What children’s say about their development priorities

1. Make Berhampur a ‘Child Friendly City’ and build a system of governance committed to fulfilling children’s rights as per the United Nations ‘Convention on the Rights of the Child’ (CRC)
   a. Efficient implementation of Section-503 of Orissa Municipal Corporation Act, 2003
   b. Develop a comprehensive strategy for building a Child Friendly City, based on the article-2 non-discrimination, article-3 best interests, article-6 every child’s right to life and maximum development and article-12 listening to children and respecting their views of the convention

2. Ensure children’s active involvement in issues that affect them; listening to their views and taking them into consideration in decision-making processes
   a. Inform and involve children and respect their views and experiences
   b. Recognize children as partners and as individual human beings, rights-holders and equal, active citizens

3. Provision of basic services and amenities for the children living in urban poverty
   a. Access to adequate, safe and timely supply of drinking water
   b. Provision of better sanitation facilities (drainage system, garbage cleaning and toilets)
   c. Ensure better child friendly housing with unpolluted living condition
   d. Adequate space for walk, play and network in their neighborhood (playground and parks)
4. **Provision of infrastructure and services for physical, mental, spiritual, moral, psychological and social development.**
   a. Provision of safe space to walk, play and network in every slum
   b. Construction of children’s community centre in every slum
   c. Provision of infrastructure to play and develop (sports, song, art and drama etc.)

5. **Inclusion of all children in development programmes**
   a. Inclusion of children living on the streets and slums, disabled children, children from minority ethnic or other groups, working children in development programmes

6. **Protect children from all kinds of physical injury and harmful elements**
   a. Design and implement child friendly transportation and traffic
   b. Protect children from harmful components available in the vicinity (contaminated water and soil, polluted air and harmful electricity)

7. **Protect children from all kinds of exploitation, violence and abuse**
   a. Safeguard and care for children from all kinds of violence and exploitation
   b. Protect all kinds of abuse through child friendly reporting and policing

8. **Ensure adequate resource commitment and budget allocation for children**
   a. Develop policies and programmes for children living in vulnerable condition
   b. Making special budget allocation for children living in slums

9. **Ensuring awareness of children’s rights among adults and children**
   a. Conduct awareness camp in slums and vulnerable communities
   b. Set up of ‘children’s cell’ in BMC for protect children’s’ rights

10. **Effective implementation of Integrated Child Development Scheme in city**
    a. Ensure all eligible children covered under the ICDS scheme
    b. Provision of timely, adequate and quality nutritional food for the children
    c. Provision of safe healthy place (house) for running child care centre
    d. Ensure quality preschool and health care facilities in ICDS centers
    e. Provision of basic amenities at AWC house, drinking water, toilet, kitchen and space for play and press schooling