

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON PREVENTION OF CHILD MARRIAGES IN THE SOUTH SALMARA MANKACHAR DISTRICT HELD ON 21/2/2023 AT 11:00 AM IN THE AUDITORIUM HALL, SOUTH SALMARA MANKACHAR.

The meeting was chaired by Shri Bidyut Bikash Bhagawati, ACS, Deputy Commissioner, South Salmara Mankachar District. The Chair welcomed the members present in the meeting and apprised them on the rampant practice of child marriage in the district.

The Hon'ble Chairman highlighted the historical perspective of this social evil and discussed about the status of child marriage in the state of Assam and in the district.

The Chair highlighted the role of G.P Secretaries as the Child Protection Officer. The Chair also informed about the formation of Child Protection Committee at Village, Block and District level which will include officials from various departments.

The Hon'ble Superintendent of Police, South Salmara Mankachar also briefed the meeting by highlighting the law-and-order issues related with child marriage and asked all the stakeholders to take social responsibility of preventing Child Marriage in the district. The chair also heard the opinions of various stakeholders of the district regarding prevention of the practice of child marriage.


After a threadbare of discussion, the following resolutions were adopted: -

SI No	Topic of discussion	Action to be taken by
1	BDOs will facilitate and instruct to the G.P President and Secretary to organize Special Gram Sabha and miking around villages for creating awareness about Child Marriage.	BDO, Mankachar / Fekamari / South Salmara and G.P Presidents, G.P Secretary, Ward Members etc.
2	Joint Director of Health Services was instructed to sensitize the ASHA worker regarding the Child Marriage.	Joint Director of Health Services, Sub-Divisional Medical & Health Officer (HQ), South Salmara Mankachar.
3	CDPOs were instructed to train and sensitize the Angawadi Workers and Helpers about Child Marriage and various schemes such as Beti Bachao Beti Padhao.	District Social Welfare Officer and District Child Protection Officer, South Salmara Mankachar.
4	IS, BEEOs, DEEOs were asked to strengthen awareness campaigns in schools regarding prevention of Child Marriage.	Inspector of Schools and DEEO, South Salmara Mankachar must take initiative in this regard.
5	DPM was instructed to initiate various skill development programs for girls through Gaon Sabha.	DPM, ASRLM, BPM ASRLM and Members of Self-Help Group, South Salmara Mankachar
6	Government Kazis were asked to create awareness amongst people regarding prevention of Child Marriage.	Government Kazis of South Salmara Mankachar.

The issues of solemnization of Child marriage by Kazi, Private Kazi, Imam, Munshi including issues of Affidavit by Advocates were also discussed and conveyed that there will be a separate meeting with all the stockholders to find the solution. It was also discussed that those who favour or support child marriages will be prevented from getting benefits from government schemes and other welfare measures.

The Chair also informs that a whole district awareness rally should be organized regarding Child Marriage.

The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the Chair.



Deputy Commissioner
South Salmara Mankachar
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1. The Chairperson, Assam State Commission for Protection of Child Rights Survey, Beltola, Guwahati-28.
2. The Inspector General of Registration, Assam, Rupnagar, Guwahati-32.
3. The Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Revenue & D.M (Registration) Department, Dispur, Guwahati.
4. The Joint Legal Remembrancer & Joint Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Judicial Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6.
5. The Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Judicial Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6.
6. The Director, Social Welfare, Assam, M.G Road, Uzanbazar, Guwahati-1.
7. The Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad, South Salmara Mankachar.
8. The Superintendent of Police, South Salmara Mankachar.
9. The Addl. Deputy Commissioner (all), South Salmara Mankachar.
10. The District Social Welfare Officer, I/c South Salmara Mankachar.
11. The Joint Director of Health Services, South Salmara Mankachar.
12. The DIO,NIC, South Salmara Mankachar is requested to upload the order in the district Website.
13. Members Present for information and necessary action.
14. PA to Deputy Commissioner, South Salmara Mankachar


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