

### CHILD PROTECTION POLICY (CPP)

Raj Luxmi Samvid Gurukulam Sainik School implement Child Protection policies focusing on strict discipline, anti-bullying (no harassment), restricted communication, secure campus, and specific procedures for reporting misconduct, often involving the Principal/Disciplinary Committee. POCSO Act awareness, child rights, and helpline 1098 to ensure a safe environment, preventing harm and fostering good conduct through rules, reporting, and staff vigilance.

#### Key Pillars of Sainik School Child Protection:

1. **Strict Code of Conduct:** Cadets must follow rules against bullying, harassment, cheating, lying, and disobeying staff.
2. **Secure Environment:** Restricted entry, no personal money/phones, and controlled communication channels (school app/email) for parents to ensure safety.
3. **Reporting Mechanisms:** Formal procedures for reporting issues, involving class teachers, counsellors, and the Disciplinary Committee, with parents informed for serious offenses.
4. **Awareness & Training:** Cadets are educated on child rights, POCSO Act, and reporting mechanisms (like Helpline 1098) by experts.
5. **Staff Responsibility:** Staff must maintain confidentiality but share critical info with designated personnel, acting professionally to protect children.

#### Specific Rules & Procedures:

- **Discipline:** Cadets report misconduct; they must not indulge in activities that bring disrepute.
- **Communication:** Parents use official channels (App/email); no unnecessary calls or visits.
- **Prohibited Items:** Mobile phones, smartwatches, and excessive money are banned.
- **Out-of-Bounds Areas:** Cadets must avoid designated restricted zones.
- **Handling Misconduct:** First-time trivial offenses are counselled; repeat offenders face warnings, parent summons, or suspension.

### Focus on POCSO:

There's a growing focus on the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, with awareness programs to empower cadets and staff on legal reporting and child rights. In essence, Sainik School aim to create a disciplined, monitored, and rights-aware environment making child protection a shared responsibility of cadets, staff, and parents, with formal systems for safeguarding against abuse and promoting ethical behaviour.

### Key Pillars of Child Safety & Protection:

1. Strict Code of Conduct: Cadets must follow rules & justifiably report any suspicious activity or disclosure.
2. Secure Environment: Restricted entry, no personal money, strict protocols on mobile phone usage, and no internet access.
3. Reporting Mechanism: Formal procedures for reporting to staff, parents, and authorities, with confidentiality & protection for the reporter.
4. Awareness & Training: Regular sessions for cadets, staff, and parents on POCSO, child rights, and digital safety.
5. Staff Responsibility: Staff must maintain confidentiality & ensure children are not exposed to inappropriate content or proximity to protect privacy.

### Specific Rules & Provisions:

1. Discipline: Cadets must adhere to strict rules, including no mobile phones, no internet access, and no personal money.
2. Communication: Cadets must report any suspicious activity or disclosure to staff immediately.
3. Prohibited Items: Cadets must not bring mobile phones, internet access, or personal money into the school.
4. Outside Hours: Cadets must not use designated mobile phones.
5. Handling Incidents: Cadets must not be involved in any sexual activity or disclosure, and must report any suspicious activity or disclosure to staff immediately.