



SOS CHILDREN'S
VILLAGES
INDIA

BASKET OF CARE SOLUTIONS



HAPPYNNINGS

JUNE - JULY, 2022

IN ACTION

Entrepreneurship Development Programme

An EDP training was organised for a period of two days for 47 caregivers of Aredi district (Bhopal). The training was conducted in CEDMAP, where topics related to business identification, marketing strategies and many more were covered through classroom lectures and group activities.



Workshop on Parenting Skills

The team of FSP Bangalore conducted a workshop on parenting skills for 30 recently enrolled caregivers. The resource person conducted a session covering topics like the importance of gentle parenting, why physical punishment / verbal abuse etc. should be held back, how substance usage can affect children's health and mental stability, how to support children during adolescence and how all children should be treated equally regardless of gender.



Session on Development of Learning Tools

With the help of 28 participants (16 tutors, 10 animators and 2 co-workers), FSP Bhopal organised a session on development of learning tools for children. Eklavya Publication will be extending their expertise for the development of these tools, which are being designed with the objective of enhancing learnings amongst children.

Career Options

A discussion with boys of CV Kolkata, on different new age career options, was conducted by Satyajee Ray Film and Television Institute Kolkata.



Sharing Experiences

Our settled youth, Dipika Tirkey, was invited by WCD, Govt. of Chattisgarh, to share her story in the zonal meeting pertaining to eight years of achievements of the MWCD, Govt. of India, which was presided over by Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani, Hon'ble Minister, MWCD.



Art and Craft Activities

Art and craft activities were organised at CV Nagapattinam as part of Summer Activity 2022. These helped the children to apply their creativity to a large extent. The outputs were much appreciated by one and all.



Drawing Competition

Two children, CV Hyderabad received certificates from the Honorable Minister of Law and Environment, Govt. of Telangana, for taking part in a drawing competition organised by the latter; more than 170 children participated in the competition. Both, the first and second prizes were won by children of the CV.





Session on Oral and Dental Hygiene

A session was organised on oral and dental hygiene at CV Faridabad, in collaboration with the Government Orthodontic Department, Faridabad. The objectives of the session were to make children understand more about basic oral hygiene and how to prevent dental diseases. It was a productive session followed by individual consultation for each child and required treatment, if any, extended by the concerned hospital.

Training for Caregivers

A training was conducted for caregivers, who are part of the Kinship Care Programme, along with children and Mentors, at Bhubaneswar; this included subjects such as child rights, child safeguarding and cyber security.

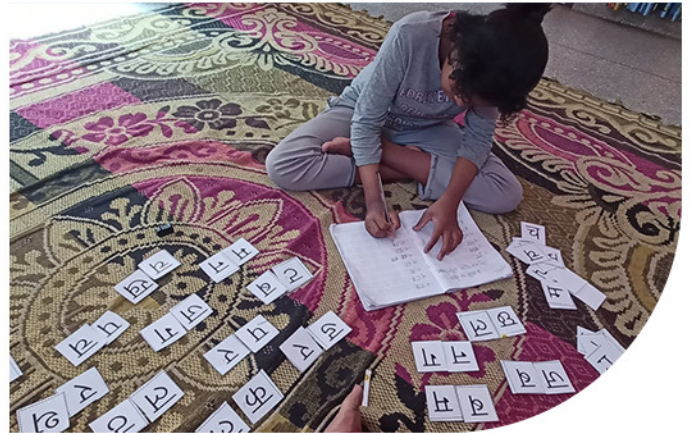
Visit to IIT Jammu

Children from CV Jammu visited IIT Jammu. They actively engaged in different activities that were facilitated by IIT students and faculty members. The experience was not only a fun one, but also inspired the children to dream big in life.



Reading Campaign Initiative

To improve the reading and comprehension skills of children, a session was conducted by DCPRC Delhi, at CV Bawana and SSH Safdarjung. This is a hundred day “Reading Campaign” initiative, which focuses on enhancing reading skills, comprehension in language and clarity of basic concepts in Math for children in primary and elementary classes.



TOT on Abacus

Seven of our Mothers from CV Bangalore attended a one-day ToT on Abacus, which was organised by Aarambh Academy. 36 of our children have been enrolled for this class and have received the kit. Trained Mothers will provide the training to the concerned children.

Child Rights and Child Safeguarding Programme

In collaboration with DLSA, Hojai, a programme on child rights and child safeguarding was organised on the eve of World Day Against Child Labour. An interaction session was also organised, where caregivers asked different questions on the concerned issues. Topics like scope of DLSA and provisions under DLSA were also discussed.



Interaction with the Honourable Governor of Uttarakhand

Children, CV Bhimtal, met the Honorable Governor of Uttarkhand, Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Gurmit Singh over lunch at his house in Nainital. The Governor interacted with all the children and spoke with them regarding their dreams, aspirations and future goals.



Parenting Programme

A two-day parenting programme was conducted at Dhanuhar Basti, Hojai. Resource persons from the Rabindranath Tagore University (Women Cell Department) conducted the session. The objective of this training was to upgrade parental care skills for our 'new' and 'old' caregivers.



Visit by Zee Media Entertainment

Zee Media Entertainment visited CV Greenfields and conducted interviews with children, Mothers and youth. They even captured children practicing yoga and performing dance.



Visit by Advantage Austria

Members of Advantage Austria visited CV Bawana. They were greeted with a traditional welcome, followed by a detailed orientation pertaining to our work in FLC and FSP. The visit also included cultural performances and interactions with Mothers, children and co-workers.

International yoga day

Children from CV Bangalore practiced Yoga at the Mysore Palace, joining Prime Minister Narendra Modi in celebrating the occasion.





Appreciation of FSP Begusarai

The FSP Begusarai has been much appreciated and recognized at the community level, as a result of which one of our animators has been deployed as part of the team for the Pulse Polio Drive. The animator will focus on achieving 100% vaccination of children in Ratauli village and has already administered polio drops to 73 children below five years of age.

Guidelines Committee for Girls in Aftercare Homes

SOS Children's Village CV Bangalore is one of the members of the Guidelines Committee for Girls in Aftercare Homes formed for Karnataka. CV Bangalore attended the first meeting, sharing experiences and providing inputs were needed. The Director, Directorate of Child Protection, appreciated our work based on her recent visit to CV Bangalore.

Exposure Visit to SIFT

The FSP Guwahati organised an exposure visit to SIFT (Sualkuchi Institute of Fashion Technology) for caregivers engaged in weaving (handloom). Sualkuchi is known as the silk village of Assam and is famous for its quality of silk and unique designs.



SOS DAY

SOS Day is observed, each year, on the occasion of the birth anniversary of Founder Hermann Gmeiner. On 23rd June this year too, CVs and projects across India observed the day in numerous ways.



International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking

Youth boys participated in a rally organised by the Dept. of Social Welfare, Govt. of Puducherry, on International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking; the objective was to generate awareness, through the rally, on this very serious issue.



World Environment Day

Bhumi Pednekar celebrated World Environment Day with children from CV Bhimtal and; in addition, each CV and project observed the day in unique ways.





A Special Visitor Pays A Visit

Big Boss Season 4, Malayalam, runner-up Bleslee, visited our Village and supported the education of two children. He, along with his fans, have also sponsored two children of the CV.



ICS Scholarship Exam

Students from Mewat district appeared for the ICS scholarship exam. From the students who appeared in the exam, seven students secured the first three positions. Km. Savita, class X, has attained the first position; two students, Yogesh, class VIII and Shreya, class X, have attained the second position; four students, Km. Saniya, class VIII; Master Parvez, class VIII; Km. Saafiya, class VIII and Km. Anjali, class X secured the third position.

Workshop on Child Sexual Exploitation

Joining Forces for Children, an alliance of six leading child development organisations in India, organised a workshop on Child Sexual Exploitation, in Patna. Asst. Director, FSP Begusarai, participated in the workshop and shared the mechanism of protection of children under the Family Strengthening Programme. In addition, three animators from Begusarai participated in the event and shared the success story of the concerned Bal Panchayat.

JOURNEYS OF CHANGE

Forwards, and onwards

Umar Farooq Malik is a care leaver from Children's Village Srinagar. He began his career in the hospitality sector, post completion of his B.Sc. in Hotel and Hospitality from the Institute of Hotel Management and Catering Technology Bathinda. Post his degree, he completed his internship and training from Hotel Hyatt Regency, Pune and Hotel Westin, Goa and gained adequate experience across different departments such as Front Office, Kitchen, Housekeeping etc. Recently, he joined as a Guest Service Associate in Goa, with a monthly salary of Rs. 23,000/-



Hope remains the biggest survival tool

Sharifa has never been to school, but she understands the value of education very well. Hasan, Sharifa's husband, runs a petty shop, but due to the pandemic this source of livelihood began to diminish. Not giving up hope, Sharifa availed support under the Income Generation Activity of the Family Strengthening Programme. The shop was rejuvenated by selling grocery items, instead, which picked up well. During the pandemic, her children were supported with essential items, education and tutorial support.



Looking forward to a better and brighter future



Sneha* Kotak is the eldest of four siblings, all of whom are supported by the Kinship Care programme. Her grandmother, Jashodha Ben Kotak, is the only earning member of the family, with her source of income coming from extending her culinary skills at weddings and during festivals. Says Sneha*: "I lost my parents in 2002, and after that we have been under the care of my grandmother. Of course, she is not young anymore and can only work limited hours, so financing our daily needs is a major issue, but with the help of the Government and the Kinship Care programme, we have been able to tide over this challenging period, more so during the pandemic." When asked about which profession she wants to pursue as a career, her reply comes promptly: "Bank Manager". Her grandmother describes the times during the pandemic succinctly: "It was a tough time. We didn't really know how to make ends meet, especially since everything was shut and no marriages, celebrations and such were organised. However, as part of the support from SOS Children's Villages India, we received education material support, medical and hygiene kits, a tablet for children to study, tuition fees, and other such essentials, which helped support not only the household expenses but also the continuum of education." Sneha, who is currently pursuing her 2nd year in college, adds: "Studies are the most important aspect of empowering a life; if one is qualified, then one can work hard and earn, else it is tough in today's time and age."

IN THE NEWS

The month of June 2022 saw a total of 89 coverages: 53 print, 29 online, 4 on social media, 3 on YouTube

Disabled kids of Balgram show power of 'Asha hai to mumin hai'

GRAND PRAISE FOR THE POWER OF 'ASHA HAI TO MUMIN HAI'... The children of Balgram, who have been living in the shadows of the Balgram slum, have shown the power of 'Asha hai to mumin hai' (There is hope, there is faith) by participating in the 'Asha hai to mumin hai' program. The program is a part of the 'Asha hai to mumin hai' initiative, which aims to provide education and skill training to the children of the Balgram slum. The children of Balgram have been participating in the program since its inception in 2018. They have been learning various skills, including computer skills, English, and art. The program has been a great success, and the children of Balgram have shown a lot of improvement in their skills and confidence. The program is a testament to the power of 'Asha hai to mumin hai' and the importance of providing education and skill training to the children of the Balgram slum.

बच्चों के संपूर्ण विकास के लिए आयोजित विशेष कार्यक्रम के तहत SOS चिल्ड्रेन विलेजेंज ऑफ़ इंडिया ने अब तक 17,000 परिवारों की मदद की

हिन्दुस्तान एक्सप्रेस

नई दिल्ली: देशभर में तीन करोड़ से भी ज्यादा बच्चों हैं जिन्हें विशेष देखभाल की आवश्यकता है। ये बच्चे अक्सर गरीबी, अशिक्षा, और भ्रष्टाचार के कारण अपने परिवारों में रहने के बजाय अनाथालयों में रहते हैं। SOS चिल्ड्रेन विलेजेंज ऑफ़ इंडिया इन बच्चों की मदद करने के लिए एक विशेष कार्यक्रम चला रही है। इस कार्यक्रम के तहत, SOS चिल्ड्रेन विलेजेंज ऑफ़ इंडिया ने अब तक 17,000 परिवारों की मदद की है। इस कार्यक्रम के माध्यम से, बच्चों को एक सही परिवार मिलता है, जहाँ वे पढ़ाई कर सकते हैं और एक अच्छे जीवन जी सकते हैं। SOS चिल्ड्रेन विलेजेंज ऑफ़ इंडिया का मिशन है कि हर बच्चा एक सही परिवार में रह सके और एक अच्छे जीवन जी सके।



Other leaders of SOS Children's Village and children for a group photograph in Jammu.

SOS Children's Village observes SOS Day

Excelsior Correspondent
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SOS CHILDREN'S VILLAGES

New Delhi, 24th June, 2022: India has more than 30 million children in need of care and protection, comprising the rights of a child, and enhancing the child's vulnerability (source UNICEF). This was said, ahead of SOS Day, by Mr. Sumanta Kar, Secretary General, SOS Children's Villages of India, during a media workshop on "Strengthening families - Preventing Child Abandonment". SOS Day is observed on the birth anniversary of the Founder, SOS Children's Villages of India, Dr. Hermann Gmeier.

While addressing the media, Mr. Sumanta Kar, Secretary General, SOS Children's Villages of India, said "There are many factors that lead to child abandonment, few being: financial distress, social challenges, ill-health, substance abuse, gender disparity, etc. We witnessed loss of jobs and livelihoods during the pandemic, bringing vulnerable families under amplified pressure. Basic rights, including education, health and nutrition were also compromised. Prolonged lockdowns also resulted in a sharp increase in child abandonment cases."

CSR Times

'Strengthening families essential for holistic child development'

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Political & Business Daily

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Times Now Hindi

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Swadesh

See Post: Bhumi celebrates World Environment Day with kids in Nainital

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She said, 'We all have the power to make a change and every action of yours and mine will ultimately protect our planet.'

Mid Day

SOS Children's Village Jammu observes SOS Day to commemorate the 103rd birth anniversary of the late Founder Dr. Hermann Gmei

National TV

World Environment Day | Bhumi Pednekar: It was a lonely journey when I started speaking about climate change

Bhumi Pednekar says fellow celebs don't think of climate change as an important enough issue to talk about.

Hindustan Times

एसओएस चिल्ड्रेन विलेज ऑफ़ इंडिया में कार्यक्रम आयोजित, रिमिल यूएन प्लान्टिक के खतरों के प्रति किया जागरूक

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Dainik Bhaskar



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