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		III. Main areas of concern and recommendations
		C. General principles (arts. 2, 3, 6 and 12)
		Best interests of the child
		18. The Committee welcomes the inclusion of the principle of the best interests of the child in the
		Child Act and the Family Act. However, in the light of its general comment No. 14 (2013) on the
		right of the child to have his or her best interests taken as a primary consideration, the Committee recommends that the State party:
		(a) Ensure that this right is consistently applied in all judicial proceedings and decisions,
		including with regard to custody and children in institutions; (b) Develop procedures and criteria to provide guidance to all relevant persons in authority
		for determining the best interests of the child in every area and for giving it due weight as a primary consideration;
		(c) Ensure that all professionals working with and for children receive training on those
		procedures and criteria.
		E. Violence against children (arts. 19, 24 (3), 28 (2), 34, 37 (a) and 39)



Corporal punishment
<ul> <li>28. While noting the implementation of awareness-raising programmes on positive forms of child-rearing, the Committee is concerned that corporal punishment is still permitted in alternative care settings, in the home and in the administration of justice, and urges the State party to: <ul> <li>(a) Explicitly prohibit, through legislative and administrative provisions, the use of corporal punishment, however light, in all settings, including in early childhood care institutions, in alternative care settings, in the home and in the administration of justice, and ensure that its prohibition is adequately monitored and enforced in all settings;</li> <li>(b) Strengthen and expand new and existing awareness-raising programmes, including campaigns, among parents, teachers and relevant professional groups to promote positive, non-violent and participatory forms of child-rearing and discipline, and to promote a change in the mindset with regard to corporal punishment in all settings.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
F. Family environment and alternative care (arts. 5, 9–11, 18 (1) and (2), 20, 21, 25 and 27 (4))
Family environment
33. Noting with concern that the law in the State party provides automatic solutions for the residence (hadana) of children after divorce or separation, without an individual assessment of their best interests, that the law regulates residence and other family relations differently for girls and boys, and that fathers have priority in the guardianship of their children, the Committee recommends that the State party:
(a) Review its legislation relating to the residence (hadana) of the child to ensure that all decisions taken are based on the principle of the best interests of the child, and that the views of children, girls and boys alike, are taken into account;



<ul> <li>(b) Harmonize its legislation on family relations, with a view to ensuring the equal rights of all girls in family relations and repealing all provisions that discriminate against women and girls, such as those regulating inheritance;</li> <li>(c) Ensure that mothers and fathers equally share the legal responsibility for their children, in accordance with article 18 (1) of the Convention.</li> </ul>
Children deprived of a family environment
<ul> <li>34. With concerns about the extensive use of placement in institutions for children deprived of a family environment and the absence of alternative care institutions for children between the ages of 15 and 18 years, the Committee recommends that the State party: <ul> <li>(a) Further support and prioritize family-based care for all children under the age of 18 years who cannot stay with their families, including its foster care programme for children, with a view to reducing the institutionalization of children;</li> <li>(b) Ensure adequate safeguards and clear criteria, based on the best interests of the child, for determining whether a child should be placed in alternative care;</li> <li>(c) Ensure periodic review of the placement of children in foster care and alternative care institutions, and monitor the quality of care therein, including by providing accessible channels for reporting, monitoring and remedying ill-treatment of children;</li> <li>(d) Provide continuous capacity-building and training for foster parents, staff of the Ministry of Labour and Social Development, social workers and staff working in alternative care institutions on children's rights and the particular needs of children deprived of a family environment.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Children of imprisoned parents
35. The Committee recommends that the State party give primary consideration to the best interests of the child by considering alternatives to the detention of mothers and, only if such alternatives are not found, provide all the necessary human and financial resources and support to



		<ul> <li>children living in detention with their mothers. It also recommends that the State party provide any psychological and other support necessary to children whose parents have been sentenced to death or life imprisonment.</li> <li>G. Disability, basic health and welfare (arts. 6, 18 (3), 23, 24, 26, 27 (1)–(3) and 33)</li> <li>Children with disabilities</li> <li>36. While commending the State party on the establishment of the High Committee for the Welfare of Persons with Disabilities and the adoption of the National Strategy for Persons with Disabilities</li> </ul>
		and the National Special Education Strategy, the Committee recommends that the State party continue to promote a human rightsbased approach to disability, and:  (c) Continue to give priority to measures that facilitate the full inclusion of children with disabilities, including those with intellectual and psychosocial disabilities, in all areas of public life, including leisure activities, community-based care and provision of social housing with reasonable accommodation. Country Report
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Acronyms and Abbreviations:



- CEDAW Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women
- CRC Convention on the Rights of the Child/Committee on the Rights of the Child
- CRPD Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
- ICCRP International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
- ICESCR International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
- OPAC to CRC Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict
- OPSC to CRC Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography UN United Nations
- UPR Universal Periodic Review