

For a stabilized future of intelligent children.....

National policy

- Providing security and protection
- Early childhood protection and promoting fivefold development
- Offering a qualitative education and developing accessibility
- Promoting qualitative health protection and nutrition

Vision of the province

“tomorrow for the future of children”

Mission

“our mission is to protect children’s rights and providing protection”

Key functions

- Providing physical and mental protection for orphaned, abandoned, destitute and abused children
- Reducing institutionalization of children
- Socializing institutionalized children
- Uplifting department plans and management levels



“it is our children who will be the heirs to a free and independent motherland. To take on this responsibility effectively, they have to be intelligent and wise, while being robust and strong ”

(MahindaChinthana-2010 p 22)



No. of institutionalized children

Institutions	No. of children in 2010	No. of children by
Certified school (male) Makola	79	82
Certified school (female) Makola	114	118
Detention home (male) Makola	24	43
Detention home (female) Ranmutugala	35	31
Prajapathi government center for receiving children Panadura	12	07
Volunteer child development centres (97)	3,689	3,532
Volunteer approved school Maggona	103	97
Volunteer detention home (Nisla Diya Sevana) Negombo	10	21
Volunteer detention home (Salvage Army) Borella	72	84

Issues involved with challenges

- Increase of propensity of child abuse
- Increase of the No. of children referred for probation by courts
- Increase of the no. of lost, abandoned, orphaned children
- Inadequacy of space and facilities in protection centres

Kalutara District–Probation and Childcare

Development of recent 5 years (2007-2012)

Program / Project	Target and benefits	Present condition and progress
Helping courts for taking decisions on child offenders/ sufferers	Helping courts for taking decisions on child offenders/ sufferers by providing social reports with regard to them	Has provided 4107 child inquiry reports of Kalutara district for courts from 2007 – 2011
Socializing institutionalized children	Socializing probation children by handing them over to their parents/relatives/ guardians, referring for employments, legal adaptation, arranging marriages, or finding guardian parents	This can be considered as an important program operated by the department. This program has given priority from year 2009
Helping for the education of students of low income families of the province. This project is called “SisuminaShishshyathwa” program	Taking measures to offer Rs. 500/- for GCE (O/L) student and Rs. 1000/- for GCE (A/L) student monthly	Has offered scholarships for 1478 children of Kalutara district from 2009 – 2011
Resolution of Family disputes	Solving family disputes at family level with the intervention of probation officers. This benefits whole family. Around 75 – 100 disputes were forwarded for probation officers	Has solved 737 family disputes of Kalutara district from 2007 – 2011
Opening a special probation unit operating for 24 hours to take immediate actions with regard to child sufferers and child offenders referred to courts	Providing protection and rehabilitation for around 2000 children referred to courts annually in the province	Has provided protection and rehabilitation for 2000 children referred for courts after taking court decisions
Improving spaces of volunteer child development centres and increase their number to provide physical and mental protection for unprotected children	Providing facilities to uplift the No. of centers from 95 to 110. Protected No. at present is 3,700. Increasing that No. up to 4,000.	Has increased the No. of 95 centres up to 110 and the No. protected up to 3700
Taking measure to expand elder’s probation to prevent sending them for prisons	Uplifting probationers up to 600. Rehabilitating the persons caught for minor offences through this.	Functioning to reduce congestion of prisons by expanding probation care
Making government and volunteer child development centres pleasant for children by improving their quality <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Holding an annual competition to measure standard II. Providing infrastructure for vocational education and training facilities III. Conducting child counseling services 	Conducting child counseling services by counselors’ pool consist of 35 probation officers of the department. Making child development centres pleasant for children by improving their quality	This is a continuous program operated annually
Commencing a collective communication network connecting the department and 17 affiliated institutions	Obtaining data and information to take correct decisions	Has launched communication network

Colombo District–Probation and Childcare

Development of recent 5 years (2007-2012)

Program / Project	Target and benefits	Present condition and progress
Helping courts for taking decisions on child offenders/ sufferers	Helping courts for taking decisions on child offenders/ sufferers by providing social reports with regard to them	Has provided 1818 child inquiry reports of Colombo district for courts from 2007 – 2011
Socializing institutionalized children	Socializing probation children by handing them over to their parents/relatives/ guardians, referring for employments, legal adaptation, arranging marriages, or finding guardian parents	This can be considered as an important program operated by the department. This program has given priority from year 2009
Helping for the education of students of low income families of the province. This project is called “SisuminaShishshyathwa” program	Taking measures to offer Rs. 500/- for GCE (O/L) student and Rs. 1000/- for GCE (A/L) student monthly	Has offered scholarships for 958 children of Colombo district from 2009 – 2011.
Resolution of Family disputes	Solving family disputes at family level with the intervention of probation officers. This benefits whole family. Around 75 – 100 disputes were forwarded for probation officers	Has solved 465 family disputes of Colombo district from 2007 – 2011
Opening a special probation unit operating for 24 hours to take immediate actions with regard to child sufferers and child offenders referred to courts	Providing protection and rehabilitation for around 2000 children referred to courts annually in the province	Has provided protection and rehabilitation for 2000 children referred for courts after taking court decisions
Improving spaces of volunteer child development centres and increase their number to provide physical and mental protection for unprotected children	Providing facilities to uplift the No. of centers from 95 to 110. Protected No. at present is 3,700. Increasing that No. up to 4,000.	Has increased the No. of 95 centres up to 110 and the No. protected up to 3700
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Gampaha District- Probation and Childcare

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Helping courts for taking decisions on child offenders/ sufferers	Helping courts for taking decisions on child offenders/ sufferers by providing social reports with regard to them	Has provided 2988 child inquiry reports of Gampaha district for courts from 2007 – 2011
Socializing institutionalized children	Socializing probation children by handing them over to their parents/relatives/ guardians, referring for employments, legal adaptation, arranging marriages, or finding guardian parents	This can be considered as an important program operated by the department. This program has given priority from year 2009
Helping for the education of students of low income families of the province. This project is called “SisuminaShishshyathwa” program	Taking measures to offer Rs. 500/- for GCE (O/L) student and Rs. 1000/- for GCE (A/L) student monthly	Has offered scholarships for 1289 children of Gampaha district from 2009 – 2011
Resolution of Family disputes	Solving family disputes at family level with the intervention of probation officers. This benefits whole family. Around 75 – 100 disputes were forwarded for probation officers	Has solved 357 family disputes of Gampaha district from 2007 – 2011
Opening a special probation unit operating for 24 hours to take immediate actions with regard to child sufferers and child offenders referred to courts	Providing protection and rehabilitation for around 2000 children referred to courts annually in the province	Has provided protection and rehabilitation for 2000 children referred for courts after taking court decisions
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Western Province- Probation and Childcare

Future development goals

Program/ Project	Expected benefits and targets	2013 Cost Rs. mn	2014 Cost Rs. mn	2015 Cost Rs. mn	2016 Cost Rs. mn
Conducting awareness programs for the public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Preventing damages caused to children by using drugs II. Protecting children from child abuse III. Protecting child's rights Through making people aware It is expected to participate in 1800 target persons in the Western Province	0.35	0.45	0.55	0.65
Improving productivity and efficiency through uplifting skills of the staffs of the Department and Volunteer Child Development centres	Making 600 beneficiaries of the province aware to uplift the service of relevant centres qualitatively	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.7
Commencing a collective communication network connecting the department and 17 affiliated institutions	Obtaining data and information to take correct decisions	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8
Improving infrastructure of probation offices	Providing buildings for probation offices at Colombo and Awissawella	5	5	10	10
Providing resident protection for orphaned, abandoned, destitute and abused children	Protecting these children by providing temporary residence protection for 5000 unprotected children	58.6	58.6	58.6	58.6
Helping for the education of students of low income families of the province. This project is called "SisuminaShishshyathwa" program	Taking measures to offer Rs. 500/- for GCE (O/L) student and Rs. 1000/- for GCE (A/L) student monthly	19.8	19.8	19.8	19.8
Providing resident protection for child mothers	The objective of the Department is to provide protection for every child mother referred to the Department	No expense of government funds as this service is provided by volunteer centres			
Establishing the place in the family and society for the children of low income families and economically strengthening family.	Retaining children of the identified 50 families in the family. Providing financial and material aids for these identified 50 families is carried out. Maximum for a one family is Rs. 20,000/-	1	1.5	2	2.5
Socializing institutionalized children	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Employing 500 girls over the age of 16 years in garment factories II. Arranging marriages for institutionalized children in suitable age III. Providing necessary equipment for 50 persons who were institutionalized and given vocational training. Value of a tool set id Rs. 20,000/- 	1	1	2	2