



Legal Aid Society

ICFAI Law School, IFHE, Hyderabad

Report of the speed mentoring program on Awareness on Protection of Children from Sexual Offenses (POCSO) Act, 2012 on October 30, 2025.

The Legal Aid Society of ICFAI Law School at IFHE, Hyderabad, organized a legal awareness program focused on the Protection of Children from Sexual Offenses (POCSO) Act, 2012, at MNR High School and School of Excellence in Chanda Nagar, Serilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana, on October 30, 2025. Approximately 350 students from the 9th and 10th grades participated in the program. Faculty members discussed various provisions of the Act related to child sexual abuse, including safe and unsafe touch, as well as the penalties for offenders.

During the program, the faculty emphasized the importance of the POCSO Act, highlighting the significance of consent and respecting personal boundaries among children and teens. They explained concepts like grooming and manipulation to help students recognize warning signs of child sexual abuse. The discussion guided students on how to respond to and report unsafe situations confidently. Furthermore, it underscored the role of teachers and adults in fostering a culture of safety, trust, and respect for every child.

Legal aid members presented a poster outlining the process for reporting sexual abuse to parents, the police, and the school disciplinary committee. Additionally, students performed a mime act to raise awareness about child abuse, demonstrating ways children can protect themselves. They shared vital information about the child helpline number (1098), the police helpline number (100), and the POCSO eBox facility under the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights. A game activity centered on awareness made the session more interactive for the students.

Feedback from attendees indicated that they gained a clear understanding of the POCSO Act and its various provisions. The Act emphasizes that students should not remain silent if they experience sexual abuse; they should report such incidents immediately to their parents, the police, or school authorities.

ICFAI Law School's Legal Aid Society Conducts POCSO Awareness Program for 350 Students in Hyderabad

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The Legal Aid Society of ICF AI Law School at The ICF AI Foundation for Higher Education (IFHE), Hyderabad, organized a comprehensive legal awareness program on the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012, at MNR High School and School of Excellence in Chanda Nagar, Serilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Telangana.

The event, held on October 30, 2025, engaged approximately 350 students from the 9th and 10th grades. Faculty members led interactive sessions delving into key provisions of the POCSO Act, focusing on child sexual abuse. They explained the distinctions between safe and un-

safe touch, the severe penalties for offenders, and the critical role of consent in respecting personal boundaries among children and teenagers.

Participants were educated on recognizing grooming and manipulation tactics as early warning signs of abuse. The program empowered students with practical guidance on responding to unsafe situations and reporting incidents confidently.

It also highlighted the responsibilities of teachers and adults in creating an environment of safety, trust, and respect for every child.

To aid understanding, legal aid members displayed a poster detailing the step-by-step process for reporting sexual abuse to parents, police, or school disciplinary committees. Students contributed through a mime act that illus-



trated child abuse scenarios and self-protection strategies. Essential helpline numbers were shared, including the child helpline (1098), police emergency line (100), and the POCSO eBox facility managed by the National Commission for Protection of Child

Rights.

An engaging game activity on awareness topics kept the session interactive and reinforced key messages.

Attendee feedback reflected a strong grasp of the POCSO Act's provisions, with students emphasizing the importance of

breaking silence on abuse and immediately reporting incidents to parents, police, or school authorities.

The initiative, funded by IFHE Management, aims to enhance legal literacy across Telangana and promote child protection.

