# **Department of Master of Social Work (MSW)**

## Paper SWS 552: JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM IN INDIA

### **Course Outcomes:**

- To gain insights into child rights and the situation of children in difficult circumstances in India.
- To study the etiology of juvenile deviance in the Indian context.
- To understand the services available for children under relevant children's legislation.
- To learn the necessary intervention skills for working with juveniles.

#### **Course content:**

#### UNIT-I

The Situation Analysis of children in India: Demographic characteristics-Needs and Problems of children in difficult circumstances in India-Street child, destitute, deviant child, abandoned, orphaned, sexually abused, child labour, trafficked children, calamity/Conflict affected children, Missing children, HIV-AIDS affected and infected children, tribal child, child beggar, child prostitute, children from poverty groups.

## **UNIT-II**

**Juvenile Deviance**: Children in conflict with law; Over view of the Juvenile Justice Act; Etiology of juvenile deviance; various etiological factors—social, family, school, psychological, economic; Institutional and non-institutional care of children; Juvenile gangs; juvenile counselling facilities; Programme for control and prevention of juvenile deviance; Street and working children.

#### **UNIT-III**

**Social Work Intervention in Juvenile Justice:** Working with children: from welfare to a rights perspective; Application of appropriate social work methods in working with children in conflict with law; Working with Special Juvenile Police Units; Role of Community & Voluntary Agencies in the implementation of Juvenile Justice Act; Social investigation report;

## **UNIT-IV**

**Residential and Non-Institutional Services for Juveniles:** Concept of Juvenile Justice Board; Observation Home, Special Home, Children's Home; Shelter Home; Orphanages and destitute homes; Concept of fit persons and fit institutions; Community based programmes :Adoption, foster-care, sponsorship; Child guidance; Family counselling, Community service; Concept of group counseling; Crisis intervention centres; Child Helplines; Repatriation and restoration;

#### **UNIT-V**

**Child Rights:** UN Declaration on the Rights of the Child and other international initiatives; Constitutional Provisions, National Policy for Children, National Charter for Children, National Action Plan for Children, Commissions for Protection of Child Rights and Karnataka State policy for child

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