## Guidelines for Employment of Children

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As per the information received from National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR), NCPCR had issued "Guidelines to Regulate Child Participation in the Entertainment Industry" in 2011. Since then there have been many amendments in related laws and, additionally, a few new Acts and Rules have also been enacted protecting children from crimes under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015; Child Labour Amendment Act, 2016; Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012; Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021, etc.

Further, NCPCR has drafted the new Guidelines titled "Regulatory Guidelines for Child Participation in the Entertainment Industry or any Commercial Entertainment Activity" incorporating the new laws, policies and best interest of children in consultation with the Committee set up by the Commission for "Revision of Media Guidelines". These guidelines have also been uploaded on the website of NCPCR for seeking comments from the public till 31.07.2022. The draft Guidelines are available in the NCPCR's website <a href="https://ncpcr.gov.in/">https://ncpcr.gov.in/</a>

This information was given by the Union Minister of Women and Child Development, Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani, in a written reply in Lok Sabha today.

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