

## **The functioning of Missing Child Bureau, District Cell (MCBDC) in Gadag District**

**Missing Child Bureau Karnataka (MCB)** has been established as per the Juvenile Justice (Care and protection of Children) Act 2000 and the rules there under **by the Department of Women and Child Development. The Government of Karnataka** has appointed **Bangalore Oniyavara Seva Coota (BOSCO) Bangalore** as the State Nodal Agency of the Missing Child Bureau of Karnataka as per the **Government of Karnataka order No. DWCD 180 MCB 2007 Bangalore, Dated 27<sup>th</sup> October 2007**. The State Nodal Agency is directed to identify and appoint the District Cells of the Bureau, establish the necessary Systems and Networks, employ effective strategies and tools to realize the objectives of MCB as laid down in the **Section 84 of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Karnataka Rules 2010**, in all the districts of Karnataka.

The **State office** of the Missing Child Bureau (MCB) is at the Karnataka State Integrated Child Protection Society (KSICPS), DWCD, MS building, Ambedkar Veedi, Bangalore, and the **Nodal office** is at BOSCO Yuvodaya, 91 B Street, and 6th Cross Gandhinagar Bangalore- 560009. The MCB has selected and appointed Bhuvaneshwari Seva Samsthe Gadag, as its district partner. MCB in the District shall work collaboration with the DCPU, Police, other Departments and NGOs. The Missing Child Bureau (MCB) is located at the DCPU and function in collaboration with and strengthen its network in order to achieve its goals and objectives.

### **The Responsibilities and duties of MCBDC Coordinating Staff are:**

1. Collect and facilitate the registration of missing complaints as per S.84 (2) (a), (b) (3) (a) of the JJ(C&P) Karnataka Rules 2010, from all parts of the district.
2. Collect and facilitate registration of unaccompanied children data as per S.84 (2) (c), (3) (b) and (c) of the JJ(C&P) Karnataka Rules 2010, from the district.
3. Disseminate the data / information on missing children complaints and found / unaccompanied children as per the (2) (b) (c) of S.84, to the DWCD/DCPU, Police/SJPU and other stake holders.

4. Regular follow up of missing complaints received {S.84 (3) (c)}, and traced children restored through searching and matching in the data base and communicating without delay.
5. Documenting and monitoring of every traced / found children and their repatriation {S.84 (2) (e)}.
6. Develop and continuously update the data base both of missing complaints and found/traced children as per S.84 (2) (a), (c), using the Homelink software supplied and upload it to the [www.missingchildsearch.net](http://www.missingchildsearch.net) website without delay. A copy of the data is to be sent to the Police/ SJPU to be uploaded into the **national** website <http://trackthemissingchild.gov.in> .
7. Facilitate tracing of missing children and restoration of found / traced children through immediate communication, data sharing and networking, using all possible methods along with the Police, CWC, Childline, MCB network or NGOs.
8. Create public awareness through civil society organisations like SHG, NGOs, conduct orientation to various groups of Govt. functionaries (of DWCD, Police, Education, Health, Labour, revenue etc.) on the issues related of missing and unaccompanied children and their rights and protection at District, Taluk and Panchayat levels.
9. Organise review meetings as visualized in the in S.84 (2) (h).
10. Preparing reports and relevant documents to enhance advocacy, policy and planning, and report to DCPU, MCB, Police and other key stakeholders regularly.
11. Regular and periodic visits to organisations and institutions at District, Taluk and Panchayat levels to create awareness, monitor and for networking for the protection and restoration of missing children.
12. Any other responsibilities and duties entrusted with by the DCPO or the Director of MCB as visualized in the JJ Karnataka 2010 Rules.