

Government of Karnataka

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Karnataka Government Secretariat,  
M.S. Building,  
Bangalore. Dated: 02.05.2008.NOTIFICATION

In exercise of powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 16 of the Prohibition Child Marriage Act, 2007 (Central Act No 6 of 2007), Government of Karnataka hereby appoints the following officers as Child Marriage Prohibition Officers having jurisdiction over the area specified against them:

Sl. No	Designation of Officers appointed as Child Marriage Prohibition Officers	Jurisdiction
1	Director, Women and Child Development Department	All over the State of Karnataka
2	All Deputy Commissioner	Over the concerned revenue districts
3	All Deputy Directors, Women and Child Development Department	Over the concerned district
4	All Programme Officers, Women and Child Development Department	Over the concerned district
5	All Tahsildars, Revenue Department	Over the concerned revenue taluk
6	All Labour Officers, Labour Department	Over the concerned taluk
7	All Block Education Officers, Department of Public Instructions	Over the concerned taluk
8	All Child Development Project Officers, Women and Child Development Department	Over the concerned taluk
9	All Village Accountants, Revenue Department	Over the concerned hobli
10	All Revenue Officers, City Corporations/Municipalities	Over the concerned corporation/Municipal area



### Function and Duties of Child Marriage Prohibition Officer:


- (1) The Child Marriage Prohibition Officer shall ensure that the Organizers of mass marriages shall maintain register and a list of the proposed eligible couples to be married and record details after verifying their photographs, birth certificate/school certificate / medical certificate in proof of age from a registered Medical Practitioner.
- (2) The Child Marriage Prohibition Officer shall ensure the person/applicant to avail the benefit of legal services available under Karnataka Legal Services Authority in obtaining injunction, prohibitory orders, custody orders maintenance orders and matters pertaining to the enforcement of the Act.
- (3) The Child Marriage prohibition Officer is empowered to move the court suo moto for getting interim orders like injunction, prohibitory orders, maintenance orders, custody orders and also getting suitable orders as to the residence of female contracting party to the child marriage.
- (4) The Child Marriage prohibition Officer shall maintain a directory of Non Governmental Organizations registered under Karnataka Societies Registration Act, 1950/Companies registered under the Companies Act, 1956 or any other law for the time being in force.
- (5) The Child marriage Prohibition Officer at taluka level and at the district level shall report the statistics of the incidence of Child Marriage periodically (quarterly) as per section 16 (3) (f) of the Act to the Director, Women and Child Development in Form No.-III.
- (6) It is the duty of the Child Marriage Prohibition Officer to collect evidence and assist the Court/Magistrate in effective prosecution of the cases.
- (7) The Child Marriage Prohibition Officer shall facilitate in getting appropriate orders from the courts for custody of the children born out of the child marriage.
- (8) The Child Marriage prohibition officers shall provide all possible assistance to stop the child marriage and to ensure the



person/applicant, police help, if any in the event of occurrence of child marriage.

- (9) The Child Marriage Prohibition Officer shall create awareness and sensitize the community about the provisions of the Act and its harmful effects on the issue of child marriage.
- (10) The Child Marriage Prohibition Officer shall discharge his duties with due care, decorum, privacy and in a manner to uphold the dignity and harmony of the child and family relationship.
- (11) The approach of the Child Marriage prohibition Officer shall be primarily prevention of Child Marriage and it shall be a remedial one. Prosecution shall be recommended or resorted to only, if all other measures and directions are found ineffective or parties fail to comply with the orders or directions within the stipulated time.
- (12) The Child Marriage Prohibition Officer shall prevent the solemnization of Child Marriage by taking such action as he deems fit. While doing so he may take the assistance of the respectable members of the locality, with a record of social service.

By Order and in the name of  
the President of India

  
(V. SHIVA KUMAR)

Under Secretary to Government-1,  
Women and Child Development Department.

To,

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- 2. The Director, Women and Child Development Department, Bangalore.
- 3. The Director, Disabled and Senior Citizens Welfare Department,



4. The Managing Director, Karnataka State Women's Development Corporation, Bangalore.
5. Secretary, Karnataka State Women Commission, Bangalore.
6. The Registrar, High Court of Karnataka, Bangalore.
7. Principle Secretary to Government, Social Welfare Department, Vikasa Soudha, Bangalore.
8. Principle Secretary to Government, Home Department, Vidhana Soudha, Bangalore.
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12. D.I.G. and I.G.P. Nrupathunga Road, Bangalore
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14. All Commissioners, Corporations/Municipalities
15. Commissioner, Department of Labour.
16. Deputy Commissioners of all districts.
17. Deputy Director/Programme Officers, Child Development Project Officer of all districts/taluks, Women and Child Development Department.
18. Tahasildars of All Taluks.
19. Labour Department Officers, Block Education Officers and Taluk Panchayath Executive Officers of All taluks.
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