

JUVENILE JUSTICE IN SRI LANKA

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE STATE AND CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS

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CHILD PROTECTION FORCE

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE STATE

TO ESTABLISH A “YOUTH JUSTICE BOARD” – A PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE, MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILDRENS AFFAIRS

TO ESTABLISH MORE JUVENILE MAGISTRATES COURTS IN SRI LANKA (CURRENTLY THERE ARE ONLY TWO) AND LET THESE COURTS HAVE THE JURISDICTION TO HEAR AND MAKE FINAL ORDER OR REFER TO JUVENILE JUSTICE BOARD

TO ESTABLISH PROPER MONITORING SYSTEMS FOR STATE RUN INSTITUTIONALIZED CARE

TO TAKE ON A CHILD FRIENDLY HOLISTIC APPROACH TOWARDS REHABILITATION A CHILD/ YOUTH OFFENDER RATHER THAN THE RETRIBUTIVE CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROCESS

TO ALWAYS INCLUDE A MULTI-DISCIPLINARY APPROACH IN DECISION MAKING

REFORM LAWS TO CLEAR THE LACUNA IN THE LAW WITH REGARD TO THE CHILD/ YOUNG PERSON AGED 16-18

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS

CONSTRUCTIVE
POSITIVE ACTIVISM
– MAKE GOOD
NOISE

MAKE SURE YOUR
CUP IS FULL
(EMOTIONAL
INTELLIGENCE)

SENSITIVITY

FILING SYSTEM –
CLIENT CONSENT,
DOCUMENTATION

PROFESSIONAL
QUALIFICATIONS

CREATE PRESSURE
FOR STATE ACTORS
TO ACT THROUGH
LEGAL METHODS

ADOPT GOOD
PRACTICES FROM
OTHER
JURISDICTIONS

ALWAYS FOLLOW
PROCEDURE

CREATE POSITIVE
CONNECTIONS
WITH STATE
ACTORS



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