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## JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM IN INDIA: THEORY & PRACTICE

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## **ABSTRACT**

The juvenile justice system is based on the premise that adolescents have needs and capacities different from adults. Adolescents are still developing mentally, physically, and emotionally, and they are forming their identities. As a result, juveniles who break the law should be treated differently than adults.

In theory, India is only country in the world where the juvenile justice law provides for both children in need of care and protection and children in conflict with the law, but in practice the rights of the child are denied in this comprehensive system of juvenile justice system. Children are not getting their due rights even after 25 years of implementation of a juvenile justice law in India.

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