GOVERNMENT OFMEGHALAYA SOCIAL WELFARE DEPARTMENT ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR NOTIFICATION

Dated Shillong, the 12thJuly, 2023

No.SW(S)37/2021/133: In pursuance to Para 4Sub Para 4.2 of the Guidelines of Mission Vatsalya, Child Protection Services(CPS) Scheme, the Governor of Meghalaya is pleased toconstitute the **Sponsorship and Foster Care Approval Committee (SFCAC)** in all 12(twelve) Districts of Meghalaya with the following members and until further orders

1.	District Magistrate	Chairperson
2.	Chairperson/Member, Child Welfare Committee	Member
3.	Representative of Specialized Adoption Agency (SAA)/State Adoption Resource Agency	Member
4.	Representative of a Voluntary Organisation working in the area of Child protection	Member
5.	District Child Protection Officer	Member-Secretary
6.	Protection Officer(Non-Institutional Care)	Member
7.	Co-ordinator-CHILD HELPLINE	Member
Roles and Responsibilities of Sponsorship and Foster Care Approval		

Committee(SFCAC):

- i. Every district shall have a Sponsorship and Foster Care Approval Committee (SFCAC) to implement and monitor the Sponsorship and Foster Care programme as provided under the Mission.
- ii. The Sponsorship and Foster Care Approval Committee shall review each recommendation and approve cases of Sponsorship and Foster Care support in all cases found deserving by it. The deserving cases will then be referred to Child Welfare Committee for the final order for Sponsorship/Foster Care as the case may be.
- iii. A Sponsorship and Foster Care Approval Committee (SFCAC) shall be responsible in each district to sanction sponsorship and Foster Care on receipt of final order from the CWC.
- iv. The SFCAC shall meet every month and function in a time bound manner. The decision upon a request shall be taken within three months from the date of the receipt of the application.
- v. An annual review shall be conducted for each child under Sponsorship/Foster Care by the SFCAC to determine if the child is being well taken care of and has is well adjusted. On the basis of this review the approval for continued sponsorship support shall be given.
- vi. The SFCAC shall review if the DCPU has made adequate effort for family strengthening though convergence with other Departments.
- vii. The SFCAC shall review and recommend the termination of the familybased sponsorship service.

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- 1. The P.S to the Hon'ble Chief Minister for favour of information of the Hon'ble Chief Minister.
- 2. The P.S to the Hon'ble Speaker, Meghalaya Legislative Assembly for information of Hon'ble Speaker.
- 3. The P.S. to the Leader of Opposition for information of the Hon'ble Leader of Opposition.
- 4. The Private Secretary to the Minister I/C. Social Welfare for kind information of the Minister.
- 5. The Private Secretary to the Chief Secretary for kind information of the Chief Secretary.
- 6. The Registrar General, Meghalaya High Court, Shillong.
- 7. The Director Social welfare, Meghalaya, Shillong.
- 8. The Director of Printing & Stationery, Shillong for favour for publication in the Meghalaya Gazette.
- 9. All Members concerned.
- 10. All Deputy Commissioners.
- 11. The SIO, National Informatics centres, Meghalaya, Shillong for information.
- 12. Under Secretary, Law (B) Department
- 13. Guard File.

By order, etc.

Under Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya Social Welfare Department.