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Dear Friends,

We're happy to share our newsletter for the month of November 2017 which witnessed a motley of activities being conducted for children and their stakeholders. Almost 250 children were vaccinated against Rubella, a contagious, viral infection and a leading cause of birth defects. Sensitisation sessions were held for children and partner organisations to address the growing threat of online abuse. Newly appointed Child Health Educators organised a sensitisation session on sanitation & hygiene at a government school. All this and more in this issue.

Thank you, for being a friend, an ally in this journey towards changing children's lives. We really appreciate you taking the time to read our newsletter.

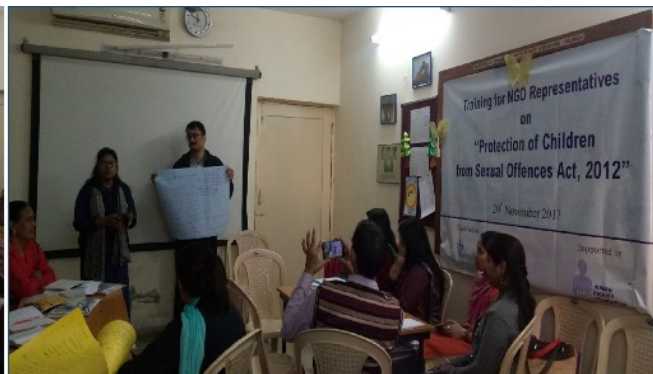


Capacity Building of Stakeholders

- A one day training was organised for CSPC members which was facilitated by Mr. Deepak who is working as a Social Activist at Human Rights Law Network. The sessions highlighted the various Government schemes and entitlements available in India like Birth Registration (Process Getting a new one made and also corrections), Voter Identity Card, Ladli Scheme, Sukanya Samridhi Account Yojana, Adhaar Card, PAN Card.
- A training session was held for Police personnel on the Juvenile Justice Act 2015. The training focused on salient features of the Juvenile Justice Act 2015 and also had a module where participants shared the daily challenges faced in implementing the Act and while working with children. The training was facilitated by Mr. Shahbaz Khan who has more than 10 years' experience working in the child protection and juvenile justice sectors. Currently, he is also serving

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as Casework Director for Counsel to Secure Justice, an organization that provides legal and psychosocial support to survivors of sexual violence.



Workshop on Cyber Safety and POCSO Act

On 30th November 2017 an awareness session was organized with the children of Delhi Child Rights Club on "Cyber Safety". The sessions were taken by Mr.Ummed Meel, a Cyber consultant along with Mr.Rupesh Baliyan, Cyber branch, Delhi Police and Mr.Virender Meel, Cyber Security Expert, South District. The children were sensitised on the dos & donts of social media and whom to approach in cases of abuse or misuse. Followed by the session, a workshop on the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act 2012 (POCSO) was also organized for representatives of Delhi Child Rights Club and Child Social Protection Committee. The session was taken by Mr.Saurabh Bhargavan, Attorney at Law who gave a broad overview of the Act covering the different sexual offences under the act, procedure for reporting cases, procedure for recording statement of the child and the role of special courts. A question and answer session was also held where participants shared concerns related to the challenges faced in the implementation of the POCSO Act.



Child Health Cooperative

A one day Child Health Educators' (CHE) training was held at USO House, on 28th October to train 26 CHEs elected by the children. The training covered sessions like first aid, wounds management, digestive system, roles and duties of child health educators, using the logbook and functions of different departments in a hospital. Followed by the training, the newly elected Child Health Educators' (CHE) organised a sensitisation session on sanitation & hygiene at a government school covering topics like saving water, good sanitation & hygiene practices and the proper way of handwashing.

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Butterflies in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

Children Submit Child Led Plans - Demanding a protective and child friendly environment for themselves, children from North Andaman had an interface meeting with Smti. Kalpana Bain, Adhyaksh, Zilla Parishad on 11th November at Subash Gram Panchayat Hall, Diglipur. Children also discussed issues like the need for music and computer teachers in various schools, shortage of school trip buses, illegal sale of alcohol, repairing of Anganwadi buildings, poor network connectivity in villages, need for children's parks in villages etc. The Adhyaksh assured children that she will look into their issues and will take all necessary actions to resolve them. Smt. Alpana Mondal, Pradhan, Subhash Gram Panchayat was also present at the occasion.

Bal Sabha Interface Meeting - Children held a Bal Sabha Interface meeting with their Samiti Pramukhs Mrs. Seema Sarkar and Mr. Sandeep and Block Development Officer Mr. Rajendra. Children shared their problems like lack of maintenance of Anganwadi buildings, irregular service of buses, inactive youth clubs, lack of facilities in schools etc. The meeting was also attended by Namunagar Panchayat Pradhan Mrs. Pratima Kumari. The officials took note of the children's issues and assured quick action on these issues wherever possible.



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Her Majesty Visits ChildLine

Her Majesty Queen Mathilde of Belgium visited Childline's Contact Centre in Gurugram along with Smt. Maneka Gandhi, Hon'ble Minister of Minister of Women & Child Development, Government of India on 07th November. Dr. Anjaiah Pandiri, Executive Director and Ms. Harleen Walia, Deputy Director, Childline India Foundation gave a presentation on ChildLine to all who were present, which was followed by a discussion on the field level interventions by Childline and the process of reaching out to children in need of care and protection. The Queen shared that she is the president of an organization called Child Focus which also offers a helpline number for children in distress.



Childrens Day Celebrations

On the occasion of Children's Day, 20 children participated in a street play organized in collaboration with National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR). The play which sensitised the public and children about ChildLine was held at three different locations in Delhi- National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development, Indira Gandhi Kala Kendra and Bharatiya Pravasi Kendra.



Childline Se Dosti

In order to spread awareness on ChildLine, the toll-free helpline for children, a week long sensitization campaign was organized across the country. Titled Childline Se Dosti, the campaign was organised with different stakeholders like the District Child Protection Unit, Government Schools, Child Care Institutions, Police Personnel, SDM and Communities.

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Butterflies in Uttarakhand

250 children in Dehradun and Haridwar were vaccinated against Rubella, a contagious, viral infection that occurs most often in children and young adults. Rubella is the leading vaccine-preventable cause of birth defects.



Bachon Ki Nazar Se-Through The Eyes of a Child By Butterflies Broadcasting Children

A variety of radio programmes were produced and aired by Butterflies Broadcasting Children this month. Topics include, precautions during winter season, peace & non violence, Bal Divas, Polio Prevention and the Indian Farmer. Children interviewed experts on the subjects like Dr. Arvind Gupta, Associate Prof - Panchkarma Ayurvedic College & Hospital, Dr. Mani Mala, Journalist and Ex-Director, Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti, Mr. Priyank Kanoongo, Member - RTE & Education, National Commission for Protection of Children's Rights(NCPCR), Dr. Ashvini Kumar, AIIMS, and Prof. Yogendra Yadav, President, Swaraj India, Member-Swaraj Abhiyan and Jai Kisan Andolan.. The programmes were aired on All India Radio and is also available for listeners on YouTube [here](#) –

Online Safety & Social Media

A training on online safety was organised for the members of Children's Club on 30th November 2017. 24 children from different schools participated in the training which educated children on the impact of internet, social media, and smartphones on the lives of children. Members were also sensitized on their roles and responsibilities as members of the club.

Workshop on Entrepreneurship

A Workshop on Entrepreneurship was organised with 41 adolescents of age group between 15-18 years from Children's Development Khazana (CDK) on 12th November 2017. The workshop introduced children to entrepreneurship and the fundamentals of running an enterprise. The workshop had interesting sessions like time management, definition of entrepreneurship and the marketing mix, group activities and a short session on making CDK self-sustainable.

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