder-1 Murder-1	23
Zunheboto				1					1
Total cases received from 11 districts	40	3	9	1	15	7	44	9	128

CHILD PROTECTION SERVICES NAGALAND

A. INTRODUCTION:

The Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS), a centrally sponsored scheme aims at building a protective environment for children in difficult circumstances, as well as other vulnerable children, through Government – Civil Society Partnership. After signing a MOU with the Ministry of Women and Child Development on 8th October 2009, the Government of Nagaland launched this Scheme in the year 2010. The CPS Nagaland is headed by Commissioner & Secretary (AHOD) as the ex-officio Chairman. As per the guideline issued by the ministry, the post of Society Director is headed by an administrative officer not below the rank of Joint Secretary.

The scheme comes under Ministry of Women and Child Development at the central level and Department of Social Welfare at the state level.

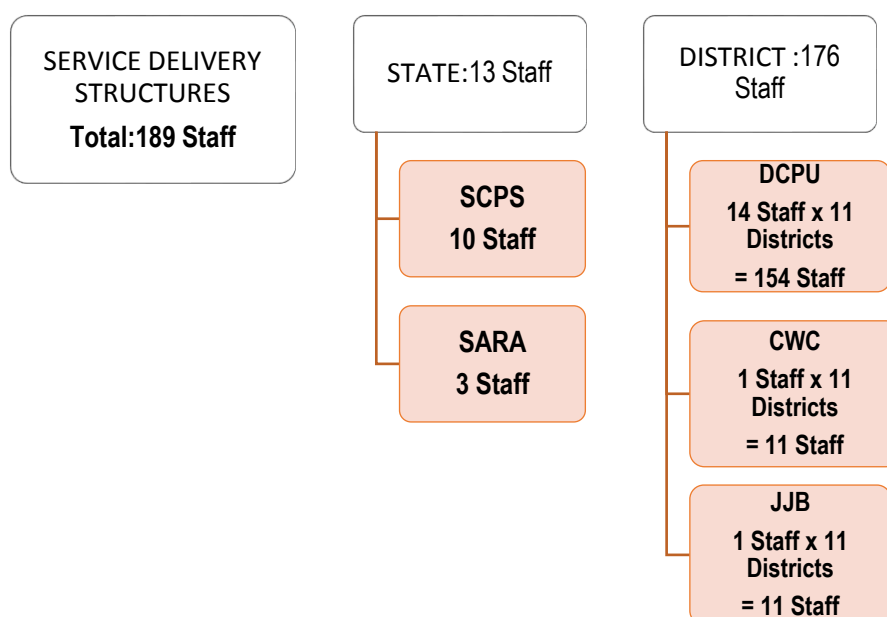
B. THE SERVICE DELIVERY STRUCTURE:

The key service delivery structures under ICPS are:

1. The State Child Protection Society (SCPS) is the implementing agency of ICPS. It monitors and supervises all the programmes under the scheme.

2. The State Adoption Resource Agency (SARA) is the nodal agency in the State to coordinate, monitor and develop the adoption programme.

3. District Child Protection Units(DCPUs) are set up in the entire 11 districts. District Child Protection Units are the fundamental units at the district level for implementation of ICPS.



Apart from 189 staff, there are **131 staff working in Government Run Observation Home and Special Home** under the scheme.

C. REGULAR/RECENT ACTIVITIES:

2. CELEBRATING CHILDHOOD

Child protection services (CPS) department of Social Welfare Kohima organized state level mega event on child rights and protection on the theme *CELEBRATING CHILDHOOD* at RCEMPA Jotsoma Kohima on 27th February 2020.



3. INDUCTION TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR SPECIAL NEEDS HOME STAFFS

Under CPS Scheme, Nagaland established its first Government run Children Home for Special Need Children with the capacity of 50 children at Dimapur Nagaland. Special induction training and In-house training were organized for the newly appointed staff of the home on 6th March and 19th December 2020.



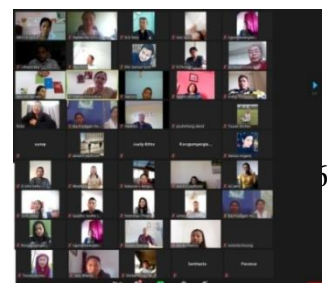
4. SOCIAL AUDIT BY AANGAN TRUST MUMBAI

As per the Supreme Court order and as per the JJA, Social audit of all the child care institutions is being carried out in the state. The CPS Nagaland has collaborated with Aangan Trust Mumbai an eminent Mumbai based NGO Working for Child rights and protection.



5. ONLINE TRAINING PROGRAMME ON MINIMUM STANDARD OF CARE & PROTECTION FOR SUPERINTENDENT AND EXECUTIVE MEMBERS OF NGOS RUNNING CCIS

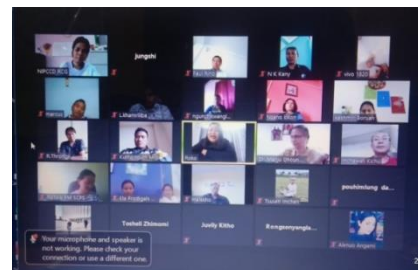
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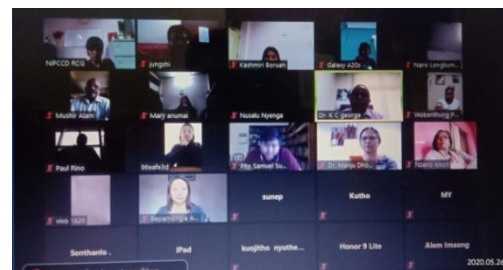
6. ONLINE TRAINING PROGRAMME ON CARE AND PROTECTION MECHANISM FOR CHILDREN IN NEED OF CARE PROTECTION FOR CHAIRPERSONS AND MEMBERS OF CWCS

Organized from 18th –19th June 2020 by Child Protection Services Nagaland in Collaboration with National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development (NIPCCD), Regional Center Guwahati



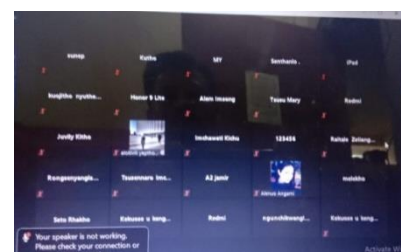
7. ONLINE TRAINING PROGRAMME ON JUVENILE JUSTICE MECHANISM FOR CHILDREN IN CONFLICT WITH LAW FOR MEMBERS OF JJBS

Organized from 25th - 26th May 2020 by Child Protection Services Nagaland in Collaboration with National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development (NIPCCD), Regional Center Guwahati.



8. SEMINAR ON DRUG ABUSE, MANAGEMENT AND BASICS OF ADDICTION COUNSELING WITH THE STAFFS AND AUTHORITIES OF JUVENILE CENTERS/ SPECIAL HOMES/ OBSERVATION HOMES/DCPOS IN THE STATE.

Organized on 2nd July 2020, a joint initiative of Social welfare Department and Access to Rights and Knowledge (ARK) Foundation



9. ONE DAY TRAINING ON POCSO ACT 2012 FOR DCPO'S ON 2ND NOVEMBER 2020



❖ ACTIVITIES DURING TOTAL LOCK DOWN

1. DCPUs with the help of District Administration distributed essentials commodities like rice, dal etc., and protective gear like

mask, hand wash and sanitizer etc., to the Child Care Institutions.

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2. VIRTUAL ASSESSMENT OF ALL THE CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS ON COVID PREPAREDNESS:

As a precautionary measure all the physical inspections/visitations of CCIs by various bodies such as State Inspection Committee, District Inspection Committee, CWC inspections and JJB inspections were put on hold. Instead, to check the wellbeing of children in CCIs and to assess the preparedness of the CCIs to combat COVID-19, an online/virtual Inspection of CCIs was carried out with the help of the **Virtual Assessment Tool** developed by Aangan Trust, a reputed Mumbai based NGO. 68 Child Care Institutions were inspected through this virtual assessment tool.



3. CPS NAGALAND COVID-19 WHATSAPP GROUP

CPS Nagaland has formed a Whatsapp Group called CPS Nagaland COVID-19 where a platform is created for all the stakeholders of child protection to share their experiences, views, problems and to stay connected with one another. This group includes DCPOs, Person-in-charge of CCIs, CWCs, JJBs, SJPU and Childline.



4. CHILD RIGHTS WEEK 2020

National Children's Day is celebrated on 14th November and International Child Rights Day and World Children's Days is celebrated on 20th November. Therefore, Child Protection Services (CPS), Department of Social Welfare Nagaland, celebrates the period between these two important events (14th to 20th November) as *Child Rights Week* every year. This year a week-long mass poster campaign was carried out by the 11 District Child Protection Units across the state under the theme, *"It takes a community to protect a child"*.



Communities and neighborhoods play an important role in ensuring the safety and well-

being of the children. This Campaign aimed at building Community commitment towards creating a safe and secure environment for the children and raising awareness at the village and ward level on child rights and protection issues.

Through Juvenile Justice Fund Fumigation Machines were provided for Non-Funded CCIs with higher number of inmates.

5. STATE LEVEL CONSULTATIVE WEBINAR ON THE ISSUE OF NEGLIGENCE AND ABANDONMENT OF CHILDREN ON THE OCCASION OF WORLD CHILDREN'S DAY 2020 HELD ON 20TH NOVEMBER 2020.

A State level Consultative webinar on the issue of Negligence and abandonment of children on the occasion of world children's day 2020 held on 20th November 2020. It was attended by the following

Smti. Sarah .R. Ritse , Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Nagaland
Department of Social Welfare. Smti. A. Tosheli Zhimomi, Society Director, Child Protection Services, Department of Social Welfare, Officers and Staffs of SRCW, Officers and Staffs of (Child Protection Services), District Child Protection Officers of 11 districts, Protection Officers 11 Districts, Child Welfare Committee Members 11 districts, One Stop Centers 11 districts, Mahila Shakti Kendra 11 districts

The webinar was organized by the Department of Social Welfare, Government of Nagaland, Child Protection Service (CPS) and the State Resource Centre for Women (SRCW) Nagaland for their district functionaries.

Awareness video titled '*Deafening Silence*' produced by the Child Protection Services, Nagaland to sensitize the public about the issue of children in need of care and protection and services available was also launched by Smti. Sarah.R. Ritse, Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Nagaland

6. JAN ANDOLAN CAMPAIGN

Along with the Nation, CPS Nagaland participated in the JAN ANDOLAN CAMPAIGN where the following activities were carried out in various CCIs:

- a. COVID Awareness Posters on importance of hand washing, wearing mask and social distancing were displayed in prominent places in the CCIs.



- b. DCPU along with the Medical department/district Task force organized awareness talk on COVID-19 precautionary measures.



- c. During total lockdown Face mask, sanitizers and essential commodities were made available to all the CCIs by the respective District Administration through DCPUs.



- d. Under Swachhta Scheme for funded CCIs, wall paintings on cleanliness, safe drinking water for children in CCIs, Hand sanitizer dispensers etc were initiated.
- e. Various IEC materials were also developed emphasizing safety norms for CCIs.

**RESPONSIVE MEASURES FOR CCIs IN
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- f. A three days Online Training Programme on **Minimum Standard of Care in Child Care Institutions during Covid-19** for Superintendents and Executive Members of NGOs running CCIs 26-28 May 2020 was organized in collaboration with NIPCCD Regional Centre Guwahati.



OFFICE OF THE NAGALAND STATE COMMISSIONER FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES. (DISABILITY CELL)

INTRODUCTION: The State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities is appointed by the State Government in compliance with Sub-Section (1) of Section 79 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016. The State Commissioner is mandated to discharge duties according to Section 80 of the Act. The authority and powers of the State Commissioner are as prescribed under Sections 81 and 82 of the Act.

PRESENT COMMISSIONER: Ms. Diethono Nakhro
Appointed on 21st January, 2019, for a period
of 3 years

ADMINISTRATIVE SETUP: The Office of the State Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities functions with the following staff on attached and contractual basis:

1. Programme Officer	1 (One)	-	Contractual
2. Programme Coordinator	1 (One)	-	Contractual
3. UDA	1 (One)	-	Attached from H&FW Dept
4. LDA	1 (One)	-	Attached from SW Directorate
5. Peon	1 (One)	-	Attached from SW Directorate
6. Driver	1 (One)	-	Contractual
7. Sweeper	1 (One)	-	Contractual
8. Legal Consultant	1 (One)	-	On retainer

MILESTONES:

1. Re-constitution of District-Level Committees on Disability was notified on 20th February, 2020
2. The Nagaland Rights of Persons with Disabilities Rules 2019 was notified on 21st February 2020
3. Sections 16 & 31 of RPwD Act was notified by Department of School Education on 30th March, 2020
4. The provisions for Reservation of Identified Posts for Persons with Benchmark Disability were notified by Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms on 13th August 2020
5. Identified posts for disability categories A, B and C were published on 13th August 2020

A. ACTIVITY OF THE COMMISSION

1. DISTRIBUTION OF AIDS & APPLIANCES:

An Aids & Appliances Distribution Camp was held in Dimapur on 29th January, 2020, in collaboration with NILD Kolkata, District Disability Rehabilitation Centre, Dimapur and Prodigals' Home Dimapur. Minister for Health and Family Welfare Pangyu Phom graced the occasion as special guest.



2. ACCESSIBLE TOILET INAUGURATED AT DDRC:

An Accessible Toilet at the District Disability Rehabilitation Centre, District Hospital Dimapur, was inaugurated on 29th January, 2020.



3. BLIND FOOTBALL DEMO/TRAINING CAMP:

A two-day Blind Football Demo/Training Camp was conducted in Dimapur on 15th and 16th February, 2020. The first-of-its-kind event was held in collaboration with the Indian Blind Football Federation and local organising partners Nagaland State Disability Forum and Prodigals' Home Dimapur.

18 blind young boys and girls participated in the event. The 2-day camp comprised of training basic skills of the game to the B1 players (athletes who are totally or almost totally blind), as well as training session for coaches and referees on rules and regulations of the game and other coaching tips. Two teams from Meghalaya played the Demo Game on the final day.



4. YOUNG PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES MEET:

A virtual meeting with young disabled people was held on July 25th 2020.

5. FIRST STATE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING:

The first meeting of the State Advisory Board on Disability was held on 28th October, 2020, under the chairpersonship of the Chief Secretary Mr J Alam.



6. DISTRIBUTION OF AIDS & APPLIANCES:

An Aids & Appliances Distribution Camp was held in Dimapur on 7th November, 2020, under CSR initiative of Indian Oil Cooperation Limited and organised by ALIMCO, Kanpur, in collaboration with DDRC Dimapur.



7. INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: A virtual programme was organised to mark the International Day of Persons with Disabilities on 3rd December, 2020. The theme for the day was “Building Back Better: towards a disability-inclusive, accessible and sustainable post COVID-19 World.”

g) MEASURES UNDERTAKEN DURING COVID 19 PANDEMIC

1. A COVID-19 support helpline was set up for persons with disabilities by the Office of the State Commissioner for Disabilities. A separate WhatsApp number was also made available for persons who are deaf/hard of hearing for Sign Language support. Email ID was also provided for people to write in with their queries or problems.

2. The Office of the State Commissioner for Disabilities coordinated directly with all the District Disaster Management Authorities/District Administrations to ensure that persons with

disabilities in need are provided essential food supplies. They were delivered to the doorsteps to the extent possible in collaboration with local partner organisations.

3. The same was done for persons with disabilities in need of medicines and other medical and assistive needs

4. In addition to providing assistance through all available government programmes, an appeal was made to all the churches of Nagaland to make sure that no disability family falls through the cracks and is left behind. There was extraordinary cooperation as churches across the state reached out to disability families during the lockdown period. It is an example of the many things that can be achieved through building successful partnerships between the government and the civil societies.

5. IEC materials on COVID-19 were brought out in audio as well as video in local language (Nagamese) and sign language to ensure that persons who are deaf/blind are kept informed.

6. At the urging of the Office of the State Commissioner for Disabilities, the Nagaland State COVID-19 Dashboard was made compliant to the Web Accessibility Guidelines and the website and all contents were made accessible to people with a diverse range of hearing, movement, sight, and cognitive ability.

7. The daily COVID-19 briefing by the State Government was interpreted into sign language for the benefit of the deaf community.

8. The video lessons brought out by the Nagaland School Education Department were also interpreted into Indian Sign Language.

9. Further, in the area of education, the Inclusive Education programme under Samagra Shiksha, has rallied together to ensure that children with disabilities are kept in touch with their learning even during these difficult times, particularly in the rural areas. Special Educators are using technology where possible to keep in touch with the children and their parents. Where technological support is not available, printed lessons and assignments are being provided.

10. Dry rations are being distributed in place of Mid-Day meals to all students of primary and upper primary schools covering students with disabilities as well.

11. The Home Department, Government of Nagaland, issued guidelines on COVID-19 measures in respect of persons with disabilities dated 26th April, 2020.

12. In pursuance of the Office Memorandum of the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions dated 27th March and 1st April 2020, employees with disabilities, in public/private

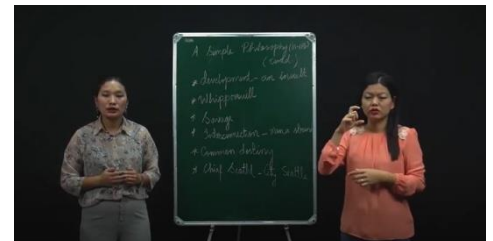
sectors, PSUs, financial institutions, etc, have been exempted from essential services work during the COVID-19 situation.

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

1. Partner organisations distributing food grains to PwD beneficiaries in the villages during the COVID-19 pandemic lockdown in April 2020



2. State Government briefings on COVID-19 situation being interpreted into Indian Sign Language
3. State Education Department video lessons being interpreted into Indian Sign Language



Nagaland State Commission for Women

A. Vision

The NSCW envisions the Naga Women in a safe environment, leading her life with dignity, knowledgeable about her constitutional rights and entitlements, and pursuing her chosen occupation in life with great freedom.

B. Mission

1. To create statewide awareness of women's right to access legal protection and redressal in situations where their rights are been violated.

2. To reach Naga women from all backgrounds, rural or urban, with information about the assistance and guidance available at NSCW.
3. To enlighten Naga women on equal opportunities in all area of life.
4. To provide help to women victims of sexual harassment in the workplace, human trafficking, prostitution, blackmail, cyber – crimes and domestic abuse.
5. To implement schemes and policies with the upliftment of women as the main objective.

C. Constitution & Administrative Setup of the Commission

The Nagaland State Commission for Women was constituted vide Government of Nagaland Notification NO. LAW/ACT. 218/2006 dated 30th Nov. 2006 under the Nagaland Women Commission Act 2006 (Act No. 6 of 2006) and was formally inaugurated by His Excellency the then Governor of Nagaland Shri. K. Shankarnarayanan on 28th March 2007. The Commission functions from hired premises at the NBCC Complex, 1st Floor, Bayavü Hill, Kohima. The nodal department of the Commission is the Social Welfare Department Government of Nagaland.

The Commission is headed by Smt. KhrienuoTachü, Chairperson and two members- Smt. Chongliu and Smt. W. Nginyeih Konyak of the Commission, who are assisted by one Secretary, office consultant, two LDAs and other supporting staff.

D. POWERS OF THE COMMISSION (NWC Act -2006):

(1): While performing functions under section 5 of this Act, involving investigation and inquiry, the Commission shall have the powers of a civil court trying a suit and, in particular, in respect of the following matters:

- a) Summoning and enforcing the attendance of any person from any part of India and examining him on oath.
- b) Requiring the discovery and production of any documents
- c) Receiving evidence on affidavits
- d) Requisitioning any public record or copy thereof from any court or office
- e) Issuing Commissions for the examination of witnesses and documents, and
- f) Any other matter which may be prescribed.

(2): The Commission may for the purpose of conducting investigations and inquiry under this Act, utilize the services of any officer of the State Government with its Prior approval.

(3): The other procedural details in regard to conduct of investigations and inquiries under this

Act shall, as far as possible, be the same as the procedure followed by a Civil Court and may also, if found necessary, further be prescribed by rules to be made by the State Government.

E. ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION

1. Nagaland State Commission for Women Conducts One-day Seminar-cum-Skill Development on Women Empowerment

On 28 January 2020, the Nagaland State Commission for Women (NSCW) with support from National Commission for Women (NCW) organised a one-day seminar on the theme 'Empowerment of Rural Women through Education and Skill Development'. According to the NSCW, the objective of the seminar was to empower Naga women and to make them aware of global changes impacting the local populace, and also to address livelihood skills and employment avenues in view of changing policies like Act East policy, which is going to impact the region in a significant way. The seminar included two sessions: experts talk by resource persons in the first session, and outdoor demonstration in the second session. Chongliu, member, NSCW, was the chair for the morning session. The six resource persons were Dr. Visakhonu Hibo, Mr. Colo Mero, Dr. G. Kanato Choppy, Dr. Keneisenuo Solo, Mr. Viraho Hibo and Dr. Easterine Kire.

2. IWD Conclave 2020: Generation Equality Through Quality Education

To observe the International Women's Day under the theme, 'I am Generation Equality: Realizing Women's Rights', NSCW in line with UN's theme celebrated the International Women's Day under a sub- theme 'Generation Equality through Quality Education'. Inner empowerment that comes through Quality Education can enable Generation Equality. Therefore, NSCW organised 'IWD 2020 Conclave: Generation Equality through Quality Education' by collaborating with Nagaland College Principals Association (NCPA); the highest key stakeholders in Higher Education for deliberation towards '*Generation Equality through Quality Education*'. NSCW put an emphasis on quality education to observe International Women's Day in Nagaland due to the findings given below:

- Nagaland has high literacy rate but is fast becoming an unproductive state. The values of our society are also deteriorating day by day. According to 2011 Census, the sex ratio in the state of Nagaland is 931 females per 1000 males, and the female percentage is expected to rise in the next decennial census. The female literacy rate of Nagaland is 76.11 percent as per 2011 Census, which is above the national average.

3. NSCW Conducts Legal Awareness Programme at Zunheboto

On 14 March 2020, the Nagaland State Commission for Women conducted a legal awareness programme under the theme 'Legal rights for gender equity' at SBCZ conference hall in Zunheboto town. The programme, was conducted in collaboration with Nagaland Institute of Development Studies with support from National Commission for Women. The panel of speakers for the programme included experts from different fields that included academics, district administrators and legal experts. Important topics like workplace sexual harassment, rape, acts and amendments relating to women rights, customs and practices, and

examples from field and personal experiences, as well, were covered to enlighten the gathering.

The resource persons for the programme comprised of experts from different fields that included district administration, legal experts, academics, a legal consultant from the ZDLSA. The resource persons approached the topic 'Legal rights for gender equity' from various vantage points and areas of their knowledge and expertise. At the request of NSCW, the resource persons dwelt mostly on the local issues and problems that can be addressed within the ambit of the legal rights and protection provided by the state and the central government. Some of the important themes covered by resource persons included: customary law and cultural practices, gender relations and equity, constitutional amendments and legal protections for women, rape and sexual harassment, domestic violence, cybercrime and bullying – all of which were addressed keeping in view the legal rights and protection for women. The main speakers during the programme were: Smt. Easter H. Yephthomi, Retainer Lawyer, ZDLSA; Dr. Kekhriesenuo Christina, HoD, Department of Sociology, Kohima Arts Government College; Dr. M. Temjen Longkumer, Research Consultant, NIDS, Dimapur; Dr. Visakhonu Hibo, Principal, Japfu Christian College, Kohima.

4. Power Walk on 1st March 2020

As per the directive of the National Commission for Women, New Delhi the Nagaland State Commission for Women organised 'Power Walk' in the state capital Kohima on 1st March 2020, starting from TCP Gate Junction to Old MLA Junction starting from 7 :00 PM. More than one thousand two hundred (1200) women folks and a marginal man participated in the walk with the rest of the country, as a nationwide campaign to popularise and promote women safety.

Women from all walks of life in the state capital in different traditional attire and comfort cloth marched the streets of Kohima town for about one hour.

The participants, led by Angami Youth Organisation (AYO), walked past the town with placards and banners.

"The main objectives of the night walk are to emphasize safe environment for woman to occupy public spaces and time; to normalize women's visibility in public spaces; to scale up and reach to a wider audience for women's safety on the road, especially at night; and to facilitate a progressive mindset change in the society, to eradicate victimhood and self-blaming," Tachu said.

Flagging off the night walk, Sano Vamuzo, former chairperson of NSCW, called upon women to spread love as "God who created us in His image has given us a special gift of love". Vamuzo said women are "united in mind" though divided by vast diversity in culture, religion or organisation.

The walk culminated at Old MLA Junction after an hour long walk and the event concluded with light refreshment.

5. The Initiatives of Nagaland State Commission for Women During Covid-19 Pandemic, 2020

- a. The Commission appealed to all the Naga women front organizations to link up with grassroot women leaders in all the villages for ready assistance, if any. NSCW kept in touch with the leaders of Naga women tribal hohos and civil societies to assist women and girl child in the state.
- b. NSCW assisted stranded Naga women and deceased individuals (women) during the pandemic period while in the mainland or abroad by collaborating with the Naga students' union and other stakeholders.
- c. The Commission rendered logistical support to Nagaland state's COVID-19 war room.
- d. The Commission made extra effort to locate victims of domestic violence and sexual harassment in Kohima with the help of municipal panchayats.
- e. The Commission responded to some SOS calls in the state from women that are in distress and difficult circumstances, and assisted the aggrieved in collaboration with women hohos, OSCs and district administrations.
- f. Sanitary pads were distributed in quarantine centre at Kohima and Dimapur. The Commission advised the stakeholders in other districts to do likewise.

6. NSCW Visits Dimapur District Authorities to Raise the Issue of Crime Against Women

On 3rd November 2020, Khrienuo Tachü, Chairperson Nagaland State Commission for Women (NSCW), met with Dimapur district administration and law enforcement agencies to raise the issue of women's safety in the state. This was in connection with the spate of crime against women in the commercial hub of the state. In particular, NSCW had a fruitful interaction with Shri. Rajesh Soundararajan, deputy commissioner, Dimapur, and Smt. Rose Yanthan, officer-in-charge, Women Police Station, Dimapur. In the light of crime against women, the deputy commissioner reiterated the need to sensitize the public on cyber-crime, and the urgency to educate the citizenry, especially women, on the vigilant use of social media. He observed that most of perpetrators carrying out illegal activity and crime against women in the cyber space are relatives or acquaintances of the victims. The deputy commissioner said that mass awareness needs to happen at the grassroot, and a concerted effort and collaboration of various stakeholders like the NGOs, churches, colony panchayats, district administration and law enforcement agencies can help in usher safety and protection for women in Dimapur and Nagaland state as a whole. Smt. Rose Yanthan, officer-in-charge, West Police Station, Dimapur, gave her raised important concerns and issues regarding women's safety and protection, and also the law and policing issues facing the women personnel. Smt. Yanthan raised important suggestions such as appointing lady magistrate to handle cases of sexual violence against women, and lady doctor in government hospital to conduct medical check-up of rape victims, and the need to tackle the rising cyber-crime against women, amongst other concerns. NSCW took serious note of the grassroot problem and assured the Women Police Station that the Commission will take up these matters to the

Government of Nagaland. The purpose of NSCW's visit was to interact with the concerned authorities seeking their opinions and suggestions so as to come up with some important steps and measures to prevent crime against women, and prioritize women's security issue.

7. 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Based Violence from 25th November to 10th December 2020

➤ **Slogan Against Gender Based Violence**

Observing the 16 days long activism against gender-based violence, Nagaland State Commission for Women in collaboration with Sakhi One Stop Centre recorded an audio message for wide dissemination to sensitize people on the pressing issue of gender-based violence. Khrienuo Tachü, chairperson, NSCW, delivered the message. The slogan went:

*'Safety and dignity of women is at the heart of any progressive society.
Let us join hands together to end all forms of gender-based violence.'*

➤ **NSCW co-sponsors NCPA Annual Conference**

Close to the heel of the nation-wide discussion and debate taking place on the National Education Policy 2020, the Nagaland State Commission for Women co-sponsored Nagaland College Principal Association annual conference held in Dimapur on 27 November 2020 under the theme, NEP 2020: Envisaging a new Nagaland.

The collaboration of NSCW with NCPA was in connection with the 16 days activism to against gender-based violence. Realizing the gravity of education in combating gender-based violence and creating a just and fair society, NSCW suggested that the issue of gender rights and equality be an important theme of the conference. In this context, one of the resource persons, Dr. G. Kanato Choppy, Fellow of the New India Foundation and Director, Nagaland Institute of Development Studies, spoke on the theme, NEP 2020: Towards Dignity and Gender Parity in Nagaland. Dr. Choppy expounded on the National Education Policy and its implication on gender equality, girl child and women's access to quality education, skill development, bridging disparity in job and employment avenues, digitization of education and its impact on girl students, and empowering women through education.

NAGALAND STATE COMMISSION FOR PROTECTION OF CHILD'S RIGHTS

A. Introduction: -

- The Nagaland State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (SCPCR) was constituted under section 17 of the Commission for protection of Child Right Act 2005 and establish in 2013 in the state of Nagaland. This Act empowers the Commission to act as a court to undertake Suo moto enquiry and also look into complaints related to deprivation and violation of Child Rights and non- implementation of laws for protection and development of children.
- The Commission is under the administrative control of Social Welfare Department. The Commission is headed by Smti. Awan Konyak as the Chairperson and two other members with four supporting staff.

B. Powers & functions of the Commission:

The State Commission is charged with analyzing existing laws, policies and practice to assess compliance with Convention on the Rights of the Child and undertake inquiries to produce reports on any aspect of policy and practice affecting children. It is also mandated to study state policies that impact children and ensure that they comply with international child rights standards. The Commission is also to undertake formal investigations where concern has been expressed either by children themselves or by concerned person on their behalf. And, to promote, respect and give serious consideration of the views of children in its work and in that of all Government Departments and organizations dealing with children.

The Government of Nagaland has adopted and is taking all measures in implementing and is protecting the rights of children in Nagaland. It has adopted the Child Rights Act, POCSO Act, JJ Act, etc. And is trying its best to streamline and create awareness of all the Rights to the citizens of Nagaland.

There are CWCs, JJbs, District Child Protection Units and other agencies in all the Districts of Nagaland which cater to and keeps a strict vigil in implementing and protecting the rights of Children.

The State Commission in conjunction with the Directorate of Social Welfare, is working on streamlining a smooth and viable channel, to coordinate with and facilitate the exchange of information and data with all government departments in Nagaland.

C. ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION

- ❖ Organized a district level workshop on “Available schemes and services for malnourished and stunted children” in Dimapur.

- ❖ In collaboration with SCERT the State Commission organized **“ParikshaParv 2.0”** on 28th January 2020 in Kohima and the second phase was organised in Dimapur on 12th February 2020.
- ❖ On 21st September, a bench to take stock of complaints, grievances, representation etc. regarding violation of Child Rights was held in Kiphire in coordination with the National Commission and the District Administration of Kiphire. The programme was graced by the Chairperson of National Commission for Protection of Child Rights.

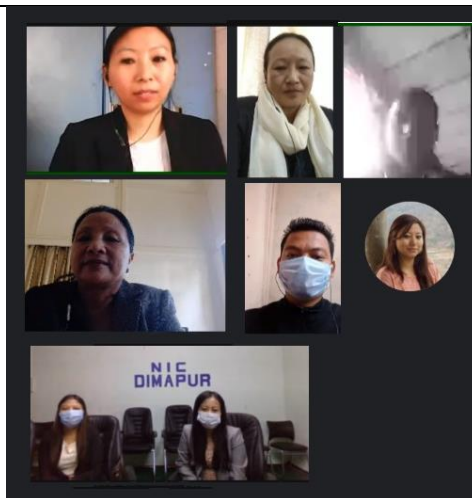


- ❖ 2 runaway Children from Nagaland were handed over to Nagaland Police in the presence of SP Sriperumbudur, DCPO and CWC of Kancheepuram District, Superintendents of Government Homes. They were successfully restored back from Tamil Nadu to Dimapur, Nagaland.





- ❖ Child protection services (CPS) department of Social Welfare Kohima organized state level mega event on child rights and protection on the theme *CELEBRATING CHILDHOOD* at RCEMPA Jotsoma Kohima on 27th February 2020.



- ❖ **STATE LEVEL CONSULTATIVE WEBINAR ON THE ISSUE OF NEGLIGENCE AND ABANDONMENT OF CHILDREN ON THE OCCASION OF WORLD CHILDREN'S DAY 2020 HELD ON 20TH NOVEMBER 2020.**
- ❖ An Awareness video titled 'Deafening Silence' produced by the Child Protection Services, Nagaland to sensitize the public about the issue of children in need of care and protection and services available was also launched by Smti. Sarah .R. Ritse, Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Nagaland

❖ **CHILD RIGHTS WEEK 2020**

- ❖ National Children's Day is celebrated on 14th November and International Child Rights Day and World Children's Days is celebrated on 20th November. Therefore, Child Protection Services (CPS), Department of Social Welfare Nagaland, celebrates the period between these two important events (14th to 20th November) as *Child Rights Week* every year. This year a week-long mass poster campaign was carried out by the 11 District Child Protection Units across the state under the theme, "*It takes a community to protect a child*".
- ❖ Communities and neighborhoods play an important role in ensuring the safety and well-being of the children. This Campaign aimed at building Community commitment

towards creating a safe and secure environment for the children and raising awareness at the village and ward level on child rights and protection issues.

