

**INSPECTION REPORT ON  
SAFETY & SECURITY OF CHILDREN IN THE HOSTEL  
IN THE STATE OF MIZORAM**

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## **FORWARD**

The Commission for Protection of Child Rights Act 2005 has authorized all the State Commission to take necessary actions on the implementation of all the programs, laws, etc. pertaining to children. Hence, the Mizoram State Commission for Protection of Child Rights after its inception initiated its first step of action by inspecting institutions that accommodate and provide services to children in the state.

This report is about the findings of the Mizoram State Commission for Protection of Child Rights on the Safety and Security of Children in the School Hostels.

It is my great privilege that the State Commission can fulfil the first round of inspection of institutions of children only within a year of its establishment. It is my utmost desire and expectation that this report has valuable inputs for those who are involved in planning and supervising programs for the improvement of hostel conditions for children in the state.

I am happy to acknowledge the work done by team from Mizoram State Commission for Protection of Child Rights who has diligently carried out the inspection.

**Sangzuali Vanchhawng**

# CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

The Mizoram State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (MSCPCR) had conducted “*Inspection on Safety and Security of Children in Hostel*” by setting up Inspection team from MSCPCR Members and Staff.

Aizawl City was selected for the study as it represents the whole state, based on numbers of population and its diverse socio economy. The hostels were randomly selected from different location, viz., South East Aizawl, North & West Aizawl areas within Aizawl City. The selection of of hostels from Primary Standard to Higher Secondary Standard run by the Mizoram State Government, Private run hostels and Church based run hostels were selected for understanding the diversity.

The study was conducted by using the *Regulatory Guidelines for Hostel of Educational Institutions for Children* framed by the Education Division, the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR), 2018, comprising certain areas – *Infrastructural Safety, Electrical Safety, Trauma Management, Safety of the Children with Disabilities, Protection against Sexual Abuse, Social and Emotional Safety, Cyber Safety, Fire Safety Management, Earthquake Management, Flood/cyclone/landslide Management, Safety from Constructional hazards, Safety in the Playground, Water Safety and Transport Management Safety.*

The inspection was carried out from 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan - 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2019. The Inspection Team comprises of 8 (eight) members, namely:

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## CHAPTER 2

### ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION

In this chapter, there will be analysis of the data (quantitative) collected and interpretation of the findings.

#### 2.1 Number, Name & Address of the Hostels

Table 1 provides information on the number and the address of hostels inspected.

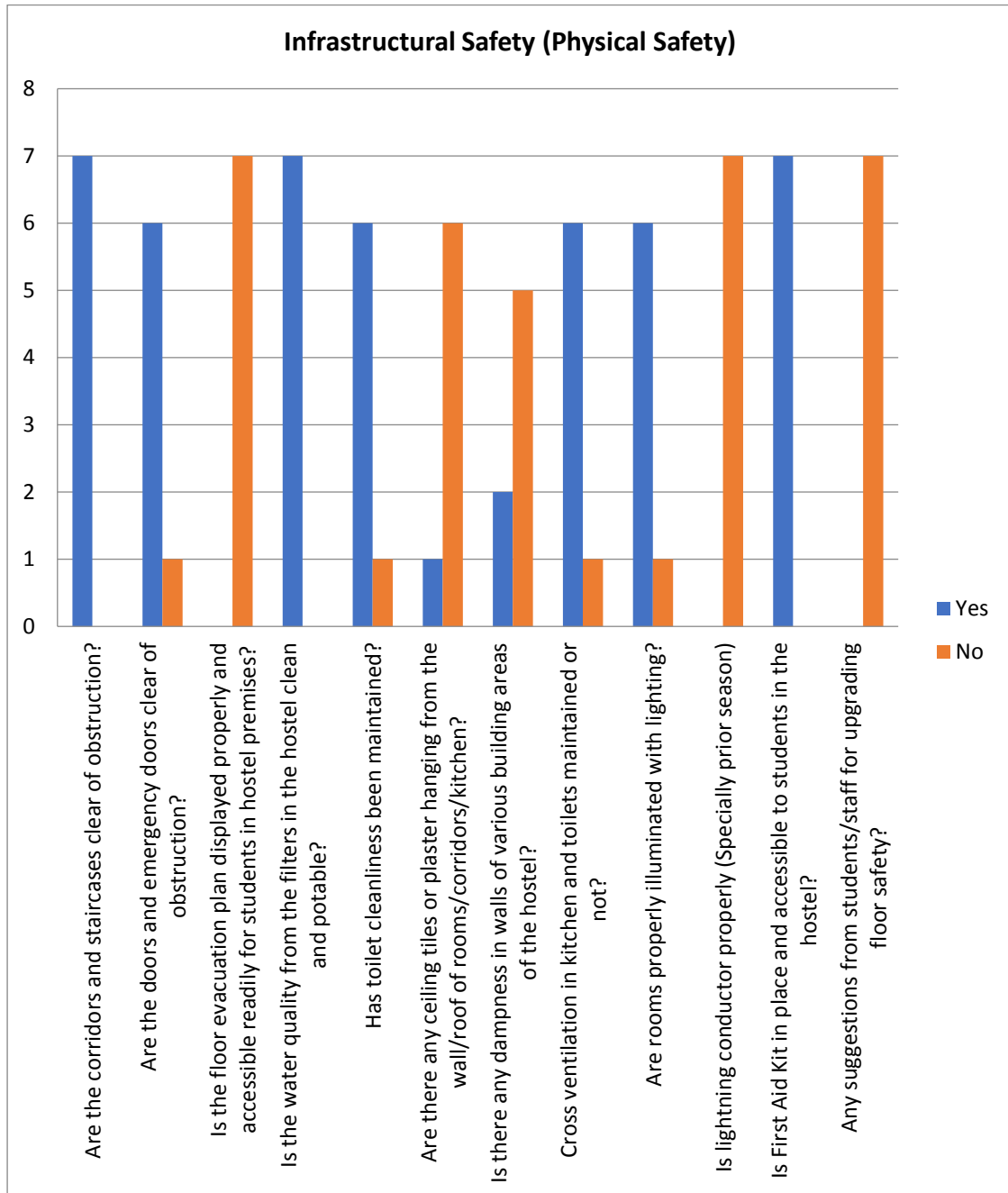
**Table1. Number, Name & Address of the hostels inspected**

Sl. No.	Name & Address of the Hostel
1.	Govt. K. M. HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL HOSTEL Vaivakawn, Aizawl, Mizoram – 796009 Phone: 0389 2317239
2.	GREENLAND HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL HOSTEL Chaltlang - Laipuitlang Road, Chaltlang, Aizawl, Mizoram 796012 Phone: 094361 40458
3.	HELEN LOWRY HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL HOSTEL 7 <sup>th</sup> Day Tlang, Aizawl, Mizoram 796009 Phone: 0389 2345838
4.	HOME MISSION HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL HOSTEL Zemabawk Lungbial, Aizawl Mizoram – 796017 Phone: 9436140983
5.	PC GIRLS HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL HOSTEL Mission Veng, Aizawl, Mizoram - 796005
6.	St. JAMES HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL HOSTEL Chawlhmun, Aizawl, Mizoram – 796009 Phone: 0389 2332260
7.	SYNOD HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL HOSTEL B-33, Mission Vengthlang, Aizawl, Mizoram 796005 Phone: 0389 232 2889

## 2.2 Infrastructural Safety (Physical Safety)

A total number of 12 questionnaires on the area of Infrastructural Safety of the hostels were asked as shown in Figure 1.

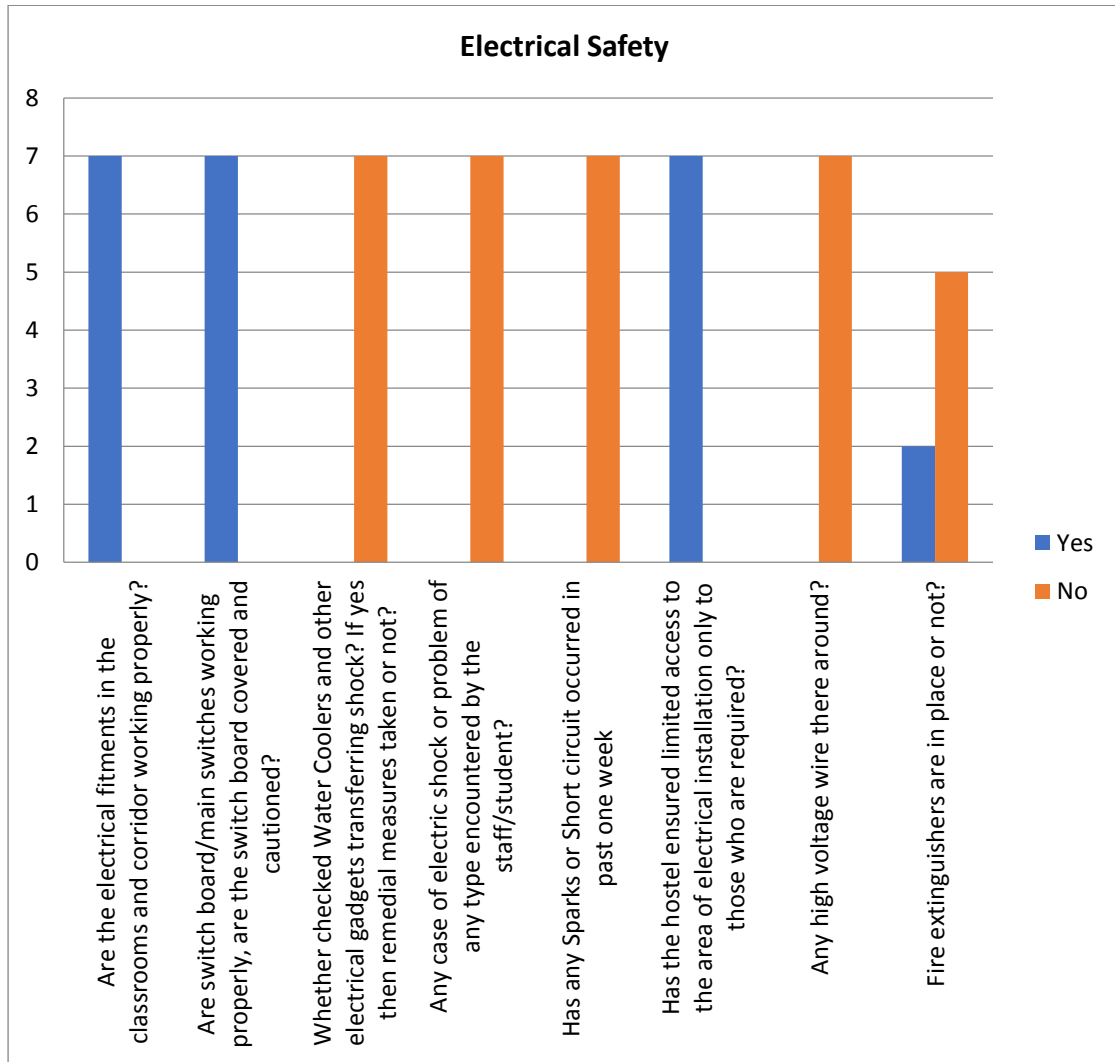
**Figure 1. Infrastructural Safety (Physical Safety)**



In the area of physical safety, none of the hostels displayed in their premises any evacuation plan for students to follow.

## 2.3 Electrical Safety

Figure 2. Electrical Safety

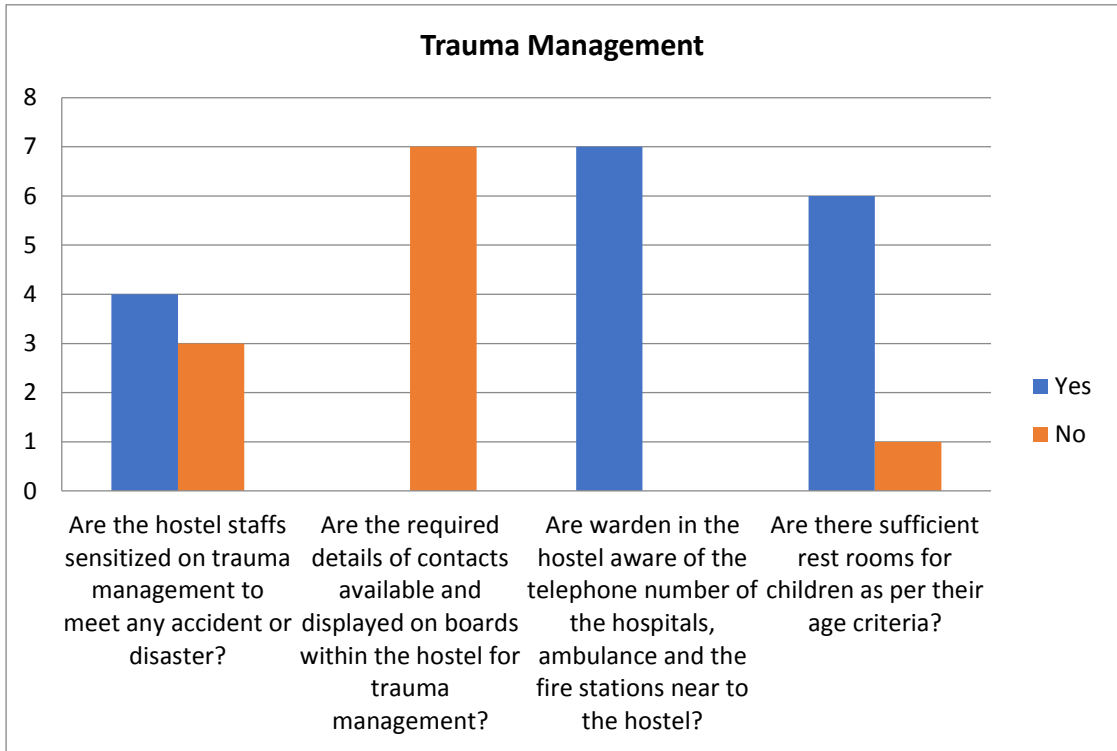


In the area of electrical safety, out of the 7 hostels, only 2 hostels have installed Fire Extinguishers in place. This could imply lack of awareness or negligence with regard to electrical or fire safety.



## 2.4 Trauma Management

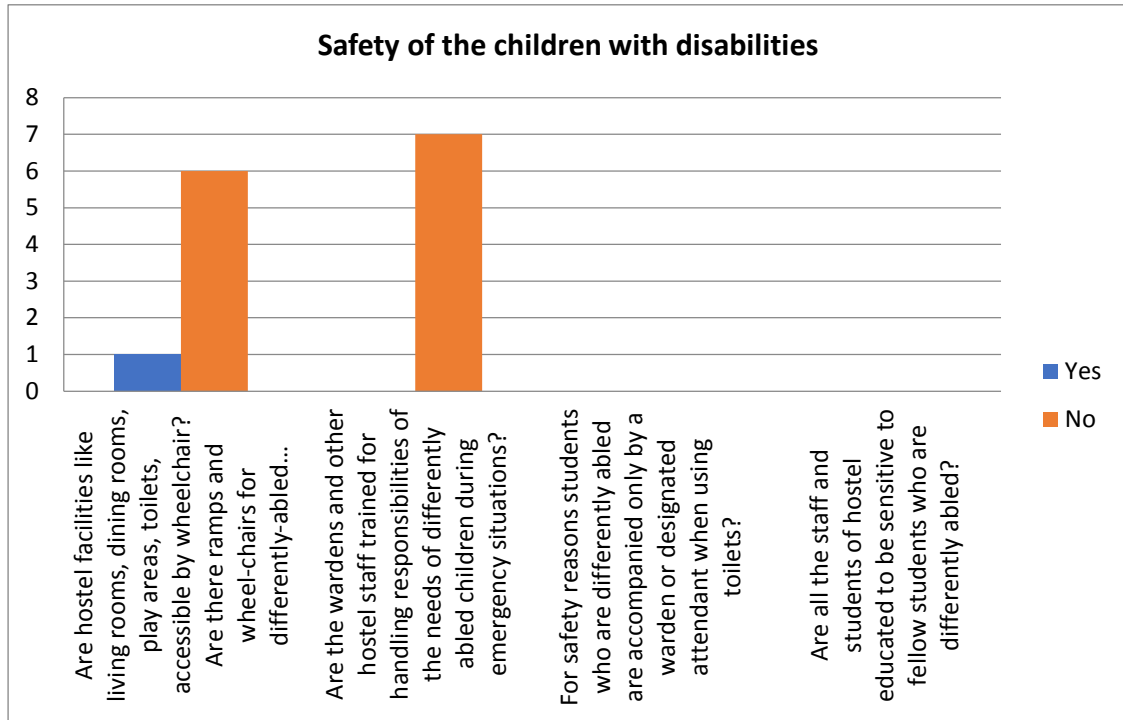
Figure 3. Trauma Management



In the area of trauma management and emergency situation, none of the 7 hostels displayed details of contacts for trauma management.

## 2.5 Safety of the children with disabilities

Figure 4. Safety of the children with disabilities



In the area of safety of children with disability, only one of the hostels could be considered appropriate and friendly for children with disability. The only hostel which is considered disabled friendly is also actually not constructed purposely for children with disability. It is not an inclusive hostel as such. The only advantage is that the Ground floor facilitates the dining room, toilets and bathrooms, living rooms and dormitories/rooms. This could be considered as the only advantage for children with disability.

The hostel wardens and other staff are not trained as such for handling responsibilities of the needs of differently abled children during emergency situations

The hostels, during the time of inspection did not enroll any students with disability. Hence, no hostel has a designated attendant for students with disability. And no students in the hostels are educated to be sensitive toward fellow students who are differently/specially abled.

## 2.6 Protection against Sexual Abuse

**Table 2. Protection against Sexual Abuse**

Sl. No.	Statements	Yes	No
<b>Protection against Sexual Abuse</b>			
1.	Does the hostel have a defined mechanism against child abuse and exploitation	1	6
2.	Are all administrative and non-administrative, contractual and other staff sensitized on the mechanism against child abuse and exploitation	1	6
3.	Are the staff and students sensitized regarding POCSO E-Box?	0	7
4.	Is there a designated space accessible for students to operate NCPRSs POCSO E-box?	0	7
5.	Are all administrative and non-administrative staff specifically trained to be alert to signs and indicators of child abuse?	2	5
6.	Are all parents and students sensitized on the mechanism against child abuse and exploitation?	0	7
7.	Is there a recruitment and police verification protocol and procedure in place for all staff before they are allowed to work with the children?	0	7
8.	Are Child Safety Posters, POCSO e-Box details and Childline helpline number (1098) on display in prominent locations of the hostel?	0	7
9.	Does the hostel has a visiting qualified Child Counsellor/Psychologist – part time or full time or on call consultant one can access when there is a requirement or an emergency?	3	4
10.	Are all children regularly oriented on safe and unsafe touch and behavior? Have they been helped to understand her/his right over her/his body, and right to say No? Are students oriented/trained regarding how to protect themselves from abuse and undertake other safety measures? Is the Parent training or awareness on the same conducted by the hostel from time to time?	3	4
11.	Hostel administration conducts awareness programs to sensitize students on harms of substance abuse, mutual and peer respect, gender sensitivity, social responsibility; and consequences of behavior or action.	7	0

12.	Does the Hostel Warden hold regular discussions to promote child participation and provides platform for students to discuss and share with those in authority on safety, protection and other relevant issues.	4	3
13.	In the event of serious sexual offences incidences, has the hostel administration taken immediate steps to restrict the access of the alleged offender to the children?	0	7

In the area of Protection against sexual abuse, it was found that the staff, the facilities, the parents, etc. of the hostels were not sufficiently equipped and were not sensitized towards sexual abuse and its protection. Only one of the 7 hostels did have a defined mechanism against child abuse and exploitation. And only one hostel did sensitized the staff on mechanism against child abuse and exploitation. None of the hostellers and the staff were sensitized about POCSO E-BOX, and no hostel displayed the Childline Number or the POSCSO E-BOX detail in the prominent locations of the hostels. Only 4 of the 7 hostels do have qualified counselors available for the students.

One of the hostels had a serious sexual offences incident, wherein the hostel administration did not take immediate steps to restrict the access of the alleged offender to the children. The MSCPCR had therefore intervened immediately into the matter.

## 2.7 Social and Emotional Safety

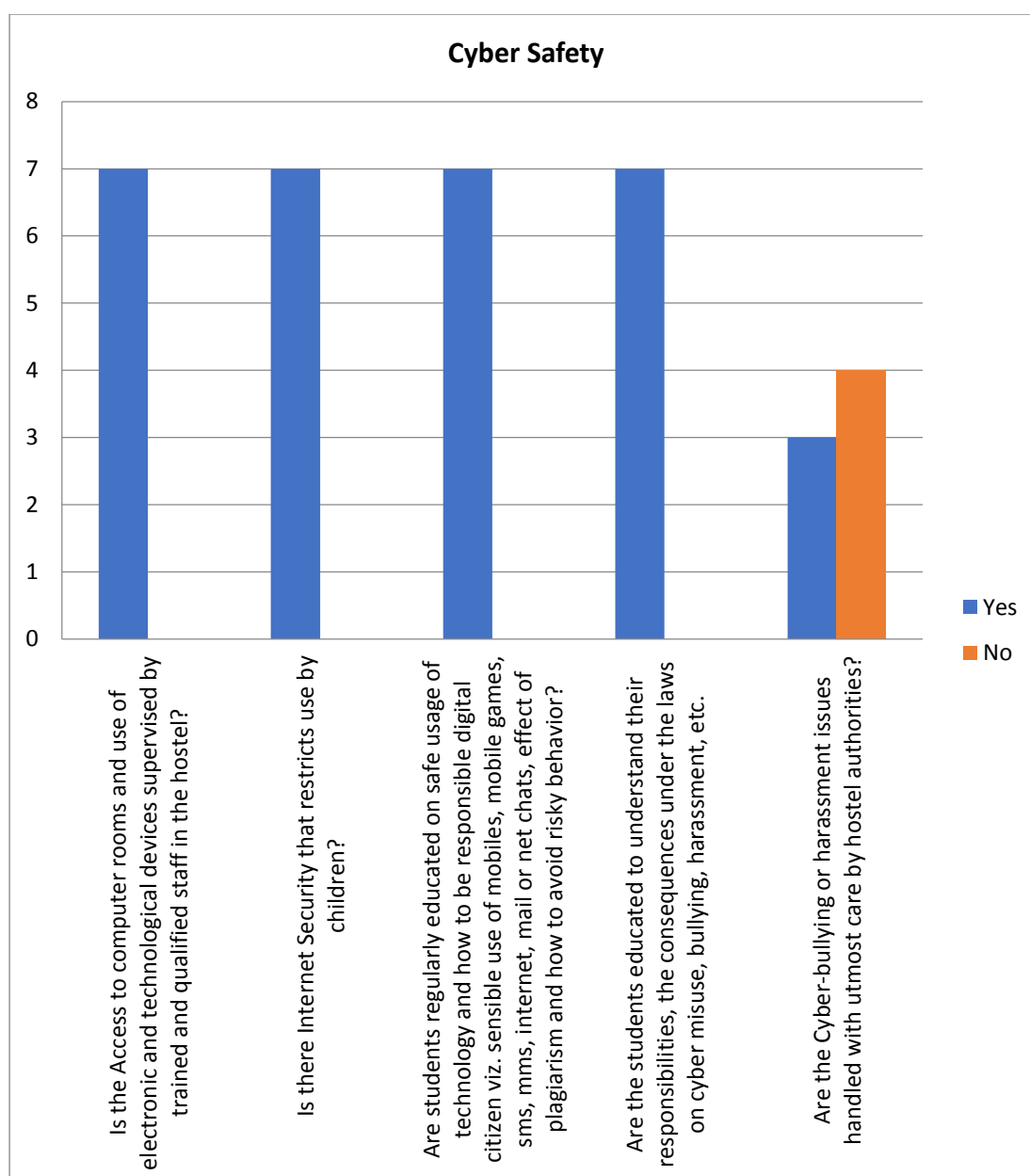
**Table 3. Social and Emotional Safety**

Sl. No.	Statements	Yes	No
<b>Social and Emotional Safety</b>			
1.	Are the children in hostel provided guidance and training on adequate age appropriate social skills in managing emotions and building healthy peer relationships	7	0
2.	Are the students sensitized to recognize and deal with negative peer pressure within hostels?	7	0
3.	Are sessions on life skills for students conducted in the hostel for teaching coping skills to manage fear, anger and stress and prevent abuse on self or others to build self-esteem and confidence among students?	7	0
4.	Are all types of bullying discouraged and prohibited in the hostel premises and students are asked to refrain from bullying, ragging, criticism, rude language, and malicious gossiping.	7	0
5.	Does the hostel administration adopt a zero tolerance regarding issues of bullying, harassments and discrimination/prejudice against students on basis of religion, caste, gender, language, physique or disability or any other factor?	7	0
6.	Does the hostel warden effectively monitor and address issues of misconduct and inappropriate social behavior? For example, stealing/needless writing on the walls/harming another student physically or emotionally and displaying any antisocial behavior	7	0
7.	Are there any Behavioral Management and modification programs available in hostel and are the students aware of it?	7	0
8.	Mechanisms in place for the students to feel safe reporting abuse of self or others, and the disciplinary	7	0
9.	Is there a ban on corporal punishment and emotional harassment of students in the hostel?	7	0
10.	Are positive disciplinary modes and measures adopted and followed by the hostel administration?	7	0

All of the 7 hostels do provide appropriate and sufficient mechanisms and facilities for the hostellers' social and emotional safety.

## 2.8 Cyber Safety

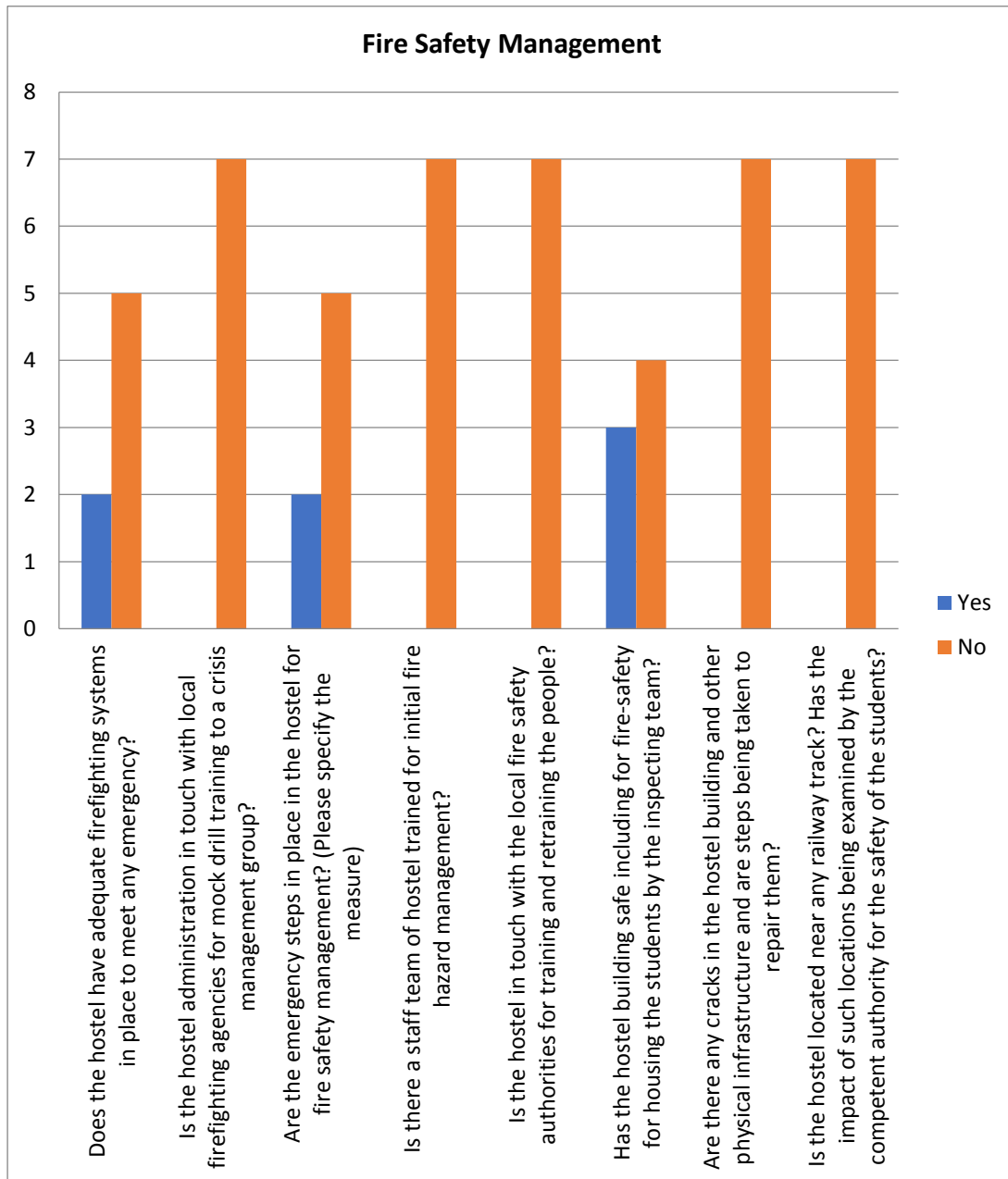
Figure 5. Cyber Safety



In the area of cyber safety, all the 7 hostels ensured that the hostellers are safe from cyber abuse and safe usage of technology.

## 2.9 Fire Safety Management

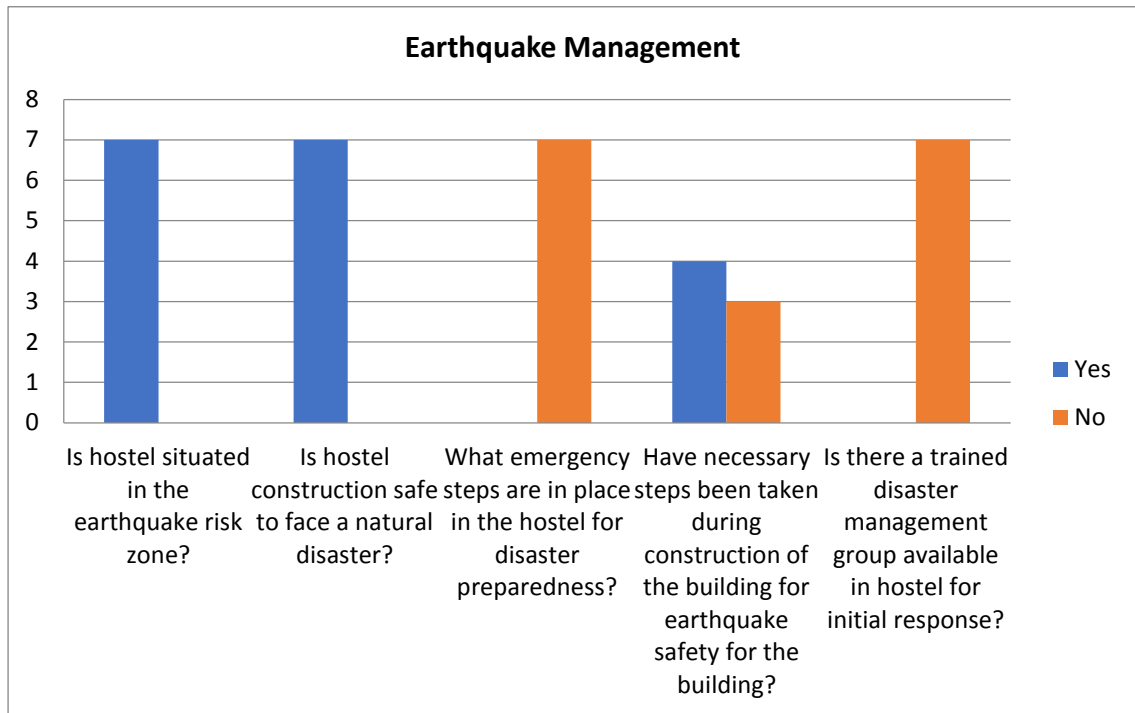
Figure 6. Fire Safety Management



In the area of fire safety management, only 2 hostels out of the 7 hostels have installed proper firefighting systems (Fire extinguishers & Emergency exit doors) in place to meet any emergency. However, there are no Fire Alarm system and Fire Hose, etc. installed in place. And only 3 hostels could be considered safe from fire

## 2.10 Earthquake Management

**Figure 7. Earthquake Management**

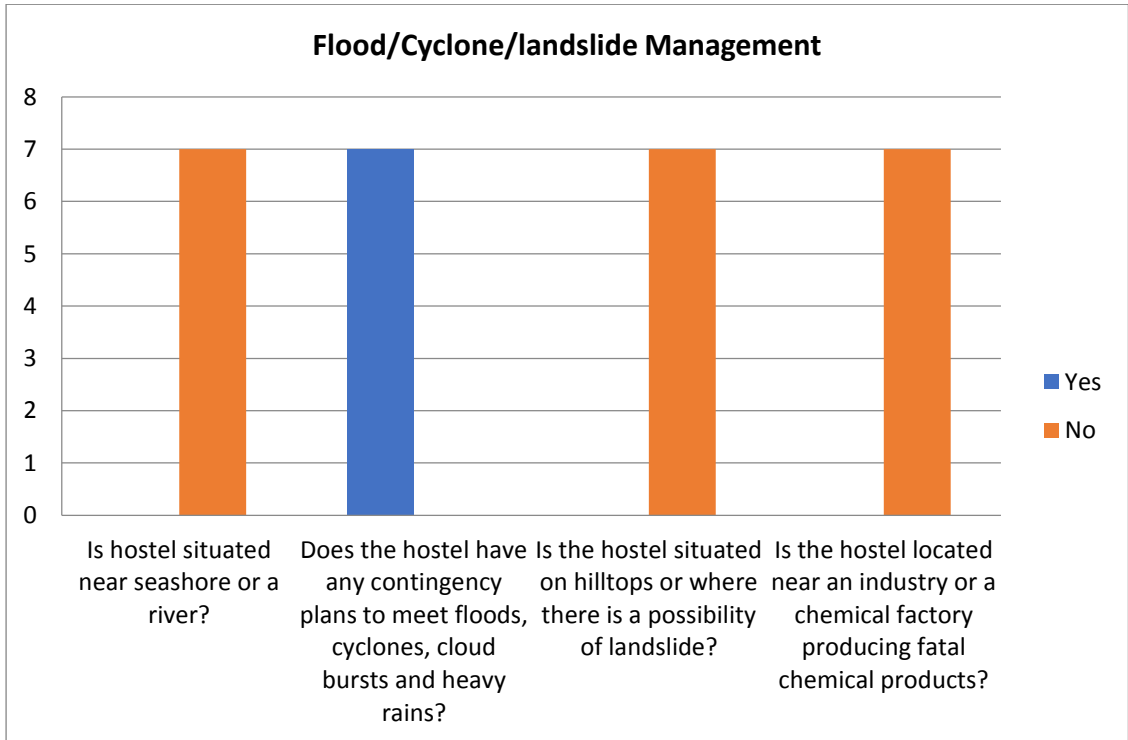


No hostel emergency steps are in place in the hostel for disaster preparedness. 3 of the 7 hostels have emergency exit doors in place. No hostel has conducted mock drill, no hostel has emergency alarm system, fire hydrant, etc.



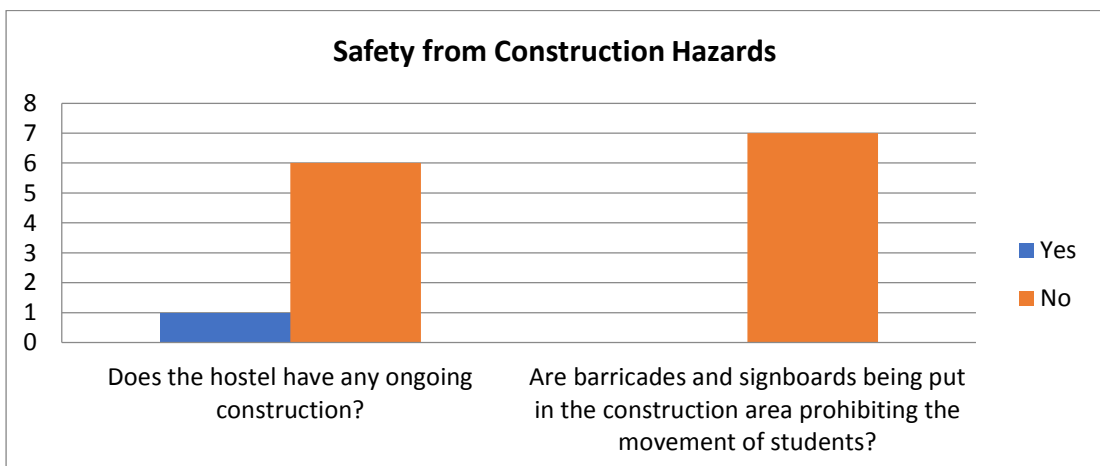
## 2.11 Flood/Cyclone/landslide Management

Figure 8. Flood/Cyclone/landslide Management



## 2.12 Safety from Construction Hazards

Figure 9. Safety from Construction Hazards



One of the hostels has an ongoing construction. Barricade and signboards are not being put in the construction area prohibiting the movement of students.

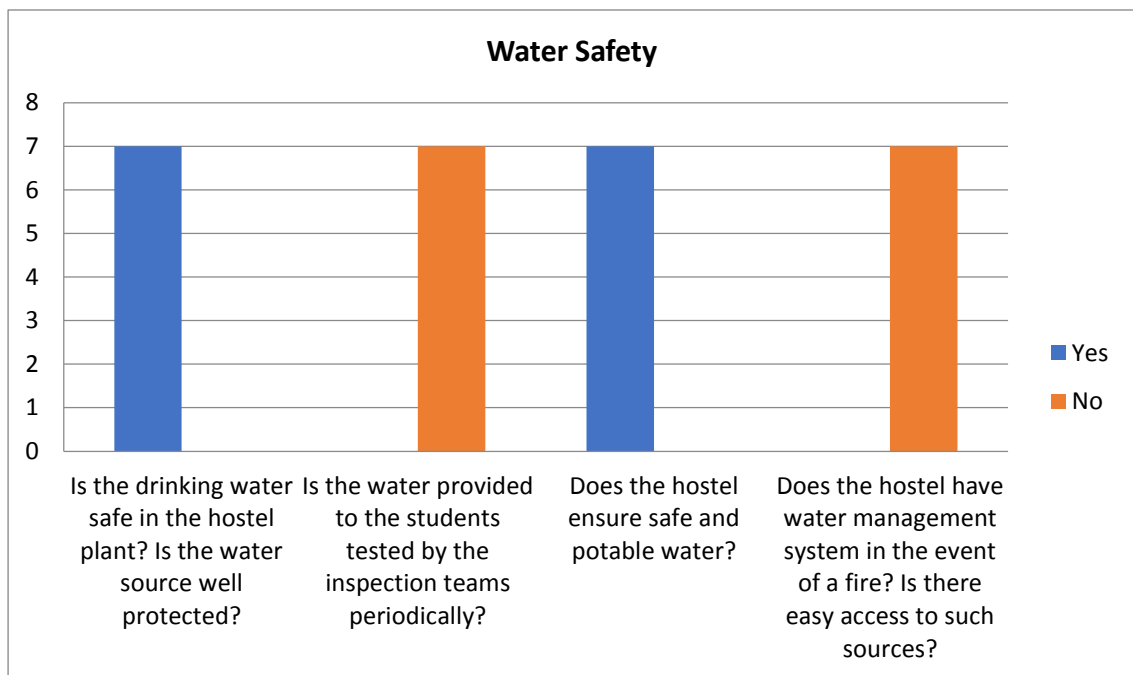
### 2.13 Safety in the Playground

**Table 4. Safety in the Playground**

Sl. No.	Statements	Yes	No
<b>Safety in the Playground</b>			
1.	Is the playground safe for the students to play games? Are they being maintained well?	5	2
2.	What are the different sports facilities available in the hostel?	F.Ball B.Ball V.Ball	
3.	Are the SAI guidelines followed in providing these facilities? (Give details)	0	7
4.	Have adequate precautions for the safety of the students being taken by the hostel?	7	0

### 2.14 Water Safety

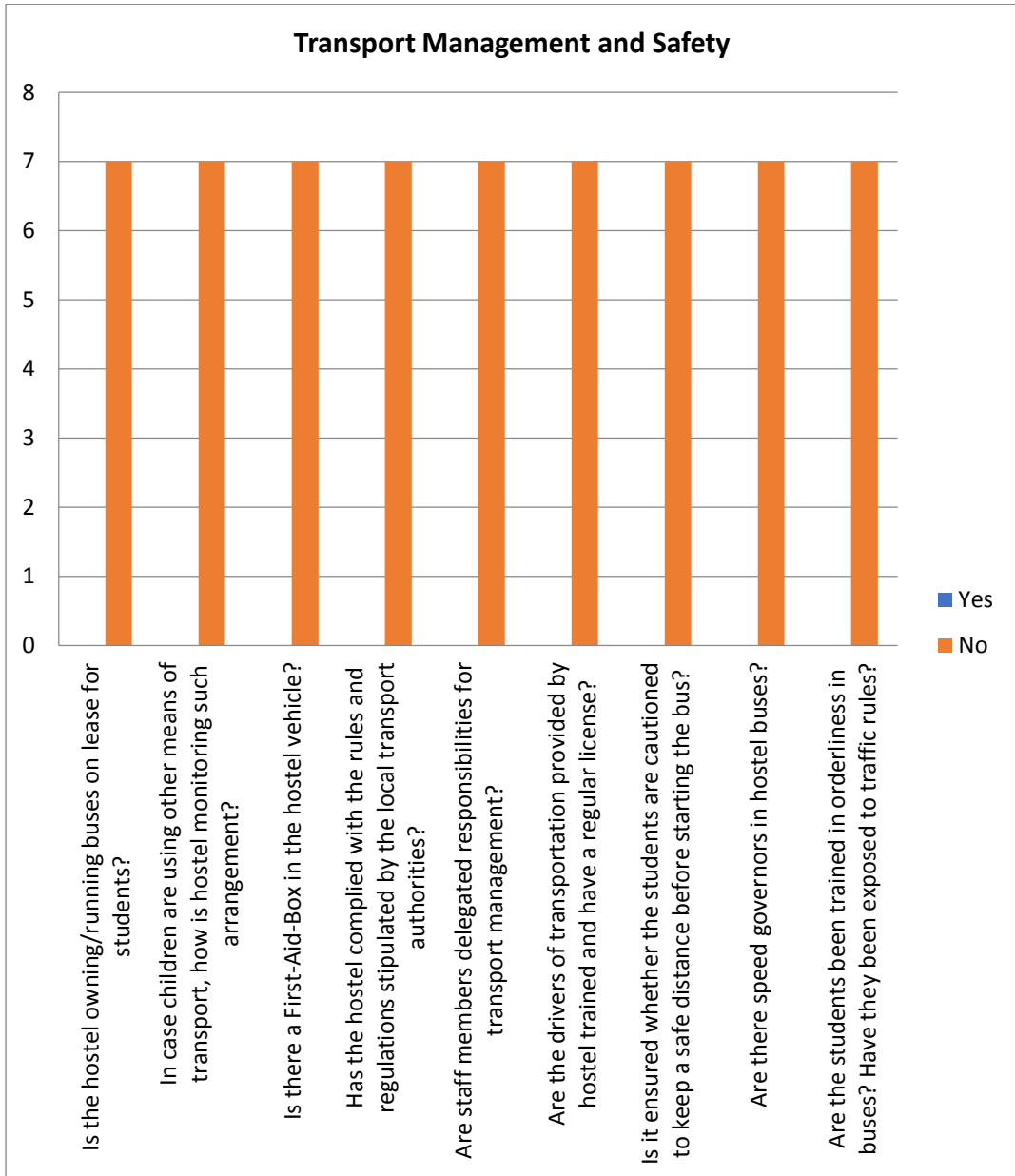
**Figure 10. Water Safety**



All of the 7 hostels did not install Fire Safety system (Fire water pipe hose) in the hostels.

## 2.15 Transport Management Safety

Figure 11. Transport Management Safety



The Hostels which were inspected are all residential school based hostels. Hence, there are no transport facilities as such.

## CHAPTER 3

### DISCUSSION & FINDINGS

This inspection report represents the assessment of the quality of the areas of the facilities and performance of the hostels which were examined during this inspection.

The frequency of the answers based on the questionnaires put forward may change after this inspection following the suggestions made by the inspection team members to the hostel staff and administrations.

The inspection team gave a general rating based on the services provided and the facilities maintained by the hostels as follows:

1. Infrastructural Safety (Physical Safety)	3	Good
2. Electrical Safety	4	Very Good
3. Trauma Management	3	Good
4. Safety of the children with disabilities	1	Very Poor
5. Protection against Sexual Abuse	2	Poor
6. Social and Emotional Safety	5	Excellent
7. Cyber Safety	4	Very Good
8. Fire Safety Management	2	Poor
9. Earthquake Management	2	Poor
10. Flood/Cyclone/landslide Management	5	Excellent
11. Safety from Construction Hazards	1	Very Poor
12. Safety in the Playground	3	Good
13. Water Safety	3	Good
14. Transport Management and Safety	N/A	N/A

### **3.1 What the Hostel Facilities does well**

The children in the hostels are cared for in an environment which gives them experiences of an emotional safety to their individual needs. The hostels do have a good electrical installation and are maintained well. The geographical locations of the hostels are all safe from floods and landslide prone areas.

### **3.2 What the Hostel Facilities could do better**

There could be many areas wherein the hostel facilities should improve upon. The following are some of those areas where the hostels are to improve themselves upon in order to ensure all round safety and development for the hostel students.

#### **3.2.1 To ensure Inclusive Hostel Facility**

In order to ensure inclusive education, differently/specially abled children should enjoy the same facilities in the hostel just like everyone else. Hence, all the hostel facilities like living rooms, dining rooms, play areas, toilets, should be accessible by wheelchair, and the ramps should be accessible by wheel-chairs for differently/specially abled students and/or staff.

#### **3.2.2 To ensure Adequate Space for Children**

Although the checklist criteria which the inspection team used here did not include the amenities to be provided with regard to the availability of sufficient space, nonetheless, the inspection team had a great concern over the limited space provided for the students for sleeping, keeping their personal belongings, furniture, etc. The hostels which were inspected are all basically congested. It is obvious that the hostels accommodate hostel students more than their actual capacities.

### **3.2.3 To ensure Safety from Sexual Abuse**

In all of the hostels inspected, there is practically no appropriate separation between age groups in the dormitories and rooms. The failure to segregate and separate children according to their age groups is a serious matter to be looked in to. In some of the hostels, the rooms of the warden/s are not adjoined nor are adjacent to the dormitories/rooms of the hostellers. In order to ensure and maintain safety for the children from sexual abuse, etc. this facility should be insisted.

In the area of Protection against Sexual Abuse, proper defined mechanism against child sexual abuse and exploitation should be set up and maintained by the hostels. The staff of the hostels should be sensitized on the mechanism against child abuse and exploitation. From time to time, the hostel students should also be oriented/trained regarding how to protect themselves from abuse and undertake other safety measures. The Parents of the hostel students should also be given training or awareness on the same from time to time. A confidential reporting system and method should be installed in the hostel premises by which any sexual abuse could be reported, for example:- A Computer System with Internet facility to access POCSO E-BOX, a Telephone with CHILDLINE NUMBER (1098) being displayed near the telephone, a HAPPY-SAD BOX, etc. should be made available for the hostel students.

### **3.2.4 To ensure Fire Safety Management**

One of the neglected areas in the areas of safety for the children in all the hostels is the fire safety management system. Only 2 of the 7 hostels have at least installed Fire Extinguishers in the Hostel floors. Fire Safety Management should be given one of the priorities and ensure that all hostels install appropriate firefighting systems in the hostels.

## CONCLUSION

The result of this study thus indicate that there is tremendous areas where improvement could be made upon in the different areas of the hostel facilities in order to fulfill and provide wholesome quality services to the hostellers. There is positive finding that infrastructural safety is mostly adequate for the hostellers. The Emotional safety of the children is also catered to the hostel children by the facilities provided by the hostels. On the other hand, with regard to fire safety and fire safety management, the hostels have to fulfill many of the criteria laid down by the rules mentioned in the *Mizoram School Hostel Infrastructure, Facilities and General Care of Students (Management) Rules 2016*.

## APPENDIX A

### CHECKLIST ON SAFETY & SECURITY OF CHILDREN IN HOSTEL

Sl. No.	Statements	Yes/No	Remarks
<b>Infrastructural Safety (Physical Safety)</b>			
1.	Are the corridors and staircases clear of obstruction?		
2.	Are the doors and emergency doors clear of obstruction?		
3.	Is the floor evacuation plan displayed properly and accessible readily for students in hostel premises?		
4.	Is the water quality from the filters in the hostel clean and potable?		
5.	Has toilet cleanliness been maintained?		
6.	Are there any ceiling tiles or plaster hanging from the wall/roof of rooms/corridors/kitchen		
7.	Is there any dampness in walls of various building areas of the hostel?		
8.	Cross ventilation in kitchen and toilets maintained or not?		
9.	Are rooms properly illuminated with lighting?		
10.	Is lightening conductor properly? (Specially prior Season)		
11.	Is First Aid Kit in place and accessible to students in the hostel?		
12.	Any suggestions from students/staff for upgrading floor safety?		
<b>Electrical Safety</b>			
13.	Are the electrical fitments in the classrooms and corridor working properly?		
14.	Are Switch Board/main switches working properly, are the switch board covered and cautioned?		
15.	Whether checked Water Coolers and other electrical gadgets transferring shock? If yes then remedial measures taken or not?		
16.	Any case of electric shock or problem of any type encountered by the staff/student?		
17.	Has any Sparks or Short circuit occurred in past one week		
18.	Has the hostel ensured limited access to the area of electrical installation only to those who are required?		
19.	Any high voltage wire there around?		
20.	Fire extinguishers are in place or not?		



<b>Trauma Management</b>			
21.	Are the hostel staffs sensitized on trauma management to meet any accident or disaster?		
22.	Are the required details of contacts available and displayed on boards within the hostel for trauma management?		
23.	Are warden in the hostel aware of the telephone number of the hospitals, ambulance and the fire stations near to the hostel?		
24.	Are there sufficient rest rooms for children as per their age criteria?		
<b>Safety of the children with disabilities</b>			
25.	Are hostel facilities like living rooms, dining rooms, play areas, toilets, accessible by wheelchair? Are there ramps and wheel-chairs for differently-abled students/staff? Is the hostel environment disable friendly?		
26.	Are the wardens and other hostel staff trained for handling responsibilities of the needs of differently abled children during emergency situations?		
27.	For safety reasons students who are differently abled are accompanied only by a warden or designated attendant when using toilets?		
28.	Are all the staff and students of hostel educated to be sensitive to fellow students who are differently abled?		
<b>Protection against Sexual Abuse</b>			
29.	Does the hostel have a defined mechanism against child abuse and exploitation		
30.	Are all administrative and non-administrative, contractual and other staff sensitized on the mechanism against child abuse and exploitation		
31.	Are the staff and students sensitized regarding POCSO E-Box?		
32.	Is there a designated space accessible for students to operate NCPRSs POCSO E-box?		
33.	Are all administrative and non-administrative staff specifically trained to be alert to signs and indicators of child abuse?		
34.	Are all parents and students sensitized on the mechanism against child abuse and exploitation?		
35.	Is there a recruitment and police verification protocol and procedure in place for all staff before they are allowed to work with the children?		
36.	Are Child Safety Posters, POCSO e-Box details and Childline helpline number (1098) on display in prominent locations of the hostel?		
37.	Does the hostel has a visiting qualified Child		

	Counsellor/Psychologist – part time or full time or on call consultant one can access when there is a requirement or an emergency?		
38.	Are all children regularly oriented on safe and unsafe touch and behavior? Have they been helped to understand her/his right over her/his body, and right to say No? Are students oriented/trained regarding how to protect themselves from abuse and undertake other safety measures? Is the Parent training or awareness on the same conducted by the hostel from time to time?		
39.	Hostel administration conducts awareness programs to sensitize students on harms of substance abuse, mutual and peer respect, gender sensitivity, social responsibility; and consequences of behavior or action.		
40.	Does the Hostel Warden hold regular discussions to promote child participation and provides platform for students to discuss and share with those in authority on safety, protection and other relevant issues.		
41.	In the event of serious sexual offences incidences, has the hostel administration taken immediate steps to restrict the access of the alleged offender to the children?		
<b>Social and Emotional Safety</b>			
42.	Are the children in hostel provided guidance and training on adequate age appropriate social skills in managing emotions and building healthy peer relationships		
43.	Are the students sensitized to recognize and deal with negative peer pressure within hostels?		
44.	Are sessions on life skills for students conducted in the hostel for teaching coping skills to manage fear, anger and stress and prevent abuse on self or others to build self-esteem and confidence among students?		
45.	Are all types of bullying discouraged and prohibited in the hostel premises and students are asked to refrain from bullying, ragging, criticism, rude language, and malicious gossiping.		
46.	Does the hostel administration adopt a zero tolerance regarding issues of bullying, harassments and discrimination/prejudice against students on basis of religion, caste, gender, language, physique or disability or any other factor?		
47.	Does the hostel warden effectively monitor and address issues of misconduct and inappropriate social behavior? For example, stealing/needless writing on the walls/harming another student physically or emotionally and displaying any antisocial behavior		

48.	Are there any Behavioral Management and modification programs available in hostel and are the students aware of it?		
49.	Mechanisms in place for the students to feel safe reporting abuse of self or others, and the disciplinary		
50.	Is there a ban on corporal punishment and emotional harassment of students in the hostel?		
51.	Are positive disciplinary modes and measures adopted and followed by the hostel administration?		
<b>Cyber Safety</b>			
52.	Is the Access to computer rooms and use of electronic and technological devices supervised by trained and qualified staff in the hostel?		
53.	Is there Internet Security that restricts use by children?		
54.	Are students regularly educated on safe usage of technology and how to be responsible digital citizen viz. sensible use of mobiles, mobile games, sms, mms, internet, mail or net chats, effect of plagiarism and how to avoid risky behavior?		
55.	Are the students educated to understand their responsibilities, the consequences under the laws on cyber misuse, bullying, harassment, etc.		
56.	Are the Cyber-bullying or harassment issues handled with utmost care by hostel authorities?		
<b>Fire Safety Management</b>			
57.	Does the hostel have adequate firefighting systems in place to meet any emergency?		
58.	Is the hostel administration in touch with local firefighting agencies for mock drill training to a crisis management group?		
59.	Are the emergency steps in place in the hostel for fire safety management? (Please specify the measure)		
60.	Is there a staff team of hostel trained for initial fire hazard management?		
61.	Is the hostel in touch with the local fire safety authorities for training and retraining the people?		
62.	Has the hostel building safe including for fire-safety for housing the students by the inspecting team?		
63.	Are there any cracks in the hostel building and other physical infrastructure and are steps being taken to repair them?		
64.	Is the hostel located near any railway track? Has the impact of such locations being examined by the competent authority for the safety of the students?		
<b>Earthquake Management</b>			
65.	Is hostel situated in the earthquake risk zone?		
66.	Is hostel construction safe to face a natural disaster?		

	Are modifications required if any Attach a separate sheet		
67.	What emergency steps are in place in the hostel for disaster preparedness?		
68.	Have necessary steps been taken during construction of the building for earthquake safety for the building?		
69.	Is there a trained disaster management group available in hostel for initial response?		
<b>Flood/Cyclone/landslide Management</b>			
70.	Is hostel situated near seashore or a river?		
71.	Does the hostel have any contingency plans to meet floods, cyclones, cloud bursts and heavy rains?		
72.	Is the hostel situated on hilltops or where there is a possibility of landslide?		
73.	Is the hostel located near an industry or a chemical factory producing fatal chemical products?		
<b>Safety from Construction Hazards</b>			
74.	Does the hostel have any ongoing construction?		
75.	Are barricades and signboards being put in the construction area prohibiting the movement of students?		
<b>Safety in the Playground</b>			
76.	Is the playground safe for the students to play games? Are they being maintained well?		
77.	What are the different sports facilities available in the hostel?		
78.	Are the SAI guidelines followed in providing these facilities? (Give details)		
79.	Have adequate precautions for the safety of the students being taken by the hostel?		
<b>Water Safety</b>			
80.	Is the drinking water safe in the hostel plant? Is the water source well protected?		
81.	Is the water provided to the students tested by the inspection teams periodically?		
82.	Does the hostel ensure safe and potable water?		
83.	Does the hostel have water management system in the event of a fire? Is there easy access to such sources?		
<b>Transport Management and Safety</b>			
84.	Is the hostel owning/running buses on lease for students?		
85.	In case children are using other means of transport, how is hostel monitoring such arrangement?		
86.	Is there a First-Aid-Box in the hostel vehicle?		
87.	Has the hostel complied with the rules and regulations stipulated by the local transport authorities?		

88.	Are staff members delegated responsibilities for transport management?		
89.	Are the drivers of transportation provided by hostel trained and have a regular license?		
90.	Is it ensured whether the students are cautioned to keep a safe distance before starting the bus?		
91.	Are there speed governors in hostel buses?		
92.	Are students been trained in orderliness in buses? Have they been exposed to traffic rules?		

## APPENDIX B

### PHOTOS OF THE HOSTELS INSPECTED

