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THE ISSUE

LAST YEAR, DEEPAK WAS ONE OF THE 112,000 CHILDREN WHO ARRIVED ALONE AT ONE OF THE 15 BIGGEST RAILWAY STATIONS IN INDIA. HE WAS VULNERABLE TO RISK THE MOMENT HE ALIGHTED AT THE STATION.

WITH NO SPECIFIC SYSTEMS INHERENTLY EXISTING TO TRACK AND PROTECT UNATTENDED CHILDREN AT THE PLATFORM, DEEPAK WAS AN EASY TARGET FOR TRAFFICKERS OR ABUSERS. LIKE MANY OTHER CHILDREN, DEEPAK HAD UNWITTINGLY ENTERED A WORLD OF PHYSICAL AND SEXUAL ABUSE, TRAFFICKING AND EXPLOITATION.

EVERY DAY, CHILDREN LIKE DEEPAK EITHER VOLUNTARILY SEPARATE FROM FAMILIES OR INVOLUNTARILY BECOME LOST IN THE BUSTLING CROWDS AT INDIA'S RAILWAY STATIONS. UNLESS THEY ARE CONTACTED EARLY, THESE CHILDREN BECOME AN INTEGRAL YET INVISIBLE PART OF ONE OF THE LARGEST RAIL NETWORKS IN THE WORLD.

RAILWAY CHILDREN EXISTS TO PROTECT CHILDREN LIKE DEEPAK FROM BECOMING ANOTHER GRIM STATISTIC; IGNORED, UNREPORTED, FORGOTTEN. EVERY DAY WE FIGHT TO CHANGE THEIR STORY!



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INTRODUCTION

Railway Children fight for vulnerable children who live alone and at risk on the streets, where they suffer abuse and exploitation. We aim to reach children as soon as they arrive on the streets and intervene before an abuser can. Our pioneering work enables us to get to street children before the streets get to them. We work at three levels for long term change...

AT STREET LEVEL

We meet the immediate needs of children on the streets. Our outreach workers spend time with children, gaining their trust and providing a safe place to stay while we help children work out the best long-term solution for themselves. We work to return children home when possible, and support children and their families to resolve their issues and make their reunions successful

AT COMMUNITY LEVEL

We change communities' perceptions of children on the streets, helping people to understand the issues that cause children to run away and that face them on the streets. We work with communities to help them recognise their role in protecting the vulnerable children in their locality.

AT GOVERNMENT LEVEL

We persuade policy makers that children living on the streets should be higher on their agenda and that government policies should provide greater protection and opportunity for them. We advise and assist on issues that affect children on the streets at government level. We help police and communities to implement and enforce existing laws and policies to keep their children safe.

**EVERY YEAR OUR
WORK IMPACTS MORE
THAN 8000 CHILDREN
IN INDIA ALONE.**

WORK IN PARTNERSHIP

IN INDIA, RAILWAY CHILDREN WORKS WITH 12 NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANISATIONS(NGO) IN 8 STATES, IMPLEMENTING PROGRAMMES AT RAILWAY STATIONS, GOVERNMENT HOMES AND HIGH RISK DISTRICTS WHERE CHILDREN ARE LEAVING THEIR FAMILY.

To ensure the children we work with are recognized and protected by the Government, we work with the Indian government in an advisory capacity as an expert in the field of children in need of care and protection. We sit on various committees with stakeholders, police, other NGOs and government departments. In our advisory capacity we sit on the *Ministry of Women and Children Development Panel and the Save the Children Research Advisory Committee. We also forge positive relationships with the Railway Board, government departments and other stakeholders who regulate the rail industry in India.

Railway Children implemented two pilot projects with the Delhi Police and District Administration of Chandauli, Uttar Pradesh. We also implemented child rights training at three Railway Protection Force training institutes.

- Railway Children with the Delhi police activated Special Juvenile Police Units in 4 districts. The SJPU pilot project concluded after a successful two year run, in 2014.
- In Chandauli district of Uttar Pradesh we assist the local administration to implement the Integrated Child Protection Scheme (ICPS)

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of our intervention programmes reach out to vulnerable children at **15** stations.

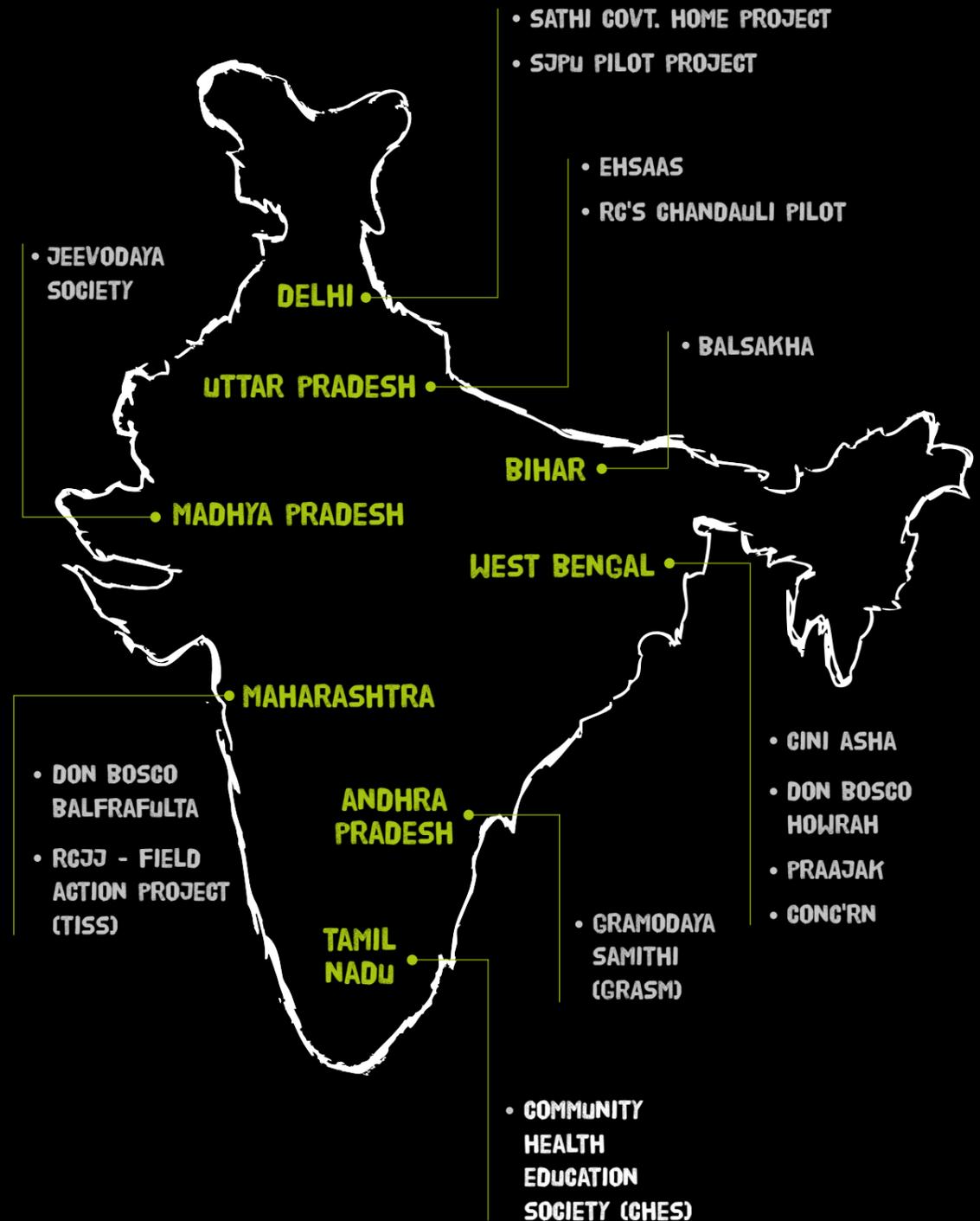
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programmes work to protect the rights of children staying in **10** Government Homes

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interventions assist local Governments, Police, families and communities in **24** districts, to provide an enabling environment for children at risk of leaving home.

* MWCD Compendium for compilation of good practices on ICPS.



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR

WE HELPED PROTECT
THE RIGHTS OF
8762 CHILDREN AT
3 LEVELS.

AT THE LEVEL OF THE CHILD

3335 children accessed safety in Drop in Centres (DIC)

425 children were counselled

459 children accessed vocational training and 23 children who were over 15 years old were helped find jobs

2888 children were provided non-formal education classes, 1872 children were linked to formal school

2502 children were reunified with their family, 1779 of these children are staying back at home

989 children back at home are going to school

889 children opted to stay in child care homes

65 children in conflict with law, were helped

AT THE COMMUNITY LEVEL

815 children staying with families in six districts of Uttar Pradesh were monitored for vulnerability and offered need-based support

1270 children from 13 high risk districts in Bihar and West Bengal chose home over a life on the streets

AT THE GOVERNMENT LEVEL

Child protection committees (CPC) were formed at **21** railway stations across India. CPCs were also formed in 501 villages in Chandauli district, Uttar Pradesh

1233 Railway Protection Force (RPF) and Government Railway Police (GRP) officials from seven Railway zones, were trained in child rights

410 community members of village and block CPCs, police and District Child Protection Unit in Chandauli, were oriented in child rights and their responsibilities.

SUSTAINING THE IMPACT

OUR WORK CREATES CHILD FRIENDLY PEOPLE, POLICIES AND PRACTICES TO ENSURE THE CHANGES WE FACILITATE TODAY CONTINUE TO PROTECT CHILDREN IN THE FUTURE TOO.

THIS YEAR OUR PROGRAMMES MADE STATIONS SAFER SPACES FOR CHILDREN ON THE STREETS/PLATFORMS BECAUSE...

OUR PROGRAMMES REVIVED CHILDHOODS IN SAFE SHELTERS

OUR PROGRAMMES STRENGTHEN FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES TO CREATE CONDUCIVE ENVIRONMENTS FOR CHILDREN WHICH MOTIVATES THEM TO STAY AT HOME. WE ACHIEVE THIS BY:

TRANSFORMING TO SCALE THE IMPACT

RAILWAY CHILDREN IS NOW A SECTION 25 COMPANY UNDER THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013. OUR NEW IDENTITY WILL ENABLE US TO WORK MORE INTENSELY WITH GOVERNMENT AND THE CORPORATE SECTOR.

- Night outreach activities with other NGOs Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus and Itarsi, Madhya Pradesh jointly reached children who were previously not reached by the programme

- Police at Patna station, in collaboration with our partner organised medical camps which benefitted 150 children.

- At Lucknow station, police banned the

practice of using children to remove bodies of rail accident victims

- At New Jalpaiguri, the Government Railway Police (GRP) has appointed Child Welfare Officers

- 'Clubs' (Health, environment) keep children engaged and active at the Government Home, Chennai

- In West Bengal, our partner helped

Government departments train 59 staff from 15 Shelter Homes on child rights and how to identify and provide psychosocial support for children.

- In Delhi, 70 staff of Government Homes trained by the programme, are now more sensitive while engaging with children

- 160 Anganwadi workers in Tirupati were trained in child protection. They refer vulnerable children for support, trace addresses and assist in follow ups

- 744 children were either enrolled

into formal school or assisted with scholarships, 398 children accessed vocational training

- 169 families were linked with government welfare schemes, enabling them to protect

and provide for their children

- 128 children enabled to secure support from Child Welfare Committee in West Bengal



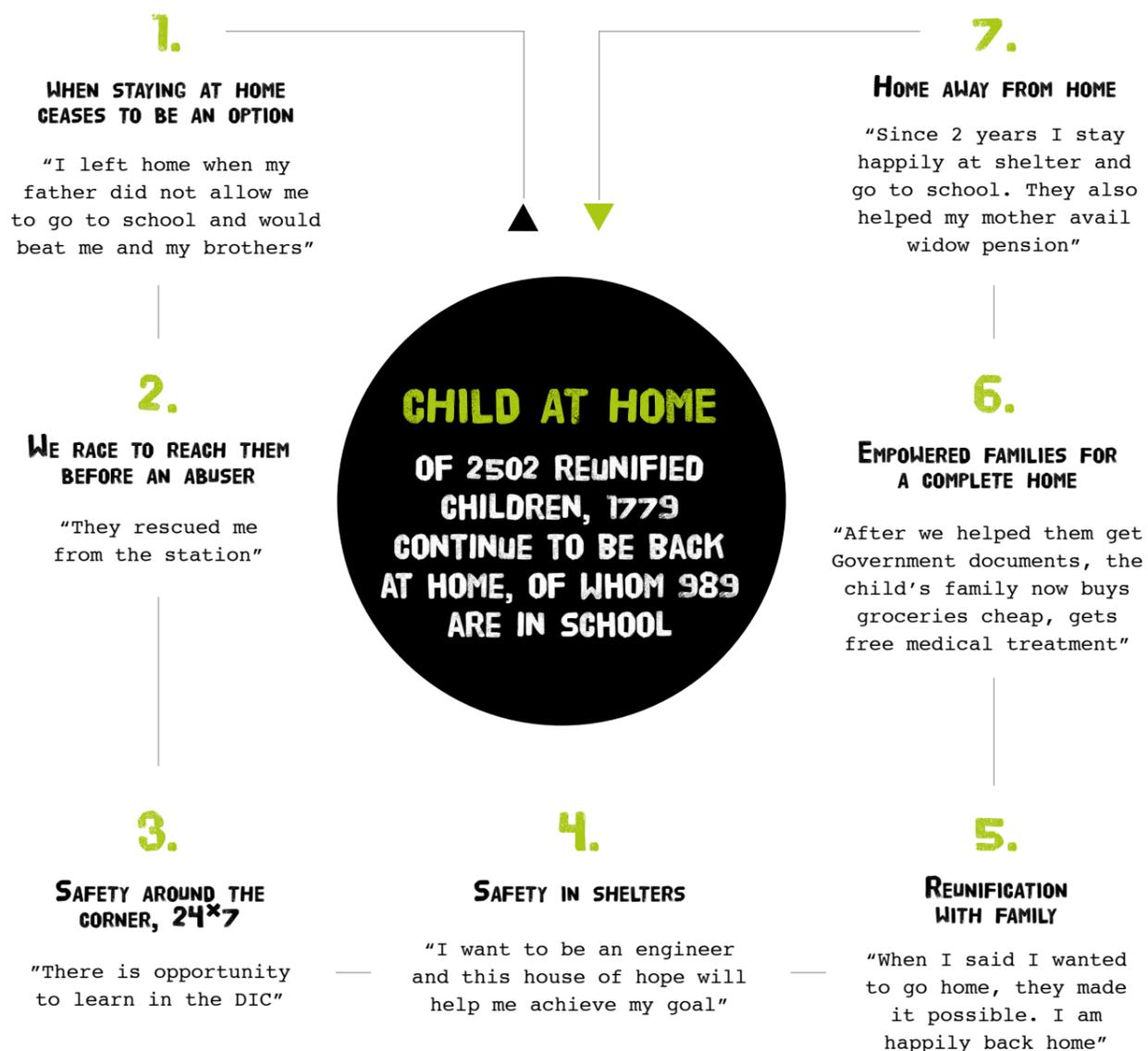
LEVEL 1: FROM STATIONS TO SAFETY

EVERY DAY OUR PROGRAMMES REACH OUT TO MANY CHILDREN LIKE DEEPAK WHO ARE INITIALLY SCARED AND UNWILLING TO TRUST OUR OUTREACH AND PEER WORKERS.

When they eventually open up, they tell us their stories of how poverty, abuse, curiosity or fear led them out of homes and onto the streets and railway platforms.

Through programmes that address children's basic needs and advocacy to make Governments accountable to these children, we fight to change their stories into those of hope, dreams and ambitions. Who better then to speak of the stories of change we create.

OUR INTERVENTION JOURNEY IN THE WORDS OF THE TRAVELERS THEMSELVES.



LAST YEAR RAILWAY CHILDREN AND OUR PARTNERS DEVELOPED A CHECKLIST OF FIVE INDICATORS TO MAKE RAILWAY STATIONS CHILD FRIENDLY. THEY INCLUDE:

- EXISTENCE OF A CHILD PROTECTION BOOTH • DISPLAY OF CHILD PROTECTION AWARENESS MATERIAL • POLICE RECORD DETAILS OF CHILDREN • ANNOUNCEMENTS OVER RAILWAY'S PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM • EXISTENCE OF MULTI-STAKEHOLDER GROUP/S AT THE STATION COLLABORATIVELY WORKING FOR CHILD PROTECTION

STORIES OF CHANGE

WHEN GAUTAM, GIRISH AND GANESH GOT A SECOND CHANCE AT LIFE

Gautam (21) the eldest of 3 brothers, will soon be completing his post-graduate education. Girish (18) completed secondary school and is training to be a technician. Ganesh (16) has finished primary school, and is enrolled as a resident trainee at the Madhya Pradesh State Shooting Academy after clearing trials. Clearly they are on the right track in life.

But it wasn't always so. They have come to terms with what has been a troubled past where they and their parents were beggars who roamed the streets. Their father used to beat them and their mother died early.

But, 10 years at the Itarsi Shelter in Madhya Pradesh, and counselling have given them courage to dream of a better future.

After their mother's death, they ended up at the Itarsi railway station, while roaming. Gautam recalls how the outreach staff encouraged them to visit the shelter. He started with regular visits first, then started staying here, and eventually brought his brothers. "I liked coming here. I made a lot of friends and even enrolled at school" shares Gautam.

The three completed their education while at the shelter, and contributed to its running. "We were the 'elder group', who would care for the younger ones and new joiners. We also assisted outreach staff by visiting the station and encouraging the boys there to visit/stay at Jeevodaya.", says a confident Girish.

A RESCUE FROM THE CLUTCHES OF AN ERRANT SYSTEM

Four juveniles. One 18 year-old. Picked up for theft by the police. In custody for 4 days.

This was a violation of child rights under the Juvenile Justice Act, as they should have been produced before the Juvenile Justice Board (JJB).

It could have been worse, had our programme not intervened. Our Maharashtra partner who works in two Observation Homes assisted the children's parents in filing an application with the police. As a result, two children were released and produced before the Child Welfare Committee (CWC), two were presented before JJB and eventually released, while one adolescent was found to be above 18 years old.

The CWC asked the Commissioner of Police to explain the violation and also filed an application against the police to the Maharashtra State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (MSCPCR). An inquiry is underway. Currently all four children are at home under legal supervision. Our partner is counselling two of the boys to resume their education or enrol for vocational courses, even as they overcome this trauma.



LEVEL 2:
**SENSITIVE
COMMUNITIES FOR
SAFE CHILDHOODS**

1270

CHILDREN CHOSE A LIFE AT HOME INSTEAD OF A LIFE ON THE STREETS

IN 20 DISTRICTS ACROSS THREE STATES, OUR PROGRAMME HAS ENGAGED COMMUNITIES TO COME TOGETHER AS LOCAL COMMITTEES FOR CHILD PROTECTION. MEMBERS OF THESE COMMITTEES ARE COMMUNITY YOUTH AND LEADERS WHO ARE AWARE AND ALERT TO CHILD PROTECTION ISSUES. THEY IDENTIFY AND TAKE STEPS TO ADDRESS CHILD RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AND ALSO ENSURE CHILDREN REMAIN ENGAGED THROUGH DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES. AS A RESULT THEY ARE MOTIVATED TO CHOOSE HOME OVER A LIFE ON THE STREETS.



AGENTS OF CHANGE

VILLAGE CHILD PROTECTION CENTRE IN BIHAR REOPENS A SCHOOL SHUT FOR SEVEN YEARS

Patna: The community-based child protection centre we support through our partner in ChutkiDamol village in Patna district of Bihar enabled 45 children who worked as child labourers, to resume their education. Until a few months ago, the nearest school was six kilometers away as the Government-run school in the village had remained shut for seven years due to a lack of teachers.

Many children from poor families had opted to leave school, unable to afford transport, and had begun working to support their families instead. Following advocacy by the child protection centre in the village the education authorities appointed two new teachers and re-opened the school in September.

We hope to achieve similar successes through our preventive work at Chandauli, Uttar Pradesh where following our advocacy, 600 rural and nine block level child protection committees have been constituted.

CHANDAULI'S FIRST ANTI-CHILD LABOUR DRIVE

Chandauli, Uttar Pradesh: Railway Children's efforts brought together the District Child Protection Unit, the district Labour Department and the police to start an anti-child labour drive. We bring you the drive's first story of change; Chintu (10) and Sonu (12)'s rescue from child labour.

As part of the drive the functionaries conducted a raid at an eatery in the district from where Chintu and Sonu were rescued. Both the children hailed from single parent families and were brought by relatives to Chandauli for work.

Through the local Child Welfare Committee's orders they were referred to the Government Children's Home in Varanasi.



LEVEL 3:
**PROACTIVE
PERSONNEL AND
PRACTICES**

While we do strive to reach a child alone and at risk before an abuser does, we are not alone in our quest. Our programmes involve duty bearers such as the Railway staff and police personnel from the Railway Protection Force, Government Railway Police and the Special Juvenile Police Unit (SJPU).

AS A RESULT OF OUR CONTINUOUS ENGAGEMENT, POLICE STAKEHOLDERS REFERRED 1257 CHILDREN TO OUR PROGRAMMES THIS YEAR

“NOT ALL POLICE ARE BAD OR HATE ME”

The RPF personnel who attended a training in child rights conducted by our partner at New Jalpaiguri (NJP), voluntarily decided to expand their duties beyond referrals of children. They organised an educational sports camp at the RPF Training centre in Domohani, West Bengal for 18 adolescent boys, with the objective to help them overcome substance abuse and take decisions to leave life on the streets. “The work being done for these children is commendable. We are happy to have our chance to make a difference in their lives too!” said one of the cadets who attended the training.

The children enjoyed the experience of playing sports, a luxury they are deprived of in their chaotic life at the platform. The Camp dispelled a lot of myths in the minds of the children and the police. Rahul, one of the children who attended the camp, summed it up. “I thought the RPF and other Police at the station are all bad and hate us...but after coming here, I see that is not the case...”

INTERSTATE VISITS FOR CWCS IN DELHI, WEST BENGAL AND UTTAR PRADESH LED TO BETTER COORDINATION BETWEEN THESE AGENCIES AND HELPED REUNIFY 35 CHILDREN.

During these exposure visits the CWCs deliberated how networking between them can help in family tracing, reunification and reintegration of children. The agencies have begun coordinating with each other leading to quicker reunifications and timely follow up of reunified children. During one such exposure visit organised for CWCs of Delhi to a district in Uttar Pradesh, the members witnessed how our programme trains community volunteers to liaise with the CWC to follow up reunified children. The Delhi CWCs now propose to develop a similar model.

AGENTS OF CHANGE

SJPU SOCIAL WORKER INTERVENTION ENABLES 15 YEAR-OLD ABUSE VICTIM ACCESS HER REHABILITATION RIGHTS

If it weren't for the timely intervention of the social worker with the Special Juvenile Police Unit, Ramlala rickshaw puller confined by his poverty would have not been able to secure justice for his 15 year old daughter Meena who was a victim of sexual assault.

The social worker who had over three years of experience working with the SJPU had handled similar cases and knows that victims from impoverished families are often deprived of any rehabilitation measures due to lack of awareness or access to any form of Government assistance. Her role within the SJPU also included facilitating police awareness about child protection policies and procedures for Juvenile Welfare Officers (JWO) at police stations.

One such JWO from the police station where Meena's case had been registered informed the social worker and requested her support in taking the case forward. The local Child Welfare Committee handling Meena's case suggested that the child was eligible for benefits under a Central Government sponsored Rape Victims Assistance Scheme. The social worker's research revealed that under the Scheme a lump sum amount is given to rape victims for their rehabilitation. The social worker escorted the child and her father to a meeting with the Deputy Director, Department of Women and Child Development who approved Meena's eligibility for the scheme.

“I am happy they could get their rights because of me. Its moments like these which strengthen my conviction to continue working for children at risk,” – the social worker who continues to be in touch with Meena's family. Ramlal has been guided to use the money for Meena's education.

- This case study is taken from a compilation of case studies done by Railway Children, as testimony to the SJPU project's impact in strengthening SJPUs of Delhi to implement the JJ Act

OUR ROLE IN CREATING SUSTAINABLE CHANGE

BRINGING GLOBAL EXPERIENCE TO SHAPE EXPERTISE

We partner with grassroots organisations who have invaluable local knowledge, established community relationships and projects specific to the needs of the local area.

Our partners are best placed to deliver the crucial services that meet the immediate needs of children on the streets. As well as funding vital services, Railway Children provides the systems and practices to develop sound, transparent, credible and cost-effective programmes for children.

We constantly improve services for children living on the streets by sharing the learning and experience we've gained through working in a variety of countries, and our expertise in child rights.

It is important that our partners can grow and meet the needs of more children in the future, so we also work with them to strengthen their governance and improve financial management, leading to better planning, monitoring and evaluation.

In India we undertake the following steps...

1. Help all our partners develop plans using Results Based Management approach.
2. Provide support through bi-annual partner support visits to strengthen programmes for effectiveness.
3. Facilitate organisational development planning through a Discussion Based Organisational Self-Assessment tool (DOSA).
4. Train partner staff through Railway Children's national training programmes. Ehsaas is a psychosocial support skill training while Samyak is a training module for outreach workers.

This year's Samyak workshop trained 30 staff members from six NGOs and social workers of our Special Juvenile Police Unit pilot project in Delhi.

As part of the SJPU project exit strategy, two workshops equipped the seven social workers of the project, with project planning and case study documentation skills. These workshops contributed their professional development and are expected to enable them to respond to various needs of programs related to child protection.



RAILWAY CHILDREN'S KNOWLEDGE LEADERSHIP

Being one of the few organisations that dedicatedly work with children alone and at risk on the railway stations in India, we constantly review and document the learning from our work to shape public opinion and policy. *Some of them are listed below.

- The what and how of successful family strengthening
- From Source to Solutions - An analysis of the cases reviewed by the Child Welfare Committee, Mayur Vihar, New Delhi
- Protecting Children at the Railway platform - A handbook of circulars, letters and orders
- Training module on child rights and protection for Railway Protection Force Training Academy

USING EVIDENCE TO INFLUENCE GOVERNMENT PERSPECTIVES

- The Delhi Special Juvenile Police Unit pilot project concluded this year after a successful two and a half year run, which benefitted 1064 children of four districts in Delhi. Learning from the pilot was shared with the Department of Women and Child (DWCD), Delhi who have initiated the appointment of 26 social workers in all district SJPU's.
- As a member of an NCPDR 'Working group' we are helping develop guidelines on National Policy towards Safeguarding the Rights of Children in contact with Railways. This year a two phase mapping exercise commenced to assess the implementation status of the Railways' SOP in at least one major railway station in 16 Railway zones. The first phase which mapped seven stations, found Child Protection Committees were formed in all locations.

- As an 'expert' in a Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD) panel, we are mapping good practices in child protection.

Using expertise to activate Government action

- Through 19 training programmes across 11 stations and in three Railway Protection Force (RPF) institutes, Railway Children has trained and sensitised 1233 RPF officials, from seven Railway zones.
- Railway Children believes the Railways' Standard Operating Procedure is a milestone development in protecting children at railway stations. We are therefore committed to make its implementation a success. At 21 railway stations, we supported Railway authorities to implement the SOP by constituting Child Protection Committees. The members of these CPCs were also trained in child protection laws and their responsibilities as part of the CPC.

* Please contact the office if you would like copies.

BEING THE CHANGE!

During our training, whilst the police personnel learn the legal aspects of child protection, they also learn that the power to impact a child's life rests with them. Our staff receive phone calls from the trainee officers in the field, seeking guidance on managing child protection issues. One such call helped prevent a child marriage of a 15 year old girl in the Thootukudi district of Tamil Nadu.

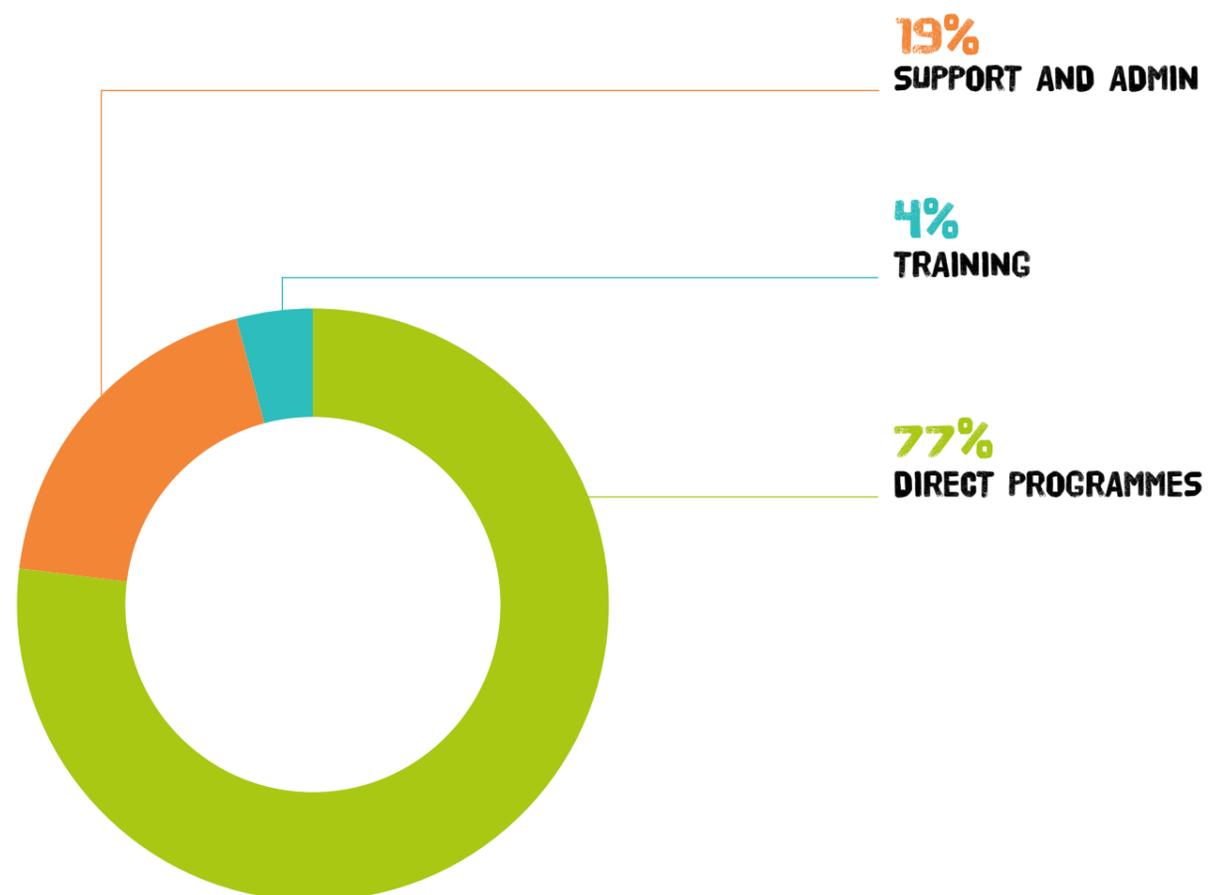
A vigilant Railway Protection Force (RPF) Officer who had attended our training found out about the marriage while visiting his native village and immediately contacted our staff. Railway Children in turn coordinated with the local Childline authorities, district administration and senior police officials, who prevented the marriage by helping the family understand the legal implications. The family has now committed in writing that the girl will not be married until she is 18 and will attend school.

This is an example of the sustainable impact of Railway Children India's direct advocacy work. With more training for police planned we believe many more children will benefit.

EVENTS

Every year we demonstrate our commitment to child rights at the annual Standard Chartered Mumbai Marathon. Our 24-member running team consisted of Mumbai office staff, Mumbai partner staff, Home guards (Para military and volunteer force), and staff from Omega Shipping Agencies Pvt Ltd, who funded our runner registrations.

ACCOUNTING FOR OUR FINANCES



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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

OUTREACH WORKERS

SOCIAL WORKERS PRESENT AT RAILWAY STATIONS WHO IDENTIFY AND REACH OUT TO CHILDREN ALONE AND AT RISK AND REFER THEM TO SAFE SHELTERS LIKE DROP IN CENTRES

DIC

DROP IN CENTRES ARE OPEN SHELTERS WHICH PROVIDE BASIC AMENITIES TO CHILDREN IN DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES, WHO ACCESS THEM VOLUNTARILY.

RPF

RAILWAY PROTECTION FORCE

GRP

GOVERNMENT RAILWAY POLICE

CWC

CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE IS A STATUTORY BODY DESIGNATED BY THE JUVENILE JUSTICE (CARE AND PROTECTION) ACT, 2000, TO REVIEW AND RECOMMEND MEASURES IN THE BEST INTEREST OF CHILDREN IN NEED OF CARE AND PROTECTION.

SJPU

SPECIAL JUVENILE POLICE UNIT ARE TO BE CONSTITUTED IN EVERY DISTRICT TO LOOK INTO CASES INVOLVING CHILDREN IN NEED OF CARE AND PROTECTION AND JUVENILES IN CONFLICT WITH LAW.

JWO

JUVENILE WELFARE OFFICERS DESIGNATED WITHIN EVERY POLICE STATION TO LOOK INTO CHILD RIGHTS CASES

ICPS

THE INTEGRATED CHILD PROTECTION SCHEME IS A CENTRAL GOVERNMENT SCHEME AIMED AT PROTECTING THE RIGHTS OF CHILDREN IN DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES THROUGH CHILD-SENSITIVE PERSONNEL, PRACTICES AND INSTITUTIONS.

AANGANWADI WORKERS

THESE ARE WOMEN SELECTED FROM COMMUNITIES TO IMPLEMENT THE INTEGRATED CHILD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES SCHEME TO ENSURE BETTER NUTRITIONAL AND HEALTH CARE OF YOUNG CHILDREN AND WOMEN OF THE COMMUNITY.

CPG

CHILD PROTECTION COMMITTEE IS A BODY OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO BE FORMED AT THE VILLAGE, BLOCK AND DISTRICT LEVEL AS SPECIFIED IN THE ICPS, WHO WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF CHILD RIGHTS IN THE REGION.

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