

## **Press Release on Child Protection in the Time of CORONA**

**WBCPCR** has asked all the District Magistrates and the Superintendents of Police of West Bengal to take necessary precautions and strict measures to prevent trafficking of children & minors in the post-CORONA period.

The Commission has also requested the Department of Women & Child Development and Social Welfare (DWCD& SW) and the Department of Panchayats & Rural Development (P& RD), West Bengal to issue necessary preventive instructions to all the districts in this respect.

Pandemic crisis or natural disaster is historically proven to be a critical push factor. Children are the most vulnerable ones during such situation. Since the risk of missing and trafficking of minors and girls always shoots up during these times, WBCPCR has expressed its concern about the safety and security of the children specially who are living in street situation & poor socio-economic condition in the society.

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