

## Comprehensive Child Care

I read with interest the recent editorial on this subject(1). Dr. Srivastava rightly points out the magnitude of the problem. "The numbers are mind boggling and the problem is gigantic". We should realize that even a well developed nation cannot successfully tackle the problems we have unless every Indian takes interest and part in the family planning program. This includes doctors of every speciality including pediatricians, politicians of every

shade in and out of government, engineers, teachers, editors, *etc.* No one is exempt from this mammoth task. Only when the population growth is controlled can we give universal comprehensive child care. Otherwise we will continue to care for the creamy layer of the society.

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