



# Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre



## ANNUAL REPORT

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"The vision of Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre is to ensure that the value of love, freedom, sincerity and justice are experienced and lived out by all"



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## Goals:

1. To reduce all forms of injustice between women and girls
2. To ensure, through our service, that every child and woman is supported with love and care
3. To promote gender equality and empowerment at all levels through education and creative opportunities



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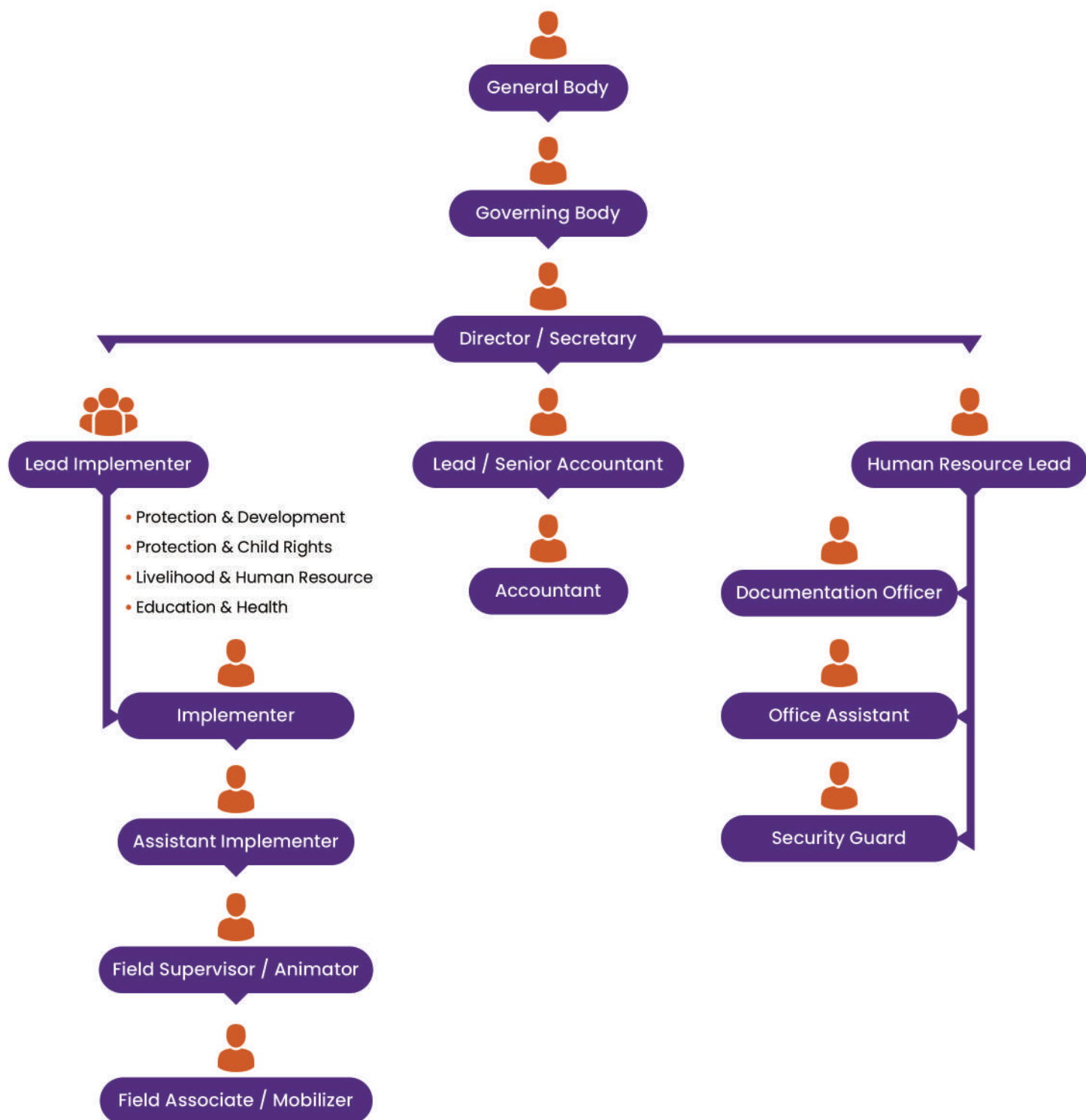


Our mission is to empower every person who is touched by our work through the values of love, freedom, sincerity and justice.



# Chain of command

Project , Decision Making and Authorization Structure





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# Vice President's Message



"Change begins at the end of your comfort Zone" – Roy T. Bennett

Dear friends

As you move into the next phase of working with and for KMWSC, I express my hearty Congratulations on your 7th edition of the Annual Report.

Your commitment to Moving towards those who are distant due to various reasons such as poverty, superstitions, illiteracy, migration, natural disasters and pandemic crisis; is the starting point of CHANGE as you try to bring and share more meaningful lives with others. The entire team working together in the project plans in various places in Kolkata, 24 Pargana North & South, and Nadia in West Bengal is a clear example of choosing to bring about change which is the only constant, as stated by Heraclitus.

Nature calls us to the process of change and we are constantly evolving. The presence of KMWSC team has always enhanced this process wherever they are with their people, transforming lives whether young or old.

For such dedicated care in being present to the needs of others, I extend our blessing and prayers on behalf of all the Loreto sisters to the KMWSC team under the guidance of Sr. Monica Suchiang and this year being coordinated by Sr. Flora Anthony, have seen through many success stories which all of us will also have a glimpse through this edition.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "P. Topno".

Sr. Priyanka Topno IBVM

**Development**  
**Province Leadership Team**



# Director's Message



## Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre

I am happy to share with you all, the annual report of Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre 2021-2022. KMWSC has created new chapters in the journey exploring new horizons with emerging needs, with new benchmarks and milestones overcoming the barriers and the challenges in the midst of pandemic chaos.

The COVID-19 pandemic has led to a drastic change of human life worldwide and presents an unprecedented challenge to our public health, food systems and the world of work. The pandemic has placed millions of livelihoods at risk especially the poor and underprivileged. Millions of families have lost their jobs and are struggling to fend for themselves and their families.

The covid 19 has taught us many things in the life. We have learnt to live with it now. I would like to thank our funders, donors, religious institutions, friends and well wishers for the help and support to meet the greatest challenges of the time in human history. It was a great challenge and difficult time but the people of all walks have come together to stand with us to share and contribute in our little efforts of nation building.

KMWSC is committed to bring transformation by ensuring justice, freedom, peace and integrity in our time. Looking at our different thematic areas of work, we have successfully been able to maintain the performance and implementation of the activities with heightened safety measures in place to adapt the pandemic and natural calamities. I thank everybody in our teams who have responded to the challenges of pandemic and natural calamities over the past year and have taken part in our transformation work of our target groups and communities. The success and milestones we have been able to achieve is a credit to all KMWSCers. Many staffs were affected by covid19 and have regained. I thank their dedication, commitment and hard work to go extra miles with the beneficiaries.

I hope and believe that this annual report 2021-2022 will give the glimpses of our work amidst pandemic covid19 and natural calamities with its failures, success and achievements.



*M. Suchiang*  
 Sr Monica Suchiang

Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre

**Director/Secretary**





# Director's Visit

## Monitoring

Project Monitoring, plays a vital part in project management as well as project manager's decision-making processes. Thus, to continue with the smooth functioning of the project with transparent accountability at each level, the Director / Secretary of Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre, Sr. Monica Suchiang along with the programme team members conducted cross monitoring visits across different projects of the organisation.

Cross-monitoring is used as a key tool to help maintain situation awareness and prevent errors, commonly referred to as "watching each other's back,"







# Programme Team's Visit





# Programme Team & their Message

## Formation of the Programme Team

With immense and imminent growth of KMWSC (Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre), a team is required which would assist the Director in functioning of the organization. It was also realized that the programme team could exercise and develop leadership qualities in the smooth functioning of the organization when the Director is away or out of station. With this need in mind, a team was formed in the year 2020, which later, came to be known as the Programme Team. 5 senior staff of KMWSC who have been serving the organisation for quite some time; having full knowledge of the organization's vision and mission; with experience in diverse fields and thematic areas, were chosen as members of the programme team. Their experiences covered thematic areas of community development, child rights & child protection, anti-human trafficking, education for underprivileged children, skill development & human resource management, and of course, finance and accounts.

After formation, the programme team underwent several orientations on their roles and responsibilities. Members of the team were provided hands on training at different levels for over a year. To assess the skills of the team members, the Director, occasionally, made them handle practical ground situations.

After about a year of thorough training and repeated orientations, when the Director was confident about the capacity of the programme team, she sought approval from the Governing Body of the Organization to authorize the said team to function, as her representatives in her absence.

In October 2021, when the Director Sr. Monica Suchiang was away for her Tertianship, the programme team took over the responsibilities of managing and implementing the day to day functioning of KMWSC.

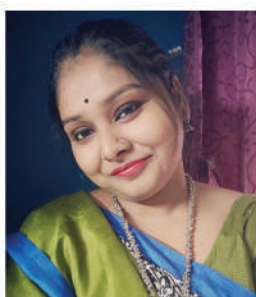
## Program Team-Journey



Rina Singh



Sanjay Baxla



Nabanita Shome



Samrat Bagh



Samata Bali



# Milestones

## Bravery Award

Ms Ananya Chakraborti, Honourable Chairperson of the West Bengal Commission for the protection of Child Rights (WBCPCR) felicitated the 3 child leaders - Aritra Sarkar from the sensitization of Communities and Adolescents at Risk: to combat human trafficking and the child abuse project, Monisha Sarkar and Alamin Sardar, both, from the Surakhit Saisav Project, with the Bravery Award from the WBCPCR team.

- Aritra Sarkar 17 year old, child parliament leader was awarded for his role in saving two gravely injured people and taking them to the nearest hospital. Artira took care of the accident victims till their families joined him.
- Monisha Sarkar, a 13 year old child club member helped rescue a child from the chains of being a child labour.
- Alamin Sardar, aged 15, a child club member reached out to the KMWSC team to help a starving kid whose mother was so unwell that she was unable to earn or arrange food for them. Alamin, also, intervened to stop a child marriage in his village by sharing the information with the KMWSC team.



## Opening Piggy Bank

Itinda child club members decided to start their own piggy bank with their pocket money by taking inspiration from other child clubs. With that collection, they would be a part of serving the community people. On 23rd March, the opening ceremony of the Piggy Bank scheme took place in their village, which was a mammoth step forward in community service.





## Distribution programmes from the fund of Piggy Bank money

The child club members of Basirhat Block-1 took the initiative in 2020 to help the community people in their locality and till date they continue with this practice. During the lockdown period when many of the villagers lost their work, and did not have access to regular food, many of the child club leaders and members decided to do something for them.

The child club members started to save their own pocket money and they made a piggy bank for the community. After gathering all the money, they saved it in the Piggy Bank.

With that fund, they arranged for food distribution programmes at many places. The child club members brought and packed the food themselves. With a ripple effect of this initiative, several other initiatives were taken up like the distribution of clothes and blankets to the villagers. They are continuing with this practice with the help of the child protection workers and are deeply encouraged by the inspiration gained from KMWSC. In the year 2021, many child club members started with many such programmes, keeping to all the safety precautions for Covid 19, in their villages. During the lockdown period Kamardanga child club collected clothes from the community and re-distributed them to people in need like the ones by Merudandi Child Club & Mukundokati child club.



## Empowerment and Leadership for Survivors' Programme

Under the anti-human trafficking project, the project team identified the growing need for survivors' intervention. Hence the anti-human trafficking project was re-designed to incorporate the Empowerment and Leadership for Survivors' programme at the Basirhat Indo-Bangladesh Border.

**Definition of Survivors as per the project:** *The term survivor often refers to an individual who is going or has gone through the recovery process. Additionally this word is used when discussing the short and long term effects of violence and sexual violence.*

Thus, under the Empowerment and Leadership for Survivors' programme, two survivor groups were formed consisting of Trafficking Survivors, Gender Base Violence Survivors, Domestic Violence Survivors and Sexual Abuse Survivors. These groups are covered under a holistic approach through educational support, skill development support, legal aid support, livelihood and mental health support through counselling sessions and capacity building training. The project team focusses on networking and advocacy with government stakeholders and law enforcement wings along with rescue and rehabilitation departments.



## Loreto Rainbow Teacher's Training

KMWSC was privileged to provide training to the teachers of the Loreto Rainbow Homes under the Barefoot Teachers Training programme on 23rd & 24th February, 2022. This was the first part of the Level-I training for the grass-root level teachers. 16 teachers from the Loreto Rainbow Homes at Sealdah, Entally, Bowbazar, Loreto House and Bansdrani attended the programme. The short introduction was followed by the ice breaking session. The topics - UNCRC, Child Rights, Right to Education were covered in great details. During the 2 days, other topics like phonic, pre-writing skills, action rhymes were also taken up. Difference between equity & equality, importance of mother tongue in learning were discussed as well. The training was imparted through audio video sessions and fun activities.



In continuation to the February modules, further 2 days of Level-1 Barefoot Teacher Training for teachers of Loreto Rainbow Homes were conducted on 23rd and 24th March 2022. Among the topics covered, were lesson plans, art & craft preparation on numerals, TLM preparation on numbers and action rhymes on counting, laws and acts related to Child Rights & Child Protection, Right to Education were also covered. Certificates were handed over to all the participants at the end of the training.

While KMWSC is grateful to the Loreto Rainbow Homes for the trust they showed while choosing them for the training, the proactive participation of the Rainbow Home teachers added value to the training sessions.



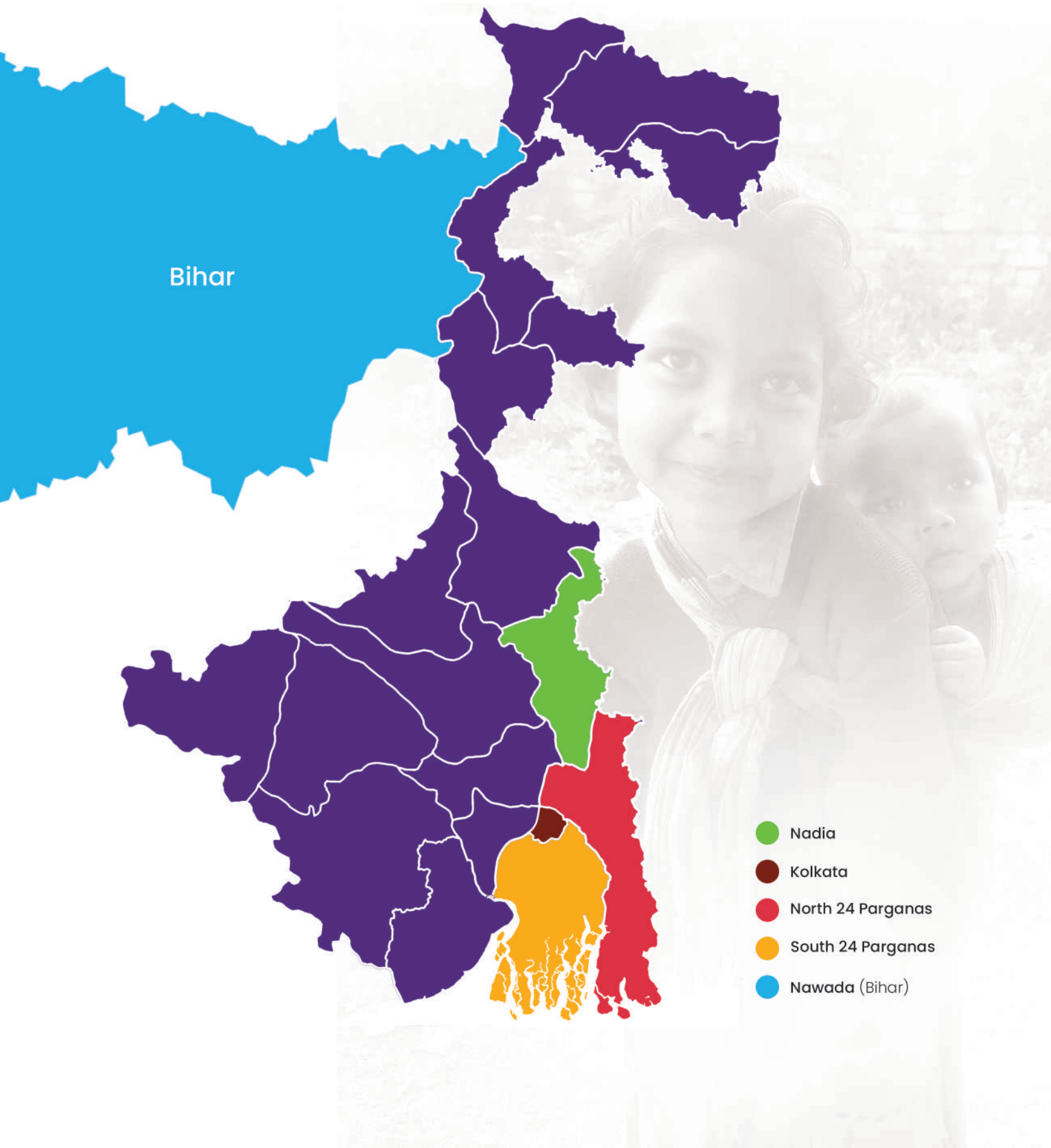
## Sister Cynthia's Visit

Sr. Cynthia Mathew, the UN IBVM / Loreto NGO Representative, paid a visit to the MACs under the HDCL and Red Light Projects. Whilst observing the work, she interacted with the youngsters and their mothers. Sr. Cynthia also went around the lanes and by-lanes of Sonagachi, talking to the mothers on a one-to-one basis. Sister had a fruitful meeting there and was more than satisfied with the effort of the KMWSC team. When she interacted with the staff of KMWSC, she expressed her appreciation for them. The KMWSC is humbled and grateful to her, not only for the kind words but also for taking time out from her busy schedule to meet them.





# Accessibility



Bihar

- Nadia
- Kolkata
- North 24 Parganas
- South 24 Parganas
- Nawada (Bihar)





# MIGRANT COMMUNITY AT BRICK KILN

BRICKFIELD SCHOOL PROJECT



# Brickfield School Project

The Brickfield School Project aims to provide education to children of inter-state and intra-state migrant workers, who migrate along with their families (including children), to brickfields of West Bengal in search of livelihood. During their stay at the brickfields, the children are deprived of educational opportunities. The project aims not only to provide education to these children at the brickfields but also to mainstream them into government educational institutions when they return to their homes, termed as "source area". The project also provides basic healthcare and medical check-up facilities to the migrant families during their stay at the brickfields.



## Area of Intervention / Districts

- 
**Kalyani**  
 No. of Monitoring Visits: 35
- 
**Basirhat**  
 No. of Monitoring Visits: 31
- 
**Akra**  
 No. of Monitoring Visits: 26
- 
**Budge-Budge**  
 No. of Monitoring Visits: 35





## Activities

### • Leading teacher's Training

No. of Activities: 4

Outcome: The teachers were equipped to arrange project activities at the field level, advocate with the local government stake holders & monitor brickfield schools.

### • Teacher's training (field level)

No. of Activities: 4

Outcome: Increased efficiency of teachers on the field.

### • Meeting with the brickfield owners and managers

No. of Activities: 94

Outcome: Permission to implement programmes and activities in the brickfields and receive all-round cooperation.

### • Meeting with brickfield association

No. of Activities: 4

Outcome: Better cooperation from the association in conducting programmes in the brickfields.

### • Brick field survey

No. of Activities: 156

Outcome: Identification of beneficiaries and enrollment of children in brickfield schools

### • Advocacy with Primary Health Centres (PHC) of health department government of West Bengal for all locations

No. of Activities: 16

Outcome: Brickfield community receiving treatment from PHCs.

### • Advocacy with health department, government of West Bengal & World Health Organization for Vaccination of the children and pregnant mothers of the brickfields.

No. of Activities: 3

Outcome: Brickfield community receiving treatment from PHCs.

### • Advocacy with Government School (W.B) & nawada

No. of Activities: 12

Outcome: After meeting with Government Schools, BFS children were successfully mainstreamed in government ICDS centres, primary, upper primary & secondary schools in Bihar and West Bengal.

### • Teachers interview

No. of Activities: 10

Outcome: New teachers recruited to fill up vacancies at 4 locations

### • Mainstreaming of BFS children

No. of Activities: 18

Outcome: ICDS- 400, Primary- 2, Upper Primary- 1, Secondary- 1

### • Health camp

No. of Activities: 70

Outcome: Access to modern medical treatment by the migrant community, who are otherwise deprived of such treatment.

### • Brickfield school health & awareness programme

No. of Activities: 70

Outcome: Better awareness on health and health related issues among the migrant community.

### • Parents meeting

No. of Activities: 162

Outcome: Parents became better aware on various social issues







- **Christmas day celebration**

No. of Activities: 12

Outcome: The joy of Christmas was spread among the brickfield community and their children.

- **Netaji's birthday and Mary Ward day celebration**

No. of Activities: 40

Outcome: The spirit and conviction of our venerable foundress was spread among the community.

- **One Billion Rising**

No. of Activities: 3

Outcome: The community was made aware to raise their voice against violence on women.

- **Annual sports day celebration**

No. of Activities: 1

Outcome: Children participated in sports activities with much joy and enthusiasm.

- **Annual drawing competition**

No. of Activities: 37

Outcome: Children expressed their creative capabilities.

- **Cross monitoring visit by programme team members**

No. of Activities: 4

Outcome: Checking of projects by senior members of the organisation and thereafter, suggested corrective actions.

- **Adolescent group training**

No. of Activities: 1

Outcome: Awareness among adolescents on relevant issues.

- **Emergency programme/cases.**

No. of Activities: 2

Outcome: Emergency assistance during times of medical crisis enabled proper treatment.

- **Teachers' capacity building training**

No. of Activities: 17

Outcome: Efficiency of teachers increased.

- **Ration distribution every month by Local ICDS-Integrated child development services centres in 15 brickfields.**

No. of Activities: 15

Outcome: Children received ration every month.

- **Holi celebration**

No. of Activities: 40

Outcome: Celebrations brought much joy in the mundane life of the brickfield children.

- **Annual examination**

No. of Activities: 45

Outcome: Children assessed as per the outcome in their learning pattern during the academic session.

- **Saraswati puja**

No. of Activities: 3

Outcome: The Goddess of learning was offered tribute, promoting religious tolerance among communities.





# VULNERABLE SEX WORKER & THEIR CHILDREN

REDLIGHT PROJECT: SONAGACHI



# Providing Education & Protection to Vulnerable Children at Redlight Area - Sonagachi

The COVID-19 crisis has brought unprecedented challenges for millions of people around the world. Despite being termed the 'great equaliser,' the pandemic has disproportionately impacted marginalised communities across the world. Among these communities, the sex workers' community was hit badly. Thus, the sex workers in India were left to fend for themselves, leaving them more vulnerable, than before, the pandemic.

Cramped in brothels, sex workers are usually migrants with insecure legal and residency status and face significant challenges in accessing health services or financial relief, which exacerbates their vulnerability.

The co-occurrence of cyclone Yaas during the second wave in 2020 had been disastrous as the sex workers had to simultaneously deal with the ongoing pandemic and the aftermath of a natural disaster which deeply and adversely affected them economically.



## New Initiative

- With the involvement of children, child friendly corner was designed inside the Sonagachi MAC centre where the kids took the initiative to hold brush and scissors to make the centre look attractive and highlighted child safety information.
- Library corner: Many children at Sonagchi failed to buy additional references and guide books while preparing for their class X and XII boards. Hence as per the syllabi, Hindi, English and Bengali books were added in the centre which can be availed by the kids by using their library card.

## Monitoring and Evaluation

Area of intervention: Redlight | Number of Monitoring visit: 24



## Activities with Children

### • Education support

No. of Activities: 189

Outcome: 70 children completed their learning level as per their age.

### • Art & craft classes

No. of Activities: 85

Outcome: Children's mental wellbeing was done through therapy.

### • Music therapy through dance classes

No. of Activities: 46

Outcome: Children's mental wellbeing was enabled through therapy.

### • Life Skill session and Child counselling

No. of Activities: 11

Outcome: It helped to develop self-confidence and successfully deal with significant life changes and challenges.



- **Child Parliament meeting**

No. of Activities: 12

Outcome: 70 children in red-light area were brought together to strengthen their voice and their leadership skills.

- **Mainstreaming to formal school**

No. of Activities: 55

Outcome: At the beginning of the academic session, 55 children had taken admission into age appropriate classes according to the Right to Education Act.

- **Enrollment in hostels**

No. of Activities: 5

Outcome: 5 children got a chance of a better life in a hostel and thus stayed away from their unsafe and non child-friendly community.

## Activities with Parents

- **Tailoring**

No. of Activities: 63

Outcome: Skill development training conducted in tailoring that helped the sex workers to know a trade skill and to find an alternative source of income.

- **Parent's meeting**

No. of Activities: 12

Outcome: It was very important for the children and mothers to have fun and to be a part of other activities which boosted their confidence and made them feel like they were a part of the society. 70 children and 30 mothers participated in the sports programme.

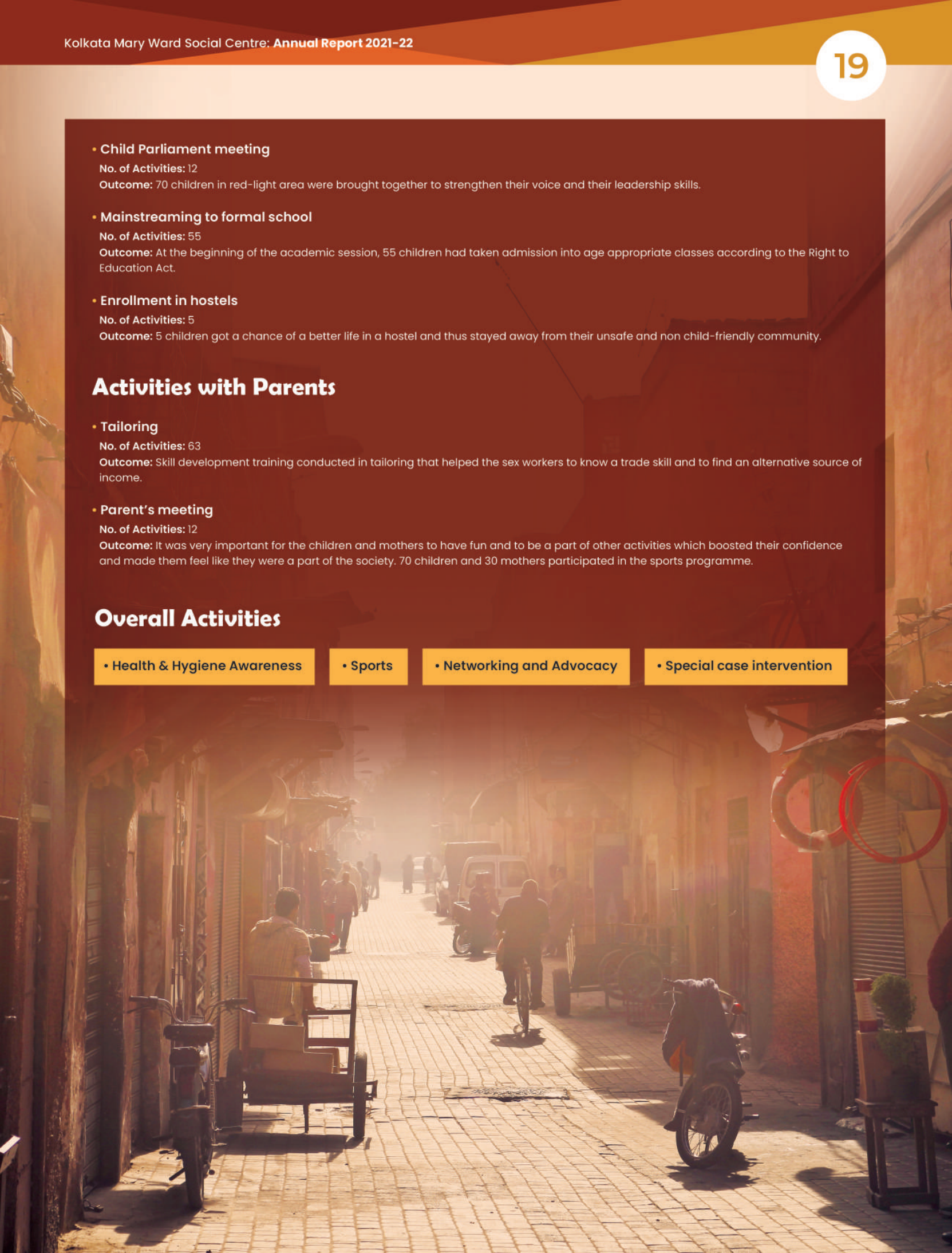
## Overall Activities

- Health & Hygiene Awareness

- Sports

- Networking and Advocacy

- Special case intervention







# AT RISK. WOMEN. CHILDREN & ADOLESCENT

LOTUS CHILD PROJECT

HIDDEN DOMESTIC CHILD LABOUR PROJECT

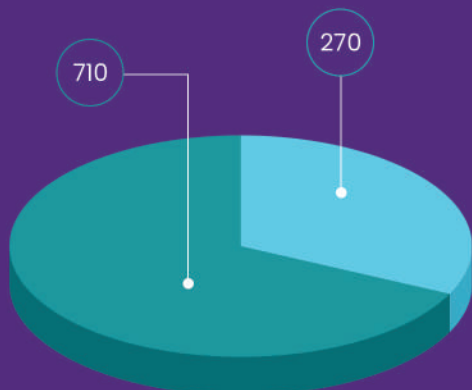
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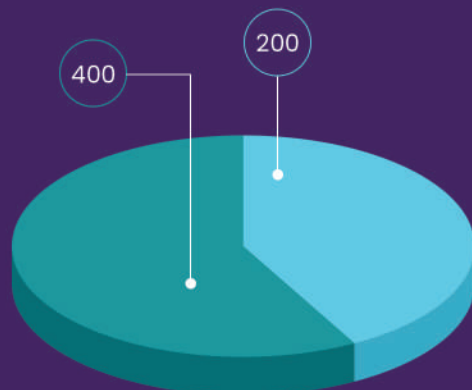
# Our Commitment

## Lotus Child Project



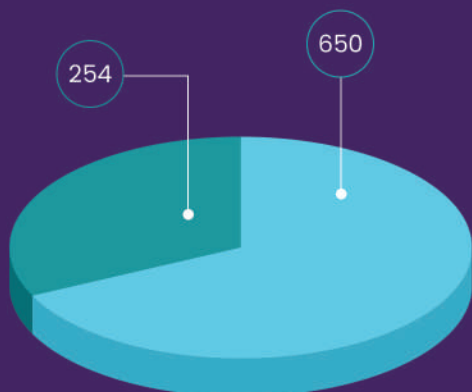
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## Hidden Domestic Child Labour Project



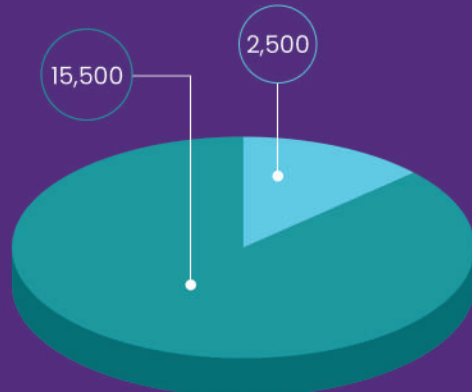
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## Anti-Human Trafficking Project



● Direct Beneficiaries    ● Indirect Beneficiaries

## Child Rights Project



● Direct Beneficiaries    ● Indirect Beneficiaries





# Lotus Child Project

This project focussed on bridging the gap between poverty, education and development. It made sure that the underprivileged students got access to quality education in order to develop their future as per their choice. Remedial classes were initiated for the enrolled students. These classes helped the children in need, to learn new aspects and get proper education. Basic health and hygiene kits for the beneficiaries, awareness on protection from social issues including; child marriage, human trafficking, child labour were the main aspects of the project.

## Monitoring and Evaluation

Chaulgola

Number of monitoring visits: 20

Sonapota

Number of monitoring visits: 20



## Activities

### • Thermometer distribution

**No. of Activities:** 1

**Outcome:** 100 beneficiaries were given thermometers during the pandemic to monitor their body temperature and consult the doctor if it exceeded over 95 degree Fahrenheit.

### • Mass awareness and distribution of sanitary napkin

**No. of Activities:** 3

**Outcome:** It was observed that the beneficiaries especially the boys and mothers were not comfortable talking on menstruation openly. The awareness sessions have helped them in breaking various taboos and stereotypes, attached to it.

### • Home visits

**No. of Activities:** 400

**Outcome:** The home visits were conducted at regular intervals by the community teachers. It helped them to gather feedback of the classes conducted, to know about the problems they faced, to know why the students remained absent and it also helped in new enrollments.

### • Multivitamin tablet distribution

**No. of Activities:** 2

**Outcome:** Multivitamin tablets were distributed to the community people during the pandemic to help them boost their immunity system.



- **Teaching Learning Materials- preparation (T.L.M.)**

No. of Activities: 2

**Outcome:** A proper training on TLM development was provided to the teachers by the resource person. After the training session, the teachers learnt new ways of making TLM, learnt new things and they prepared their own TLMs.

- **Teaching Learning Materials-distribution (T.L.M.)**

No. of Activities: 2

**Outcome:** T.L.M were distributed in the field for the beneficiaries to conduct regular classes.

- **Staff monthly meeting**

No. of Activities: 12

**Outcome:** The monthly staff meetings helped the team to grow and learn from previous activities and from proper planning of the upcoming activities.

- **Vocational & handicraft training. (Earring making through Quilling, Cloth Mask Making, Tie and Dye, Scrunches Making)**

No. of Activities: 4

**Outcome:** Various training programmes in handicrafts were given to the mothers and peer group members. They successfully learnt the techniques and the same were implemented during learning, for income generation.

- **Livelihood training**

No. of Activities: 4

**Outcome:** Livelihood training was given to the mothers at both the centres-Sonapota and Chaulgola.



- **Staff capacity building**

No. of Activities: 5

**Outcome:** Capacity Building sessions were conducted at KMWSC for the staff by the resource person to evaluate them and to train them on conducting classes following the new learning modules, lesson plan format and use of TLM.

- **Auto campaign (Child marriage, child protection issues, child labour, COVID 19 protocols, human trafficking)**

No. of Activities: 5

**Outcome:** Auto campaign awareness programmes were conducted every quarter. They were focussed on making people aware on various social issues, increasing their knowledge concept, prevention, laws and acts.

- **Health programmes (Distribution of masks, sanitary napkin & hand sanitizers)**

No. of Activities: 2

**Outcome:** Promoted using hand sanitizers, masks and sanitary napkins and maintained proper health and hygiene. These hygiene kits were distributed to the beneficiaries and awareness programmes were conducted.

- **Life Skill Development**

No. of Activities: 1

**Outcome:** Life Skill Development programme was conducted in December. The adolescent group of both the centres - Sonapota and Chaulgola attended the training on Critical Thinking and took upon life challenges.

- **Peer group meeting**

No. of Activities: 24

**Outcome:** Monthly peer group meetings were held on academic progress, arrangements for special days celebration addressing social issues. The meetings helped them to be aware of these.





- **Mothers' meeting**

No. of Activities: 24

**Outcome:** Mothers' meetings were conducted monthly with the mothers of the community, at both the centres. A fruitful discussion on the problems they faced in the villages was done. Along with it, they were briefed on the social issues that were common in the society and how to prevent oneself from such situations.

- **Oximeter distribution**

No. of Activities: 1

**Outcome:** Oximeter was handed over to the field staff to monitor the oxygen level of the students, mothers and peers during the pandemic period before they entered the centre. The teachers addressed the issue when they found a drop in the oxygen levels.

- **Sports day celebration**

No. of Activities: 2

**Outcome:** Sports day was celebrated at both the centres. During the event the adolescent group, children, mothers actively participated in all the events. They were motivated, entertained and were happy that they got a platform to execute their skills. And enjoyed to the fullest.

- **Financial monitoring visit**

No. of Activities: 1

**Outcome:** Financial monitoring visit was conducted by the senior accountant at the field. A short meeting with all the vendors and staff were done. The billing process was observed. This visit gave an insight to the vendors and community teachers on areas where rectification was needed and they were also encouraged to maintain the process well.



# Hidden Domestic Child Labour

This project is to weed out, all forms of child labour that are socially and culturally unacceptable in Kolkata; enabling children to withdraw from the child labour force and mainstream them into formal/open schools or provide them opportunities for alternative livelihood to live a dignified life. The aim is to ensure, quality education for the excluded children; give them basic education; tutorial support and prepare them in Multi Purpose Activities Centres (MACs) in order to be admitted into formal schools; eradicating inequality in educational opportunities irrespective of caste, creed, gender and language especially for children with disabilities. The project focusses to mainstream the children (6 to 14 years) into formal schools , enrol (15-18 years) in open schools and to provide life skill education and recreational activities to the children in multi purpose activities centres.



## Monitoring and Evaluation

Muraripukur

Number of monitoring visits: 12

Chingrighata

Number of monitoring visits: 12







## Activities

### • Auto campaign

**No. of Activities:** 3 | **MAC Name:** Dhapa and Chingrighata

**Outcome:** Auto campaign was organised on 28th April, 29th October 2021, and 3rd March in the areas adjoining the MACs at Dhapa and Chingrighata. Campaign was also undertaken to enrol candidates for the vocational training courses like Tailoring, Beautician, Bakery training,

### • Mainstreaming

**No. of Activities:** 77 | **MAC Name:** Park Circus, Dhapa, Chingrighata, Muraripukur

**Outcome:** Mainstreaming children into government schools was an important component of the HDCL project. As children completed their basic education at the MAC, they were mainstreamed into government schools.

### • Admission to vocational training course

**No. of Activities:** 30 | **MAC Name:** Park Circus, Dhapa, Muraripukur

**Outcome:** The HDCL organised vocational training for them on tailoring and beautician courses at its Skill Development Training unit at the head office of the organisation. The duration of the course was three months with theory and practical sessions being held from Monday to Friday, every week.

### • Monthly meeting with parents

**No. of Activities:** 12 | **MAC Name:** Park Circus, Chingrighata, Muraripukur, Dhapa

**Outcome:** We conducted parents' meeting every month. Parents came to the MACs to monitor the progress of children. These parents in turn, convinced other parents to send their children to MAC. The parents were sensitized on child marriage, health and hygiene, domestic violence and government schemes like "Lakshmir Bhandar", "Swasthya Sathi Card", "RTE" etc.

### • Monthly meeting with children and peer group

**No. of Activities:** 12 | **MAC Name:** Park Circus, Chingrighata, Muraripukur, Dhapa

**Outcome:** This meeting was conducted every month with the children to discuss child labour cases. They learnt from such cases. Along with this, various social issues were also addressed.

### • Monthly meeting with club members

**No. of Activities:** 8 | **MAC Name:** Park Circus, Chingrighata, Muraripukur, Dhapa

**Outcome:** Club members' meetings were conducted every month. Here fruitful interaction was done with the club members of all the MACs to discuss Rental of Mac and maintaining the cleanliness of MAC.

### • Monthly meeting with field staff

**No. of Activities:** 3 | **MAC Name:** Chingrighata, Muraripukur, Dhapa, Park Circus

**Outcome:** During the meeting with the field staff, important discussions were held with the team. They learnt the techniques to move forward with the activities. Proper planning was done for the upcoming activities. Their lesson plan and logbooks were evaluated.





- **Special day celebration (*Republic day, Women's day, Holi, Independence day, Christmas day, Children's day celebrations*)**

No. of Activities: 2 | MAC Name: Chingrighata, Park Circus

Outcome: The special days play an important role. The beneficiaries came together to celebrate special days. They learnt about the significance and importance of such days and events.

- **OBR celebration**

No. of Activities: 1 | MAC Name: Dhapa

Outcome: Under the HDCL all MAC teachers celebrated the OBR programme in the Chingrighata Multipurpose Activity Centre in the presence of our project coordinator and 50 children.

- **Orientation programme on CR & CP issues with relevant stake holders**

No. of Activities: 4 | MAC Name: Dhapa, Park Circus, Chingrighata, Muraripukur

Outcome: An orientation was given to the stakeholders on, not employing any child labour or engaging them for any sort of income generation. They got to learn the child labour laws and prevention.



- **Life skill training with peer group**

No. of Activities: 1 | MAC Name: Dhapa, Park Circus, Muraripukur, Chingrighata

Outcome: The children got the scope of learning basic life skills from a professional resource person at KMWSC. They got an insight on child protection, good touch & bad touch, good habits & bad habits and child rights.

- **Capacity building training with children**

No. of Activities: 1 | MAC Name: Park Circus, Muraripukur, Dhapa, Chingrighata

Outcome: Capacity Building Training was conducted for the children. They learnt about child rights issues.

- **Health programmes for beneficiaries**

No. of Activities: 4 | MAC Name: Dhapa, Muraripukur, Park Circus, Chingrighata

Outcome: Health programmes were conducted at all the MACs. A thorough check-up was initiated for the children and mothers. Medicines were also given to them with doctor's consultation.

- **Annual sports programme**

No. of Activities: 4 | MAC Name: Muraripukur, Dhapa, Park Circus, Chingrighata

Outcome: Sports day was conducted at all the MACs. The children and mothers were motivated and were active participants in all the sports events.





# Anti Human Trafficking Project

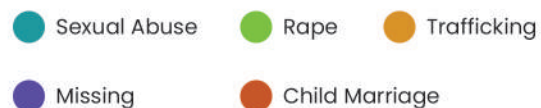
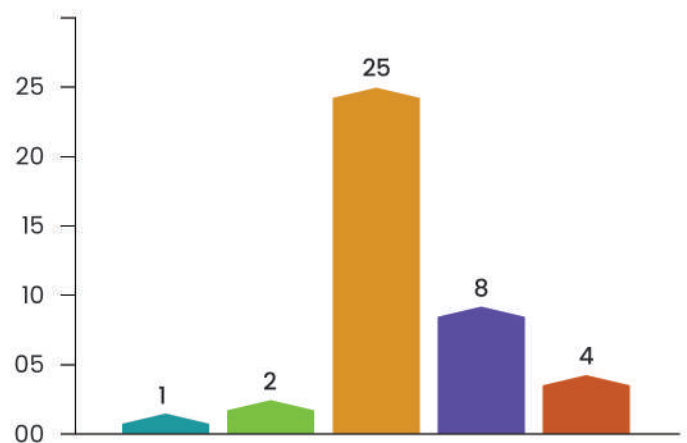
As per the Crimes in India Statistics, 2019 issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs, a total of **2,260 cases of human trafficking were registered in 2019 compared to 2,278 cases in 2018.**

There are commonly occurring during economic and social challenges that make the economically backward communities more vulnerable to trafficking. Thus, due to Covid-19, the vulnerability multiplied. Chronic Poverty, unemployment, the lure of a better life, social discrimination, domestic violence, child marriage, substance and sexual abuse were some factors that have been found to increase the vulnerability of the target beneficiaries of the project.

The objective of the project was to create safety net in the local community to combat trafficking and on women and child safety issues like sexual abuse, child marriage, violation of basic rights etc.



## Number of cases intervened from April 2021 to March 2022





## Projects

### Community based intervention initiative on anti-human trafficking

- **Geographic area of Intervention:** Basirhat, North 24 parganas, West Bengal (*near Indo Bangladesh Boarder*).
- **Area Coverage:** Worked in 10 villages in 3 Gram Panchayats.
- **Monitoring Visits:** 20

### SCAR – Sensitization of communities and adolescents at Risk: to combat human trafficking and child abuse

- **Geographic area of Intervention:** Diamond Harbour, South 24 parganas.
- **Area Coverage:** Worked in 10 villages in 6 Gram Panchayats.
- **Monitoring Visits:** 20

## Activities

### Sensitization and accountability meeting with gram panchayat members, ICDS members and self help group members

**No. of Activities:** Diamond Harbour – 9, Basirhat – 12

**Outcome:** Mass awareness on how to prevent human trafficking & child abuse. 270 villagers were made aware and trained on child rights, law and prevention act.

### Community Vigilance Committee (CVC) meeting

**No. of Activities:** Diamond Harbour – 78, Basirhat – 91

**Outcome:** How to make a safety net in our community. 200 children were made aware and were trained on child rights, law and prevention act.

### Community awareness campaign

**No. of Activities:** Diamond Harbour – 9, Basirhat – 12

**Outcome:** Mass awareness on how to prevent human trafficking & child abuse. 270 villagers were made aware and trained on child rights, law and prevention act.

### Child parliament (CP) meeting

**No. of Activities:** Diamond Harbour – 78, Basirhat – 90

**Outcome:** How to make safety net in our community. 150 parents were made aware and were trained on child rights, law and prevention act.



### Vehicles union meeting

**No. of Activities:** Diamond Harbour – 12, Basirhat – 6

**Outcome:** Awareness on how to prevent human trafficking & child abuse. 180 auto, bus, rickshaw & toto drivers were made aware and were trained on child rights, law and prevention act.

### Capacity building of child parliament members

**No. of Activities:** Diamond Harbour – 5 Basirhat – 2

**Outcome:** Make child advocate or leader to prevent human trafficking & child abuse.

### Meeting of shopkeepers union

**No. of Activities:** Diamond Harbour – 5, Basirhat – 4

**Outcome:** Awareness on how to prevent human trafficking & child abuse. 75 shop owners were made aware and trained on child rights, law and prevention act.

### Stake holder orientation meeting

**No. of Activities:** Diamond Harbour – 6, Basirhat – 6

**Outcome:** 120 stake holders in various fields of government offices like police, councillor, judge of DALSA, CWC, DCP, SWO were oriented about our project goals and were requested to make safety net in our community.

### Auto Campaign

**No. of Activities:** Diamond Harbour – 12 Basirhat – 12

**Outcome:** Mass awareness on how to prevent human trafficking & child abuse.



- **CVC formation**

No. of Activities: Diamond Harbour – 8, Basirhat – 3

Outcome: How to make safety nets in our community. 120 children were made aware and trained on child rights, law and prevention act.

- **Child Parliament formation.**

No. of Activities: Diamond Harbour – 8, Basirhat – 3

Outcome: How to make safety nets in our community. 160 children were made aware and trained on child rights, law and prevention act.

- **Village Level Child Protection Committee (VLCPC) meeting**

No. of Activities: Diamond Harbour – 1, Basirhat – NA

Outcome: 120 stake holders in various fields of government office departments like police, councillor, judge of DALSA, CWC, DCPU, SWO have been oriented about the project goals and requested them to make safety nets in the community.





# Surokhit Shaishav – Child Rights Project

Surokhit Shaishav-(Safe Childhood- Child Rights) project is in its 3rd year of continuation and in 20 villages under Basirhat Block-1 near the Indo Bangladesh border since October 2019. Being the border villages, the lives of children are at risk. During the last 2 years and 3 months of intervention in 20 villages through community awareness & mass sensitization campaigns, auto campaigns on child labour, capacity building programmes, formation of child clubs, periodic leadership training and workshops, formation of CBOs such as Mothers Collectives, strengthening the child friendly police station, VLCPC, VEC, SMCs, home visits, guardians meet, networking and advocacy with the local governing body-CWC, DSWO, DCPU and police, the project has impacted the lives of



largely the village people and has brought a change in the mind set of children and community people, at large. Many children are trafficked into Bangladesh for slavery, forced labour and flesh trade in the redlight areas. The ignorance, the lack of knowledge and awareness among the villagers lead to social issues. The violation of child rights and protection issues were very common at the intervention areas before we started the commencement of project. Very few people knew about the rights of children and why protection of children was needed. They did not even know that children have rights to live a secure, healthy and safe life. Child labour, child trafficking, early marriage, early pregnancy, pre-natal deaths were very common due to under age marriages of children. The sexual harassment and abuses were also a threat for children in those border villages.



## Areas of Intervention

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| • Kamardanga village<br>Number of monitoring visits: 2 | • Mukundokati<br>Number of monitoring visits: 2  | • Basirhat P.S.<br>Number of monitoring visits: 2                        |
| • Merudandi village<br>Number of monitoring visits: 4  | • Kolapota<br>Number of monitoring visits: 1     | • Panitor village<br>Number of monitoring visits: 3                      |
| • Parnaihati<br>Number of monitoring visits: 2         | • Prasunnakati<br>Number of monitoring visits: 2 | • Child Friendly Corner, Basirhat P.S.<br>Number of monitoring visits: 2 |
| • Chaura<br>Number of monitoring visits: 1             | • Shibhati<br>Number of monitoring visits: 1     | • Ghojadanga<br>Number of monitoring visits: 3                           |



- Itinda  
Number of monitoring visits: 1
- Paikardanga  
Number of monitoring visits: 2
- Gachha  
Number of monitoring visits: 1
- Nakuadaha  
Number of monitoring visits: 1
- Panitor  
Number of monitoring visits: 2
- Benebow  
Number of monitoring visits: 1
- Akharpur  
Number of monitoring visits: 1
- DCPU  
Number of monitoring visits: 2
- Child friendly space  
Number of monitoring visits: 7

**Total no. of Monitoring Visits: 43**



## Activities

- Awareness campaigns on covid 19, child rights, child protection issues, covid vaccine through toto miking

No. of Activities: 4

**Outcome:** Awareness campaign was conducted to make the community people aware of the various issues through auto-miking.

- Villagers came to know about the safety measures of covid-19 and what would be the plan of action if one had the symptoms
- As a result of the awareness campaigns, more than 85% children (14-18 years) got vaccines in 20 villages under Basirhat Block-1.
- Villagers came to know about child protection issues and 11 such cases were rescued through the villagers, this year.

- Village awareness campaigns through child friendly activities

No. of Activities: 9

**Outcome:** Through these campaigns, child club members conducted awareness in market areas and went for door to door campaigning. Through stickers and leaflet distribution, children, elderly people as well as shop keepers, auto union drivers were made aware of child protection issues.

- Awareness campaign session with school students & teachers on child rights through rallies

No. of Activities: 2

**Outcome:** School teachers and students took part in the rallies to make the community aware. The presence of school teachers in the rallies brought a positive and effective response towards society.

- Sensitisation dialogue with toto, auto, van driver, shopkeepers

No. of Activities: 3

**Outcome:** The sensitisation dialogues were focussed on child rights, safety of a child while riding and that its everyone's responsibility to provide these children a safe environment.

- After those programmes, drivers of toto unions were given special attention for the safety of children while riding.
- Reduced abuses during auto and toto riding of children.
- Reduction in the number of children driving auto/toto was noticed.



- **Advocacy programme with BFS officials & sharing the Charter of Recommendation by children with DCPO, MLA, GP members and CWC**

No. of Activities: 4

**Outcome:** • BSF officials helped to solve cases in the border areas over child protection issues

- The children shared the Charter of Recommendation to the government bodies and their confidence level increased.
- Many child club leaders communicated with GP Pradhan and Sangsad members while solving protection issues regarding children of their villages.
- Streets were made in Gachha Akharpur GP after sharing the Charter of Recommendation

- **Interface meeting with duty bearers on child right(Childline,03 G.P. s)**

No. of Activities: 7

**Outcome:** With a strong rapport with Childline of Basirhat, Shibhati- Sangrampur GP, Gachha-Akharpur G.P, and Itinda-Panitor G.P. help was assured while dealing with such cases.



- **Children's workshop on child rights journalism**

No. of Activities: 2

**Outcome:** Child club members attended two workshops on child rights journalism. They got a lot of information on journalism and how they could use the techniques of journalism in matters of child protection. Knowing the criteria to become a journalist, many children were motivated to make a career in journalism

- **Periodic leadership training session on child rights**

No. of Activities: 3

**Outcome:** Through discussions, they got information about:

- Atrocities of UNCRC(United Nations Convention on Child Rights)
- Strengthening the leadership qualities in them
- Issues at the village level
- The experiences of child club members was shared with children from 20 other villages.

- **Monthly community base organization meeting**

No. of Activities: 11

**Outcome:** • To solve child protection issues, these meetings were a bridge between KMWSC and the community people.

- A very strong rapport was created with the key persons (CBO) from the community in 19 villages.

- **6 month enrolment drives in children parliament**

No. of Activities: 2

**Outcome:** • Through this programme, child club members got an opportunity to meet other children from 20 villages to share their experiences.

- New child club members got an opportunity to meet the already existing group and exchange of learning happened.

- **Bi monthly Bal Sabha**

No. of Activities: 3

**Outcome:** • These meetings were conducted in the presence of ICDS workers, CBO members, Sangsad members, child line representatives and child club members.

- Children gradually became vocal in front of the stakeholders; they came out of their shells while discussing child protection issues.
- Before, the child club members felt ashamed in talking about sexual abuses on children, but now they were eager to come forward to help the victims.

- **Networking and meeting with health service providers**

No. of Activities: 3

**Outcome:** • Villagers came to know about the immunization of children and the centres where they could bring the children for the same.

- Now, the villagers belonging to the very economically disadvantaged community were able to get treatment for their children.

- **Annual Anganwadi meeting & enrollment drives of-6 year old children**

No. of Activities: 4

**Outcome:** • In the intervention villages, every pregnant mother could avail the facilities from our Anganwadi centres.

- Children(0-06 years) are getting all the opportunities from the centre.
- Anganwadi workers have become more sensitive while dealing with children



### • Capacity building of child leaders at Kalimpong with 06 other partner organizations

No. of Activities: 1

**Outcome:** • Child clubs leaders met with other 12 child clubs leaders from 6 partner organizations and exchanged experiences

- They prepared a Charter of Recommendation of WB and raised their respective village issues.
- In the month of October they put the point of cross border child trafficking issue in front of WBCPCR.
- Strict rules at borders regarding children were noticed from January 2022. movement of children across border as "Khalasi" was stopped.



### • Village level child protection committee formation & meeting

No. of Activities: 1

**Outcome:** • Committee members came to know about their roles and responsibilities.

- Introduction of other members of the committee in Shibhati-Sangrampur GP.
- They became functional and they informed KMWSC about one child trafficking case.

### • Village level education committee formation & meeting

No. of Activities: 1

**Outcome:** • Committee members came to know about their roles and responsibilities.

- Introduction of other members of the committee in Paikardanga and Parnaihati villages.
- Head mistress of Paikardanga F.P School and Parnaihati SSK were enrolled as members and are now active.

### • School management committee meeting

No. of Activities: 1

**Outcome:** • Members of SMC of Itinda Girls High School came to know about their roles and responsibilities.

- Discussions on enrollment, drop-outs, child rights, child protection issues at schools.

### • TIE (Theatre in Education) workshop at Seva Kendra

No. of Activities: 1

**Outcome:** • Child club members and leaders performed plays on child labour, child marriage and child sexual abuse.

- They have become vocal. Through plays in the last 3 months, about 150 villagers became aware.

### • Formation and federation of child club

No. of Activities: 1

**Outcome:** • Play on sexual abuse "Mauka nahi hu main, zimmedari humain Teri" performed by child club leaders, left a deep message to the community people.

- More than 100 people become aware through this, including child club members from different villages.

### • Child friendly Corner Inauguration at Basirhat P.S

No. of Activities: 1

**Outcome:** • Children coming in Basirhat P.S availed the facilities of a child friendly police station

### • Sharing Charter of Recommendation with Chairperson of WBCPCR

No. of Activities: 1

**Outcome:** • Child club leaders became good leaders for their community and became the voice of other children of their village in the presence of WBCPCR.







**Child friendly space and games corner inauguration**

**No. of Activities:** 1

**Outcome:** • The child club members have got their own space for learning, sharing and recreational activities.

**Annual learning exchange programme**

**No. of Activities:** 1

**Outcome:** • Play on Sexual Abuse "Mauka nahi hu main, zimmedari hu main Teri" performed by child club leaders, raised awareness of among community people.

• They were made aware the necessity of stopping violence against girl and women on the day of One Billion Rising.

**Special Day observation of world day against child labour(12th June'21)**

**No. of Activities:** 7

**Outcome:** 1. Children came to know the real value of these observances and they were satisfied.

2. Child friendly police station was inaugurated at Basirhat P.S. Children were pleased with this development.

3. Children were happy with these special day celebrations that were held without any discrimination. Child friendly space was inaugurated during child rights week at Itinda.

4. Launching of the campaign for covid-19 vaccination drive for children from 14 years-18 years with special focus on the girl child.

- Girl children were happy to be non-discriminated upon, in the matter of vaccines.
- More than 855 boys and girls got vaccinated.

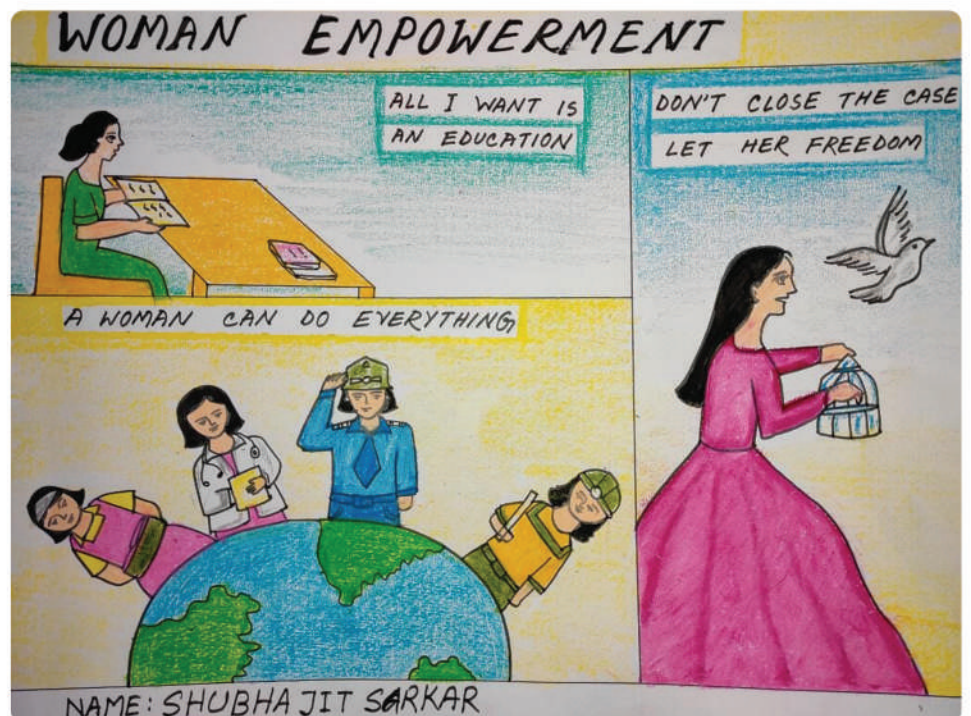
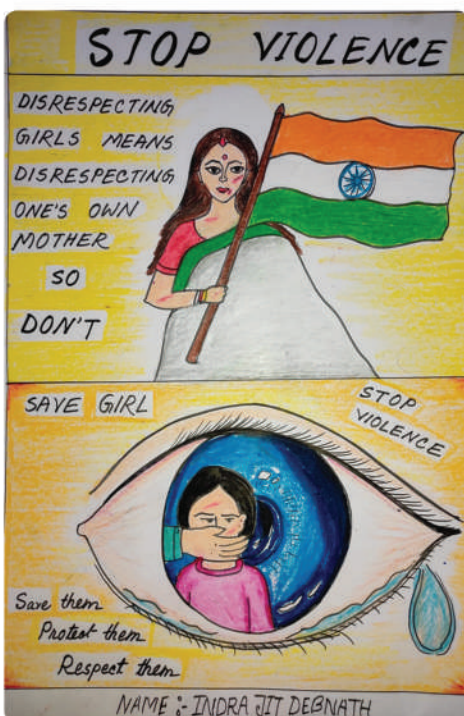
5. Through poster-making on that day, children promoted awareness in the villages. With this, children and people become more aware in doing away with discrimination.

6. End of the vaccination drive through CBO programme. Appreciation was shown to the CBO members through this programme. Women in villages were joyous as these celebrations were held for the first time.

7. Ms. Asha Rosalaine Ekka , Programme Lead of Caritas India was more than happy to celebrate Republic day with the child club members.

- She gave special thanks to the brand ambassadors of this project who got Bravery Awards for helping the community people.

8. Child club members celebrated Basanta Utsav and were ecstatic, playing with colours.







# TRIBAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

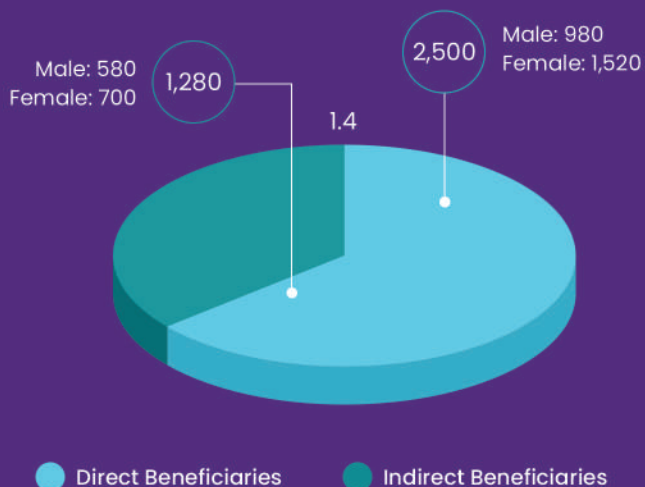
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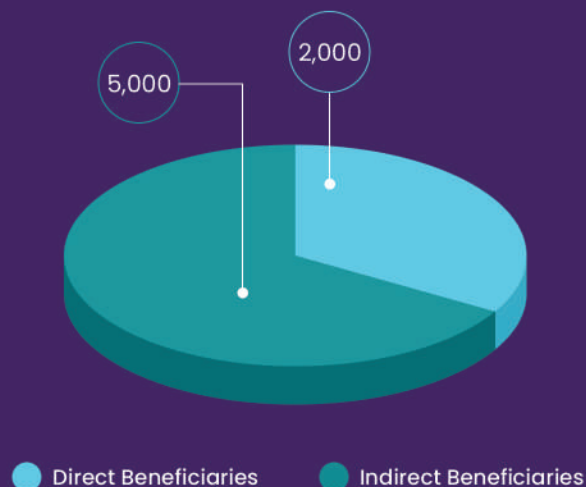


## Our Commitments

### Lodha Community Project



### Solar Enlightment Project



## Intervened Destination Areas of West Bengal





# Lodha Community Project

It is a tribal based community programme for the socially, economically backward families who are still considered untouchables in the society. During the last 7 years of intervention in the Lodha community through community awareness & sensitization campaigns, capacity building programmes, medical check up camps, alternative livelihood options for Lodha people, home visits, guardians meet, networking and advocacy with the local governing body, the project has impacted the lives of the Lodhas people largely and has brought a change in the mind set of the Lodha

- They are now coming forward to claim the benefits of government schemes available in the panchayat and at hospitals in the districts.
- Lactating mothers are now going to government hospitals to avail the facilities for pregnant women.
- As a result of networking with local panchayat members, some development work for the Lodha community is under way:
  - o the local administration constructed a concrete pathway the road up to the from the main road to the centre.
  - o Installed pipe lines for the supply of drinking water in the centre for the children.
  - o The drinking water pipe line was also connected to the Lodha households.
- 15 children from the Lodha community have benefitted from the hostel facilities when, after lockdown ,they returned back to the hostel.
- Each member was helped to obtain their respective legal documents.
- The men folk went to work after they received the legal documents.
- Few mothers took the lead role and helped the teachers in every activity of the project.





- Self help group was formed in the community, consisting of 10 Lodha women.
- In the absence of schools during lockdown, the tailoring course was availed of, by the young girls, which benefitted them.
- One Lodha house was made a centre for the children to study and learn.
- Lodha women and men were taken to the health sub centre for the 1st vaccination for covid 19.
- Subsequently, the Lodha learning centre was made a vaccination centre for the 2nd dose of covid 19 vaccine.
- The childrens' parliament group was initiated. Along with the other children, this parliament brought to the fore, child rights and child protection issues. The children were given sessions from time to time to make them aware of their rights.
- The exposure to the outer world changed their perspectives and life style and this was reflected in some of them, who became more organized in the community.

## Monitoring and Evaluation

**Area of intervention:** Radhakrishnapur village,  
Rudranagar Gram Panchayat, Sagar Island, South 24 parganas  
**Number of monitoring visits:** 20

**Area of intervention:** Lodhapara  
**Number of monitoring visits:** 25



## Activities

### • Learning support to the children

**No. of Activities:** In 9 months from April, 2021 to March, 2022, a total of 210 days, learning support was provided to the children.

**Outcome:** Teaching is a great profession. Just as there is great social respect in teaching, it has also a role to play in building an ideal society. One can keep oneself busy in education for the rest of one's life. There is a different kind of joy in knowledge gaining and in keeping others abreast.

### • Admission of children in the Lodha centre

**No. of Activities:** During this year, total number of 22 (boys 8, girls 7 including 5 Lodha) children were admitted to the Lodha learning centre. The total number of beneficiary children was 154 in the centre.

**Outcome:** The trust and faith of the guardians have increased on the education style of the centre.

### • Admission of children in government schools.

**No. of Activities:** A total of 15 children (boys 8, girls 7 including Lodha children) were admitted to government schools from the Lodha community Centre for the continuation of their further studies.

**Outcome:** The children will continue to pursue academics for their future.

### • Home visit

**No. of Activities:** For 25 days door to door visits of Lodha and general families were conducted. This amounted to a total of 350 houses in the year.

**Outcome:** Follow-up was done on children through home visits. Changes have been noticed in the general physical and mental development, especially among Lodha members.



### • Visit to Lodhapara

**No. of Activities:** The field staff visited Lodhapara, two days a week to implement the programme, with Lodha families.

**Outcome:** Constant visits have brought immense change in the community.

### • Health check up camps

**No. of Activities:** During this year, a total number of 22 (boys 8, girls 7 including 5 Lodha) children were admitted to the Lodha learning centre. Total number of beneficiary children was 154 at the centre.

**Outcome:** Medical camp is considered a life-saving programme. The aim was to provide free medical treatment to the poor and to the Lodha community, living in rural areas by a mobile team with various medical specialized services. The medical camp enriched all with constructive learning outcomes:

- Some of them communicated that they wanted homoeopathy treatment but did not know where to report for the same.
- Many patients reported that they had benefited with homoeopathic treatment in some medical conditions but had limited access to public health system from where homoeopathic treatment was offered.
- Some of the patients wanted to know for which diseases in patients was homeopathy care available.

By participating in awareness and medical camps, people were shown the advantages and disadvantages of disease prevention.

### • Monthly staff meeting

**No. of Activities:** A total of 15 staff meetings were held.

**Outcome:** A regular staff meeting was held every month for the implementation of the Lodha project. In addition, quarterly, half-yearly, annual and emergency meetings were organized time to time.

### • Awareness programme on health & hygiene

**No. of Activities:** Total of 4 awareness programmes on health and hygiene camps were held. Total participants were 173 with 84 males and 89 females.

**Outcome:** 1. Earlier, the Lodha parents were reticent but now the Lodha community unhesitatingly appeal to the administration about their demands or needs and dare to speak out.

2. All in the Lodha community regularly attended medical and awareness camps and meetings. They always joined the sessions following the rules of lockdown.

### • Awareness programmes on government schemes

**No. of Activities:** 2 times. Participants 68 (male 8 female 60).

**Outcome:** 1. Lodha parents were reluctant to reach out to people. At present the Lodha community, voice their demands and needs and freely communicate with the people themselves.

2. Mothers of the Lodha community were eager to open savings bank accounts to get government benefits.

### • Identification of needy families for providing grocery support during lock down and after the cyclone Yaas.

**No. of Activities:** 160 needy families were identified after cyclone Yaas

**Outcome:** A list consisting of names was drawn out after short listing the 160 heads. The cyclone Yaas adversely affected beneficiaries in four villages of Radhakrishnapur & Naraharipur Mouza. The emergency response for Yaas relief goods for the Lodha community and others at the administrative level, registered CBOs, Rudranagar Bishalaxmi club were provided meals at home, during this shut down period.





- **Learning centre was converted into a disaster shelter camp during cyclone Yaas on 25th and 26th May 2021**

**No. of Activities:** 120 families (members 450) took shelter in the learning centre. On 26th May, after the cyclone, 1200 people (male 500 female 700) were given cooked food from the centre.

**Outcome:** The practise of service in the times of natural calamities was inculcated.

- **Parents' meeting**

**No. of Activities:** Total Participants 57 (male 2 Female 55)

**Outcome:** The parents were made aware of the covid 19 prevention protocols.

- **Collaboration with Rudranagar Palli Unnyan Tarun Songho, Rudranagar Gram Panchayet, Ramkrishna Mission & Saraswati Milan Mela Committee**

**No. of Activities:** 4 organizations

**Outcome:** The local clubs became the strength for resource generation.

- **Packing of relief kits**

**No. of Activities:** 670 packets were packed

**Outcome:** The team learnt to sacrifice their time and energy for the sake of the people.

- **TLM & Clothes Distribution**

**No. of Activities:** 154 children (boys-86, girls-68 )

**Outcome:** It increased the enthusiasm of the children to come to the centre to learn.

- **Awareness Programmes on child rights.**

**No. of Activities:** A total of 3 (dates – 19.11.2021, 21.11.2021 and 04.03.2022) awareness programmes on child rights and child protection issues have been held. Total participants – 359 with 106 males and 253 females.

**Outcome:** For the first time, the children of the entire Sagar Island came to know about child rights. Prior to this, they never had this type of training sessions.



- **Child parliament meeting**

**No. of Activities:** A total 10 Child Parliament meeting was conducted. There was a total of 450 participants with 130 males and 320 females.

**Outcome:** 1. As a result of conducting child rights awareness camps and monthly parliament etc, children from the Lodha and other communities were becoming aware of their rights and child protection issues.

2. The children of the centre have submitted a written application to the BDO and Panchayet Pradhan, requesting for social development work in their villages.

- **Childrens' leaders meeting**

**No. of Activities:** A total of 5 Monthly Childrens' Leader Meetings were organized in this year. (Dates: 30.07.2021, 20.09.2021, 10.11.21, 21.11.21 and 04.03.2022). Parliament leader participants in the project area were 163 ( males 40 and females 123).

**Outcome:** The children became vocal and are raising their voice for their rights.

- **Periodic leadership workshop for child leaders**

**No. of Activities:** Number of Leadership Workshops with parliament leaders were 5 and they were conducted on 14.08.2021, 29.08.2021, 18.09.21, 26.10.21 and 18.12. 21 and 26.01.2022. There were a total of 161 heads with 53 male and 108 females.

**Outcome:** As a result of several awareness camps on child laws and rights, protection issues, the children and their parents become much more aware. Self-leadership skills among children. As a spiralling effect of school closure for pandemic lock down, the parents took the initiative to send the school dropouts back to school.

- **Formation of child parliament**

**No. of Activities:** This year, 4 child parliaments were formed in the Radhakrishnapur and the Naraharipur areas.

**Outcome:** After the formation of the parliament, the children became aware of their rights and have shown courage.

Children of Shishu Sangsad are playing a special role in preventing child marriages.



### • Legal entitlements

**No. of Activities:** During this year, Aadhaar card (Unique Identification Authority of India) was made for 24 people (males-11; females- 13). 2 job cards, and ration cards for 12 persons (with 5 males and 7 females) were issued to the Lodhas. Savings bank accounts for 10 Lodha mothers were opened in State Bank of India.

**Outcome:** These identity cards ensured the proof of their presence and relevance in the community.

### • Community survey

**No. of Activities:** On one occasion, in the Santali Community at Jibantala Village under Rudranagar GP.

**Outcome:** The beginning of the year a survey of 30 families was done in the Santali Community in Jibantala Village under Rudranagar GP. This survey gave the full details of each family. The survey was conducted to know the livelihood, social and economic status of the Santals.

### • Networking and collaboration with the local panchayat

**No. of Activities:** 20 times

**Outcome:** The panchayat was made aware of the needs of the Lodha people.

### • Sports day celebration

**No. of Activities:** The annual sports competition was held at Radhakrishnapur Tankpar playground of Khelaghar Learning on 10th and 11th November, 2021. About 165 people (M – 75, F – 90) were present for the event.

**Outcome:** Compared to previous years, most of the winners in the annual sports competition held in 2021 were from the Lodha community.



### • Tailoring course for women

**No. of Activities:** A total of 20 girls including children participated in the tailoring class. This class was conducted two times a week at the Lodha Centre from September 2021 to December 2021.

**Outcome:** Out of 20 students, 14 passed. During the lockdown, young girls were interested to take up the tailoring course.

### • Networking with local health administration for institutional delivery

**No. of Activities:** 20 visits to the government hospital were made for networking.

**Outcome:** The mothers were now getting admitted to hospitals for child delivery.

### • Barefoot teacher's training programme

**No. of Activities:** Two days (11th and 12th February, 2022) teacher's training programme part 2 was held with the local teachers of the government and private schools. Total participants were 36 that included 7 males and 29 females.

**Outcome:** It opened a window for the future training programmes.

### • Follow up visit to the hostel

**No. of Activities:** This year there were 4 follow up visits to Adibasi Hostel at the Patharpratima Block.

**Outcome:** It gave a sense of love and care to the 15 children who were in the hostel.

### • Inclusion of Lodhas in government scheme – Duare Sarkar

**No. of Activities:** • 10 Lodha mothers were getting Rs. 500 per month in Lakshmi Bhandar.

• 10 families were recipients of the health card through which they were now eligible to get free government medical facility up to Rupees 5 lakh.

• 3 aged Lodha members were given old age pension under a government scheme.

**Outcome:** 1. Their confidence in KMWSC and the government increased after 10 Lodha women received money every month from the Lakshmi Bhandar under the Government Scheme.

2. Lodha community members benefitted from the government scheme through the health card.

In case of serious illness, it is now convenient for them to get treatment using that card.

3. After receiving the allowance for the elderly, they were able to have enough timely food. With that, they have noticeably undergone positive physical changes.





# Solar Enlightenment & Community Empowerment Project

Sundarban, the stretch of mangrove land, protected by the UNESCO as a world heritage site has an eco system which is diverse and complex. Forest area away from human population remains a tussle-a relationship of being a friend and a foe. At present, KMWSC is working in the remote villages of Gosaba Block under the Canning Sub-division of South 24 pgs. Gosaba is one of the main deltaic islands in the Sundarban region, bounded by the Vidyadhari, Matla and Zilli rivers connecting to Bay of Bengal. The pandemic and natural calamities have had an adverse impact on the livelihood of village families. They have broken the backbone of the income generation opportunities. The remote villages have been crippled by the natural calamities such as cyclones and floods every year in the remotest areas of Sundarbans. Their cultivations are being destroyed, the ponds are filled with salty water and thus, fishery is at stake. In monsoons, for months there is no electricity. The high and low tide affected people's life style and have conditioned their activities. The families live in extreme disadvantageous situation; they are struggling everyday for survival as they are cut off from the main land. Elderly and children remain the most vulnerable and they face difficulties in darkness. Often, they are bitten by poisonous snakes as Sundarban villages are known for these venomous snakes. The transportation and communication systems are very poor in the villages. They have no other profession except farming and catching fish from the rivers. The medical facilities are located so far that it is beyond the reach of the common village people. KMWSC assembles solar lanterns to distribute among the cyclone affected and the needy families for their daily lightening in the houses. KMWSC is generating for survival and sustenance, a source of family income of 45 SHG members by providing chicks for farming and seeds of vegetables, for kitchen gardening .







## Monitoring and Evaluation

### Sonagaon

Number of monitoring visits: 10

### Biprodaspur

Number of monitoring visits: 10

### Chandipur

Number of monitoring visits: 10

### Manmathanagar

Number of monitoring visits: 15

## Activities

### • Self Help group meeting

No. of Activities: 12

**Outcome:** • Women have started their own business.

- Now, they can get illumination through solar lights in their houses during power cut.
- Children can continue with studies and face less difficulty in house-hold work.
- They were now availing the facilities of having aadhar and ration cards.

### • Awareness programme

No. of Activities: 6

**Outcome:** Now they are aware of-

- Covid-19 safety measures, maintain proper health and hygiene, child rights, child protection issues, various government schemes like Lakshmi Bhandar, Swastha Sathi.
- Information on Duare Sarkar and medical campaign etc.
- Information about child rights and child protection issues.

### • Youth meetings

No. of Activities: 4

**Outcome:** • The youth turned leaders.

- They are now aware of the local people, fishermen during cyclones, possible disasters & about necessary measures that require to be taken.

### • Solar training

No. of Activities: 4

**Outcome:** • Gained knowledge on Solar lights, AC-DC, Diode, Transistors, resistant etc.

- Many youth are working as electricians in shops.
- Many of them have started their own business of light repairing etc.

### • Home visits

No. of Activities: 804

**Outcome:** During home visits, members came to know about – government schemes, health & hygiene, Duare Sarkar schemes, Covid-19 safety measures, vaccinations, proper care of pregnant mothers, child rights and protection issues and right to education.

### • (a) Solar light making & distribution (b) Repairing

No. of Activities: (a) 345 (b) 35

**Outcome:** • Beneficiaries have lights during power cuts.

- Reduced risk of insect and animal bites during rain and power cuts.







• **Chick distribution for farming**

No. of Activities: 1,575 pcs to 45 families (35pcs each family)

Outcome: • Beneficiaries have started earning through farming of chicks and baby hens.

• **Aadhar and ration cards (aadhaar card-10, ration card-23)**

No. of Activities: Total - 37 (m - 17, f - 20)

Outcome: • Villagers have citizenship proof.

• They now do not starve for days on end, as they are now being provided rations.

• **Ration distribution during YAAS**

No. of Activities: 250 families

Outcome: After the disaster, people survived on the ration provided.



• **Seeds (Potato and moong dal) distribution for the kitchen garden**

No. of Activities: 45 families

Outcome: • Can grow their own food.

• Earnings from selling of vegetables.

• They now eat fresh vegetables from their gardens.

• **Tailoring training**

No. of Activities: Female - 20

Outcome: • They earn from sewing clothes.

• Save money by sewing own clothes.

• Teaching others.







## YOUTH EMPOWERMENT

BAREFOOT TEACHERS TRAINING PROJECT

SKILL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT



# Our Commitments



Beautician



Tailoring

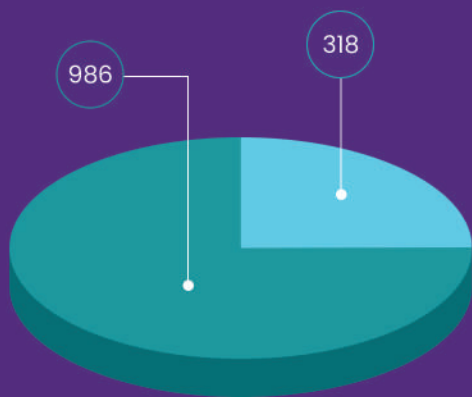


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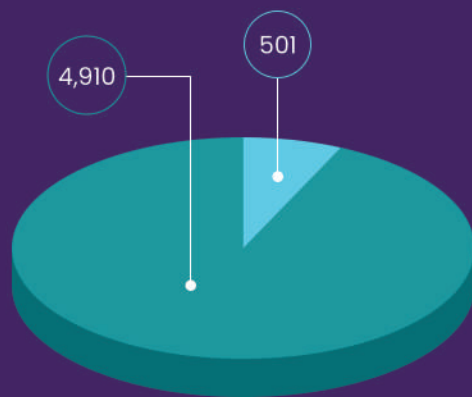
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## Skill Development Project



● Direct Beneficiaries    ● Indirect Beneficiaries

## Barefoot Teachers' Training Project



● Direct Beneficiaries    ● Indirect Beneficiaries

## Destination area of Intervention West Bengal





# Barefoot Teachers' Training Project

Teaching is a lifelong process with teaching and learning going hand in hand, which is why it is important for schools to invest in the professional development of teachers. Training workshops are important for both pre-service & in-service teachers to prepare the future individuals of our nations to be skilled and well-informed; to up-skill the teachers who can drive this force, efficiently.

Training for teacher workshops fills in the gaps and removes deficiencies. It enhances confidence and skills in the teacher for engaging the students meaningfully.

Without proper training, it could be a herculean task to experiment with the practical teaching methods in a real classroom environment, as the students may fail to properly grasp the concepts and perform to their desired levels.

Hence, training for teacher workshops is the need of the hour and continuous enhancement is essential for teachers to equip themselves and cater seamlessly to the 21st century learner.

## Monitoring and Evaluation

Red-light Project - Sonagachi

Number of monitoring visits: 10

HDCL Project- Muraripukur

Number of monitoring visits: 10

## Activities

### • In-house teachers' training- online & offline both Level - I

**No. of Activities:** 15

**Outcome:** Number of 384 grass root level teachers enriched their teaching skills in the following subjects :

- Language development
- Motor development
- Number development
- Age appropriate baseline test of student
- Model class room management strategies
- Lesson planning
- Equity in learning
- Good teacher qualities
- Model Ideal behaviour of teachers.
- Appropriate TLM used in classroom

### • In-house teachers training- online & offline both Level -II

**No. of Activities:** 12

**Outcome:** Number of 384 grass root level teachers enriched teaching skills in the following subjects :

- Language development
- Motor development
- Number development
- Age appropriate baseline test of student
- Model class room management strategies
- Lesson planned
- Equity in learning
- Good teacher qualities
- Model Ideal behaviour of teachers.
- Appropriate TLM used in classroom







**• Outstation teachers' training**

No. of Activities: 4

Outcome: Number of 117 grass root level teachers enriched teaching skills in the following subjects:

- Enriched teaching skills of grass root level teachers.
- Enriched teaching skills of ICDS Teachers.

**• Create teaching learning Corner**

No. of Activities: 3

Outcome: • The teachers' corner offered all teachers and opportunity to explore popular topics, resources and articles like how to become a good teacher - the complete guide; teaching methods and strategies- complete guide; flipped classroom guide; game based learning guide; holistic education guide; how to adapt teaching to different teaching styles; develop processes for child centric classrooms; guide in teaching soft skills; learning to build a positive and productive learning environment and to increase understanding about specific subject areas or themes.





# Skill Development Project

The need of this project is focused on increasing the livelihood skills for all individuals especially women of all age groups so, that they can make something out of their life. The project runs 5 different courses to enhance different skills which includes, Beautician, Computer, Bakery, Tailoring and Fashion Designing Courses. These courses are specially initiated for those who cannot afford to take admissions in other private institutes to learn such professional courses. This project emphasizes on providing knowledge and skills to maximum number of people so that they can learn the skills they are interested in and earn something to run their livelihood. A lot of beneficiaries have gained the confidence after pursuing the particular course of their choice. They have proved themselves by successfully completing their course.

Months	Vocational Courses	Number of Students	Course Duration
<b>Year: 2021</b>			
April-July	Computer	13	3 Months
April-July	Beautician	53	3 Months
August-February	Advanced Tailoring	29	6 Months
April-December	Fashion Designing	02	6 Months
August-October	Computer	18	3 Months
August-October	Beautician	37	3 Months
November-January	Computer	19	3 Months
November-January	Beautician	40	3 Months
<b>Year: 2022</b>			
January-March	Computer	20	3 Months
January-March	Beautician	47	3 Months
February-July	Fashion Designing	07	6 Months
March-August	Advanced Tailoring	33	6 Months





## Areas of Trade

### Beautician Course

Number of Monitoring visits: 10

### Fashion Designing Course

Number of Monitoring visits: 10

### Tailoring Course

Number of Monitoring visits: 10

### Computer Course

Number of Monitoring visits: 10



## Activities

### • Certification programme

No. of Activities: 8

**Outcome:** After each batch, a certification programme was conducted for the students after their successful completion of the course. They got certificates and were encouraged to pursue their career and execute their new found skills.

### • Orientation programme

No. of Activities: 10

**Outcome:** The orientation programme was conducted for the new students to make them familiar with the course and develop their interest to join the course they were interested in. The whole course structure was explained during the orientation sessions.

### • Therapy sessions (*dance, yoga, games*)

No. of Activities: Dance - 4 | Yoga - 4 | Games - 4

**Outcome:** The therapy sessions were conducted to keep the students motivated and encouraged, continuing with classes regularly. These were the warm-up sessions.

### • Examination (*theory and practical*)

No. of Activities: Theory - 8 | Practical - 8

**Outcome:** Examinations helped the students to analyze themselves and judge their own growth. Also the teacher assessed their growth and the how much they could learn from the course.

### • Staff meetings

No. of Activities: 6

**Outcome:** Staff meetings were conducted every month to analyze the growth of the project. Feedback and the upcoming plan of the project were shared at the staff meetings.

### • Auto awareness campaign

No. of Activities: 4

**Outcome:** The auto awareness campaign was an important part of the project since the awareness of vocational training was spread among the community members through this campaign. It helped in enrollment of new students.

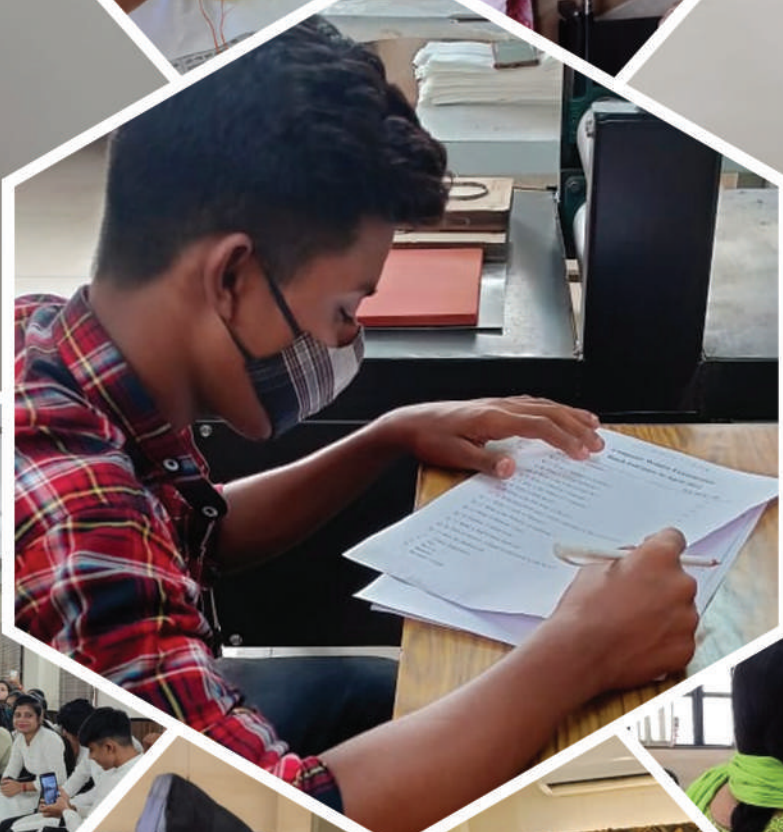
### • Master classes

No. of Activities: 2

**Outcome:** Master classes encouraged and motivated students. It developed their interest in the courses they were pursuing. Master classes included a professional who explained new and unique techniques to the learners. Thus, students got a wider scope of learning.









# Pandemic and Disaster Management



## A silent killer - cyclone Yaash

As the state of West Bengal was fighting covid 19 and battling the after-effects of the super cyclone Amphan, another silent killer, cyclone Yaash hit the state, in the month of May 2021 and caused great havoc in the lives of people. The silent rise of the water level destroyed the livestock of the families. With the rise in the sea level, the banks broke and water entered the village houses and completely destroyed the edible things stocked. The families took shelter in temporary constructions with tarpaulin sheets and tents which were pitched at an elevated level. People evacuated their respective houses with barely enough to sustain the household. Countless families waited in vain on the river banks for food, water and clothes. It was at this juncture, that, KMWSC, in response to cyclone Yaash, reached out to 500 cyclone affected families with groceries, essentials, food supply and relief kits from Kolkata.





## Total number of distribution during the pandemic time

- Rice: 25,727 kg
- Pulses: 11,600 kg
- Cooking Oil: 5065 litre
- Milk Power: 1807 packets
- Potato: 2385 kg
- Onion: 1685 kg
- Garlic: 200 kg
- Turmeric: 243 kg
- Soya Nutrela: 4584 kg
- Flour: 202 kg
- Sugar: 521 kg
- Salt: 2561 kg
- Mixed Spice: 1820 packets

- Mixed savoury snack: 112 packets
- Puffed Rice: 131 kg
- Detergent Power: 3918 kg
- Shampoo: 832 bottles
- Hair Oil: 1507 bottles
- Soaps: 8789 cakes
- Masks: 700 pieces
- Hand Sanitizer: 240 bottles
- Face shield: 60 pieces
- Floor Disinfects: 40 bottles
- Hand Wash: 320 bottles
- Tooth Paste: 20 tubes
- Sanitary Napkins: 50 packets

- Nutrition drink: 280 packets
- Biscuits: 2531 packets
- Mosquito nets: 350 pieces
- Mats: 350 pieces
- Tarpaulin: 100 pieces
- Lungis: 300 pieces
- Fresh Drinking water: 250 bottles
- Multi grain bread: 350 pieces
- Eggs: 350 pieces
- Multi Vitaman: 95 strips
- Sarees: 50 pieces
- Petticoats: 50 pieces
- Sanitizer Jars: 50 jars





## Oxygen distribution

KMWSC is thankful to Buddha's Light Association for the distribution of Oxygen Concentrators to the remote areas for the needy. Oxygen Concentrators were Inaugurated at Sangharpur Shibati G.P - Basirhat, Sonagachi - Kolkata, Gosaba - Sunderbans, in the presence of the Gram Panchayat Pradhan and the stakeholders. Owing to the massive rise in the numbers of the covid 19-second wave patients, this was the need of the hour. Thus, oxygen storage at the field level was installed. The location was identified, keeping in mind, the vulnerability of the location and the beneficiaries.



## Covid - 19

With the covid-19 pandemic continuing in India, the impact reached the remotest of the country.

**Impact of covid-19 on people's livelihoods, their health and our food systems**

The covid-19 pandemic has led to a dramatic loss of human life worldwide and presents an unprecedented challenge to public health, food systems and the world of work. The economic and social disruption caused by the pandemic is devastating: tens of millions of people are at risk of falling into extreme poverty, while the number of undernourished people magnified. India is now at the nascent stage of endemic where the country is learning to live with the virus but the impact of the pandemic has led to a drastic change in the socio-economic conditions





of life, at large. Regaining sustainable family income generation is a greater challenge now. With this pandemic crisis still at large, it will still take a few years to come back to normal life.

In the second wave of pandemic, India was crippled, due to the lack of, infrastructure and the scarcity of hospital equipments, health kits, medicines and oxygen cylinders.

### Intervention of KMWSC

As the pandemic spread to the remotest parts of the country, the most affected were the poor, the marginalized and migrant families; families living in the slums, pavement dwellers, mothers in the red-light areas, the tribal and the daily wage earners and the village families. KMWSC was committed to reach out to every family it worked with.







## Staff Vaccination

On Saturday 5th June 2021, Loreto Elliot Road School in collaboration with the Techno India Group, Salt Lake, organised a vaccination camp, on the school premises for, all their stake holders, beneficiaries and elderly systems Director of KMWSC, Sr Monica Suchiang, the faculty members, the KMWSC staff and for their family members. All were given a dose of the Covishield Vaccine at a time when getting immunized was next to impossible. The KMWSC family remains grateful for the support and thanks Sr. Kaspar Clara, the Principal of Loreto Day School, Elliot Road for the inoculation camp.



## Blanket Distribution

During winters, Parnaihati child club members distributed blankets among five needy helpless, aged men and women in the village from their piggy bank collections. The elderly men and women of the village were very pleased with this initiative and blessed these children. They were now hopeful of being protected during the winters.





# Hunger and Food Distribution

## Food ATM

The food ATM programme under the KMWSC Cafe and Bakery unit has a long lineage with the under privileged people of the slum areas of Motijheel, Kapalibagan, Radhanath Chowdhury Lane, Bibibagan, Quliya Tangra. In collaboration with the Cafe and Bakery unit, the food ATM was initiated to serve the needy and to stand with them in their fight against hunger. Fresh, hot, nutritious cooked food, maintaining proper hygiene and packaging, keeping the social distancing norms, was provided to more than 100 beneficiaries two times a week. A monthly survey on the quality, quantity and type of food being provided through the food ATM was conducted by personally meeting the beneficiaries in all areas. Their feedback and suggestions were collected and studied. Thereafter, according to those, further initiatives were introduced and the measures were taken forward.



## Food Distribution Area

### July, 2021

Quliya Tangra, Radha Nath Chowdhury Lane, Bibibagan, Motijheel, Dhapa

Number of Beneficiaries: 100

### August, 2021

Dhapa, Bibibagan, Motijheel

Number of Beneficiaries: 100

### September, 2021

Bibibagan, Kapalibagan, Radhanath Chowdhury Lane, Quliya Tangra

Number of Beneficiaries: 100

### October, 2021

Quliya Tangra, Bibibagan, Kapalibagan, Radhanath Chowdhury Lane

Number of Beneficiaries: 100

### November, 2021

Bibibagan, Motijheel, Radhanath Chowdhury Lane, Kapalibagan

Number of Beneficiaries: 100

### December, 2021

Motijheel, Bibibagan, Kapalibagan, Radhanath Chowdhury Lane

Number of Beneficiaries: 100

### January, 2022

Motijheel

Number of Beneficiaries: NA

### February, 2022

Kapalibagan, Motijheel

Number of Beneficiaries: 100

### March, 2022

Motijheel, Kapalibagan, Bibibagan, Radhanath Chowdhury Lane

Number of Beneficiaries: 100





## Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre responding to the Second Wave of Covid-19

12th May – 30th June 2021, 50 days of Commitment

KMWSCares – An initiative of the Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre was in the forefront from 12th of May 2021 onwards to fight the hunger pangs for the covid patients. The wave of Corona Virus led to the second pandemic i.e. HUNGER. Thus, this initiative was taken by Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre to support the needy covid patients and their families who were suffering from hunger crisis.

On the day of the inauguration, Sr. Flora and all the sisters of Loreto Entally graced the event with their presence. Fr. Patrick presided over the rituals and Sr. Flora, Sr. Geraldine and the Entally Community joined all, for the inauguration.

KMWSC remains thankful to Sri Abdulla Sana, Officer in charge of Entally Police Station, who conveyed his telephonic best wishes to the Director, Sr Monica Suchiang for this endeavour.



Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre has been serving the less privileged brothers and sisters since 2014 through various social development projects. India was going through difficult times then, number of COVID positive patients in the city was rising on a daily basis, confining citizens to their homes. KMWSC as a socially responsible organization chose to venture out and help the COVID affected and quarantined patients by providing freshly cooked meals for them and their families. The effort of the organization helped these families not to remain hungry when they were incapacitated. This effort of providing meals to Covid patients was named as KMWSCares. As a giving gesture, each staff contributed and that brought in the bounty.







KMWSC had a daily target of 230 meals. KMWSC is thankful to the Loreto Congregation for providing an ambulance, which was used to deliver the food to the COVID infected patients and families. Whilst this was done, KMWSC ensured the safety of the staff involved in such operations.

The organization developed a Standard Operating Procedure for its frontline workers to keep them safe as they went out to serve the complimentary meals to the beneficiaries. With the collaboration of the Kolkata Municipal Corporation, KMWSC reached out to the economically disadvantaged 230 covid patients and their families who lived in the KMC Safe Home beside Science City.









# Watershed Days Celebrations

## Anti human trafficking day

Human trafficking is a crime that exploits women, children and men for numerous purposes including forced labour and sex. Since 2003, the UN office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) collected information on about 2,25,000 victims of trafficking detected worldwide. Globally, countries are detecting and reporting more victims, and are convicting more traffickers. This yields in increasing the capacity to identify victims and/or an increased number of trafficked victims. KMWSC observed anti human trafficking day on 30th July at the KMWSC office at Kolkata and at various project areas with the pledge to dream, dare and eradicate human trafficking in this era.





## Celebration of liberty - Independence day

The auspicious occasion of Independence Day, was celebrated at KMWSC and other project areas organized by the children, project co-ordinator, supervisor and community teachers. The day was observed with Flag Hoisting, a speech and cultural programme. The celebration was conducted by following the COVID guidelines and keeping in mind the pandemic situation.



## Participatory approach- Sharing Day/ Mentor-mentee day

Sharing day is a warm bonding day and the staff of KMWSC celebrated 'Sharing day' as well! The staff brought, mouth-watering delicacies prepared by them, from their respective homes. All had a meal together in the office hall. This togetherness fostered affection and closeness to one another. The bakery team and the skill development project team at the office joined the "Sharing day" programme, as well.







## Team bonds - staff outing

An important training methodology is "Exposure visit", as it enables the participants from a different setting to interact with and learn from each other, allowing them to view practical/real life situations of successful integration of sustainable practices. Exposure visit was conducted by the staff of KMWSC for refreshment and rejuvenation of minds and souls. The staff from various project areas joined the exposure visit as well.







## Community event - cake mixing

The cake mixing ceremony is a warm up to the festive holiday season and it does much more than just that in continuation to the legacy at KMWSC, Cake Mixing day was celebrated at the Bakery of KMWSC on 4th November, 2021. All the staff of the organisation joined hands to celebrate the day with much enthusiasm, maintaining all safety measures. It was indeed a moment of joy and togetherness.

## The hope for the future - Zero discrimination day

The day aims to promote "Equality before law" and in practice, it is promoted in all the member countries of the UN. The day was first celebrated on March 1, 2014, and was launched by UN AIDS Executive Director, on Zero discrimination day, Members and leaders of child clubs at Gachchha and Mukundokati villages in Basirhat, prepared posters to create awareness programmes against discrimination on grounds of religion, caste, colour, gender and ethnic origin. Relevant posters were put up at focal points in the villages.





## Transformative movement - the OBR

Due to the restrictions of Covid-19 protocols and guidelines, this year the OBR 2022 reached out to the beneficiaries of various KMWSC projects at different pockets and districts of West Bengal and witnessed a global unity and solidarity with the global movement of OBR across the world, following the theme: RISE FOR THE BODIES OF ALL WOMEN, GIRLS & THE EARTH. It was an initiative of KMWSC to celebrate OBR and reach out to all girls, women and children of remote villages:

In North 24 parganas, a drawing competition was organised under the Brickfield School Project at the Resource Centre in Itinda Ferry Ghat. Another drawing competition was held with the children of the brickfield schools in Kalyani. At the brickfields in Akra, South 24 Parganas, the children put up solo and group dance performances. The teachers danced to the OBR theme song "Break The Chain". The child rights project team organised a cultural programme at Itinda Panitor Girls' High School. Child club members staged a spectacular drama on Women Empowerment. Members of the local Panchayat and the Block Administration witnessed the programme. The anti human trafficking (AHT) team of Basirhat observed the day with OBR's subject line followed by drawing competitions, recitations, dance and prize distribution. The AHT Diamond Harbour team conducted a drawing competition on the theme of Women's safety at Chaul Gola, under Lotus Child project, the programme started with a prayer followed by singing, group dance, mass awareness on sanitary distribution, napkin and drama on menstrual taboo and cutting the OBR cake.





At Ganga Sagar, the day was observed at the Lodha Learning Centre under the Lodha Community Project, in the presence of honourable guests of honour representing the local administration, school and the health centre. The children put up a cultural programme through dances, skit and the song rendition of the OBR theme song. In Kolkata, under the red light project, the adolescent group danced to the OBR theme song while the mother's group took part in an art competition. MAC children of the Hidden Domestic Child Labour project presented dance, poetry, poster making on the OBR theme. Solar project at Sundarban spreads the message of OBR among the residents in remote areas-

- To reclaim • To express • To defy • To disrupt • To unite • To radicalize • To awaken • To revolutionise
- And to create JOY, HOPE and TRANSFORMATION





## Raising awareness on human trafficking

KMWSC observed the day through prayer and awareness against human trafficking at our project locations in Diamond Harbour, Basirhat and our head office. We pledged to remain committed to the cause and to be the voice of our brothers and sisters who were victims of human trafficking and had their dignity compromised. St. Josephine Bakhita, the patron saint of the victims of human trafficking and the staff of KMWSC gathered in a circle of prayer to pay homage by lighting candles as a symbol of solidarity with all organisations and establishments and with those individuals who are victim of human trafficking and which fight against human trafficking throughout the world.



## Remembering the Laudato Si goals

3rd July, 2021 – Plastic Bag free day was celebrated under the child rights project. The initiative was taken by the Panitor child group members. They collected plastics from various areas to clear the environment and spread awareness on the harmful effects of over using plastics. They also visited local shops and spoke to the shopkeepers to restrict the use of use plastic to the minimum.





## Remembering Shamrocks - the Holy trinity

On the occasion of St. Patrick's Day, the entire KMWSC family and its beneficiaries hold all, in their prayers. This auspicious day is very special in Ireland. People of all backgrounds love to go for the St. Patrick day parade, wearing green clothes and decorate the venues with shamrocks that stand for faith, hope and love.

Prayer were offered to St. Patrick, the patron Saint of Ireland to intercede for all of us, our families and loved ones as one celebrated the day and paid homage to him.



## Loreto's Passion and Path

Staff of Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre pays homage to the Venerable Mary Ward during Mary Ward Week at the office along with various project areas.

A prayer service was held in the morning of 29th January, 2022 followed by sharing by each staff on how the words and work of Mary Ward influences the individual and how that reflects in the work at the Social Centre. The maxims and the values of Mary Ward were read by individuals in the circle. The ethos and spirit of Mary Ward lives on, even today. Her charisma and principles of values continue to inspire all at KMWSC at all times and will continue to do so inspite in times to come.

At office, in the circle of prayer, the entire KMWSC staff remembered and prayed for the entire Mary Ward family throughout the world so that all continue with the legacy and charisma of Mary Ward praying for Mary Ward's intercession for each member.





## Heralding the coming of Basant Panchami

Saraswati Puja was celebrated at the resource centre in Basirhat along with a few children of the brickfield school project and with the project staff of child rights, anti human trafficking and teachers of the brickfield schools. The day was celebrated at the redlight project as well, with much reverence and support from mothers and children of the MAC.

Sweets and food packets were also distributed among all the children of the 10 brickfield schools and the model centre at Basirhat.







## Solidarity Day

Celebrating office birthdays is a great way to build mutual trust and friendship among people who spend a lot of time together among employees and develop a positive culture in the office. The staff of KMWSC celebrate the birthday of their colleagues with birthday wishes and cake cutting.

## Remembering the Eternal Truth- Triumph of good over evil

KMWSC staff celebrates Holi, symbolising the oncoming of spring. This gala festival of colours was celebrated with gaiety at various project areas by the field staff, beneficiaries and by the staff at office.





# Yuletide

Christmas is the season for celebration; a season to spread the message of love and peace given to us, by our Lord. Christmas is the time of sharing joy, happiness and concerns with other fellow human beings. During the festival of Christmas, KMWSC staff and the field staff at their project areas celebrated the day with joy and merriment.





## Celebrating the backbones of Society - Womens' Day

If we must celebrate a day for women, let us celebrate freedom from the stereotype mindsets and expectations with regard to women; from idolisation and from the norms of sacrifice that a woman must do. Womens' Day was celebrated at the field level at various project areas, keeping these in focus.



## Nation's strength - children / the legacy of Nehru remembered

Every child should have the opportunity to live a prosperous, happy and healthy life. Children's day was celebrated at various project areas. This special day for children was celebrated in field areas under the projects of KMWSC at various project areas.

## Empowering girls for a digital generation

On National Girl Child Day, a vaccination campaign drive was initiated under the child rights project. The camp was formulated for children especially for the girls and these were launched in 10 villages. Awareness for the same was done with 25 van drivers at Panitor.





# Chronicles

## Brickfield School Project

**Mamuni Parvin**, aged 11, is the daughter of Abdul Rashid Mondal and Khadeja Bibi. The family is a permanent resident of Budo Jirakpur village of Basirhat Subdivision in North 24 parganas. Driven by poverty and lack of income opportunity in their native village, the family migrated to Protima brickfield in Basirhat in search of livelihood, where the family is presently engaged as labourers in the brick layering process.

Before migrating to Protima brickfield, Mamuni used to study in Gokna Sri Gobindapur Primary School near her native village from where she completed her studies up to Class IV. Once the family migrated to Protima, the girl started helping her parents in the brick layering process owing to dire financial needs of the family. Thus, Mamuni dropped out of school after Class IV.

Our team identified Mamuni and her family through the survey conducted in Protima brickfield in October 2021. When they came to know that the girl had studied up to Class IV, they immediately enrolled her at our brickfield school in Protima. Right from the beginning, Mamuni displayed a keen interest in studies and attended classes on a regular basis. She picked up her lessons very fast. As she had studied up to class IV, the teachers began to provide her with lessons as per the syllabus of Class V.

In March this year (2022), when the new session began in government schools, teachers of the Protima Brickfield School and Lead Teachers of Basirhat visited Bhabyala Lady Mukherjee Girls' High School, also in Basirhat, with a quest to secure admission for Mamuni in Class VI. The school authorities interviewed Mamuni and were satisfied with her knowledge and her particulars including age conformed to the admission criteria of class VI. However, on examining Mamuni's Transfer Certificate, they pointed out some errors which prevented the girl's admission, in a High School. Hearing this, our Lead Teachers immediately visited Mamuni's primary school near her native village. Initially, the authorities of the primary school refused to make the necessary rectifications in Mamuni's transfer certificate. After several rounds of discussions and requests, our team persuaded them for a telephonic conversation with the authorities of the High School. After a prolonged discussion between authorities of the two schools, the Gokna Sri Gobindapur Primary School made the necessary rectifications and issued a fresh Transfer Certificate in favour of Mamuni Parvin.

The next day, our Lead Teachers brought Mamuni and her mother to Bhabyala Lady Mukherjee Girls' High School along with the rectified Transfer Certificate. The Teacher-in-Charge of the school spoke to Mamuni's mother and was convinced that the mother too, was eager to get her daughter educated. After verifying the Transfer Certificate and completing other formalities, Mamuni Parvin, was admitted to Class VI in Bhabyala Lady Mukherjee Girls' High School.

Within seven days of securing admission, Mamuni was provided with books and school uniform by her school. The girl has been attending her new school in her new uniform and with her new books. At present, Pravin's mother wants her daughter to complete her education and secure a respectable job instead of becoming another migrant labourer like herself





## Hidden Domestic Child Labour Project

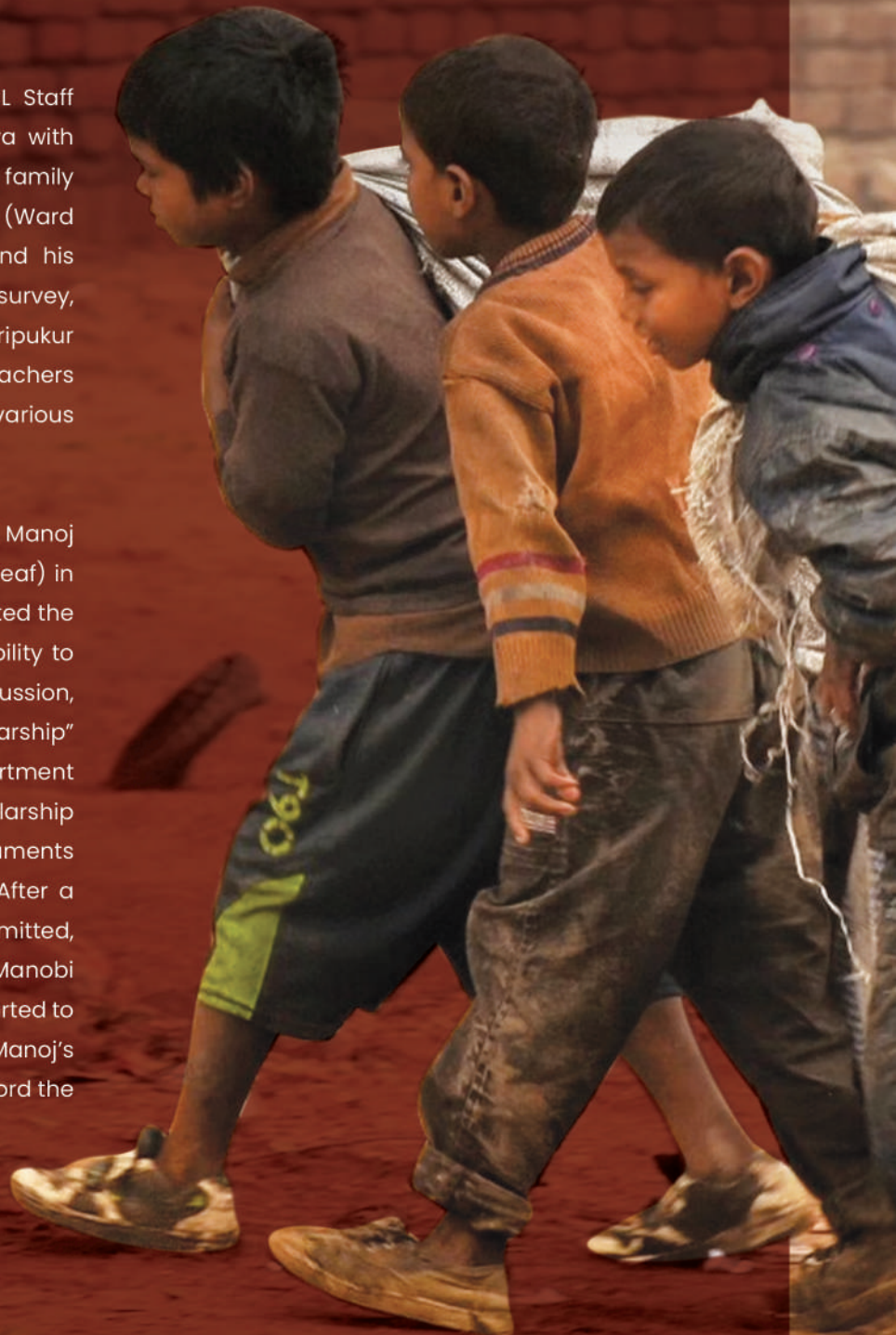
**Name:** Manoj Bhuiya

**Age:** 17 | **Class:** IV | **School Name:** Ideal School for Deaf | **Father's Name:** Daitoh Bhuiya

**Mother's Name:** Sima Bhuiya

During the door to door survey, the HDCL Staff found out that a 17 year old Manoj Bhuiya with hearing impairment, lived with other 3 family members, in Muraripukur Road, Ultadanga (Ward no-32). His father worked as a driver and his mother worked as domestic help. After the survey, the HDCL staff admitted him at the Muraripukur MAC. During daily classes, the MAC teachers observed that the child possessed various creative qualities and was a quick learner.

After a few days, the MAC teacher admitted Manoj in a government school (Ideal school for Deaf) in class IV. Meanwhile, the HDCL staff also visited the State Commissioner for Persons with Disability to discuss about Manoj. After a lengthy discussion, they agreed to provide the "Manobi Scholarship" to Manoj. Conforming to the department guidelines, the HDCL staff filled up the scholarship form and collected all the supporting documents and submitted them to the department. After a thorough scrutiny of the documents submitted, Manoj was recommended to receive the "Manobi Scholarship". From February 2022, Manoj started to receive the scholarship. According to Manoj's mother, the scholarship helped them to afford the education for Manoj.





## Solar Enlightenment Project

Shila Gayen, a 14 year old child, a student of Manmathanagar High School, of class VI resides 5 kms away from her school and stays with her 65 year old grandmother at the Manmathanagar Island under Gosaba block. Her father's demise 4 years back, her mother's re-marriage and her subsequent leaving the house, compelled Shila to be living with her grandmother who was old and infirm and could not earn a living. Krishna, her elder married sister lived in the same village and worked as a helper on the farms. From the income she earned, Krishna assisted in Shila's education. At present, Shila and her grandmother are dependent on the monthly ration they get and on the old-age allowance that her grandmother gets from the government. Shila aims to continue with higher studies and looks after her grandmother. Due to power cuts of 15-20 hours a day, she was unable to study. Not only this aspect but the very fact that her grandmother was distressed to spend nights after nights in complete darkness due to the fear of wild animals like snakes, foxes, insects etc. during load-shedding, was a great matter of concern in safety issues. On hearing this, the KMWSC field animators visited their house and found them in a pitiable condition. They were in constant touch with the family and guided them for food and old age schemes. KMWSC provided them a solar lantern on behalf of the organization. Shila was overjoyed to receive a solar lantern for her studies. She was thankful to KMWSC for providing her with a ray of hope in the form of illumination for her studies. Shila's grandmother was grateful for the procurement of the Old-Age government allowance scheme from which she was receiving aid every month. The grandmother thanked the KMWSC team for helping them out in their time of hardships and struggles. "My granddaughter and I are very grateful to you. For the first time in my life, I am getting light whenever I want, for our daily chores and my granddaughter studies in the same light in the evening, when I cook".

**Name:** Shila Gayen

**Age & Sex:** 14yrs, Female

**Class:** VI in High Manmathanagar School

**Father's Name:** Late Shaktipada Gayen

**Mother's Name:** Champa Gayen

**Guardian Name:** Kamala Gayen (65+)





## Skill Development Project

**Name:** Sumana Giri

**Age:** 25 years

**Qualification:** 12th Pass

**“I didn't realize,  
I made such a big mistake.”**

Sumana, a 25 year old woman now, had unknowingly got into a child marriage at a very tender age. She got married in the 10th standard with the love of her life going against her family. None had accepted their marriage. Her husband supported her while she completed her schooling but when she was appearing for her 12th examination, she conceived. During the time of her pregnancy, she realized some behavioural changes in her husband. She gave birth to a baby boy but the strange behavior of her husband continued and he had started to ignore Sumana even more. After few years, Sumana came to know that her husband was involved in an extramarital affair. She was emotionally devastated and could not fathom why it happened and what her plan of action would be. Her pleas to convince him to break the relationship went in vain. She stayed there for 5 years facing the struggles and turmoil all by herself. Her helplessness compelled her to knock on her parent's doors and they, despite all odds parents supported her. Sumana complied with their advise of getting out of the dysfunctional marriage, leave her marital home and shift in with her parents. Her in-laws and husband didn't even allow her to take her son with her. While she was staying with her parents, she came to know, about the Beautician Course under the Skill Development Project of Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre (KMWSC). She expressed her interest to join the course and thus took admission there. Being attentive, she learned all the techniques very well and successfully completed the 3 months course. She was certified on 30th of March, 2022 at KMWSC holding the first position in the batch and made everyone proud. As said by Sumana, “I have gained confidence in myself. I understand the importance of not turning back to my old life and would like to do something for my son and for myself with what I have learned.”





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## Child Rights' Project

**Name:** Reshmi Khatun (Name Changed)

**Age and Sex:** 07 years (Female)

**Class:** II at Nakuadaha F.P School

A child club member of Akharpur had given KMWSC, the information on a seven year old girl child namely Reshmi Khatun (name changed), a class II student of Nakuadaha F.P School was a resident of Itinda village of class II. After intervention, it came to light that the child was sexually abused by her neighbour namely Reyal Gazi, aged 60 years, whom she used to call "Grandpa". The child used to go to the accuser's house time to time to play. According to the child, that day in the afternoon 'Grandpa' took her to play on the roof and sexually abused her. He threatened the child not to tell anything to her family members or anybody regarding the matter. On her return to the house, her mother noticed some abnormality in her behaviour and soon came to know about the matter when the girl revealed the incident. Her narration was tearful and replete with fear. Subsequently, her mother informed the matter to other family members. Neighbours were kept abreast of the same. The child club members advised the mother to go to the police station. Meanwhile, on getting this information, KMWSC appraised the Itinda Panitor Sangsad member of this matter. With the help of Sangsad member, the mother along with the child went to Basirhat Police station to file an FIR against the person. Despite the child being scared, she explained everything to the police. An FIR was lodged against the perpetrator at Basirhat P.S. Police rescued the child and completed the medical examination. The child was produced before CWC and after the consent of the child and her parents, the CWC decided to keep her in her own house. Soon after lodging of an FIR, the police went to arrest the accused but by then, he had fled. The perpetrator is still absconding. KMWSC visited Basirhat P.S several times and talked with I.O (L.SI Jamuna Mondal). The case is under the follow up of CWC and Basirhat P.S. Presently the child is staying at her own house. The child since then has been associated with the child club and the other members are helping her to cope with this traumatic experience.



## Redlight Project

Daughter of a sex worker, **Baishakhi Halder**, (*Name Changed*) aged 8 years, lived in Sonagachi, a redlight area and studied in the KMWSC MAC centre since the last 3 years. Frequently, when her mother was occupied with clients in the room, the child was sent by untrustworthy neighbours on errands like purchasing pan masala / snacks / alcohol / citrates / drugs / condoms etc for their client. Being in an unsafe neighbourhood, Baisakhi was vulnerable to sexual exploitation, substance abuse, domestic violence. Several times, attempts were made to brainwash and influence her to join the flesh trade like her mother.

Baisakhi was averse to these things and would get upset and anxious seeing the things happening around her. She loved studying and disliked it when her, studying time in her room, was interrupted and she was asked to go out on work. It was becoming very difficult for her to concentrate on academics. With this troubling her, she vented her thoughts and fears and expressed her desire to study with the KMWSC teachers.

In this situation, KMWSC took the initiative and arranged for a rainbow home admission for her. Now she is happy in the children's home and studies in class II. KMWSC is hopeful that she will be able to reach her future goal and will be successful in establishing her identity with respect & dignity.



**Sohini Das**, (name changed), a sex worker under the red-light project was in debt due to the covid-19 lockdown, when she had to rely only on her savings. She was unable to provide a proper meal for her children. Due to the intervention of the redlight project staff, Sohini's son was already admitted in the hostel but her daughter, aged 10 years was living with her in Sonagachi.

Sohini was always under great stress thinking of her daughter's well-being and safety. Whilst she realised how unsafe the environment was, at Sonagachi, she also knew that she was not in any position to leave the flesh trade right then. Thus, Sohini shared her concern with the redlight project staff and with the support from the Rainbow Homes, her daughter was admitted to the Rainbow Home at Dharamtala.

**Mena Laha** (Name Changed) ,one of the sex workers under the Redlight project area wanted to leave the trade but stopped every time thinking about her daughter's future. She wanted to give her daughter a good upbringing and education. To do the latter, she needed money and she realised that she had no other way to earn it. Mena shared her ordeal with the project team and after several counselling sessions with her and her daughter, she was ready to move out of Sonagachi, leaving the flesh trade .Her daughter had secured admission at the Rainbow Home in Dharamtala.



## Anti human trafficking project

One of the child parliament members from the Anti human trafficking project at Basirhat shared with the project team that one of the girls from his village, who was 16 years old had eloped with her boyfriend. He added that, not only the boy she fled with was notorious, but the child's parents were completely at a loss and felt helpless. The KMWSC staff were taken to the girl's home for their guidance and for their subsequent follow-up with the law enforcement department for this case. The girl was finally rescued and as per the Child Welfare Committee order, she is staying at the government home for further social investigation to enable her to reintegrate into the society

During one of the child parliament meetings, two of our child parliament members shared with the anti human trafficking project team that one of their friends was missing. They took the project team to her house where the family shared that she was, of late, behaving very differently. On checking her phone it was summarised that the new friends she had made, convinced her to meet up with them. It was from that moment that she went missing. With assistance from the project team, the family continued following up with the law enforcement and finally, she was rescued.

## Survivors' programme under anti human trafficking project

11-year-old girl raped, mutilated with sticks shoved in private parts, was left to die, bleeding. The anti human trafficking project team got the information about a missing child. The next day, the kid was found by the parents and the villagers unconscious near the village water body where she was dumped. Her condition was woeful and she was bleeding profusely from her private parts. There were serious multiple injuries- both physically visible and internally. She was first taken to the local hospital but owing to her deteriorating condition, she was rushed to a city hospital.

The KMWSC team met with the local police for a follow up. The case was registered under the POCSO Act and the rapist was arrested along with one of the relatives of the girl who played a key part in luring the girl out of her house. Anti human trafficking project team was in constant touch with the medical team, law enforcement department and the parents of the girl. After multiple major surgeries, she is out of danger but suffered serious long term mental trauma and physical injuries. The girl is now under the protection of the state government and the anti human trafficking project team is also working on the rehabilitation plan, for the child to get her back to her normal life and put behind her, the trauma.





## Barefoot Project

**Kunti Sarkar** (*Name Changed*), who is a sex worker in the Sonagachi area wanted to quit her profession. She wanted to do something with dignity for her 8 year old son. In that situation, she met one of the project staff, who worked in the same area as a community mobilizer in an education project and to her, she expressed her wish. The project team advised her to join the barefoot teachers' training programme for skill development. Her training commenced and she regularly came for the training from Sonagachi and successfully completed Level I and II training. After completion of training at KMWSC, she started to work as a teacher of the Sonagachi MAC centre which was run by Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre. Since then, she has been helping the children in their studies. Thus, she now is able to support her own family with dignity. She frequently participates in training programmes. Kunti remains grateful to Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre for giving her an opportunity to work. Her respect and love for the trainers and KMWSC team for giving her a window to hone her abilities and capabilities is clearly evident.





## Coaction / liaising and upholding recommendatory support

### April 2021

- Representatives of Panitor and Mukundokati children clubs met with the BJP candidate of Basirhat assembly constituency, Sri Tarak Nath Ghosh and placed their charter of demand to stop child labour and child marriage in the constituency.

### May 2021

- Net working with Entally police station for KMWSCares.

### June 2021

- Child Rights Project Team of KMWSC attended the Caritas webinar programme. The Programme was organized to analyze the present situation of children in covid-19 pandemic.

### July 2021

- Advocacy meeting at Basirhat police station on child friendly corner.
- Director of KMWSC and AHT team conducted a meeting with BFS officials.





## August 2021

- The programme team along with Sister Monica conducted a Zoom Meeting with MWIA. Sister Monica introduced the programme team members to MWIA. Each member briefly explained their role in the programme Team and stated their responsibilities during Sister Monica's absence during her tertianship period
- To share CACL's National level agenda and strategic Planning process and formulation of state level plan of action, a virtual meeting was conducted with CACL
- An advocacy meet was conducted with Save the Children at The Conclave. Ms. Samata Bali represented KMWSC.
- Meeting for documentation with P C Chandra for CSR funding.
- The director of KMWSC Sr. Monica along with Nabanita Shome & Anup Biswas visited Budha Light Foundation to convey their gratitude to the Buddhist Nuns for generously providing the Oxygen Concentrators.
- Programme team introduction meeting with Miseen Cara held via Zoom.





## September 2021

- Director of KMWSC, Sr. Monica, also being a member of DMWSC, attended the Annual General Meeting of DMWSC.
- Director of DMWSC Sr. Sakuntala and her accountant held a conference call with Samrat Bag to clarify their doubts about the FC Account at SBI, New Delhi on the Society's income.
- Sr. Anita, the Provincial Head of Queen of the Mission and Sr. Suja, also from the same congregation visited KMWSC for an orientation on forming a new NGO within their congregation. Sr. Monica briefed them about the legal formalities and compliances involved in the formation process. The project coordinators separately updated the Sisters on the process of beginning project activities, right from the survey stage to the project implementation and reporting stage.
- Capacity Building Training on Protection of Child Rights and related laws was conducted by resource person Tej Kumar Thapa. All the project staff attended the training programme. In all, 33 staffs from all projects including KMWSC office staff participated in the training programme. This was Day-1 of the 2 days training workshop.
- Two Christian Brothers from New Delhi visited KMWSC to have a first hand account of the organisation and to witness its activities.
- Meeting held between Child Rights' team and Panchayat members of Shibhati Sangrampur for formation of VLCPC.





- Resource Unit of KMWSC inaugurated at Basirhat by the Director, in the presence of project staff of BFS, AHT and Child Rights'. Beneficiaries, local stake holders and representatives of the NGO Partners were also present on the occasion.
- The director held meeting with TISA, a partner NGO of KMWSC working on rehabilitation and empowerment of survivors of human trafficking
- Sr. Monica attended a webinar for 3 days, titled "Migration and Pilgrims as our Ancestors", conducted by Scalabrini International Migration Institute (SIMI) in association with Union Internazionale delle Superiore Generali (UISG) and Union Superiore Generali (USG), Rome.
- Representatives of Cherian Foundation held a meeting with the Director and Project Coordinator, Sanjay Baxla to explore possibilities of future collaboration in the Sundarban area of West Bengal.
- Ms. Ankita Roy and Ms. Sarmistha Acharjee attended the meeting of West Bengal Commission for Protection of Child Rights for planning and preparation of CRC Week.
- Ms. Samata Bali & Mr. Sanjay Baxla represented KMWSC in a virtual meeting conducted by CACL to combat Child Labour.
- JPIC webinar attended by all staff of KMWSC. Ms. Rina Singh & Ms. Nabanita Shome spoke about the problem of Child Labour and the intervention of KMWSC to reduce the problem.





## October 2021

- Zoom meeting held with Allana in which Sr. Monica introduced the Programme Team.
- Virtual orientation meeting on data collection for child labour conducted by CACL for its partner organisations. The Child Rights team represented KMWSC in the virtual meeting.
- Sr. Cynthia Mathew, NGO Representative to the United Nations IBVM/Loreto visited the KMWSC office, where she was greeted by all staff and Sr. Flora of Loreto Entally. Sr. Cynthia was given a through introduction about the organisation and the respective project coordinators introduced their projects to Sr. Cynthia through a PPT.
- Brickfield team visited to Kalyani for a meeting with the owner of the Ajanta Brick field to setup a Model Centre and undertake the necessary renovation work. The visiting team also met the brickfield owners for permission to run the new 2021-22 session.

## November 2021

- Programme team attended a Zoom meeting with Femka, O My Bag.
- Meeting held at WBCPCR office for planning and detailed discussion held on the Bravery Award 2021.
- Networking meeting on Resilience City Alliance - Representatives from various NGOs of Kolkata attended the meeting. The representatives shared their inputs and discussed a strategic plan to empower marginalised youths and women through vocational training, creating income opportunities for them.
- CPWs of Child Rights project in Basirhat participated in advocacy meeting at Paschim Joynagar with Sub-divisional Legal Service Authority, Social Welfare Committee and District Child Line.
- Ms. Pouspi Talukder & Ms. Priyanks Prodhan went to WBCPCR office to collect T shirts & caps for the children participating in the children's day celebration in order to pack their bags with gifts provided by WBCPCR.



- Video for UN shot at Don Bosco. Ms. Nabanita Shome, Ms. Priyanka Prodha, Ms. Rinku Roy and 3 children of Red Light project participated in the shot.
- WBCPCR organised a trip to Science City for children of their partner organisations. 5 children of HDCL project and another 5 from Redf Light project joined the team at Science City.
- The Child Rights' project undertook the annual Anganwadi enrollment drive for the ICDS centres of Brahmin Para, Tanti Para, Das Para and Uttor Para in the villages of Nakudaha, Itinda and Panitor of Basirhat-I block. A total of 60 women participated in the programme. The participants were oriented on child rights & child protection issues. Linking pregnant women to ICDS programme and COVID vaccination were also discussed at the programme. Update on matters involving child protection issues in the villages were also obtained from the participants.
- On 5th day of CRC week, Child Rights, AHT Basirhat and BFS projects jointly inaugurated a child friendly corner and games corner at Basirhat resource centre.
- The supervisor of Hidden Domestic Child Labour Project visited Siksha Niketan Girls' Primary School at Muraripukur for collecting information on mainstreaming of MAC children
- Child Parliament Leaders, Monisha and Alamin of Child Rights project and Aritra of anti human trafficking project were handed over the Bravery Award, 2021 by Dr. Sashi Panja, Honorable Minister for the Department of Women and Child Development and Social Welfare of the Government of West Bengal for their courageous and selfless deeds.





- With support from the CSR initiative of P. C. Chandra, solar lamps were distributed among cyclone Yash affected families in Gosaba. Their homes remain submerged in darkness after sunset owing to lack of electricity.
- Child Rights and AHT projects jointly held a programme with BSF Officers & Jawans to improve capacities on cross-border trafficking and intervention.
- Supervisor of HDCL visited Department of Social Welfare at "Suvanno" for advocacy on behalf of specially abled children registered at KMWSC MAC to obtain privileges as per Government schemes.
- Ms. Sarmistha Acharjee of the AHT team attended WGHR session on Child Riights' & human trafficking
- The protection and prevention team of KMWSC explained the successful and time tested anti human trafficking project model of the organisation at a session organised by the Don Bosco National Forum for the Young at Risk.

## December 2021

- After prolonged advocacy at appropriate levels by Lead Teachers of the Brickfield School Project, children from 31 migrant families in Kalyani have been registered at the local ICDS centre. This registration will not only benefit the children but the families will also get ration from the centre.
- Ms. Rina Singh, Ms. Priti Singh, Mr. Akhil Roy, Mr. Vidya Bhusan Singh & Anup Biswas attended the zoom meeting on Sector Bases Community Education, conducted by Miseen Cara
- After prolonged advocacy, the local health department initiated Universal Immunisation Programme among migrant families at Kalyani. 5 pregnant women were issued Health Cards and given TTE injection & iron tablets. While 1 infant was given Penta-2 vaccines, the other was vaccinated against Measles.
- Mr. Nikhil Kumar, representative of Caritas India, visited Basirhat for 2 days to assess the impact created by the Child Rights project among the children in the villages.
- Online finance workshop on preparing organisation's budget was conducted by the Auditor Mr. Periwal. Mr. Samrat Bag and Mr. John Thomas Gomes attended the workshop.
- Sanjay Baxla & Ankita Roy attended the Children's Conclave at the Rotary Sadan, organised by Caritas India. Child club leaders from Basirhat put up a spectacular drama on the occasion. The children were awarded certificates for their participation.



## January 2022

- Sanjay Baxla of the Solar Project followed up with S.P. of Erode district & Perendurai P.S. of Tamil Nadu about the missing girl child of Gosaba block in South 24 Pargana, W.B.
- Ms. Nabanita Shome & Ms. Sarmistha Guha participated in a webinar on human trafficking conducted by Baruipur Police District
- Ms. Nabanita Shome participated in a virtual meeting of the UN wherein a video showcasing KMWSC activities on anti human trafficking was showcased.

## February 2022

- Ms. Nabanita Shome attended an online meeting with UN anti human trafficking Group.
- Child Rights' team attended a webinar organized by Caritas on Cancer Day.
- Zoom meeting with LHESC on Society Budget.





- Webinar was conducted among Faith-based Organizations, organised by the IBVM/CJ UN office. Theme of the webinar was "Poverty, Hunger and Human Trafficking in Person: Interventions and Good Practices". Ms. Nabanita Shome was the speaker on behalf of KMWSC and presented the organisation's intervention on human trafficking.

- Zoom Meeting with Misian Cara on Finance & Cyber Security was attended.

- Representatives of Indigo Airlines gave school bags, water bottles & lunch boxes to children of Chingrighata MAC.

## March, 2022

- Ms. Nabanita Shome of the Red Light Project, along with Mr. Sanjay Baxla visited Asha Layam of Don Bosco in Howrah to seek admission of students of MAC at Sonagachhi.

- Alliance Meeting on Resilience City Development was conducted at Tomorrow's Foundation. This is a collaborative effort of various NGOs on livelihood development and strategies for child protection.





# The Loreto touch base

Loreto family standing tall and strong

KMWSC family is everthankful and grateful to:

Loreto Day School, Elliot Road

Loreto Convent School, Entally

Loreto College

Loreto House Community

Loreto Day School, Bowbazar

Old Residence Community

Loreto Day School, Dharamtala

Loreto Entally Community

Parents and children of the Loreto Schools

for their unconditional support and lending their hands to reach out to the vulnerable beneficiaries in different locations of KMWSC project areas and for KMWSCares drive by providing stationery, clothes, grocery, kitchen utensils, ambulance support and ration.





# Our Back bone

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			CWC	DALSA	
Loreto Manchester		 Calcutta Rescue <i>Caring for the underprivileged</i>	District Police	 Rigul Trust	
	 Saint Ignatius' College RIVERVIEW	P. C. CHANDRA GROUP	 MARY WARD INTERNATIONAL AUSTRALIA	response.net	 caritas Germany
Mission Fund	O MY BAG AMSTERDAM	BONO - Urban Phillip - K Germany	Our Queen of the Mission	 CHILD LINE 1098 <i>RIGHT &amp; DAY</i>	Loreto Grammar School
Mary Ward International Spain	 LOTUS CHILD <i>Creating the most capable of India</i> <i>The Francis and Edith Marys Foundation</i>	Isabella Hug	Cherrian Foundation	Mrs. Bernie and Roddy Geoghegan	John XXIII College
Mary Ward International Ireland	Mrs. Maria Playdell	BDO, DSWO, DCPU, SDO, SDPO, SI and SP of North 24 pgs, South Kolkata and Nadia-Hooghly		Margaret Jansen	Lucan Lions Club (Ireland)
	 JGHR FOUNDATION				



# Voices



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## Support pours in for the Covid-19

**INTK MAZUMDAR**  
 A supplier of stationery to schools whose business has been under lock and key since the start of the pandemic recently donated 50 kg of potatoes and 50 kg of flour to the centre. Parents of children who were admitted to the centre recently donated 100 kg of rice, flour and other food items. The NGO has received donations from all walks of life and is now working towards to donate to the centre. The centre is a part of the Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre of the Loreto Mission in South Asia, which has been set up a year ago.

One of such donors is 37-year-old Suman Sankhamibhi, who is a supplier of stationery, and has donated 50 kg of stationery items to the centre.



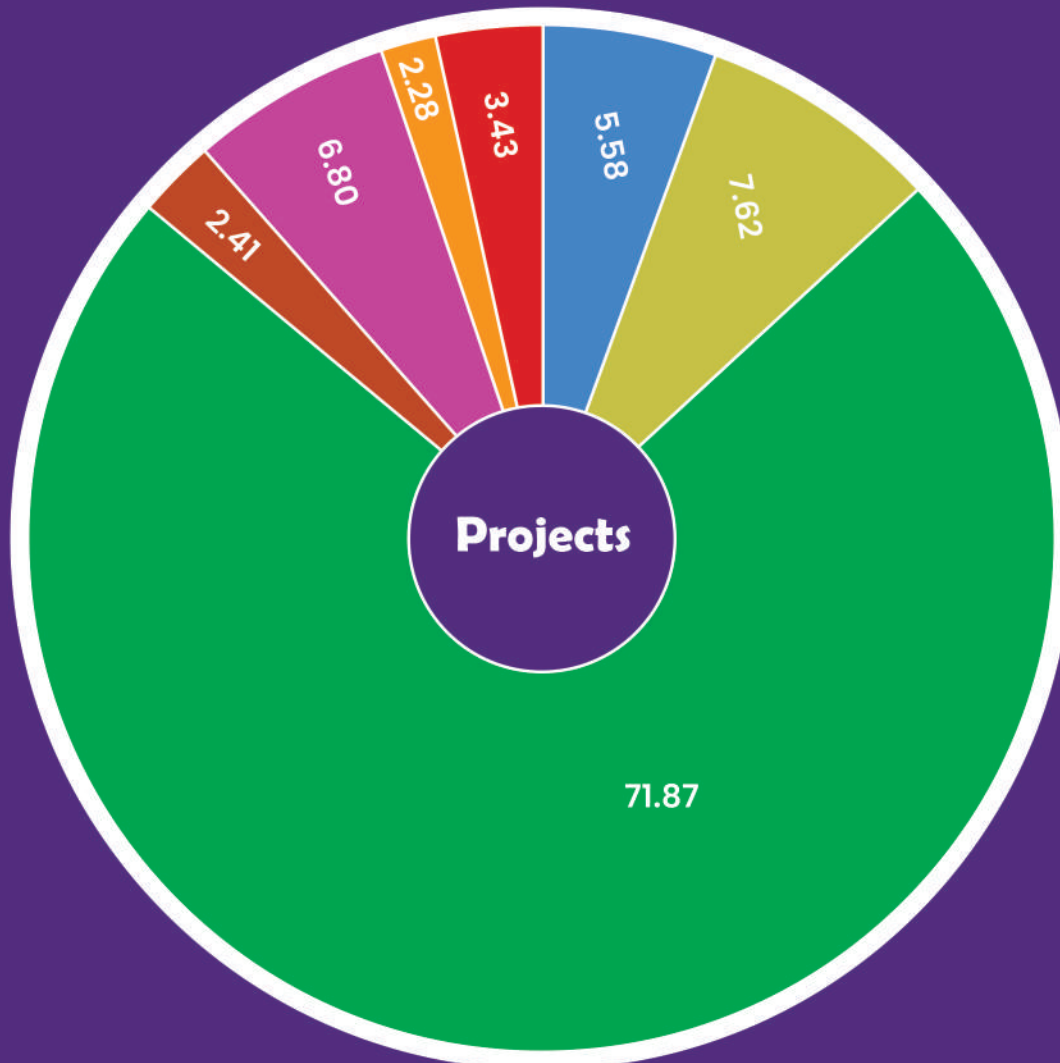
Food being cooked at Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre



# Financial Overview

## EXPENDITURE INCURRED FOR THE OBJECT OF THE KMWSC

During the year 2021 - 2022



● **Anti Human Trafficking Projects**  
Amount: 24,29,526.05 | Total Expenses: 0.06%

● **Children Education and Development**  
Amount: 33,16,682.98 | Total Expenses: 0.08%

● **Woman Empowerment and Community Development**  
Amount: 3,12,72,691.25 | Total Expenses: 0.72%

● **Solar Project**  
Amount: 10,50,192.75 | Total Expenses: 0.02%

● **Vocational Training - for Employment**  
Amount: 29,60,563.15 | Total Expenses: 0.07%

● **Disaster Management**  
Amount: 9,93,189.00 | Total Expenses: 0.02%

● **Covid-19 Relief Work**  
Amount: 14,93,364.00 | Total Expenses: 0.03%



# Bank Details

## Local Account

**Account Name:** Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre

**Account Number:** 6013453673

**Bank Name:** Kotak Mahindra Bank

**IFSC code:** KKBK0006572

**Branch:** Middleton Row

## FCRA Account

**Account Name:** Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre

**Account Number:** 60120611329

**Bank Name:** Kotak Mahindra Bank

**IFSC code:** KKBK0006572

**Branch:** Middleton Row

## SBI New Delhi FCRA Savings Bank Account

**Recipient Account Number:** 4007088087

**Receiver Bank SWIFT Code:** SBININBB104

**IFSC code:** SBIN0000691

**Branch Code:** 00691





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