

G. D. GOENKA PUBLIC SCHOOL BARAMULLA

Ref No. GDGBLA/PRI/01/2025

ORDER

Dt: 06 Feb 2025

COMPOSITION OF POCSO COMMITTEE

- 1. Refer staff meeting Dt: 06 Feb 2025.
- 2. All children have an equal right to access education in an environment that is safe, protective and conducive to overall development. The challenges of gender inequality, eve-teasing and sexual abuse in school environment call for increased awareness and creating synergy among parents, teachers and school. In order to ensure strict compliance of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act 2012, CBSE has taken several initiatives and actions for creating awareness about sexual exploitation among school children.
- 3. To safeguard the interests of the learners, GD Goenka Public School Baramulla hereby constitutes POCSO Committee (under the provisions of Prevention of Children from Sexual Offence Act 2012) today on 25 April 2024.
- 4. The committee will take appropriate and necessary action on reported cases of misbehavior of sexual offences in the school premises. The Committee shall take up age-appropriate initiatives to create awareness about sexual exploitation and ensure that all learners are aware of their rights and responsibilities towards themselves. Training sessions shall be conducted for the faculty and staff to recognize and report issues of abuse and neglect. Complaint Boxes be placed strategically and checked regularly by the Committee members to address the complaints.

Composition of the Committee:

Presiding Officer

Ms. Pallabi Tiwary (Co-coordinator)

Members

- 1. Ms. Anila K.R (PRT)
- 2. Ms. Huma Malik (Librarian)
- 3. Mr. Malik Mohammad Abass (TGT Maths)

Functions & Duties of POCSO Committee:

The committee shall be responsible for educating, training and sensitizing staff and students. The committee shall investigate the matters properly as and when brought up to them. Proper investigation, recording of statements of all the parties and written record must be made for references. The final decision should be arrived only after proper BD proceedings along with investigation of the BOO duly completed in all respect is submitted to the authority or officer in-charge and subsequently for perusal of Principal.



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Functions:

- 1. <u>Awareness Initiatives:</u> The POCSO Committee shall implement age-appropriate programs to educate students about sexual exploitation, ensuring they are aware of their rights and responsibilities.
- 2. <u>Training Programs:</u> The committee shall conduct sessions for faculty and staff to help them recognize and report issues of abuse and neglect.
- 3. <u>Complaint Mechanism:</u> The committee shall place complaint boxes strategically within the school premises and ensure they are checked regularly by committee members to address any complaints promptly.

DUTIES:

- 1. Policy Development: The committee shall draft and implement a Child Protection Policy that defines the school's commitment to safeguarding children from abuse and specifies roles and responsibilities in child protection.
- 2. <u>Proactive Monitoring:</u> The committee shall closely monitor activities involving children to prevent abuse, including installing CCTV cameras in strategic locations and supervising interactions between staff, visitors, and students.
- 3. <u>Counseling Services:</u> The committee shall inform students about the availability of counseling services, encouraging them to seek assistance when needed.
- 4. <u>Prompt Action on Complaints:</u> The committee shall act immediately on any child sexual abuse complaint received through the complaint box or other channels, ensuring timely and appropriate responses.

Kindly note, the POCSO Committee plays a crucial role in creating a safe and supportive educational environment for all students.

By the order of Principal

(Sartaj Mir) Principal

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All concerned