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Message from CEO

Dear Stakeholders,

I am pleased to present this Newsletter specially dedicated to Adoption Awareness Month 2024. This year's theme was "Rehabilitation of Older Children through Foster Care and Foster Adoption," aimed at raising awareness about the adoption process and the rehabilitation of older children through foster care. Various Online and offline programmes for awareness and outreach along with Prospective Adoptive Parents (PAPs) meets have been conducted by various states.

Lucknow Conclave became the biggest highlight of the Adoption Awareness Month 2024. Conclave held on 21st November 2024 with the esteemed presence of Mrs. Savitri Thakur, Hon'ble Minister of State, Women and Child Development, Government of India, along with Mrs. Baby Rani Maurya, Hon'ble Minister, Women Welfare, Child Development and Nutrition Ministry, Government of Uttar Pradesh, and Mrs. Babita Singh Chauhan, Chairperson, SWC, UP.

An online campaign, in collaboration with MyGoV India, featured various activities such as Slogan Writing, Adoption Storytelling, online pledge-taking activity, Online Survey and poster-making competitions with good number of participations. Additionally, weekly quiz were conducted on CARA Social Media Handles and informative creatives, did you know and Reel videos were posted.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to all stakeholders of CARA, as together we made Adoption Awareness Month 2024 a successful for generating awareness among the general public & Prospective Adoptive Parents (PAPs).

Smt. Bhavna Saxena
CEO CARA

Special Logo designed for the Adoption Awareness Month 2024:



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Lucknow Conclave



From right to left: Smt. Preeti Pant, Joint Secretary, MWCD, GoI; Smt. Baby Rani Maurya, Hon'ble Minister, WCD, Govt. of U.P.; Smt. Savitri Thakur, Hon'ble MoS, MWCD, GoI; Smt. Babita Singh Chauhan, Chairperson, SWC, UP; Smt. Leena Jauhari, Principal Secretary, Govt. of U.P and Smt. Bhavna Saxena, Member Secretary & CEO CARA

The Annual Conclave on Raising Adoption Awareness was successfully held in Lucknow on 21st November 2024. The event aimed to increase awareness about adoption processes, rights, and challenges, while advocating for a more inclusive, supportive society for older children in need of care and protection.



Smt. Savitri Thakur, MoS WCD, GoI was the esteemed chief guest of the Conclave.

Smt. Baby Rani Maurya, Minister for WCD, Govt of U.P., Smt. Babita Chauhan and Smt. Aparna Yadav from UPCW also graced the occasion.



“ Foster Care aims to ensure children receive a safe and nurturing environment until a permanent solution is found. ”

Smt. Savitri Thakur, Hon'ble MoS, MWCD, GoI

Lucknow Conclave



Dignitaries glared at exhibition showcased the creativity of regional talent and products made by children.



key stakeholders from Uttar Pradesh, including the members of the Child Welfare Committee (CWC), District Child Protection Unit (DCPU), Specialized Adoption Agencies (SAA), Child Care Institutions (CCI), Chief Medical Officers (CMO), and other important bodies were present.

Adoptive parents shared their experiences of bringing a new life to their family. They offered valuable insights of adoption journeys and the challenges.



Booklet with 20 Success Stories circulated in Hindi & English

Booklet named as “Kilkaariyaan, Inspiring tales of Child Adoption”. Stories highlight the dedication of adoptive families and agencies caused due to affection of children.

Awareness Programs in States



In the presence of Smt. Bhavna Saxena, CEO CARA, a meet with PAPs and adoptive families was organized in **Hyderabad** on 23rd November 2024. The parents and children came together with SARA Telangana to deliberate on positive aspects of legal adoption and way forward.



In **West Bengal**, PAPs meet organised on 23rd November. Smt. Sanghamitra Ghosh, Principal Secretary (Women & Child Development and Social Welfare), Govt of West Bengal, along with Smt. N Dasgupta, Member Secretary, Govt of West Bengal graced the occasion with Director, CARA.



To celebrate Adoption Awareness Month 2024, a workshop on Foster Care Leading to Foster Adoption was organized in **Madhya Pradesh** on 25th November 2024. Smt. Nirmala Bhuria, Hon'ble Minister, Women and Child Development, Madhya Pradesh, was present in the program. Also present were officials, participants and adoptive parents from various districts.



Adoption Awareness Month 2024 celebrated in **Assam** on 16th November 2024 with the participation of Adoptive Parents, Prospective Parents and other stakeholders.



Conference was organized on 29 November 2024 in **Dehradun, Uttarakhand**, under the Adoption Awareness Month November 2024 program. In which CARA CEO Mrs. Bhavna Saxena and all the stakeholders of Uttarakhand state were present.

Awareness Programs in States



Coming together to raise awareness on Legal process of child adoption, regional Parents' meet was held at Ladakh on 23.11.2024. A panel discussion on adoption, Role of SAA, SARA, CWC, legally free for adoption status of children, foster care, and foster adoption held with Cultural dance performance.



Adoption Awareness Month 2024b celebrated by organising a program & meet in Gandhinagar, Gujarat on 26.11.2024 with the collaboration of SARA Gujarat.



A meet for adoptive families and Prospective Adoptive Parents was organized at Aizawl, Mizoram on 22nd November 2024.

In South Tripura, camp organised on 22.11.2024. The attendees were briefed about key interventions on Legal Adoption Process.



Adoption Awareness Month 2024 celebrated in Andhra Pradesh with collaboration of State Adoption Resource Agency (SARA) on 28.11.2024.

Awareness Programs in States



Glimpse of Adoption Awareness Month 2024 program organised in Imphal, Manipur on 18.11.2024.



Pledge Taking Ceremony on Legal Adoption conducted in Chandigarh on 25.11.2024



Adoptive Families & Prospective Adoptive Parents Meet organised in Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh on 29.11.2024



Adoption Awareness Month 2024 celebration program organised in Puducherry on 29.11.2024



PAPs meet organised in Bengaluru, Karnataka on 30.11.2024



To celebrate Adoption Awareness Month, Adoptive Parents & Prospective Adoptive Parents meet organised on 30.11.2024 in Nagpur, Maharashtra.

Online Activities



5 Online Activities conducted with the collaboration of MyGov India



Adoption Storytelling

Submission: **211**
Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, and West Bengal top the state-wise participation



Slogan Writing

Submission: **1032**
Maharashtra, NCT of Delhi, and Tamil Nadu top the state-wise participation



Poster Making

Submission: **309**
Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, and NCT of Delhi top the state-wise participation



Online Survey

Submission: **866**
Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra and Karnataka top the state-wise participation



Online Pledge

Participation: **4,858**
Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and Gujarat top the state-wise participation

CARA Social Media

Daily Posting of Info-graphics focused on Foster Care & Adoption

Posting Info-graphics in Did You Know Format

For engaging people, conducted Quiz

3 Reel videos, 3 Success Stories in carousel format, Collages and Word Post were done



Take a look on these 3 beautiful Success Stories on CARA Social Media Handles

Adoption Awareness Month in News

THE TIMES OF INDIA

21.11.2024

UP to find ways to help older children get adoptive parents



Lucknow: It is often difficult to find adoptive parents for older children. To address this issue, the Uttar Pradesh gov organised a state-level conference on Thursday as part of 'Adoption Awareness Month-2024'.

Lending a voice to the problem, Union minister of state for women and child development, Savitri Thakur, said: "Children aged six years and above often face challenges in finding adoptive families.

For such children, the foster care system offers an alternative, providing temporary family care for those classified as 'no visitation' or belonging to the 'unfit guardians/parents' category. This approach aims to ensure these children receive a safe and nurturing environment until a permanent solution is found."

Officials at the department concerned said it was important to raise awareness about the issue and sensitise prospective parents that older children also need nurturing homes and brighter futures. Another goal was to raise awareness among the public about adopting children who are either orphaned or lack family support, as well as to educate people on the legal process of foster care.

Baby Rani Maurya, Uttar Pradesh's minister for women welfare, child development, and nutrition, highlighted the Yogi Adityanath gov's initiatives and achievements in rehabilitating children in need. "Child protection remains a top priority for the Yogi gov't," she said.

Babita Singh Chauhan, chairperson of the State Women's Commission, stressed the importance of placing children in adoptive families that provide a familiar cultural, linguistic, and social environment to minimise challenges and foster a sense of belonging.

The programme featured the presentation of 'Kilkarian'—a collection of inspiring adoption stories—and vibrant cultural performances by children.

An exhibition of handmade products crafted by children received appreciation from attendees.

November is observed as National Adoption Awareness Month every year by the Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) and the Ministry of Women and Child Development. This year, the special campaign took place in Lucknow.

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/lucknow/uttar-pradesh-launches-initiative-to-help-older-children-find-adoptive-parents/articleshow/115538753.cms>

THE ECONOMIC TIMES

21.11.2024

Adoption Awareness Month 2024: Lucknow hosts state-level conference on rehabilitating older children

Synopsis

A state-level conference in Lucknow emphasized the importance of providing care and support for older children in need of homes. The event, part of National Adoption Awareness Month, highlighted foster care as a vital resource for children facing adoption challenges. Government officials stressed the commitment to child protection and creating a more accepting environment for these vulnerable youth.



NEW DELHI: As a part of 'Adoption Awareness Month-2024', a state-level conference, focusing on **rehabilitating older children** and providing them with a new direction in life, was jointly organized by the Ministry of Women and Child Development, the Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA), and the Uttar Pradesh Women and

Child Development Department at the Mars Auditorium of Indira Gandhi Pratishtan in Lucknow on Thursday.

<https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/india/adoption-awareness-month-2024-lucknow-hosts-state-level-conference-on-rehabilitating-older-children/articlehow/115532570.cms?frommidr>

TH India

20.11.2024

CARA encourages adoptive parents for foster care and adoption

Marking the Adoption Awareness Month in November, CARA aims to raise awareness about foster care and foster adoption along with encouraging people to adopt older children and children with special needs



In a Child Care Institution (CCI) in Maharashtra's Ahmednagar district, Mansi Patil* (14) was excited when Renu Thomas*, fondly known as didi, told her that her profile on the Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA), a statutory body of Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD), Government of India, had matched with an adoptive parents based in Mumbai who want to adopt her. Ms. Thomas regularly visits the probation and aftercare children's home where Mansi has been living for eight years with other children. Excited, Mansi hugged her friends and didi and left to start a new life with her adoptive parents. Unfortunately, due to differences and adjustment issues, within two months, Mansi returned.

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/cities/mumbai/cara-encourages-adoptive-parents-for-foster-care-and-adoption/article6888904.ece>

rissadiary.com

06.11.2024



Adoption Awareness Month is an annual event where CARA and all its stakeholders come together to raise awareness about the legal process of adoption. Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA), Ministry of Women and Child Development celebrates November as National Adoption Awareness Month to promote legal adoptions in the country. As part of the campaign, the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India, is celebrating the occasion at Lucknow on 21st November 2024, Uttar Pradesh. The theme for Adoption Awareness Month 2024 is "Rehabilitation of Older Children through Foster Care and Foster Adoption".

The Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) has planned a mega campaign along with other events to draw attention to adoption-related issues, with emphasis on the adoption of children who are older, have special needs, or are currently in foster care.

Like previous years, this year's campaign divides into offline and online activities to raise awareness on the theme. Ladakh, Assam, Mizoram, Uttarakhand, Arunachal Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Goa, West Bengal, and many other states are planning to organise awareness events this year.

Prospective adoptive parents (PAAs), adoptive parents, older adoptees, and other stakeholders will interact with each other and share their experiences and suggestions on adoption, foster care, and foster adoption. Interactive sessions, cultural events, competitions, and Q&A with PAAs and stakeholders are some of the programme highlights of this mega campaign.

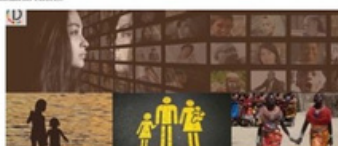
In collaboration with the MyGov India platform, CARA is launching a special campaign for online events. CARA is conducting activities such as storytelling, poster making, slogans, pledges, and online surveys through the MyGov portal to engage larger public and disseminate information about adoption and foster adoption. CARA also posts informative content on social media platforms to raise awareness about legal adoption, foster care, and foster adoption.

Devdiscourse

21.11.2024

Fostering Hope: Empowering Older Children through Adoption Awareness Month

Union Minister Savitri Thakur highlighted the foster care system as a viable alternative for older children facing adoption challenges. Speaking in Lucknow during 'Adoption Awareness Month 2024', Thakur stressed the need for temporary nurturing environments, fostering societal acceptance, and discussing legal processes to aid rehabilitation efforts.



Union Minister of State for Women and Child Development, Savitri Thakur, underscored the foster care system's role in providing an alternative for older children facing adoption hurdles. Her remarks came during the 'Adoption Awareness Month 2024' event in Lucknow, focused on rehabilitating older children.

The event emphasized foster care's importance in providing temporary family care for children under 'no visitation' lists or those with 'unfit guardians/parents'. The initiative aimed to ensure these children have a nurturing environment until a permanent solution is found.

The Lucknow Tribune

21.11.2024



Lucknow: Under the aegis of the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India, the Women and Child Development Department, Uttar Pradesh, celebrated every year as the National Adoption Awareness Month, a state-wide Conclave-2024 was organized at Indira Gandhi Pratishtan. The conclave was based on the theme of rehabilitation of older children through adoption and foster care. Through the conclave, discussions were held on making the rehabilitation of older children through adoption and foster care in the state positive.

Minister of State, Women and Child Development, Government of India, Savitri Thakur, Minister, Women Welfare, Child Development and Nutrition, Uttar Pradesh, Baby Rani Maurya, President, State Women Commission, Uttar Pradesh Babita Singh Chauhan and Vice President, State Women Commission, Uttar Pradesh Aparna Yadav were mainly present in the conclave.

Adoption Awareness Month in News



राज्य स्तरीय राष्ट्रीय अंतरराष्ट्रीय जन की बात शिक्षण स्वास्थ्य विज्ञानज्ञान एवं प्रौद्योगिकी

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गोद लेने की कानूनी प्रक्रिया के प्रति महिला और बाल विकास मंत्रालय ने लोगों के बीच चलाया जागरूकता अभियान



"Rehabilitation of Older Children through Foster Care & Foster Adoption"

राज्य स्तरीय जागरूकता माह 2024 का एक कार्यक्रम है जो सीआरएफ और उसके सभी विश्वस्तरीय गोद लेने की कानूनी प्रक्रिया के बारे में जागरूकता बढ़ाने के लिए एक साथ आते हैं। केंद्रीय दत्तक प्रशासन प्रशासन (सीएआरए), महिला एवं बाल विकास मंत्रालय देश में कानूनी गोद लेने को बढ़ावा देने के लिए नवंबर माह को राष्ट्रीय दत्तक प्रशासन-माह के रूप में मनाया है। महिला एवं बाल विकास मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार, 21 नवंबर 2024 को इस अभियान के अन्तर्गत पूरे देश में दत्तक प्रशासन-माह 2024 का विचार-प्रसारण और जागरूकता की भावना डालने के लिए बड़े बच्चों का पुनर्वास करेगा।

अधिक उप के बच्चों को गोद लेने पर दिया जोर



19.11.2024

दत्तक ग्रहण जागरूकता माह-2024 के तहत लखनऊ में आयोजित होगा राज्य स्तरीय सम्मेलन

हर साल नवंबर में 'राष्ट्रीय दत्तक ग्रहण जागरूकता माह' मनाया जाता है। इस साल, उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार 21 नवंबर को लखनऊ में बड़े बच्चों के पुनर्वास पर एक विशेष सम्मेलन आयोजित कर रही है। कार्यक्रम में...

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Puducherry observes National Adoption Month

Puducherry: The Union Territory Child Protection Society, along with the Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA), celebrated National Adoption Month 2024 at Hotel Annamalai on Friday. CARA deputy director Richa Ojha spoke on the implications of illegal adoption. Minister C Deacombar, Department of Women and Child Development director (In-charge) A Elangovan, Collector A Kulothungan, DCP O Jayapriya, and Secretary (Welfare) A Muthamma were present. ENS



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शिवशंकर सेलोकर यांचा सत्कार

नागपूर : महिला व बालकल्याण विकास यांच्यातर्फे बाल कल्याण समिती नागपूर वेस्टवर्क शिवशंकर सेलोकर यांचा महिला व बाल विकास आयुक्त डॉ. प्रभात नानवरे यांच्याहस्ते सत्कार करण्यात आला. आंतरराष्ट्रीय दत्तक जनजागृती मासनिमित्त आयोजित कार्यक्रमाचे नुकतेच आयोजन करण्यात आले होते. या कार्यक्रमात सेलोकर यांचा सत्कार करून त्यांच्या ३८ वर्षे कार्यवाही सन्मान करण्यात आला. सत्कारपूर्वी शिवशंकर सेलोकर यांचे दत्तक विधान कार्य कौतुकानेच असल्याचे कल्याणी आपल्या भाषणात सांगितले. १९८५ पासून या ११०८ पासून या अविनाशकार्य करित आले. सत्याचे बाल कल्याण समिती सदस्य म्हणून कार्यरत आहेत. दत्तकसेवक पालकांना निःशुल्क सेवा तसेच गरजू बालकांना निराधारणे घेऊन करण्याचे कार्य अजूनही निरंतर सन्मान करण्यात आला.