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#### **NOTIFICATION**

No. B. 12019/16/2017-SWD, Dated Aizawl, the 27th June, 2018: In exercise of the powers conferred by section 105 of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015, the Governor of Mizoram is pleased to notify 'Juvenile Justice Fund Rules, 2018' with effect from the date of publication in the official Gazette of Mizoram.

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No.B. 12019/16/2017-SWD: In Pursuance of the powers conferred by section 105 of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015, The Governor of Mizoram is pleased to make the following Rules for the management and utilization of Juvenile Justice Fund, namely:

#### **JUVENILE JUSTICE FUND RULES 2018**

# Chapter I PRELIMINARY

# 1. Short title and Commencement:

(1) These rules may be called The Juvenile Justice Fund Rules, 2018.

#### 2. Definition:

- (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires:
  - (i) "Act" means Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015.
  - (ii) "Board" means Board of Management of Juvenile Justice Fund.

# 3. Management of Juvenile Justice Fund

- (i) Juvenile Justice Fund shall be created for the welfare and rehabilitation of the children dealt with under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act 2015.
- (ii) The State Government shall make adequate budgetary allocations towards the Juvenile Justice Fund.
- (iii) The State Government shall set up Board of Management for management and administration of the fund consisting of the following members:
  - a. President of Mizoram State Child Protection Society (Secretary Social Welfare Department/Women & Child Development)
  - b. Secretary of Mizoram State Child Protection Society (Nodal Officer, Integrated Child Protection Scheme in the Directorate of Social Welfare Department/Women & Child Development, not below the rank of Deputy Director).
  - c. Director, Social Welfare Department/Women & Child Development.
  - d. Programme Manager, Mizoram State Child Protection Society
  - e. Accounts Officer, Mizoram State Child Protection Society.
- (iv) The Board will be the final authority for management of the Juvenile Justice Fund.



- (v) The Bankers of the Juvenile Justice Fund shall be any of the following:
  - i. State Bank of India and its Associates
  - ii. Nationalised Banks (Public Sector Undertaking)
  - iii Regional Rural Banks
  - iv. Other Scheduled Commercial Banks (Private Sector Banks)
- (vi) All funds shall be paid in to the account with the appointed Banks and shall be withdrawn by a cheque, bill, note or other negotiable instruments approved by the Board and signed by at least two members of the authorized signatories of the Board of Management.
- (vii) The Juvenile Justice Fund shall be auditable by the qualified auditors (Chartered Accountant or persons approved by the Registrar of Firms and Societies) every year or as per requirement.
- (viii) Annual Financial report/returns shall be submitted to the Government.
- (ix) The Board may delegate its powers to member / members as it deems proper and may also prescribe limitations within which the powers and duties shall be exercised or discharged.

### 4. Source of Funding:

The Juvenile Justice Fund may receive Central and State Fund, Fines imposed by Juvenile Justice Board/Child Welfare Committee, donations, voluntary contributions, subscriptions or funds under Corporate Social Responsibility, whether or not for any specific purpose, and shall be directly credited to the Juvenile Justice Fund.

### 5. <u>Utilization of Juvenile Justice Fund</u>:

The Juvenile Justice Fund may be utilized by the State Government for the following purposes, namely:-

- (i) establishment and administration of Child Care Institutions;
- (ii) supporting innovative programmes for the welfare of the children in the Child Care Institutions;
- (iii) strengthening of legal assistance and support;
- (iv) providing entrepreneurial support, skill development training or vocational training;
- (v) providing lump-sum subsistence support to children leaving Child Care Institution on attaining the age of eighteen years;
- (vi) providing after care facilities and entrepreneurship fund for providing capital and infrastructure to persons who have crossed the age of eighteen within institutionalized care, for starting up small businesses to support reintegration into mainstream life;
- (vii) providing support for foster care, sponsorship and after care;



- (viii) rehabilitation of children in special circumstances including children released from militant groups and adult groups;
- (ix) meeting the expenses of travel for trial and restoration of children, including the expenses of the escorts including police;
- (x) creating child friendly police stations, Boards, courts and Committees;
- (xi) Capacity building for parents and caregivers to understand needs of children;
- (xii) awareness generation programmes on child rights and offences against children;
- (xiii) creating community-based child protection programmes to identify and report offences against children;
- (xiv) providing specialised professional services, counselors, translators, interpreters, special educators, social workers, mental health workers, vocational trainers etc. for the children covered under the Act;
- (xv) providing recreational facilities and extra-curricular activities for the children covered under the Act including those in Child Care Institutions;
- (xvi) palliative care for cancer affected children and stay facilities for their parents; and
- (xvii) any other programme or activity to support the holistic growth, development and well-being of a child covered under the Act and the rules.

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