Role of Child Protection Committees and its referral mechanism

State Child Protection Society (SCPS) DCPU R DCPU U U R В R **BLCPC** A A **VLCPC WLCPC** N PRI/ULB Representative ICDS worker of marginalized family School Influential Person Female Health Worker CBO Child Representative

- Strategy and Planning.
- Overall coordination and implementation.
- Networking and Convergence.
- Resource Mobilization.
- Need Based monitoring report & vulnerability mapping
- Increasing availability and accessibility of services.
- Maintaining records and registers.
- Advocacy and creating awareness in the community
- Periodic monitoring
- Develop annual action plan on issues addressing Child Protection.
- Strengthening referral system
- Vulnerability mapping and prioritizing needs.
- Identifying the vulnerable children and rehabilitating them.
- Increasing availability and accessibility of services.
- Generating awareness & Sensitization on issues violating Child Protection in the community
- Strengthening monitoring and referral mechanism to create a safety net and ensuring best interest of the child.



Office Bearers: Chairperson- PRI/ULB member-, Member Secretary- Anganwadi Supervisor (VLCPC), BDO (BLCPC), CDPO/ACDPO (WLCPC)

The different Child Protection Committees will refer the cases, incidences to different suggested referral mechanism as follows:

- Education/corporal punishment/abuse: SMC/BEO/DEO/Directorate of Education.
- Health: PHC/BPHC/Sub-centre/CMOH.
- Transport: RTO/KTC.
- **Child Protection:**
 - CNCP-CWC/Child Line/Local Police (Child Welfare Officer) /DCPU.
 - CCL-JJB/Local Police (Child Welfare Officer) /DCPU.
- Child labour- Labour inspector, Local Police (Child Welfare Officer)/SJPU, CWC/JJB, Child Line.
- Child Marriage: Police/SHO, CMPO, First Class Judicial Magistrate or Metropolitan Magistrate, CWC, Child Line.
- Child Trafficking: F.I.R to be filed in the police station, First Class Judicial Magistrate or Metropolitan Magistrate,



Community Based Child Protection Mechanism

What is Child Protection Committee (CPC)?

- A community based group including duty bearers, who are primarily responsible for creating and promoting a child friendly and safe community environment wherein all children's wellbeing, safety and rights are protected. CPCs will be responsible for monitoring, reporting and responding to the issues of child protection in the community. It is a community based monitoring system in creating safety net for our children at the grass-root level
- The objective is to build community awareness and consciousness on child rights and promoting behavior change among parents and community in the best interest of the child.
- The CPCs will be at two levels, one at the village level and second at the block/ward level. The District Child Protection Unit will coordinate at the district level for child protection, whereas overall coordination in the state will be done by West Bengal State Child protection Society.
- The committee shall have tenure of three years and the tenure of chairperson and members shall be coterminus with the tenure of the committee.

Major Functions of Child Protection Committees:



Village Level Child Protection

Committees(VLCPC): The VLCPC will be established in revenue/census village for prevention, reporting, monitoring, protection and responding on the issues of child right and protection. Monthly meeting shall be organized in the village by Member Secretary.

Block/Ward level Child Protection

Committees (BLCPC/WLCPC): The BLCPC will support VLCPC in planning, budgeting, developing awareness raising activities and act as referral point in addressing cases of child protection and child rights violation.

The WLCPC will monitor, report, respond, refer and raise awareness among the urban community for protection of children in the urban area.

Quarterly meeting of BLCPC/WLCPC shall be organized at a venue decided by Member Secretary.