

## State Level Child Rights Week Started | Rajasthan | 15 Nov 2021

#### Why in News

On the occasion of Children's Day on November 14, 2021, Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot launched the Child Rights Week organized by the Department of Child Empowerment. Along with this, he presented the Nehru Child Protection Award and honored the meritorious boys and girls of child care institutions.

### **Key Points**

- The Chief Minister also inaugurated Devnarayan Residential School at Gudla in Karauli and Piplod in Jaipur. Also, launched the website of the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights and released the poster of Child Rights Week.
- In the program, three individuals and three organizations who did excellent work in the field of child rights protection were honored with the Nehru Child Protection Award. In the individual category, first prize was given to Aruna Bhargava of Bikaner, second prize to Bharat Nagda of Dungarpur and third prize to Manoj Kumar Soni of Nagaur.
- In the institute category, first prize was given to Navjeevan Sansthan of Jodhpur, second prize to SOS Children's Village of Jaipur and third prize to Shiv Shakti Education Committee of Tonk.
- Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister said that the State Government has established the Directorate of Peace and Non-Violence to spread moral values and Gandhian philosophy of life among the children and youth of the State.
- Similarly, Mahatma Gandhi Darshan Museum and Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Governance and Social Sciences have been established in Jaipur on the lines of prestigious institutions like Tata Institute of Social Sciences in Mumbai and Maharashtra Institute of Technology School of Governance in Pune.
- He said that in the name of the first Prime Minister of the country, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, awards have been started for those who have done remarkable work in the field of protection of child rights.

# Children's Session Organized in Rajasthan Legislative Assembly | Rajasthan | 15 Nov 2021

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On the occasion of Children's Day on November 14, 2021, a historic children's session was organized in the Rajasthan Legislative Assembly, where the children conducted the session as Speaker, Chief Minister and Minister and answered the questions of the children who became members. Zero Hour and Question Hour were organized in this unique session of the Vidhan Sabha.

## **Key Points**

- Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla, Rajasthan Assembly Speaker Dr. CP Joshi, Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot, ministers and MLAs were present in this children's session. Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla inaugurated the function by lighting the lamp.
- The Speaker of the Assembly said that under the aegis of the Rajasthan branch of Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, a children's session was conducted in the assembly on the occasion of the 75<sup>th</sup> Independence Day Amrit Mahotsav. Such a session has happened for the first time in the country.
- He said that this children's session will strengthen parliamentary democracy and we will all be able to understand the curiosity of children about democracy. The future generation has been given a chance to run the house, ask questions and express their views with discipline. He informed that five thousand five hundred children from fifteen states had applied online for the children's session, out of which two hundred children were selected.
- On this occasion, Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla said that this is a wonderful innovation, which should be done in other states also, the organization of Children's Session in Rajasthan Legislative Assembly will be unforgettable. The systematic manner and discipline with which the future generation of the country has conducted the session will also send a message to the youth of the country that what role they can play in democracy.

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