

Protection of Children from Sexual Offences: A Critical Review

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Abstract: *India is multi-linguistic with diversity of culture, religions and regions but a conservative country in putting forth the thoughts of child sexual abuse in the society. However, these days the burning topic of the society in contrast to the thinking of the conservative society remains the discussion of child abuse as the families have turned into child-oriented families. Since long the world is making an attempt to talk about the child sexual abuse, laws for curbing the said offence and punish the perpetrator with heavy hands. UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) was convened in 1992. In 2003, Government of India accepted the two optional protocols to the UNCRC which addressed the involvement of children in armed conflict and their sale and measures to protect children from these dangerous forms of violence and prostitution and child pornography. Many legislations were formulated for protecting rights and to stop their victimization being at the hands of the criminals or predators. Most important such legislations are Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection) Act, 2015 and POCSO Act, 2012.*

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