

Subject : Legislation and the policy issues in female and child welfare

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Objectives:

To enable the students to

1. Gain knowledge about the laws relating to female and children.
2. Gain perspectives on various policies relating to children, youth, women and the aged.
3. Help to identify gaps in the existing policies on female and child welfare.
4. Get awareness about measures required to implement the policies effectively.

Theory

Unit – 1 Overview of legislation on different aspects of child and family welfare.

Background leading to the development of legislation and policies in family and child welfare.

Constitutional provisions for protection and welfare of children.

National policy for children, youth, women and agencies.

Unit – 2 Laws relating to children.

Juvenile Justice Act 1986.

Child labour (Probation and Regulation) act 1986.

Hindu law of adoption.

Guardianship and wards act.

Unit – 3 Laws relating to marriage.

Personal laws (Hindu, Muslim).

Special marriage act, child marriage restraint act.

Issues relating to child marriage.

Widow marriage.

Unit – 4 Laws relating to family.

Divorce, maintenance, custody of children, succession, family courts act.

Implications for family and child welfare.

Legal provisions against rapist, implications for victims of rape.

Laws relating to dowry and implications for women.

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