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### 75 Police Stations to become Child Friendly;

#### SHOs inaugurate the Project

Station House Officers of the concerned 75 police stations in the State have inaugurated the child friendly spaces arranged for children in the respective premise. A video conference engaging senior police officers have been conducted in connection with the inauguration of the child friendly spaces.

During the video conference, Loknath Behera, State Police Chief, has stated that the child friendly spaces will be made functional in 482 police stations in the state within the next three years. This system will enable the children to stay fearless at the police stations when come along with their parents for different needs. TVs, Books and arrangements for drawing pictures have been made here. State Police Chief has also added that police personnel who behave politely with children can show the same attitude towards the society also. He has stressed the need of Station House Officers and other police personnel to behave politely with children.

Child friendly spaces in police stations are set up with an objective to provide an invisible protection to all the children with the support of parents, teachers and society. Child friendly police stations aim at taking stringent action

on atrocities against children, providing awareness to children on their basic rights and responsibilities and also to change the face of police stations to centers of justice where parents and children can approach confidently. Through Child friendly police stations children who face mental stress in the concerned area can be identified and can take timely interventions.

Dr. Shaik Darvesh Saheb, ADGP, Manoj Abraham, ADGP, Balram Kumar Upadhyay, IGP, Harshita Attaluri, IGP, P Vijayan, IGP and other senior officers have attended the online function. Dr. Pinaki Chakraborty, Chief, Social Policy, UNICEF, Chennai Zone and Pearle Maaney, Cine Actress have attended the function and offered their wishes.

The third phase in setting up the child friendly spaces in police stations was inaugurated today. The first phase has been initiated by setting up child friendly spaces and providing special training to police personnel at Fort Police Station in Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam East, Ernakulam Kadavanthra, Thrissur East, Kozhikode Town and Kannur Town police stations. Second phase deals with adding 54 police stations to child friendly police stations by including in 2018-19 plan funds. Third phase of the project has been made by extending the project to 50 more Police Stations.

#### Photo Caption

1. Loknath Behera, State Police Chief, delivers his message during the online inaugural function of child friendly spaces in police stations.
2. Pearle Maaney, Cine Actress, addressing the audience during the online inaugural function of child friendly spaces in police stations.

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