

# Indian Context (policies and programmes)

## Children -

What is childhood

Policies and programmes

Who need policies and programmes

- 1) abandoned children, street children
- 2) runaway children
- 3) sexually abused, physically abused
- 4) physically disabled and mentally disabled
- 5) ~~are~~ included in drugs or trafficked
- 6) victim of terrorism or natural calamities
- 7) saved from red light areas, child labour, children of prisoners.

## — Institutions, policies and programmes

- 1) Integrated child development services (ICDS)  
world largest early childhood programme which aims to meet the health, nutrition, stimulation and early learning education needs of children below six years of age.

— Offer health hygiene nutrition education to mother <sup>pre-school</sup> ~~uneducated~~ education to children aged 3-6

Places where these services are provided are called 'anganwadis' <sup>and diet from pregnant women.</sup>

ii) SOS Childrens Village. Independent non-gover. social org. which has a thinking of long term care of abandoned and orphan children who can no longer grow up with their biological families.

SOS homes have a mother with 10-15 children.

They live like a family with love and care and help children overcome traumatic experien

iii) Children who are in the custody of the state due to some reasons

3 kinds of homes.

- 1) Observational homes - to track family
- 2) Special homes for juveniles (18 yrs)
- 3) Juvenile / children homes - family in trouble, dead, or not fit (govt respon to give room, food, education vocational training).

iv) Adoptions - long history in India. Earlier adoption was limited in family but now adoption beyond family has been institutionalised.