

Module-8: Child protection during pandemics

Session 1: Impact of COVID 19 on children (continued)

Duration: 3:12 Minutes

In the above story we saw that Kajal was trafficked because she befriended a stranger online. With increasing use of technology more so during lockdown, children's risk to online abuse is increasing. Thus, online safety is an important child protection issue.

- Sensitisation of children and parents, especially on online safety is necessary
- Strengthening of Child Protection system at all levels.

There are Five Golden Rules to sensitise children to stay safe online

- It is OK to block someone you are not comfortable communicating with
- Do not accept friend requests from strangers
- If an e-mail looks suspicious it is best to delete it or mark it as junk
- Passwords are not social; do not share your password with anyone
- Remember to log out while using a public computer.

Let's now watch this video on UNICEF's call for action to protect children during COVID-19.