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Context	Violence against children is a major cause of concern around the world. It not only threatens children's survival and health but also their emotional well-being and future prospects. Children have the right to be protected from violence, exploitation and abuse. However, millions of children worldwide suffer violence, exploitation and abuse every day, irrespective of age, religion, culture or socio-economic background. The case is no different in Assam too. The data presented in the Assam Statistical Hand Book 2017 shows that there were a total of 3964 cases of crime against children in the year 2016 (an increase of almost 40 per cent over the previous year, when 2835 cases were recorded). These crimes include murder, kidnapping, sexual abuse, selling of minor girls for prostitution, among others. Assam is also a major source point for child trafficking and it is also a transit point for children who are trafficked from Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya. The trafficked children are used for prostitution, forced into marriage, illegally adopted, used as cheap or unpaid labour, and even used for organ harvesting. The protection of children from all forms of violence is a fundamental right enshrined in the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. The inclusion of a specific target (SDG 16.2) in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development to end all forms of violence against children has given renewed impetus towards the realization of the right of every child to live free from fear, neglect, abuse and exploitation. Governments, policymakers, child-focussed organizations, NGOs as well as the civil society have a responsibility to create safe environments for children and protect them from violence. Towards this end, Indian government has been taking numerous initiatives. In this context, legislative engagement can play a key role in ending

	violence against children. They can help in advocating for the adoption, strengthening and implementation of laws and policies on EVAC. They can extend their support for implementation of the SDG goals on child protection. They can advocate for inclusion of child budget component in the annual budget of the Government. They can demand accountability to existing national, regional and international commitments made by government towards addressing issues related to children.
Components of the Project	KKHSOU proposes to undertake a project, in collaboration with UNICEF, to **Analyse questions raised in the Assam Legislative Assembly** on issues related to Child rights and protection during the period 2016-2020.
Methodology	There will be need for consultant to visit the Assam Legislative Assembly Library to analyze the various questions raised in all the Assembly sessions between 2016 and 2020.
Time Frame	**25 September 2020 – 31 December 2020**
Budget	**Rs. 50,000**
HOW TO APPLY	The interested individuals/parties justifying own credentials & clearly notifying - **UNICEF-KKHSOU PROJECT** in the Subject of the email should apply to following email id: registrar@kkhsou.in
Last Date of Submission	**October 21,2020**
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