



# Central Adoption Resource Authority केन्द्रीय दत्तक-ग्रहण संसाधन प्राधिकरण

(A Statutory Body of Ministry of Women & Child Development, Government of India)  
(भारत सरकार के महिला एवं बाल विकास मंत्रालय की सांविधिक निकाय)



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## Office Memorandum

### **Sub: Registration of cases of single PAPs having a live-in partner in a long time relationship and not married- reg.**

It has been noticed from Home study Reports (HSRs) that some single PAPs registered with CARA for the adoption process are in relationship with their live-in partner.

2. The cases of single PAPs engaged in live-in relationship have been discussed in the Steering Committee of Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) during its 31<sup>st</sup> Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2022. It has been decided to go with the earlier decision of 14<sup>th</sup> Steering Committee Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 that the cases of single PAP in a live-in relationship with a partner will not be considered eligible to adopt a child and their registration from concerned agencies/authorities will not be considered for approval.

3. The decision has been taken in line with Regulation 5(3) of the Adoption Regulations, 2017. The authority would like the children to be placed only with the stable family and single applicant in a live-in relationship cannot be considered as stable family.

4. All concerned are requested to ensure status of live-in relationship of single PAPs while conducting their Home Study Report (HSR).

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### **Copy for information & necessary action:**

1. All Authorized Foreign Adoption Agencies (AFAAs)/ Central Authorities (CAs)/ Indian Diplomatic Mission (IDMs) & Government Departments
2. All Specialised Adoption Agencies (SAAs)/State Adoption Resource Agencies (SARAs)/District Child Protection Units (DCPUs)