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- (1) Generally, the state has to provide rights to Children by taking all necessary legal, administrative and other steps to ensure that the rights stated in the Protection of the Rights of Children Act, International Convention on the Rights of the Child its optional protocols, and other international treaties relating to the protection of the rights of Children to which the Maldives is a party.
- (2) To provide adequate facilities to enable parents to carry out their responsibilities in the care and upbringing of Children. The state has the duty to hold the parents accountable and provide care and protection to Children in situations where the parents have been negligent in caring for and protecting the rights of their Children.
- (3) Where private institutions have been established for services to children, the state must establish a system for accountability and to monitor the services provided, ensuring that it is in accordance with the law.
- (4) The state should establish a system for Children to participate in deciding matters related to them.
- (5) In the interest of building awareness, the state must make public, information related to the rights of Children, their responsibilities, and the duties of parents and others.