



Mental Health Summit 2021

Drafting Policies for Change

Theme: 'Importance of Psycho-Socio and Legal Framework in the Child Care Protection Policy'

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About DME

Delhi Metropolitan Education, Noida (DME) is a premier educational institution affiliated to GGSIPU, New Delhi. DME imparts education in the fields of Law, Management and Media, with law courses approved by the Bar Council of India. The institute is located in Sector 62, Noida.

About the event

The idea is to draft effective policies for change in the current regime around mental and emotional health. This initiative gives a creative as well as legal acceleration to policy making by young academic scholars and professionals. Mental wellbeing has been adversely affected as a result of the global pandemic and this second wave, which has not only instilled fear in the minds of the general public, but has also changed the statistics of mental health crises for the worse. We have seen that mental health governance has been lacking in terms of speed of execution and implementation, and our policies are facing socio-segmental challenges when it comes to accessibility.

About Meraki: Society for Mental Health

Meraki: Society for Mental Health at DME aims to initiate change and sensitize students about mental health and focus on the art of empathizing. It endeavors to establish a community garden for students and provide guidance and psycho-emotional support. Mental health encompasses the overall wellbeing and impacts our lives in many ways. It is an initiative to equip the students to meet the multiple challenges and expectations beyond academics.

About the Theme

Policies and the recognition of human rights and child rights are witnessing a sea change during the pandemic. It is illegal to invite individuals to adopt orphans since no child may be adopted without the assistance of CARA. This competition invites participants to draft policies keeping in mind the psychological factor that is involved in the process of adoption. The Supreme Court of India directed the Centre and the States to investigate cases of illegal adoption. However, there are still no restrictions in place in this area. Participants have to develop a policy that offers a care system for such children while keeping their mental health and adoption legalities in mind. The idea is centric around the vulnerable children, specifically the abandoned or orphaned children and their well-being in aspects of law, psychology, and well-being.

1. Children in need of care and protection from Law
2. Transition period, change of environment, foster home to adoptive homes
3. International adoption, legalities
4. Same sex couples, queer couples wanting to adopt
5. Adoption of specially abled children and special needs (diseases)
6. Judicial separation- foster homes and mental health
7. 'Unwanted Children'-Children born out of rape, fatherless, unwanted teenage pregnancies, counselling

Last date for registration:

30 September 2021

E-Certificates to All the Participants

To Register Click:

<https://forms.gle/CCUjZVnc7RL5G2LTA>

For further information write to us at meraki@dme.ac.in

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Important points

- The objective of the event is to empower students to draft a policy for facilitating mental health awareness.
- Individual / Team participation (Maximum 3 members in a Team)
- Policy proposals to be presented during the Technical sessions chaired by experts
- From each round 'One Best Policy Draft' shall be selected for the final round.
- The strongest policy will be given the opportunity to be published on the esteemed columns of prestigious think tank organizations
- The copyright will be reserved from scholars after Think Tank Organizations approve policies for publication

1. **Mode of the Competition:** Virtual

2. **Eligibility**

- Any bona fide undergraduate/ postgraduate student of recognized Colleges/ Institutions/ Universities or Research Scholars, within or outside the territory of India, from all disciplines mainly from the field of Law, Psychology or Humanities/ Management or any other field are eligible to participate

3. The official language of the competition shall be English only

4. Each team can consist of max 3 members (researchers and speaker) participants can bring a teammate or can participate individually

5. No extra participant shall be allowed to register or participate in the competition.

6. Each team shall be allotted a Team Code (TC). Teams shall not disclose their identity, University/ Institute/ College to other registered teams.

7. Discrimination based on caste, race, gender, religion, or community will result in disqualification.

8. The registration of the team shall be done by the team leader/ any other team member as the team may specify and fill in all the required details of the team members

NO REGISTRATION FEES