



Newsletter on Children's rights – Global

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Myanmar – Myanmar leads ASEAN on child rights and protection

07th January 2020 - Myanmar is the leading country in Southeast Asia in eliminating corporal punishment and child labour following the ratification of a minimum age obligation and passage of a landmark legislation.

The Myanmar Times – [Full article](#)

Asia – Religious leaders in South Asia commit to work with UNICEF to protect and promote children's rights

29th January 2020 - PARO – Religious leaders in South Asia meeting with United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) today in Paro, Bhutan, have agreed to work in support of child rights in all eight of the region's countries. The 45 religious leaders of various faiths have noted the important role they can play to support and promote the rights of children in each of their countries.

UNICEF – [Full article](#)

Bangladesh – Bangladesh: Child sexual abuse reportedly on rise

08th January 2020 - Sexual abuses on children in Bangladesh marked an alarming rise in 2019, according to an annual report by an NGO network. "A total of 1,383 children were sexually abused in 2019, an alarming 72.32% rise compared to the previous year," Bangladesh Shishu Adhikar Forum [Bangladesh Child Rights Forum], a national network of 272 registered NGOs working mostly on human rights, said in its annual report published on Wednesday in Dhaka.

Anadolu Agency - [Full article](#)

Canada – One in Five Children Still Live in Poverty in BC. Can We Ever Improve?

14th January 2020 - One in five children in British Columbia continue to live in poverty, according to a provincial child poverty report card released today by First Call: BC Child and Youth Advocacy Coalition. But there are signs the federal child tax benefit that began in 2016 has started chipping away at family inequality. And several B.C. organizations have suggestions for how the province can further decrease child poverty.

The Tyee – [Full article](#)

Canada – B.C. court allows transgender child to make own medical decisions

January 2020 - The B.C. Court of Appeal has delivered a verdict today regarding the right of a child to receive treatment for gender dysphoria without parental consent.

The Post Millennial – [Full article](#)



Canada – 'If you're dyslexic, you feel stupid,' advocate says. Now, Ontario wants to change that

14th January 2020 - As many as four children in every classroom across the country struggle with dyslexia, according to the non-profit group Dyslexia Canada, and now Ontario wants the public's help to ensure those students have the tools they need to overcome their learning disability.

CBC - [Full article](#)

France – La France doit reconnaître les droits des enfants nés de GPA

9 janvier 2020 - Tribune. Jean-Louis Touraine, co-rapporteur de la loi de bioéthique, appelle les sénateurs à reprendre sa proposition visant à faciliter la reconnaissance de la filiation établie à l'étranger.

Libération – [Article complet](#)

Global - ODS3. La crisis climática aumenta la violación de los derechos de los menores

30 janvier 2020 - Los niños tienen derecho a crecer en un ambiente seguro, limpio y saludable. Sin embargo, el clima cambiante del mundo amenaza con socavar ese derecho, los patrones climáticos se están volviendo más erráticos, y las sequías más severas y con mayor frecuencia. La ONG World Vision está presenciando de primera mano los impactos del cambio climático en las comunidades de todo el mundo que se encuentran atrapadas en desastres medioambientales de creciente ferocidad y frecuencia.

Corresponsables – [Artículo completo](#)

India – India: 109 children sexually abused every day in 2018

12th January 2020 - As many as 109 children were sexually abused every day in India in 2018, according to the data by the National Crime Record Bureau, which showed a 22 per cent jump in such cases from the previous year.

Gulf News – [Full article](#)

Nepal – In Nepal, children are getting married for love by choice

17th January 2020 - Some 50 per cent of Nepali women aged between 25 to 49 were married by their 18th birthday, according to the Himalayan nation's 2016 Demographic Health Survey. Marriages in the conservative country were traditionally arranged by parents, with many forcing their children to marry for cultural reasons or out of poverty. Such marriages are declining but child rights activists warn an increasing number of underage couples are eloping for "love marriage" – a term used to describe unions by choice.

South China Morning Post - [Full Article](#)