

RELUCTANCE TO REGISTER UNDER THE JJ ACT AMONG CHILD CARE INSTITUTIONS IN MALAPPURAM DISTRICT OF KERALA

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ABSTRACT

Purpose – According to Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection) Act, 2015 Act, the registration of Child Care Institutions (CCIs) is compulsory, but the registration process all over the country is being prolonged on the part of the NGOs and other private welfare agencies. Against this background, the researcher intends to study the reasons for reluctance to registration by the CCIs.

Methodology/Approach – The researcher adopted exploratory approach to find the reasons behind the reluctance towards JJ registration. There are 112 children's homes in Malappuram district, among which 40 institutions did not apply or get JJ Registration. Among these 40, the researcher selected 20 (50%) by simple random sampling. The respondents were one among the institution's Secretary/President or staff. The method used for extracting data was interview schedule and the collected data were coded and analyzed with the help of the SPSS software.

Findings – The CCIs apprehend that their organizational freedom would be limited after registration. Another observation of this study is most of the children's homes are managed by religious organizations and most of them are worried that registering their institution under this act might adversely