

Central Adoption Resource Authority

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The Central Adoption Resource Authority issued nationwide directions to strengthen adoption procedures, safeguard records and protect children's identity.

About Central Adoption Resource Authority

- It is a statutory body of the **Ministry of Women & Child Development**, Government of India.
- Through Section 68 of the **Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 (JJ Act 2015)**, CARA attained the status of a statutory body.
- **Mandate:** Primarily deals with the adoption of orphan, abandoned, and surrendered children through its associated/recognised adoption agencies.
- It is designated as the Central Authority to **deal with intercountry adoptions** in accordance with the provisions of the **Hague Convention on Intercountry Adoption, 1993**, ratified by the Government of India in 2003.
- **Headquarters:** New Delhi.

Functions of Central Adoption Resource Authority

- To promote In-country adoptions and to facilitate Inter-state adoptions in coordination with State Agency;
- To regulate **Inter-country adoptions**;
- To frame regulations on adoption and related matters from time to time as may be necessary;
- To carry out the functions of the Central Authority under the Hague Convention on protection of Children and Cooperation in respect of Intercountry Adoption;
- Any other function as may be prescribed.
- It monitors and regulates bodies such as the **State Adoption Resource Agency (SARA)**, **Specialised Adoption Agency (SAA)**, **Authorised Foreign Adoption Agency (AFAA)**, Child Welfare Committees (CWCs), and **District Child Protective Units (DPU)**s)

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