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Order of the Commissioner of Police, Kolkata in the light of the observation of Hon'ble Supreme Court in connection with WP (CRL) No. 610 of 1996.

Hon'ble Supreme Court observed that Sec. 97 & Sec. 98 of Cr. P.C. should be implemented in true spirit at the time of implementing the Juvenile Justice (care and protection of children) Act, 2000. After observation, Hon'ble Supreme Court suggested the following steps are required to be strictly complied with by investigating officers at the time of making effective search of a Kidnapped / Abducted / Missing person including minor girls: -

- a. to publish photographs of the missing person in the newspapers and also telecast on the T.V. promptly within a week of the receipt of the complaint. The photographs of the missing person shall be given for wide publicity at all prominent outlets of the city / town / village such as Railway Stations, inter state Bus stands, Airport, Regional Passport Office and through Law enforcement personnel at border check posts. This should be done within a week of the receipt of the complaint. But in case of minor / major girl, such photographs should not be published without the consent of the parents / guardians.
- b. to make inquiries at the following places to find out the clue of the missing girl such as place of work / study, friends, colleagues acquaintances, relatives etc.
- c. to contact the principal, class teacher and students, if the missing person is a student. But in case of a missing girl or a woman who is an employee, inquiry should be made at her office for finding out any clue from her employee and colleagues.
- d. to make inquiry at the family relatives, neighbours, school teachers including school friends of the missing girl or woman.
- e. to make inquiry to find out any report of violence, if any.
- f. to search at hospitals and mortuaries immediately after receiving the complaint.
- g. to announce reward for furnishing clues, if any, about the missing person within a month from her disappearance.
- h. to raise hue and cry notices within a month.
- i. to make a through search at the red light areas to find out the minor girls by the Investigating Officer. If any minor girl is found, her possession be taken and she may be sent to local Children Home as provided in Sec. 34 of the Juvenile Justice (care and protection of children) Act, 2000 and I.O. to take appropriate steps that all medical and other facilities are provided to her.
- j. to make investigation by the woman police as far as possible.

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