

IN THE HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT AT AHMEDABAD**R/WRIT PETITION (PIL) (WRIT PETITION (PIL)) NO. 149 of 2021**

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BACHPAN BACHAO ANDOLAN & ANR.
Versus
STATE OF GUJARAT & ORS.

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Appearance:

MR DHAVAL M BAROT(2723) for the Applicant(s) No. 1,2
MR KAMAL TRIVEDI, ADVOCATE GENERAL with MR VINAY B VISHEN
GOVERNMENT PLEADER for the Opponent(s) No. 1,2,5
NOTICE SERVED for the Opponent(s) No. 4

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CORAM: HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MRS. JUSTICE
SUNITA AGARWAL
and
HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE PRANAV TRIVEDI

Date : 13/12/2024

ORAL ORDER
(PER : HONOURABLE THE CHIEF JUSTICE MRS. JUSTICE SUNITA
AGARWAL)

1. Perused the affidavit of the Principal Secretary, Social Justice and Empowerment Department, State of Gujarat, Gandhinagar dated 12.12.2024, whereby the steps taken for completing the constitution of the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights under Section 17 and 18 of the Protection of Child Rights Act, 2005 have been brought on record. The notifications dated 24.10.2024 and 12.12.2024 placed on record indicates the appointment of the Chairperson and six Members of the Commission.
2. With regard to child protection policy, it is stated that vide e-mail dated 28.11.2024 it is sent to UNICEF for inviting its suggestions and inputs. The State also felt the need for more inclusive and comprehensive policy

for its effective implementation in the State and undertakes to conduct a wider consultative process before it is adopted. The exercise to take views and suggestions of other departments/instruments of the State and stakeholders to finalize the policy would take some time.

3. Taking note of the same, on the request made on behalf of the learned counsel for the petitioner, let this case be posted on 17.01.2025 to bring on record the progress made in the matter. The learned counsel for the petitioner may also address the Court on the remaining issues.

(SUNITA AGARWAL, CJ)

(PRANAV TRIVEDI,J)

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