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Sub: Setting up of Working Group on ‘Child Rights’ for Twelfth Five Year Plan (2012-17).

It has been decided by the Planning Commission to set up a Working Group on ‘Child Rights’ for the Twelfth Five Year Plan under the Chairpersonship of Secretary, Ministry of Women & Child Development. The composition of the Working Group will be as follows;

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4. Secretary Member
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6. Secretary Member
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11. Secretary
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II. The Terms of Reference of the Working Group are as follows:

i. To review the existing priorities, policies, strategies, programmes and their implementation for fulfilling the rights of children to survival, development (including early childhood care, early learning, elementary education), protection and participation, within both child-specific and child-related sectors, responsive to diverse regional needs.

ii. To highlight emerging issues, challenges, amongst the most vulnerable and deprived areas, communities and child groups* with equity, with special focus on the girl child including addressing the adverse and declining Child Sex Ratio.

*This includes minorities, scheduled castes, scheduled tribes, including particularly vulnerable tribal groups, internally displaced groups, migrants, urban poor communities, the young child, children in need of care and protection and children with different abilities, among others.

iii. To suggest necessary priorities, policies, strategies, interventions, for fulfilling children’s rights across the life cycle continuum- prenatally, at birth, infancy, early childhood, school years and adolescence, converging multisectoral interventions.

iv. To review programme design and implementation gaps in reaching out convergent services, especially to the marginalized communities.
v. To appraise the implementation of existing **child-specific and child-related legislative frameworks**, mechanisms for their implementation, identify areas for updation and reform and suggest corrective measures.

vi. To review the effectiveness of existing institutional arrangements for the implementation of policies and programmes relating to children at national, state, district and local (Panchayati Raj Institutions and Urban local Bodies) levels and suggest improvements, as needed.

vii. To review the effectiveness of existing **management systems** for child development and protection and to recommend improvements as may be needed for enhanced impact and effective monitoring child related programmes.

viii. To assess existing **institutional capacity** for the development, implementation and monitoring of child related programmes and interventions and to suggest measures for capacity development and improved training capability, in partnership with civil society.

ix. To review the achievement of monitorable targets for children, programme performance, resource allocations and utilization during the Eleventh Five Year Plan. To suggest monitorable objectives and indicative resource requirements for child survival, development, care and, protection in the Twelfth Five Year Plan.

x. To identify linkages with the ongoing **Results Framework Document** strategy planning processes underway in relevant sectors and recommend how these can be made “child friendly”. This includes the incorporation of child related indicators and the possible introduction of Child Budgeting.

III. The Chairman of the said Working Group may co-opt other experts and constitute sub-groups for specific tasks as may be considered necessary

IV. The Working Group would be serviced by Ministry of Women & Child Development.

V. Non-official members will be entitled to TA/DA as admissible to Grade-I Officers of the Government of India and this expenditure will be borne by the Planning Commission as per SR 190(a).

VI. **Travel is allowed only by Air India’s flights in Economy Class or AC-II Tier by train.**
VII. The said Working Group shall submit its report by the 31st August, 2011.

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