**Reinvigorating Juvenile Justice Stakeholders on Juvenile Justice System Act, 2018**

**Project Submitted to Sindh Judicial Academy**

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**Background:**

The Juvenile Justice System Act [1] was promulgated in the month of May 2018 by the Federal Government whereby Juvenile Justice System Ordinance, 2000 was repealed. According to sub-section (1) of section 4 of the Juvenile Justice System Act, 2018 the Government in consultation with the High Court shall establish or designate one or more juvenile courts within a period of three months of the commencement of this Act.

The period as defined for the establishment of the court has been lapsed and the courts facing difficulties to proceed with the cases of juvenile as no policy in terms of newly promulgated legislation is placed in field. There is dire need to have consultation with the High Court of Sindh and accordingly either establish new courts or designate from amongst the courts already working at district level and under the umbrella of special legislations. There is possibility that the Government would establish juvenile courts at district level in near future.

The JJSA, 2018 has many new concepts such as diversion, detention during police custody in observation home, determination of age by the investigation officer, rehabilitation, establishment of Juvenile Justice Committee. These concepts are to be introduced among the existing judicial officers, prosecutors, investigators and probation officers.

**Objective:**

The proposed project aims to develop guidelines and standing operating procedures (SOPs) derived from JJSA, 2018; design training program and impart training to various Juvenile stakeholders.

There is a dire need to develop coordination mechanism among all relevant Juvenile Justice Stakeholder Judiciary, Prosecution, Police, prison, probation, and Social Welfare Department so that each actor complement and supplement each other for implementation of JJSA, 2018.

**Methods:**

Interventions/activities:

The project proposed the following set of activities in order to bring JJSO, 2018 up and running;

1. Development of detailed guidelines and SOPs for the implementation of Juvenile Justice System Act, 2018 for Juvenile Justice Stakeholders: A team comprised of a legal and child protection consultant, project manager and project assistant shall be hired to take up the activities under the project. The consultant will be responsible to develop guidelines and SOPs and will ensure technical content of JJSA, 2018 to be translated, if so needed for the following Juvenile Justice stakeholders
   1. Guidelines and SOPs for Judiciary
   2. Guidelines and SOPs for Police
   3. Guidelines and SOPs for Prison
   4. Guidelines and SOPs for Prosecution
   5. Guidelines and SOPs for Parole and Probation
   6. Guidelines and SOPs for Social Welfare

The draft guidelines and SOPs will be shared in a consultative meeting with relevant stakeholders and expert inputs/comments will be invited. The final draft version will submitted to Sindh Judicial Academy to be shared with relevant Juvenile Justice stakeholders/departments for review, input and endorsement.

1. Development of handbook (handy and ready to reference in simplified language) for the implementation of Juvenile Justice Act, 2018 for Juvenile Justice System Stakeholders
   1. The project will prepare a handbook and mounted charts to be made available for Juvenile Justice stakeholders for information, easy to use and implement the guidelines. The hired-consultant will also be responsible to translate the guidelines and SOPs into Urdu language for general public.
   2. The handbook will be printed and copies will be disseminated among Bar rooms, District Court, Prison, Judiciary, Prosecution and Social Welfare departments.
   3. The mounted SOPs will be displayed in police station , court rooms and prison departments
2. Development of one-day training program on guidelines and SOPs of Juvenile Justice System Act, 2018 for Juvenile Justice Stakeholders
3. Training of Juvenile Justice stakeholders from Sindh, Pakistan
   1. The project will train initially 240 participants from various departments across Sindh on JJSA, 2018 in a One-day training program. A total 12 events will be organized, two training events will be conducted in SJA, Karachi and the rest would be in Hyderababad, Nawabshah, Mirpurkhas, Thatta, Dadu, Larkana, Sukkur, Jacobabad, Naushero Feroz, Sanghar districts.
   2. The participants will be invited from all relevant Juvenile justice system.

**Timelines:**

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| 1 | Hiring of project staff and consultant | 1st January 2019 | SHED |
| 2 | First Consultative meeting with Juvenile Justice stakeholders to review existing materials and salient points from JJSA, 2018 | 20th January | SHED and SJA |
| 3 | Development of guidelines and SOPs | 28th February 2019 | Consultant |
| 4 | Consultative meetings with stakeholders (High Court, Police Department, Prosecution Department and Home Department) for the finalization of SOPs and guidelines for Juvenile Justice Act, 2018 | 03rd March, 2019 | SHED and SJA |
| 5 | Review and suggestion incorporated and preparation of handbook | 30th March, 2019 | Consultant |
| 6 | Preparation of one day Training Program | 30th March, 2019 | Consultant |
| 7 | Training March 2019 | April, 2019-December 2019 | SHED and SJA |
| 8 | Final Project Report Submission | January 2020 | SHED |

**Budget:**

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| Activity | Budget heads | Cost per unit in Pak Rs./ month | Total Cost in Pak Rs. |
| Project Team | Project Manager | 150,000 for 12 month | 1,800,000 |
|  | Project Assistant | 75,000 for 12 months | 900,000 |
| Development of Guidelines and SOPs | Consultant | 200,000/month for 4 months | 800,000 |
| Consultative meetings | Sindh level, two in number, venue: SJA | 25 participants per meeting (Rs. 1500/day/participants).  For 05 outstation participants/stay one night and travel cost | 1,50,000 |
| Training | One day training for 240 participants throughout Sindh | Total: 12 events (20 participants per event)  Facilitator allowance= Rs. 15, 000/ facilitator for two  Rs. 1500 food and logistics cost per participant | Facilitator allowance=360,000  Participant cost= 3,60,000 |
| Printing of handbook and guidelines | 200 pages/2000 copies | 1500 per copy for 2000 copies | 3,000,000\*\* |
| Dissemination of handbook throughout Sindh |  | 200 per copy for 100 copies | 20,000 |
| Mount/ display of SOPs in police station , court and prison and home Department |  |  | 100,000 |
| Stationary/supplies |  |  | 3,00,000 |
| Communication cost |  |  | 100,000 |
| SHED administrative cost@ 10% of total cost |  |  | 400,000 |
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\*\* cost directly borne by donor agency.