



**Delhi Commission for Protection of Child Rights (DCPCR)**  
Government of Delhi

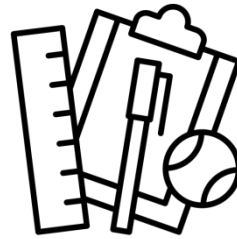
**Recommendations for Protection of Child  
Rights for amendments in Scheme for Financial  
Sustenance, Education & Welfare of Children of  
Incarcerated Parents, 2014**

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# What happens to a child when his/her parent is incarcerated?



**Emotional trauma**  
Loneliness/anxiety  
Anger towards  
criminal justice system<sup>1</sup>



**Education cessation**  
Multiple school transitions  
Dropout<sup>1</sup>



**Economic hardship**  
Difficulty to retain  
accommodation  
Poor healthcare<sup>1</sup>

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**He/she becomes a victim of crime *and* punishment<sup>2</sup>**

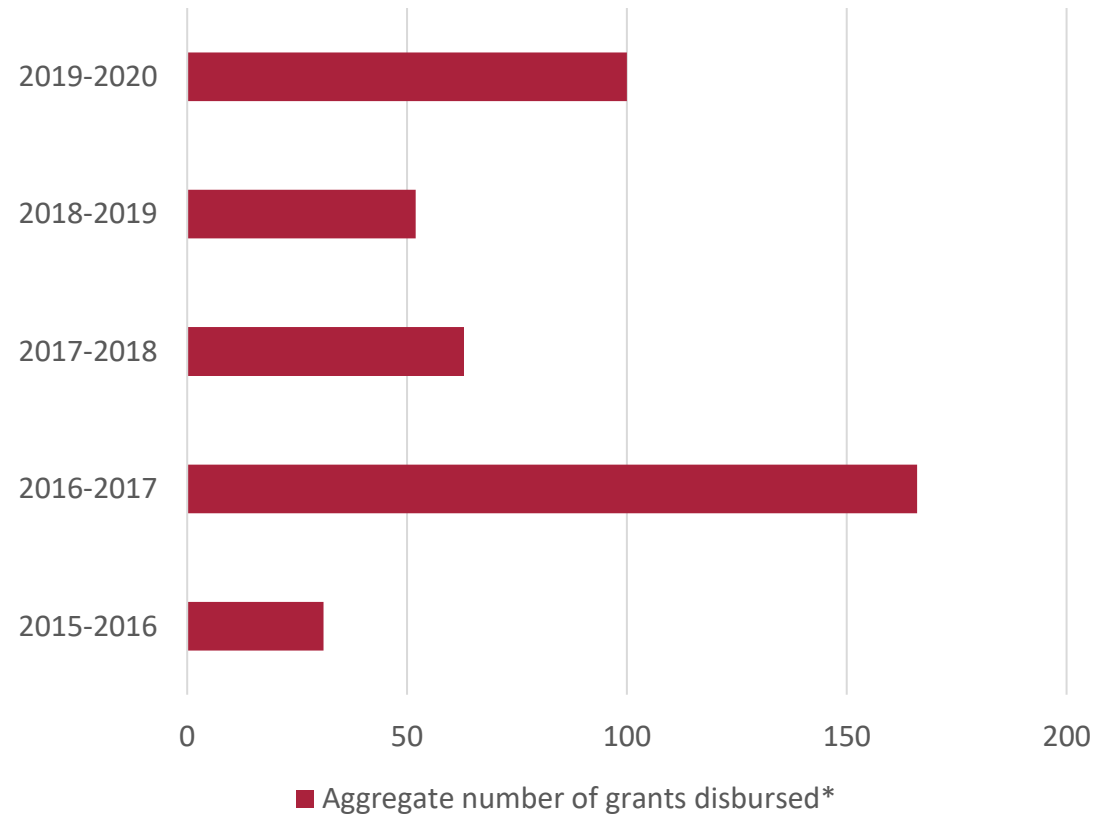
1. Predictors/Determinants of Psycho-Social Health among Children of Incarcerated Parents: A study of NCT of Delhi, Neelam Sukhramani and Sigamani Panneer, 2019

2. Hon'ble Delhi High Court in Brindavan Sharma vs State (CRL A 927/2002)

# Have we provided these children the support they deserve?

In five years,  
**total grants disbursed were 412.**

Note: In case a child is being extended support 'n' times, the child is counted 'n' different times.



# We asked 91 officials and representatives from the child rights protection ecosystem

Department  
of Social  
Welfare,  
Govt of NCT  
Delhi

**10**

Department  
of Women &  
Child  
Development  
, Govt of NCT  
Delhi

**19**

Department  
of Delhi  
Home Guard,  
Govt of NCT  
Delhi

**01**

Child  
Welfare  
Committees

**08**

Special  
Juvenile  
Police Unit &  
Police

**23**

Childline  
NGOs

**11**

Civil Society  
Organisation  
/NGOs

**04**

Jamia Milia  
Islamia  
University

**03**

District  
Magistrates/  
Sub-  
divisional  
magistrates

**05**

DSLISA

**01**

Hospitals

**06**

# Their verdict:

## NO

### The current scheme was decreed



#### Inaccessible

Only children whose *both* parents or only surviving parent has been incarcerated



#### Unworkable

Includes

Only available to those whose parents can prove to be residing in Delhi for 5 or more years



#### Counter-productive

Who are availing assistance from only this Scheme

# Their verdict: **NO**

**The current scheme was decreed**



**Inaccessible**

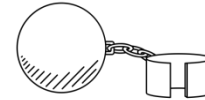
Whose sole bread-winning  
parent has been  
incarcerated



**Unworkable**

**Because it excludes,  
children...**

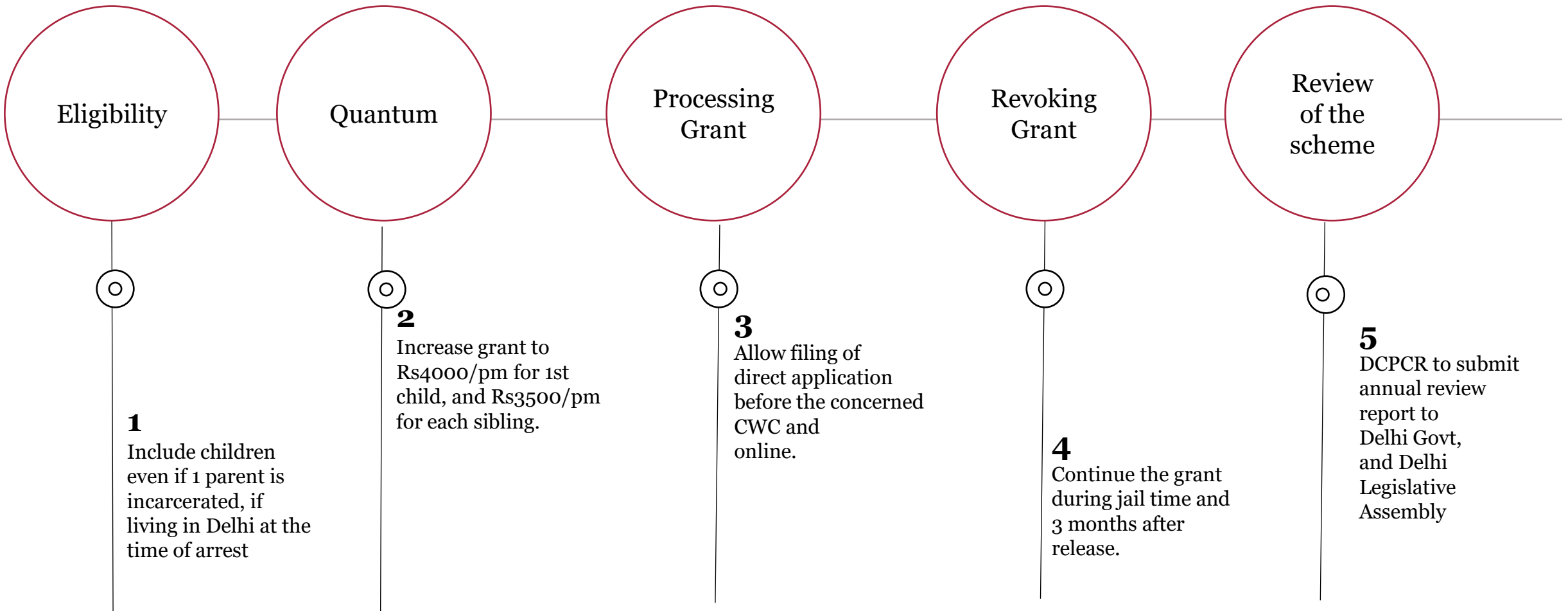
Whose parents have lived  
in Delhi for 2 or 3 or  
4 years



**Counter-productive**

Who avail financial assistance or  
benefits under any other  
government scheme, ex,  
disability pension program

# Key recommendations to make the scheme accessible and effective

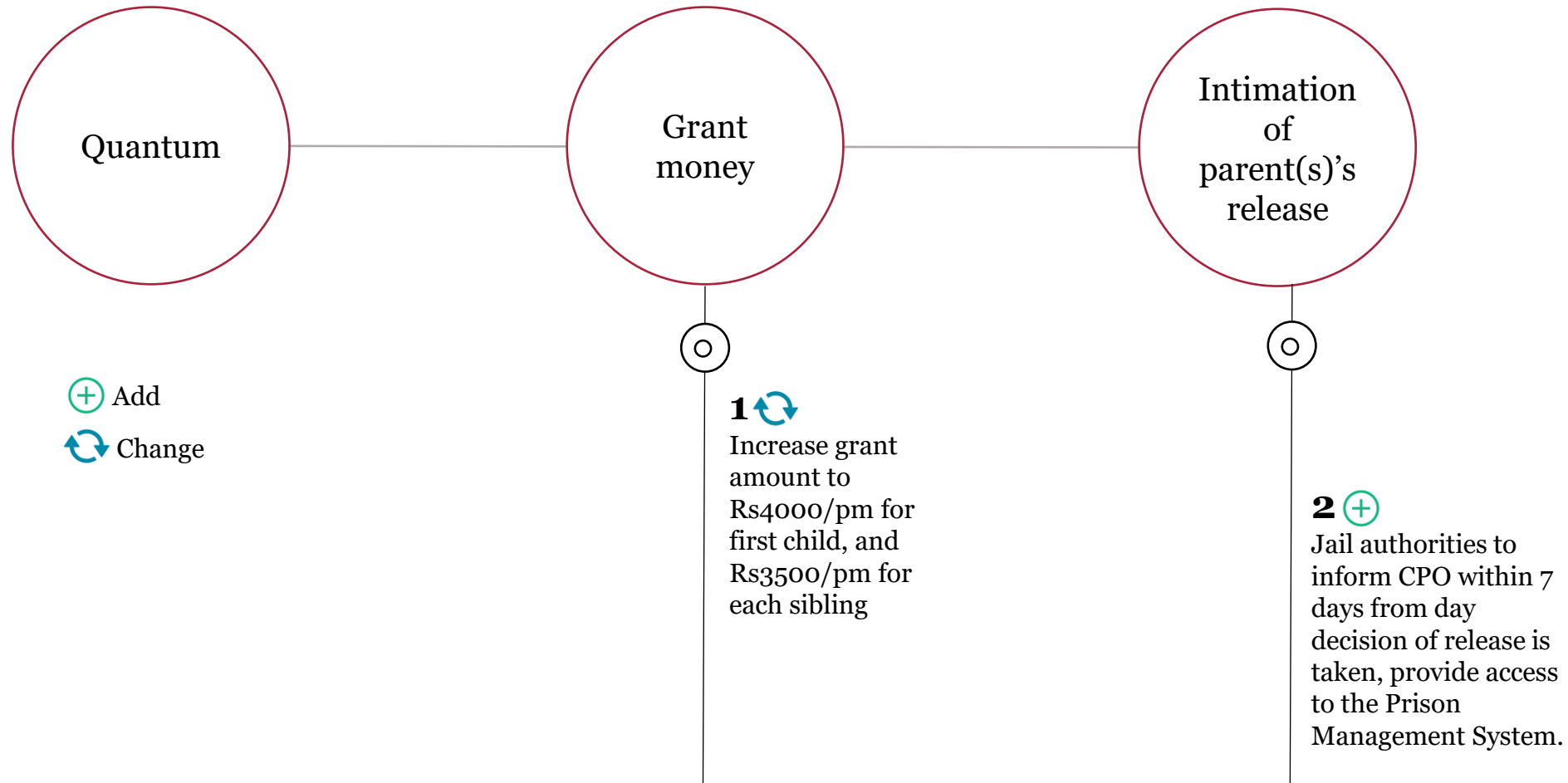


# Key recommendations: Eligibility



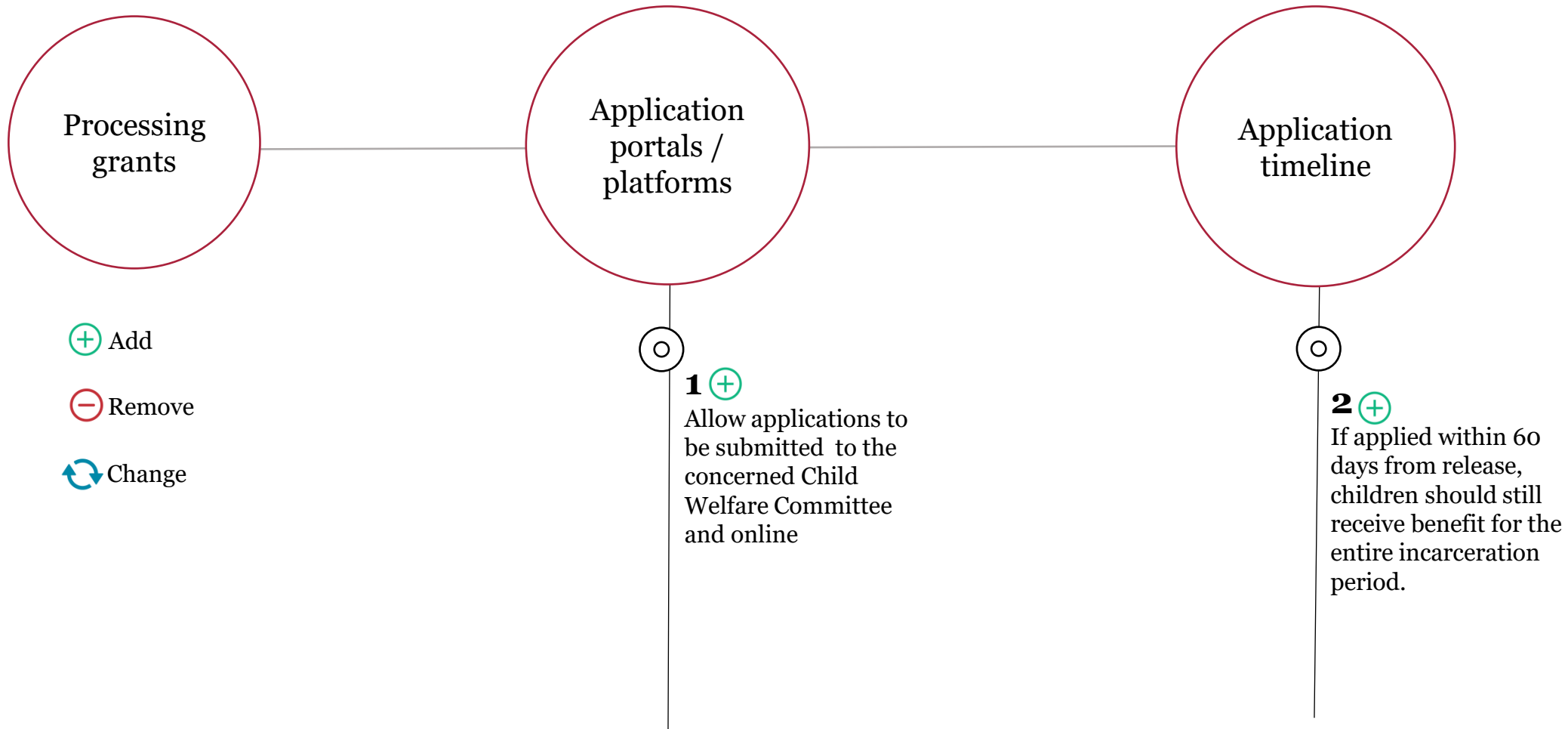


# Key recommendations: Quantum of Financial Assistance

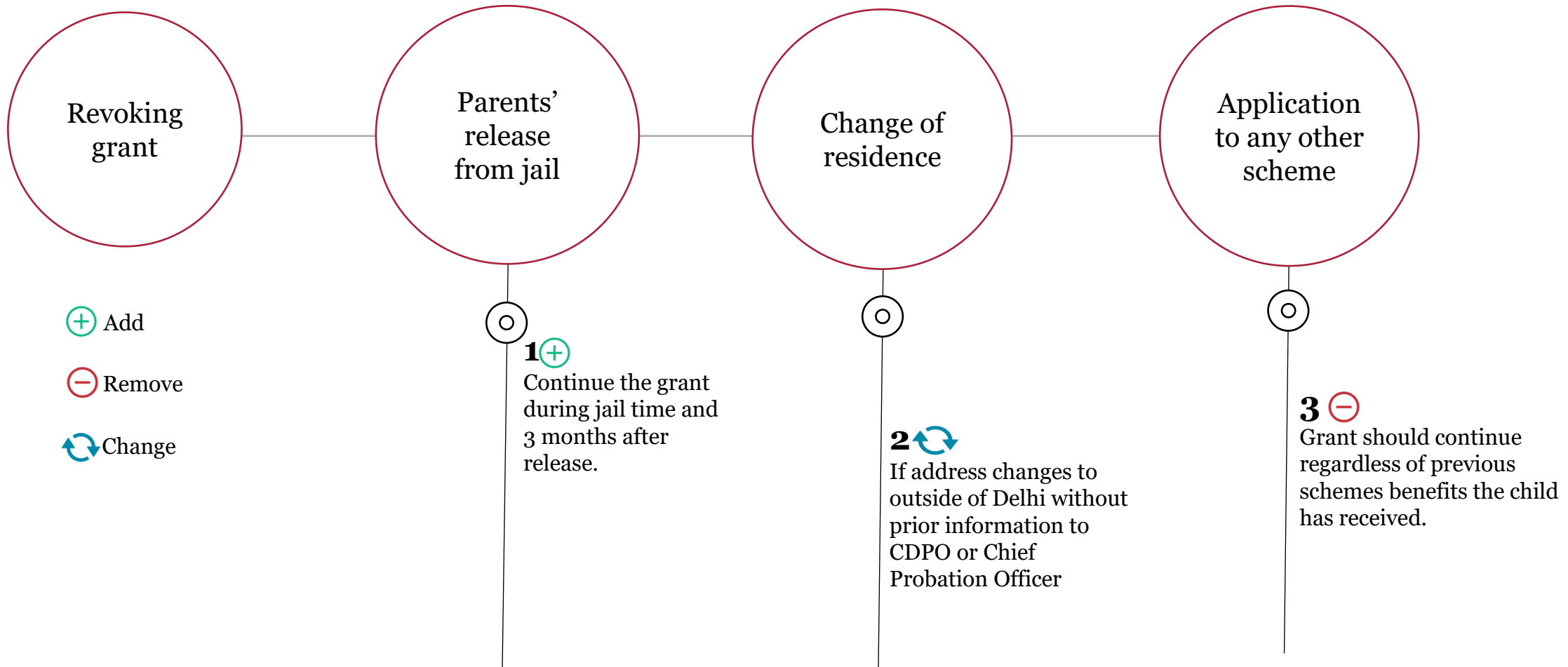


# Key recommendations:

## Processing Grants

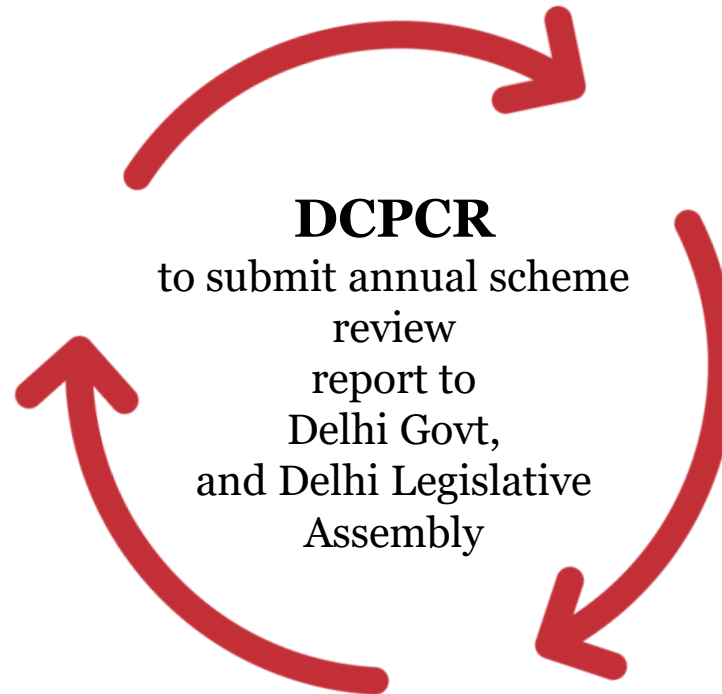


# Key recommendations: Revoking Grant



# Key recommendations:

## Annual review by DCPCR



Thank you