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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK.....



The year 2022-23 was the healing year for humanity. The people all over the world were struggling to overcome the pain and agony of COVID-19 and so were we. We were involved in re-building the lives of those who had suffered during the pandemic, particularly the ones who had lost people related closely to them. The women who lost their family members and the children who lost their parents were the most vulnerable since there was no one to provide them food, money and care. We reached out to them through Child Line 1098 and community networks with food, shelter and linkages with government schemes for sustainability. At the same time, we resumed our field programmes and began in-person engagements more pro-actively.

While on one hand, HP-CLAP continued to empower school and community children with digital literacy, on the other, Ugta Suraj continued to equip children with essential knowledge and skills as a part of formal school preparation. Sarthak for youth and livelihood program went ahead with training of migrant youth in marketable skills required by local manufacturing, retail and IT companies. Sarthak



for women and livelihood program made strides in the area of environmental sustainability based on the premise of Recycle and Reuse. Apart from gaining mastery over stitching and tailoring, they used old and torn clothes to make attractive bags of different sizes and patterns. This was their endeavour to contribute to environment as well as earning an income for the family.

Over the years, we have been actively engaged in the area of gender based violence through direct implementation, research and training. The year 2022 was the year for strengthening the redressal mechanism of gender based violence through training and capacity building of service providers. We onboarded with UN Women South Asia office for a collaborative project on gender based violence. Spread over the states of Tamil Nadu, Punjab and U.P., we trained around 1000 ground functionaries on the redressal mechanism of gender based violence. The aim was to build their capacities to provide an efficient addressal and right based response to gender based violence.

During recent years, the challenges on ground have increased multifold. However we have been relentlessly moving ahead with new ideas while strengthening the existing interventions on ground. In our journey, the role of volunteers has been very crucial. We would like to thank them as well as the host of college and university interns for their unconditional support and ownership in all our endeavours.

Ending on a happy note, we received the prestigious Mahatma Award for social good and contribution to quality of education. The award is instituted by the Aditya Birla Group of Industries.

With Best Wishes for the year 2023!

Dr. Mala Bhandari
Director
SADRAG

About the organization



Social and Development Research and Action Group (SADRAG) is a not-for-profit organization, which was established in the year 2004. SADRAG works primarily in Delhi- NCR region and runs sustainable programmes in the state of Uttar Pradesh. It has a footprint in several other states including Punjab, Haryana, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu.

SADRAG envisions Inclusive Communities and Systemic Change that empowers people with right based access to formal education, protection and safety and skilled and sustainable livelihood options. The organisation advocates for extensive research combined with community action as a solution for bringing about a qualitative change in basic conditions of life for underserved communities. The organization empowers women, children and youth through training, capacity building and service delivery for basic needs of education, protection, health, skill development and livelihood.

The organization follows Grassroots Implementation Model in convergence with various stakeholders and volunteers from different backgrounds and disciplines. The organization has a deep rooted presence in communities with whom it maintains partnerships based on trust and commitment. The success of SADRAG is based on the scale of qualitative change that it brings about in the life of people.

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OUR MISSION

With a firm belief in Equality of Life for All, SADRAG envisions the world of dignity and respect for women, children and youth



OUR VISSION

Capacity building of women and children by meeting their basic education, health and skill development needs.

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The Objectives

Our Objectives reflect the collective strategy of research, training and action to bring about sustainable change in the life of vulnerable communities. The main objectives are to:

Work in the area of literacy and education by mainstreaming out of school children. Supporting government school system, empowering children through art & creativity. Life skills education and digital innovations in education.

Work on gender issues with an integrated approach comprising research, training and direct intervention. These would be broadly covered under the thematic areas of poverty, work & livelihood, health, violence, power and decision making, rights & entitlements, media, environment and the girl child.

Study the socio-cultural construct of “gender” as prevalent and practiced in Indian society and construct intervention models on women safety and prevention from abuse.

Work in the area of Child Welfare\Child Development Child Protection and Child Rights in rural and urban areas.

Implement lessons drawn from action research for improving the quality of life of underprivileged children, youth and community women.

Conduct action research in development issues in the context of changing economic and socio-cultural variables. The issues would broadly pertain to gender, environment, health, education and micro credit in rural as well as urban areas.

SADRAG works on certain intrinsic values that form its existence, functioning and way forward.

Our Values



Programs and Initiatives

SADRAG primarily works in the following domains:

Child Rights and Education The program advocates for the rights of child to health, safety, protection from abuse, play and formal school education through following grassroots interventions:

1. Ugta Suraj is the program to mainstream Out of School children to ensure that no child is deprived of her/his basic right to education that has been granted under the Right to Education Act, 2009.
2. Vidya Ratna is a full scholarship programme for migrant children to pursue their school education.
3. Jeevan Ki Samajh is the program to empower adolescent youth through life skills education and guidance.
4. Strengthening Government School System Program improves infrastructural facilities and adds qualitative resources in schools so as to improve the attendance and learning levels of children.

Protection from Abuse & Violence: In partnership with Child Line India Foundation, the organisation supports and rescues children in distress through 1098, the 24 hours National Phone Helpline under the ICPS-Vatsalya scheme of the Central Government. Besides direct intervention and support, the organisation conducts research, training and generates awareness to strengthen the existing prevention and redressal mechanism on violence against children.

Our work on gender based violence advocates for zero tolerance of violence against women and young girls. We build capacity of stakeholders such as Police, Judiciary, health workers and their ground functionaries to prevent and respond to gender based violence at home and in public spaces. Through awareness and training on POSH, we emphasize the need to establish diverse and inclusive workplaces. Being a member of institutional mechanism for POSH at various organisations, we address formal complaints of sexual harassment at workplace according to The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013.

Skill Development and Livelihood: We promote economic sustainability of women and youth through skilling, Self-Help Groups (SHGs) and direct job placement in rural and urban areas.

Community Development: We work in rural and urban communities to create basic infrastructure, facilities and provide services for literacy, health and livelihood meant to improve the quality of life of local people.

Action Research & Training: We conduct research on contemporary social issues such as child labour, child protection, literacy & education, violence against women, gender and livelihood etc. The research outcomes provide knowledge for planning, implementation and monitoring of various programmes initiated by the organisation.



Ugta Suraj: Towards Literate Childhood

Ugta Suraj is a bridge between formal school system and the community. It prepares migrant children between 6 to 14 years for sustained formal schooling under RTE Act 2009.

Ugta Suraj mainstreams "out of school" children through formal school system in district Gautam Budh Nagar, U.P. While the families of these children have migrated and settled here for livelihood, the school education of the children is grossly neglected. Ugta Suraj fills this void in their life. With firm roots in the community, Ugta Suraj operates through a Network of Learning and Support Centers (LSCs) for children who are working/non-working, migrant/ street or are the potential child workers. These children are either school drop-outs or are first generation learners who have been deprived of formal schooling for either family or systemic reasons..

Ugta Suraj disrupts the deprivation of life for children and their parents through alternate opportunities of learning such as:

- Preparation for formal school system
- Empowerment through life skills education
- Inculcation of leadership, gender sensitization & citizenship
- Escaping from child rights abuses such as child labour, child marriage & violence

Ugta Suraj centers are presently functional in 3 communities: Village Nithari and Village Nagla Charandas in Noida and in Village Tugalpur in Greater Noida.

Ugta Suraj 2022 - 2023

Enrollment Status



S. No	Name of the Center	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
		6-10 years	6-10 years	11-14 years	11-14 years	
1.	Nagla, Phase 2, Noida	17	17	02	04	40
2.	Nithari, Sector 31, Noida	13	21	03	03	45
3.	Tughalpur, Greater Noida	10	29	06	0	40
	Total	40	67	11	07	125

During 2022-23, a total of 125 children were enrolled in the three Ugta Suraj Centres. Out of 125 children, 74 were girls. These girls were stranded at home for the care of younger siblings and household tasks. Ugta Suraj provided them an opportunity to learn and grow.

Ugta Suraj children continued to follow S.L.A.T.E. (Simple Learning Activities to Think and Empower) curriculum for an innovative learning experience. S.L.A.T.E. is conceptualized and developed by Ms. Vaishali Gupta, an Educationist and Founder of One Teacher One Scientist. SLATE provides an experiential learning experience to Ugta Suraj children

School Enrollment Status (2022-2023)



S. No	Name of the Center	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total
		6-10 years	6-10 years	11-14 years	11-14 years	
1.	Nagla, Phase 2, Noida	13	16	02	09	40
2.	Nithari, Sector 31, Noida	17	18	02	03	40
3.	Tughalpur, Greater Noida	13	15	02	06	36
	Total	43	49	06	18	116

A total of 125 children were enrolled in Ugtasurja Centres in 2022-23. Out of it, 116 children were enrolled in formal school system in the beginning of the year 2023. About 58% of these children were girls, with a majority being in the age group of 6 to 10 years. Ugtasuraj had motivated these girls and their parents so much that they volunteered to enroll them in school.

The children enrolled for school session 2023-24 would be monitored and followed up for a period of one year. They would be provided all possible support.

School enrollments begin:

Early April of the year 2023 and Ugta Suraj teachers and children rush to neighborhood schools their admissions. Having learnt the basics at Ugta Suraj centres, the children from Nithari, Nagla and Tughalpur centres appeared for entrance exam conducted by the schools.



Children visit School for enrollment

Community Outreach for Ugta Suraj 2023-24

The session for Ugta Suraj 2022-23 formally commenced in June 2022. It followed the conduct of a community survey in and around village Nagla, Nithari and Tughalpur whereby, the out of school children from migrant communities, were identified, and their parents were mobilised to send them to Ugta Suraj Center. A total of 220 out of school children were identified across the three locations.



Door to Door Community survey

Enhancing Creativity by Doing:

Kiran Nadar Museum of Art, Noida and Delhi continued to introduce Ugta Suraj children to newer forms of creative art and crafts. During a series of workshops held by Art Creators from 6 to 8 April, 26 & 27 August 2022 and on 10 January 2023. The children learnt various forms of art forms ranging from making of God Ganesha, colourful pencil boxes, paper flowers, butterfly and dragon puppets.



Learning through Innovative Crafts

Training for Ugta Suraj teachers:

A series of training workshops were conducted by Ms. Vaishali Gupta, the Educationist & Creator of SLATE curriculum for the facilitators of Ugta Suraj programme. Besides knowing the entire SLATE curriculum, the teachers learnt the methodology and techniques of teaching children through innovative and experiential learning techniques.



In-person teachers training

Ugta Suraj Engagements



Joy with Friends is forever

Nithari and Nagla centers echoed with joy when our volunteer friends from Adobe India Office visited children for an interaction on 29th July 2022. Sheets of paper and colours were out and they together weaved wonderful stories immersed in innocence and love for friends.



Together with our friends

Rakhi Celebration at UGTA SURAJ:

Ugta Suraj centres were full of activity on the festival of Raksha Bandhan. The children wished each other a lot of luck and to the millions of brothers and sisters who make this beautiful bond last a life time!



Fostering bonding between Brothers and Sisters

Music heals our Hearts:

On 28 August, we attended a healing soul session at Kiran Nadar Museum of Art, at Noida. The Youth from Sarthak Livelihood Programme participated in the session. It was a rejuvenating experience for all.



The Healing Music Group

Little hands exchange gifts:

On 22 October 2022, little children of Kidzee, a pre-school for children in Greater Noida, celebrated the festival of Diwali in a unique way. The little ones raised funds with the help of their teachers to buy gifts. They invited Ugta Suraj children to the school and shared these gifts with them. It was a wonderful gesture, to be well appreciated.



No boundaries in love for each other

A Day of learning & fun at Nagla:

On 5th November 2022, the students of Bal Bharti Public School, Brij Vihar, Delhi visited Ugta Suraj centre at village Nagla. The school students interacted & engaged with Ugta Suraj children in various activities. They played together and engaged in drawing and colouring. Their teacher, Ms Renu Duggal Arora talked about personal hygiene and cleanliness. They gifted health & hygiene kits and stationary items to Ugta Suraj children.



Joy of Learning Together

Learning with Nature & from Nature:

On the warm and beautiful Sunday morning of 20th November, Ugta Suraj children jostled to be with their all time favourite, Vaishali mam. The hurry was to reach Sundar Nursery at Delhi to enjoy together the rythem of bountiful nature. Each one of them was eager to hear sounds of birds and insects. The hustling trees attracted them and they hugged their thick brown trunks. The children experienced the wonders of nature in a joyful manner.



Children amid Nature

Xmas Time with new friends:

Ugta Suraj celebrated Christmas with our partner, Trycon Technologies Pvt. Ltd. Noida. The volunteer team visited Nithari centre on 21st December and spent a wonderful time with children. The joyful magic show won children's hearts and left them awestruck. The children received beautiful gifts which made the day even more joyful to them.



The Xmas Carnival

Getting the warmth of care:

The winters of year 2022 was very severe with temperature dipping to as low as 3 degrees Celsius. The major challenge was to keep Ugta Suraj children warm and safe. Thanks to Noon.ch, Trycon and a good samaritan to have provided warm sweaters, shoes and socks to children at all Ugta Suraj centres. It equipped our little warriors to brave the recurring waves of frosty cold during the winters.



Spreading the Warmth of Love

Stumble-Fall-Get up & Run:

Our Partner, Trycon Technologies organised annual Sports Day for Ugta Suraj children at Community Park, village Nithari on 24th February 2023. Around 50 children participated in various sports activities organised with the help of Trycon volunteers and interns from IMT Ghaziabad. The best was to see the children competing with all their might in Lemon race, Sac race and Balloon race. With lots of fun and laughter, the event ended with refreshments and prize distribution by Gautam Garg, the CEO, Trycon Technology Private Limited, Noida.



Sportsmanship with competitive spirit

Strengthening Government School System



In 2015-16, we adopted the Government Primary and Middle school situated in village Nithari, Noida for Phase wise improvement through infrastructure development, development of facilities and provision of diverse learning opportunities to children. During 2022-23, our work in CSR partnership with RMSI spanned over two major interventions:

Infrastructural improvement of school building & existing facilities particularly those which

were damaged in lockdown during the pandemic.

Psycho-social support to children to help them overcome the agony and grief faced during

first and second waves of Covid.

(i) Prevention of Water Borne Diseases

An RO enabled water cooler was installed in the school for a regular supply of safe drinking water to around 500 children studying in the school.



Access to Safe Drinking Water

Strengthening Government School System



Rainwater Harvesting

The school compound had the problem of water accumulation during the rains which made the area slushy, and difficult for children and teachers to move around in the complex. To address this problem, two pits of 15-20 feet in depth were to store the rain water. It helped to mitigate flooding in low lying areas and contributed to optimum maintenance of groundwater level.



Rainwater Harvesting

Repairing and Painting of school:

Due to pandemic, the school was closed for almost two years. All the classrooms of primary school were damaged. These were whitewashed and painted to provide a clean environment to the children.



Clean walls of the classroom

Strengthening Government School System



Before



The spruced up school

After



The spruced up school

Strengthening Government School System



Before



The Toilet Complex Repair

After



The Toilet Complex Repair

Strengthening Government School System



Capacity building of teachers

A smart class board, equipped with internet facility, was installed in primary wing of the school. The smart boards contain the entire syllabus of all Primary Classes and teachers were trained to teach children in smart way of learning.



Smart classrooms for digital learning

Coping with Covid distress

Children have been the biggest victim of COVID-19. To help them get over the psychological, mental and emotional impact of the pandemic, a series of workshops were organised in Primary & Middle classes of the school.

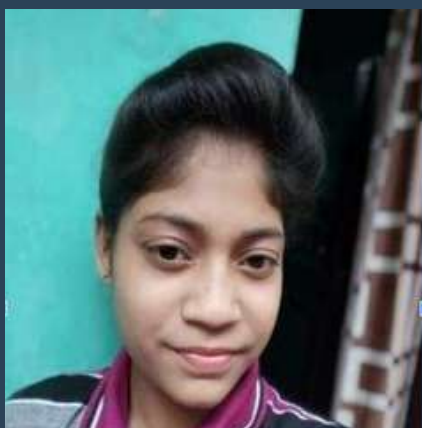


Wellness workshops in progress

Vidya Ratna



Vidya Ratna is the school scholarship program for children from migrant communities. The program was launched in the year 2008 for the support of formal school education till higher secondary level. The Vidya Ratna children have been enrolled in Noida Public Senior Secondary School, Noida since Class II. We meet the year round requirements such as school fees, uniform, text books and stationary required for studies. The children are also provided after school support to help cope with the school subjects.



Over the years, while 12 of the children have passed Class XII and are now engaged in multiple activities such as college education, informal/formal sector employment etc.

In 2022-23, Gaurish was promoted to class XI. He had cleared the Class X Board examination with flying colours. Another child, Kashish was also promoted to class XI. Other children such as Radha, Krishna, Neha and Zainub joined National Institute of Open School (NIOS) to complete Class X. They dropped out of regular school for reasons associated with family and its compulsions.

Overcoming Adversity: Gaurish's Inspirational Journey to Success



Fighting against odds has never been easy for Gaurish. Since his father's demise, about 10 years back, Agahpur, a peri-urban village in Noida has been the home for Gaurish and his family members. Had it not been for his maternal uncle that Gaurish would have dropped out of school long time back.

Gaurish's high score of 90.2% in Class X boards exams is attributed to his hard work, dedication and high goals in life.

We wish Gaurish for his ongoing journey and beyond!



Sarthak is the program for migrant & marginalized youth to build their skill base and income generation capacity. We have been working in livelihood space since 2015 and have skilled around 2000 youth for contemporary sectors such as Graphic & Print Design, Tally Retail Management and IT industry.

Sarthak center is located in village Naya Bans, Noida. It aims to improve the lives of youth between 18 to 25 year and with a minimum formal school qualification of Class X. Equipped with all necessary facilities including laptops, projector, printer, Bluetooth Sound Device and broadband service, the Sarthak center offers free computer literacy Programme, career counselling sessions, Employee engagement program, exposure visits and many more.

Sarthak program has the following key components:

1. **Technical Training:** It provides comprehensive technical training on skill development, ICT, and entrepreneurial development. It enhances digital competencies of the youth, to keep them well-informed about the latest technology and advancements
2. **Soft Skills and Personality Development:** It emphasizes the development of communication and interpersonal skills, vital for success in today's competitive world.
3. **Financial Literacy:** It provides knowledge and skills in money management, savings, investment opportunities, and digital payments.

In our commitment to SDG-8, Decent Work & Economic Growth, we have been providing market aligned skills to youth. During 2022-23, a total of 125 youth were trained in diverse skills of required for the contemporary industry. While 15 youth were trained in graphic designing, 80 were trained in basic computer operations and 15 were trained in tally accounting software. Of the total, around 40% of the youth were girls in the age group of 18 to 22 years. A batch of 35 youth from migrant communities, completed their training in technical skills, soft skills, financial literacy. They were provided career guidance by industry stalwarts.

SARTHAK: Livelihood Training for Youth



Empowering Youth for Sustainable Futures

Empowering youth with skills

On 21st May 2022, we launched the first batch of Short term Tally course in Tally Software. The Youth are learning the functions of installing & Activation process of tally with basic accounting operations like sundry debtor & creditors.



Learning Creativity through Music!

The renowned Indonesian Music Composer and Producer, Dini Esawaty Siregar, began a 1.5 months course in western classical music with five selected youth from Sarthak program.

The classes were held twice a week through online mode and involved learning the basics of theory and practice singing.



Unlocking Singing Potential

Sarthak Youth meet Industry Leader

Sarthak Youth got an opportunity to be trained by Sulabh Goel, VP, Ernst & Young. His engagement with youth provided them inspiration for new and innovative ways to strengthen their employability skills.



Knowledge Exchange with Youth

Peer learning with the students of University of Petroleum & Energy Studies (UPES), Dehradun who interned with SADRAG from 1 June to 31 July 2022.



Nurturing Global Minds

Students from M.Sc. Marine Science, Amity University took session to help the youth learn a foreign language which will be beneficial for their future endeavours.



Unlocking Financial Empowerment

The volunteers of Captial India visited Sarthak to make the youth aware of basic financial concepts, understanding of income, money fraud calls and investment options.



Unison in Music

Sarthak centre echoed with notes of music when all sang in unison when Sonal Aranya Dhir, Programme Manager: CSR, Adobe India explained the meaning of music and its significance for unity and peace.



Empowering the Futures One to One Session

The students of IMT Ghaziabad conducted a series of sessions on public speaking, networking & communication and self-doubt with Sarthak Youth. The session helped our youth to discover their strengths and weaknesses with a scope to grow and improve.



A musical beginning

Sarthak youth and volunteers of Adobe India began their journey of collective singing and music. The first session was conducted in the premises of Adobe Noida on 9 February 2023.



Empowering Dreams with Tata Engage

The Volunteers of Tata Engage took Knowledge Sessions on future planning for a sustainable career.



A Date with Amala Dianor

The evening of 4th March was special for Sarthak youth as they rushed to Kiran Nadar Museum of Art, Saket, Delhi to watch a performance by Amala Dianor, the artistic Director, Choreographer and Dancer from Senegal in West Africa. The mesmerizing performance was organised by KNMA and the French Institute of India.



Sarthak for Women programme is currently running at village Nithari in Noida. There is a centre in the community that provides a three months course in stitching and tailoring to 15 migrant women. These are migrant women, who lack skilling, literacy and alternate livelihood options. They work as domestic help in private homes. An element of environmental sustainability was added in Sarthak during 2022-23. The women began an endeavour to recycle old clothes into reusable cotton and silk bags for everyday use.

Each bag they create, is a testament to their creativity, expertise, and attention to detail. With every stitch and pattern, they infuse a touch of their unique commitments creating products that are not only functional but also carry a story.

Roshni advances towards Social Entrepreneurship

Sarthak women, learn commercial stitching to augment their family incomes.



Empowering Women, One Stitch at a Time

Continued Learning Access Project (HP - CLAP)



Continued Learning Access Project (CLAP) Noida is a CSR initiative powered by Hewlett Packard (HP) and Jubilant Bhartia Foundation (JBF). HP CLAP has a mobility Van loaded with 120 laptops Google Chrome books. It has a generator for power and also a UPS inverter for power backup and laptop charging facility.

It covers children from economically weaker sections and low-income strata with no access to digital device. The CLAP initiative provides computers to these communities and schools on a rotation basis. The motive is to reach every child in school and in the community and educate them about the computer, its functions, and conduct computer-based training.

Coverage of CLAP during 2022-23

Coverage of CLAP during 2022-23

14 Schools Covered

5938 School Children Covered

1067 Community Children Covered

1679 helped for COVID Vaccination

Soft Launch : CLAP in GBN

In the next 5 years, the children across all the 500+ government and low cost private schools would be digitally literate and skilled through the HP-CLAP project, the tri-partite partnership between HP-Jubilant Bhartia Foundation, SADRAG and the District Administration.

Continued Learning Access Project (HP - CLAP)



CLAP for Bridging the Digital Divide



CLAP: Measuring the path to progress



Continued Learning Access Project (HP - CLAP)



HP-CLAP in K. C. S. Public Inter College, Barola



CLAP in Shyam Singh Sunder Kanya Vidyalaya and Usha Kiran School



Continued Learning Access Project (HP - CLAP)



CLAP in Shyam Sunder Smarak Kanya Inter College, Sarfabad, Noida



CLAP in Shaheed Bhagat Singh Inter College, Mohiyapur



Continued Learning Access Project (HP - CLAP)



CLAP in Bhartiya Adarsh Vedic Balika Inter College, Tilapta



IMT Volunteers Empower Children at Bhartiya Adarsh Vedic Inter College & Santosh Nagar Colony, Dadri



Continued Learning Access Project (HP - CLAP)



CLAP in Bhartiya Adarsh Vedic Balika Inter College, Tilapta



CLAP in Junior High School Chित्तेhra, Dadri



Child Line under the Integrated Child Protection Scheme, is a 24 hours Helpline for children in distress. It is initiated by the the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Govt. of India. We are the implementing partner in Greater Noida and Dadri.

Since inception in 2011, we have provided support to over 3302 children in need for medical care, rescue from child labor, violence and abuse, restoration to parents, tracked missing children and admitting them in safe child homes. During the year 2022-23, Child Line Greater Noida team assisted 402 children in need. We addressed around 330 calls on Child Help Line 1098.

S.No.	Category of Help	No. of Children
1.	Medical Help	12
2.	Shelter	19
3.	Missing/Lost Children	62
4.	Care and Protection, Emotional Support & Counselling	33
5.	Physical, Sexual & Cyber Abuse, Trafficking	83
6.	Education Help	52
7.	Child Labour	41
8.	Molestation, Death- Related and Family issue	10
9.	Runaway, Begging and Lack of Resource	33
10.	Child Marriage and Conflict with Law	4
11.	Vaccination & Sponsorship & Link with Scheme	53
Total		402

In 2022, during the last phase of pandemic, there were still distress calls received for food, rations and milk for children. The other calls were for education resources, medical help, physical and sexual abuse and missing lost child. The Child Line response was swift despite restrictions on physical movement. Besides direct intervention for support to children, we organised a few programs for awareness on child protection issues in the community.

Let the children not bear the brunt of domestic violence

32 years old Puja was left high and dry when her husband, last month, forced her to leave home along with her two daughters; 5 years and 7 years old. There was domestic violence at home and the children had to bear it all. Taking some courage, Puja moved into a rented room. Child Line Greater Noida provided dry rations at their home. It tried to join Puja with a government welfare scheme to provide sustainable support to her children.



Rebuilding Lives: Child Line Greater Noida

Children learn about their Rights

Greater Noida Child Line and District, Gautam Budh Nagar, CWC jointly organised an in-person session on Child Protection with children in Kendriya Vidhyalay, Surajpur on 23rd April 2022. Dr Dinesh Pal Singh and Ritu Singh, the CWC members had an interaction on Child Protection and the Role and Responsibility of CWC and Child Line to ensure the same.



Interactive Learning on Child Safety

World Day against Child Labour 2022

It is common to see children working at roadside Cycle Repair and Car Mechanic Shops. A Consultation was held at village Iteda, Tech Zone 4 in Greater Noida, Gautam Budh Nagar on 11th June 2022, by Child Line Greater Noida and Kailash Satyarthi Children Foundation to sensitise motor mechanics and motor garage managers against child labour.

The Gram Panchayat, village Iteda reiterated its commitment to stop child labour in and around village Iteda.



Combating Child Labour in Greater Noida

World Day against Child Labour

At 4 PM on 12th June 2022, the ground floor of the famous Mall of India, Noida, roared with the sound of Dhaphli and high pitch voices that depicted the plight of children working in roadside dhabas, shops and streets. Their urge was to Stop Child Labour in private homes and shops. The message was loud and clear, neither would we Employ Child Labour Nor would we let others do so.....



Raising Voices, Igniting Change: No to Child Labour

Convergence for Child Protection, Gautam Budh Nagar

A multi-stakeholders review meeting was held on child protection in District Gautam Budh Nagar on 16th June 2022. It was presided over by Dr. Priyaranjan Ashu, Member, State Commission for the Protection of Child Rights, U.P.



Multi-stakeholder Review Meeting in Gautam Budh Nagar

On 16th June 2022, a rescue drive was launched by National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR), Administration, District G. B. Nagar and Child Line Greater Noida along the Surajpur-Dadri road in Greater Noida.

Around seven children between the age of 14 to 17 years, were rescued during the operation for a life free of child labour. They would be subsequently, linked with government welfare schemes.



Happy Childhood is Free of Child Labour

Empowerment

On 2nd July 2022, an in-person interaction was done with children studying in Government Primary School, village Tughalpur, Greater Noida. The Child Line Greater Noida Team talked about 1098, the 24 hours National Helpline for children in distress. The children learnt about the role of 1098 towards providing support to children in all kinds of distressed situations.



Empower the Child! Save the Child!!

Nutrition for Children

Child Line Greater Noida team participated in Poshan Abhiyan, initiated by ICDS, District G. B. Nagar in Anganwadi Centre, village Chalera in Noida on 12th July 2022. On this occasion, Dr. Mahesh Sharma, MP, performed the 'Annaprasan' for children who were six months old. The campaign was facilitated by Poonam Tiwari, PDO, G. B. Nagar with the support of Shri Tej Pratap Mishra, CDO, GBN. Child Line Greater Noida distributed food packets among the children present there. The team also spread awareness on Child Line helpline number 1098.



Child Line Greater Noida joins Poshan Abhiyan Initiative

Child Protection



Santa arrives before Xmas this year!

The children in Government Observation Home for Boys in Conflict with Law had a pleasant surprise on the morning of 17th July when Child Line Greater Noida team arrived there with boxes full of toys, games, puzzles and more. Toy Box shared the wonderful tools of recreation and learning which the children would use to stay happy till the time the JJ Court completes its proceedings.



Spreading Happiness through Thoughtful Toys and Games

Healthy Teeth Happy Children

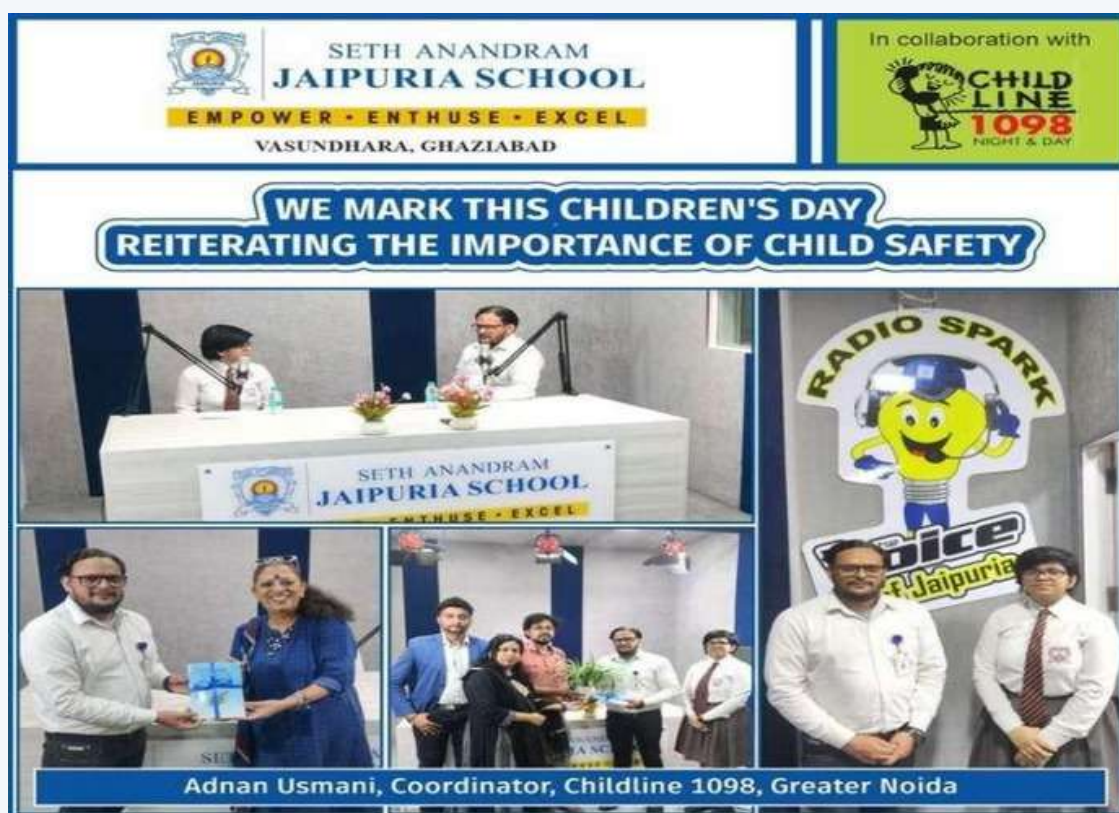
Child Line Greater Noida organised an Oral Hygiene and Dental Camp in Primary & Middle Government School, village Sadopur, Dadri in District G. B. Nagar on 28th July 2022. Held in partnership with Sharda Welfare Foundation, the team of qualified doctors provided dental check-up and consultation to around 100 children in the camp.



Child Line Greater Noida's Dental Camp in Village Sadopur

Radio Spark

Seth Anandram Jaipuria School, Vasundhara, Ghaziabad, organised a talk on child rights and child protection on 9th November 2022. Adnan Usmani, Sr. Program Officer, SADRAG, attended the talk and explained the role of Child Line 1098 in addressing issues like child marriage, child labour and child sexual abuse. The talk was moderated by the student of the school on Radio Spark.



Child Line at Radio Spark

Creating the Child friendly eco-system in G. B. Nagar!

Child Line Greater Noida organised Child Line Se Dosti Week, from 14th to 20th November 2022 with the aim to create child friendly eco-system in district Gautum Budh Nagar. Beginning with community awareness program to organise the signature campaign with District Magistrate, DPO, CDO, CWC and Senior Police officials and administering an oath on child Protection, the week culminated with the distribution of commendation certificates and renewing the commitment of child leaders, together with Salaam Namaste, the Community Radio at IMS, Noida.

Child Protection



Creating the Child friendly eco-system in G. B. Nagar!



Child Line se Dosti Week

Child Sexual Abuse Indicators

Child Line Greater Noida taught the little ones the difference between Good Touch and Bad Touch, an important indicator of child sexual abuse.



Equipping Young Minds to Recognise and Respond to Child Sexual Abuse Indicators

When adults fight, Child Line intervenes to save children's interest!

From village Datawali, Dadri, Child Line Greater Noida received a call that there are two adult families who miserably fight when their children fight with each other. Instead of pacifying their children, the respective families begin arguing with each other and it turns ugly. Interestingly, the children were upset to see their parents' behaviour.

Our team met the village Pradhan and discussed the matter. The respective families were counselled to maintain peace.



Counselling the rural community

Gender Based Violence



Strengthening mechanism

Under “Gender-Responsive COVID-19 Recovery in India” program, we trained and built the capacity of service providers in the three states of Punjab, Tamil Nadu and Uttar Pradesh. In partnership with UN Women, South East Asia office, this endeavour aimed to reduce gender- based risks and negative impact of COVID-19 on women through capacity building of service providers and allied mechanisms of gender based violence.



Strengthening GBV redressal mechanism

Under the program, a total of 15 training workshops were conducted between September 2022 to November 2022 across the three states. A total of 975 front line functionaries from Health department, Police, One Stop Centres, CWC, Child Line and DLSA were trained through district level workshops across all three states. In Punjab, around 120 ground functionaries exchanged their experiences and learning with Dr. Baljeet Kaur, Hon. Minister, WCD, Punjab, Ms Madhvi Kataria, Director, DoSSWCD and other key state officers.

Gender Based Violence



Empowering Ground



Empowering Ground Functions on GBV issues

Gender Based Violence



Building Capacities



Building Capacities on GBV Response action

Gender Based Violence



Knowledge Sharing



GBV Knowledge Sharing & Interaction in Punjab

Gender Based Violence



Expert Group Meeting

Besides training and capacity building workshops, a few knowledge products were developed on GBV Prevention and response mechanism:

1. Framework of Model One Stop Centres
2. Guidelines for provision of Safe GBV response Services during the Pandemic
3. Training guide for training on Gender-Based Violence

These knowledge products were discussed and reviewed with women organizations & gender experts in an expert group meeting at We The People, UN House in Delhi on 5th November 2022.



Expert Group Meeting at We The People, UN House, Delhi

The Year Round Events



Empowering Communities: Unveiling HP-CLAP and Transformative Initiatives

Our Annual Event, was held at the Auditorium at Sharda Medical College, Greater Noida on 28th May 2022. The event highlighted year long our literacy, education, child protection, livelihood and Covid 19 response actions. It also marked the soft launch of CLAP programme in District Gautam Budh Nagar.



Capturing the Spirit of Progress

The Year Round Events



International Yoga Day 2022!

On 21st June 2023, Kiran Nadar Museum of Art organised a special yoga workshop at its Noida campus. Ms Shorbani Banerjee, the Yoga Guru, not only elucidated the essence of yoga but also guided the correct postures of yoga exercises. Ugta Suraj teachers and Child Line Greater Noida team participated in the workshop.



Harmonizing Body and Soul: A Journey of Yoga

Joy of Sharing

A young couple names Ridhima and her husband arrived at our centre with prams and cradle generously donating them to those in need. In a swift turn of events, Ruksana, Manju, Saeda and Indu, residents of village Nithari found themselves receiving these lovely prams, cradles, and walkers for their babies.



Spreading Love and Joy

The Year Round Events



Towards Economic & Social empowerment of women!

With the support and encouragement of Moon Beverages, we facilitated the community women of village Galand in Dasna to make and market their SHG products through stalls put up at the office of several corporate and institutional partners including Jubilant, RMSI And IMT Ghaziabad.



Empowering Women through Corporate Marketing Channels

Warming Hearts and Stomachs

During the extreme cold conditions, food not only satiates hunger but also offers warmth. Approximately 120 children who are enrolled in Ugtta Suraj centres in village Nithari, Nagla and Tughalpur were provided raw rice and pulse khichdi to be cooked at home.



Spreading warmth through Food

The Year Round Events



IMT Ghaziabad Students Empower Change Through Volunteering

A group of 72 Students from IMT Ghaziabad embarked on a volunteering journey with us. They worked in the area of literacy, skill development and health.



Orientation Session at IMT Ghaziabad

Beginning 2023 with collectivism!

The HR students of International Management Institute, New Delhi engage with us for team building and spirit of collective work followed by our year end assessment for new roles and responsibilities. Lots of fun and learning under the lively decoration of marriage function in Nithari, marked the day for all of us.



Nurturing Teamwork : HMI HR Students

The Year Round Events



International year of the Millets 2023!

The Director, SADRAG, and Childline Greater Noida participated in the celebrations of “Month of Millets” at Gautum Budh University. The event was graced by the presence of Ms. Pratibha Shukla, State Minister, Mahila Kalyan, (Women’s Welfare) Government of Uttar Pradesh, District Officials and CWC members were among the attendees, making the event a significant occasion. We provided packets of Millets grains on this occasion.



Celebrating the Nutritional Power of Millets

The Year Round Events



International Women's Day

The Director, SADRAG, attended the celebrations of International Women's Day 2023 at Jubilant FoodWorks Ltd. Greater Noida on 9th March 2023. She presented a session on sexual harassment of women at workplace on this occasion.



International Women's Day at Jubilant Food Works Ltd.

Re-writing Fairytales at Adobe!

On 21st March 2023, girls from Nagla, Nithari, Nayabans & Harola centres intricately wove their personal dreams with modern interpretations of Rapunzel, Snow White and Cinderella, scripting contemporary fairy tales. During Adobe Women's Month Create Change Day, the volunteers participated with crafting these tale that resonated with current circumstances.



Redesigning Fairy Tales: Girls Empower Dreams with Adobe

Interaction Session

The Director, SADRAG addressed Internship presentations given by MBA students of the School of Business, Public Policy, and Social Entrepreneurship at Ambedkar University, Delhi, on February 22, 2023.



Interaction with the Students

Empowered Women

The Director, SADRAG, attended International Women Day 2023, at Galgotias College of Engineering & Technology, Greater Noida. The student, faculty, and staff joined hands to celebrate the achievements, resilience, and potential of women. The event was a testament to the college's commitment to gender equality and empowerment.



Empowered Women: International Women's Day 2023

AI's Impact

The Director, SADRAG, participated in a two days workshop on “Knowledge, Attitude and Perception towards Artificial Intelligence & Robots”, organised by the Deptment of Anthropology, Amity University on 29th and 30th June 2022. She spoke on AI in social space: How Intrusive & Effective for Humans.



Navigating AI's Impact in Social Sphere: Workshop Insights

Promoting Gender Equity

The Director, SADRAG, addressed the Trade Union leaders from states of Maharashtra, Gujarat, Orissa, Rajasthan and Delhi on issues of Gender Equitable Workplaces in the context of The SH Act for women at workplace, 2013 at V V Giri National Labour Institute on 7th July 2022. This workshop was organised under the training programme on 'Gender and Labour Issues '.



Promoting Gender Equity at Work: Workshop, Trade Union Leaders

Training Workshop

The Director, SADRAG, conducted a Training Workshop at Haryana Institute of Public Administration, Gurugram on 3rd September 2022. The participants were from DIET, functional at various districts of Haryana.



Good Ethical Clinical Practices

The Director, SADRAG, was nominated as the Member of Institutional Ethical Research Committee for medical research at Lady Hardinge Medical College, New Delhi. She attended a one-day workshop on "Good Ethical Clinical Practices" held at LHMC auditorium on 7th November 2022. She is also the member of the Institutional Ethical Committee at ESIC Hospital, Noida.



Training Workshop

The Director, SADRAG engaged online with SHG women from Gautam Budh Nagar, in participation with WCD, GBN on December 12, 2022. She talked about gender-based violence as a major disruptor in women's life. She reiterated that with adequate training, the ground functionaries can be a vital bridge and effectively connect GBV survivors with district redressal mechanism,.



Empowering Voices: Online Interaction with SHG Women on Gender-Based Violence

POSH workshops

The Director, SADRAG conducted a series of POSH workshops at PPAP Automotive Ltd. in Noida, Kasna and Greater Noida.



POSH workshops at PPAP Automotive Ltd.

Fostering Team Building and Group Allegiance

Mr. Roopak Chauhan, Board member, SADRAG, conducted a training workshop on "Team Building and Group Allegiance," assisted by a senior management team member from E&Y. The workshop, attended by about 15 team members from various programs, took place on 9th April, 2022.



Nurturing Team Cohesion in SADRAG

Capacity Building: A Pillar of SADRAG!

Unnati Kumari, Coordinator, Child Line Greater Noida and Babli Chauhan, Ugta Suraj Facilitator attended a series of Orientation Courses on "Care and Education of Preschool Children". It was organised by National Institute of Public Cooperation & Child Development (NIPCCD), Delhi on 27th and 28th June 2022 and from 23 and 24 March 2023.



Online Training for Child Line and Ugta Suraj Facilitators

Fostering Team Building and Group Allegiance

- The Director, SADRAG attended the Learning Dissemination Workshop on gender inclusive pandemic response, organized by the Asian Development Bank and Swasti at Delhi on 13 December 2022.
- On 4th of Feb, 2023, "The program aimed to raise awareness among women about preventing cancer and discussed the various causes, with insights from medical experts and experiences shared by the Greater Noida Childline team, emphasizing their support in women's fight against cancer."



- On 23rd February 2023, Amity School of Social Sciences organized an event where various esteemed NGOs participated in interactive sessions to discuss Amity students' internship program. Among these organizations, SADRAG attended and provided positive feedback their interns, highlighting the quality of learning at SADRAG. SADRAG, with a focus on social intervention, presented its intervention areas, vision, and mission during the event.

Networking & Capacity Building



- On 20th March, Many NGOs engaged in CSR activities in Gautam Buddha Nagar held a meeting with the District Magistrate, where we discussed our field activities in education, protection and livelihood.



- The Director attended online training for members of Institutional Ethics Committee of ESIC institutions on 7 and 8 May 2022.

- The Director was nominated as External Member of IC constituted under the SH Act 2013 at Bathla Tele Tech Pvt. Ltd., Noida wef July 2022.
- The Director and Rakesh Malik, Accounts officer attended a live webinar on FCRA 2010 Act and the current amendments in the Act organised by KPMG, Gurugram on 12 July 2022.
- The Director was nominated as External Member of IC constituted under the SH Act 2013 at PPAP Technology Ltd., Noida, PPAP Automotive Ltd., Kasna, PPAP Tokai India Rubber Pvt. Ltd., Surajpur and PPAP Automotive Ltd., Noida wef October 2022.
- The Director was nominated as External Member of IC constituted under the SH Act 2013 at ESIC Model Hospital, Noida wef November 2022.
- The Director attended the workshop on Good Clinical Practices and Research Ethics, conducted by Lady Hardinge Medical College, New Delhi on 7 November 2022.
- The Director attended a one-day symposium on Violence Against Women: Knowledge Sharing Towards A More Inclusive Discourse, organised by UN Women India Country Office in association with UNHCR, UNDP, UNFPA and the UN Resident Coordinator's Office at New Delhi on 2nd December 2022.
- The Director was nominated as the External Member of Internal Committee under POSH Act 2013 at Office of the Principal Commissioner of Income Tax, Aaykar Bhawan, Noida wef 9 December 2022.
- The Director attended a learning dissemination workshop to share the knowledge, learning and experiences on multi-stakeholder, gender inclusive pandemic response, organised by Asian Development Bank and Swasti at Delhi on 13 December 2022.
- The Director was nominated as External Member of IC constituted under the SH Act 2013 at Medico Electrodes International Ltd., Noida wef January 2023.

Awards and Recognition



Recognized for Impact

SADRAG received recognition from Geeta Sharma, District Magistrate of NE District, Delhi, for its work on street children. On the World Environment Day, 5th June 2022, our team received recognition, for their relentless work to rescue and rehabilitate street children in North East Delhi.



Recognized for Impact: Appreciation from District Magistrate, NE Delhi

Mahatma Award 2022

SADRAG was honored with Mahatma Award 2022 for its impactful social contribution in community. Sponsored by Aditya Birla Group, the Indian Fortunes 500 company, this prestigious award highlights the work of global Change makers and Impact Leaders. The award ceremony took place on October 1, 2022, celebrating the commitment of SADRAG's dedicated team, board members, volunteers, and supporters.



Proudly Receiving the Mahatma Award 2022 for Impactful Contribution

Bira: Eager to Learn and Grow

My name is Bira. I am 8 years old. I am staying with my parents. I have younger Brother and Sister. My parents work as daily wage labourers. My mother collects trash from roadside walkways. Ugta Suraj didis came to my house and requested my mother to send me to their creative centre situated in the neighbourhood Barat Ghar. My mother liked the idea but I was very scared to be go to the centre. One morning, my mother brought me to the centre. I saw many children playing there. I was so happy that I didn't want to go back home in the evening. Now, I come to centre everyday. I learn new things, play with others and have made many friends. I look forward to be going to a big school one day.



Bira loves Ugta Suraj

“Every Child begins the World Again”

Child Line Greater Noida played a crucial role in assisting an advanced-stage pregnant woman. Recognizing her urgent need for medical attention during labour, they efficiently organized her transportation to the hospital considering her financial limitations. With swift action, an ambulance was arranged. The woman was safely taken to Kasiram Government Hospital, where she successfully delivered a healthy baby boy. This intervention showcases ChildLine's dedication to ensuring the well-being of vulnerable individuals, exemplifying their commitment to the community's welfare and healthcare needs, particularly in critical situations like childbirth.



Vinay: Job is essential for family's sustenance

Vinay lives with his parents and an older sibling in sector-22, Noida. After completing class 12 in school, he enrolled for B.com course via correspondence. He wanted to join regular college after school but job was the priority for him so he opted for correspondence mode of studying. Side by side he joined Zepto, an grocery online delivery platform as a delivery boy. He delivers grocery items to customers in their offices and homes. Vinay's training in digital literacy at Sarthak Centre has come very handy to him because he has to handle online technology while in Zepto. Vinay's earnings are crucial for his family's sustenance. He would like to continue his present job but also plans to build his capacities to improve his work status and income.

“Every Child begins the World Again”



Shailesh's Anticipation: Awaiting the HP-CLAP Van

Shailesh is Class X student at Navjeevan Inter College, Bhangel, Greater Noida. His father runs a small Kirana store in their neighbourhood. His income from store is inadequate to meet family's expenses. Shailesh has always been facilitated by computer machines. However, scarcity of money had curbed his desire to learn computers.

Thanks to HP-CLAP (Hewlett-Packard Computer Literacy and Awareness Programme), Shailesh has access to computer at school, which has provided him a new experience of learning.



Sumit's Tale of Rescue, Reunification, and Hope

Sumit, 12 years, is a resident of Firozabad, Uttar Pradesh. One day, Sumit was playing and lost his way. He boarded a random train and reached Dadri. When the train stopped at Dadri Railway Station, all had got off. Sumit found himself all alone. He was too scared. Caught in the cold, he sought refuge under the flyover in Dadri. The local GRP police spotted him and alerted Greater Noida's Child Line.

Our Child Line team promptly arrived at the spot and took Sumit under their care. They got his shelter in a child home. Meanwhile, Sumit's parents were located through persistent efforts with police. They were called and Sumit was reunited with them.



Kajal's Triumph: Breaking Barriers through Education and Determination

Kajal, belongs to Chhapra, Bihar. She lives with her parents and siblings in village Harola, Noida. Her father is a security guard and receives 10000 INR every month. Committed to supporting her family, Kajal joined Sarthak Centre to learn digital literacy and communication skills. Kajal's parents were reluctant to let her take up a job after completing the course. However, Kajal undeterred, joined a school for small children at the salary of 6000 INR per month. Kajal contributed her earnings for the running of the household. Today Kajal's parents are proud of Kajal because she is not only helping the family but is also studying through distance learning.

Kajal's Triumph: Breaking Barriers through Education and Determination



More Power to Kajal!

More Power to Kajal!

Asha is a determined 15 year old girl who studies in class X at Shaheed Bhagat Singh Inter College in Greater Noida. Asha's father died a few years back. However her brother supported the family with his earnings from a petty job. HP CLAP provided Asha an opportunity to learn computers. During the training, Asha broadened her computer proficiency, learnt about keyboard functions and texting through apps. Her innate curiosity and unwavering dedication to learning make her truly stand out amidst her peers.



During 2022-23, we had 90+ interns from different corporates, academic and training institutes of repute. They worked online and contributed their time and skills to our programmes and projects. The volunteers from corporate sector guided and mentored our youth through focused online engagements.

S.No.	Name of Intern / Volunteer	Institution / University
1.	Ujjawal Kumar Singh, Sarthak Khanna, Navya Mathur & Areeba Abbas	Ambedkar <u>Univesity</u> , Delhi
2.	Vanlal Duati, Adnan Ahmad, Sulagna Roy, Satyam Bhardwaj, Kokab, Tanya Aggarwal, Shaurya, Menasur, Naina, Niharika, Aleena Denil, Qasim usmani, Nandini, Ishita Arora, Ibram Shah & Anya Joshi	Amity <u>Univesity</u> , Noida
3.	Kajal Yadav, Ananya, Sandawpasa, Shailendra Balyan & Arwa Ayesha	Gautam Budh Nagar University, Greater Noida
4.	Onshika Rajput	Genesis Global School, Noida
5.	Students of MBA 2 nd year (Batch 2021-23)	IMT Ghaziabad
6.	Karanveer	Jindal Global University
7.	Rakshan Saini & Harsh Vardhan	Symbiosis Law School
8.	Chahat Jaswant, Divyansh Jha, Rishit Singh, Jashveen Dua & Raghav Dua	UPES Dehradun
9.	Samar Ansari, Rani Kumari, Anjali Yadav & Anubha	University of Delhi
10.	Ridhima & Kunal	Corporate Volunteer, Noida
11.	Sulabh Goyal	Ernst & Young, Corporate Volunteer
12.	Varun Mishra & Gokul Pradeep	Tata Engage

SUMMERISED FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2022-2023 ANNUAL INCOME & EXPENDITURE AS ON 31-03-2023

PARTICULARS	FY-2022-2023 (INR)
Income	
Grant Receipts during the year	1,18,81,297
Interest Income	1,87,617
Excess of Expenditure over Income	
Total	1,20,68,914
Expenditure	
Administrative Expenses	11,31,158
Project Expense	1,03,01,450
Excess of Expenditure over Income	6,36,306
Total	1,20,68,914

SUMMARY BALANCE SHEET

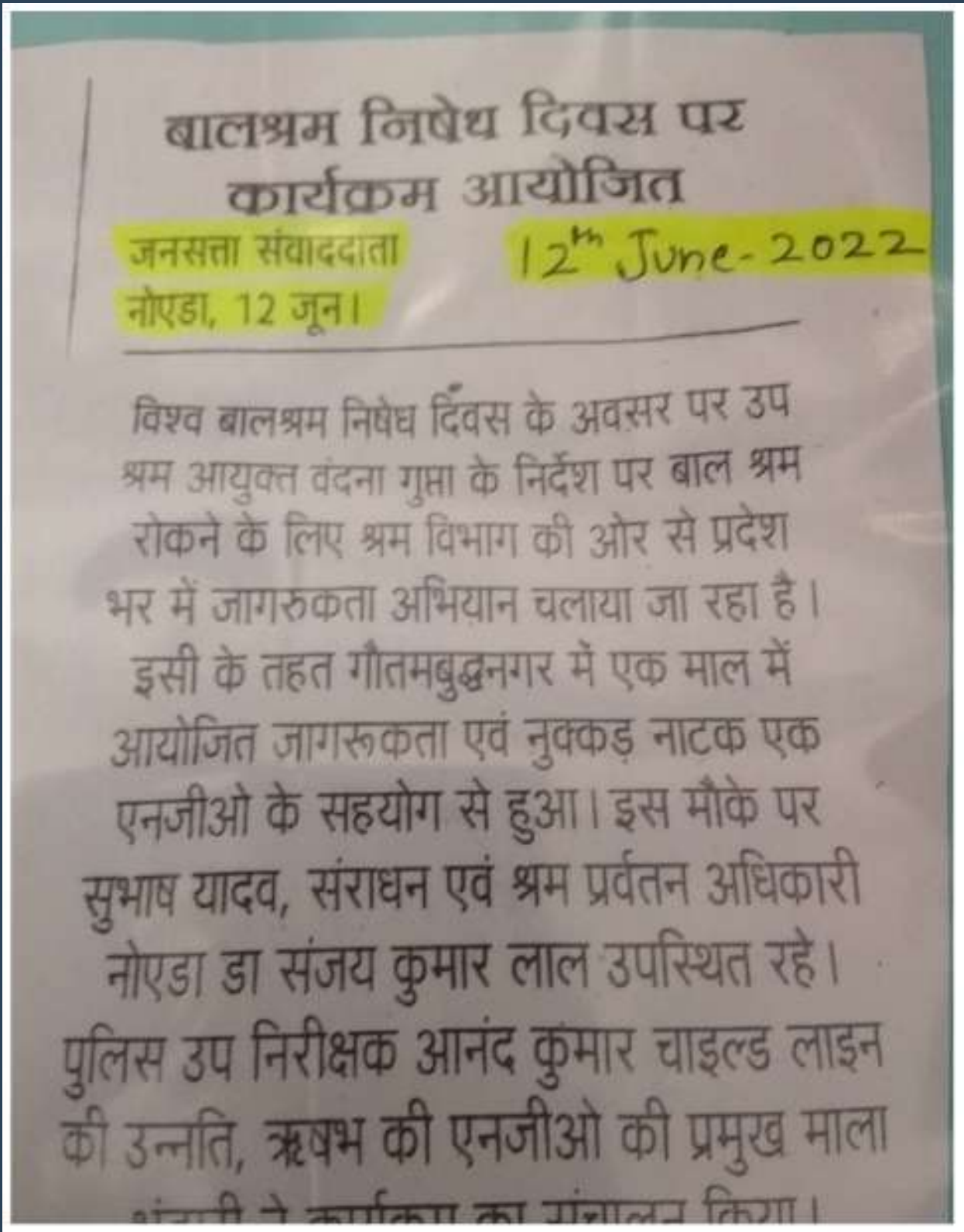
Assets	
Fixed Assets	7,87,129
Current Assets	25,49,695
Cash & Bank Balance	16,46,582
Total	49,83,406
Liabilities	
Corpus	6,86,831
Current Liabilities	3,17,886
Advance From Donor	12,03,466
Fixed asset fund (contra)	21,228
Income & Expenditure A/c	27,53,995
Total	49,83,406



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CBSE results: Students of Ghaziabad, Noida clear boards with flying colours

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Noida/GHAZIABAD: The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) declared the Class 10 and Class 12 board results on Friday. Two students from Gautam Budh Nagar topped the Noida region in the Class 10 exams with a perfect score of 900/900, and officials.

"Mayank Yadav from Amity International School, Noida and Vishalvi Vinnid from DPS Greater Noida scored 900/900 and topped in the Noida region," said Priyush Sharma, regional officer (Noida region), CBSE. Noida region which comprises 18 districts, including Gautam Budh Nagar and Ghaziabad scored a pass percentage of 96.08.

Renu Singh, principal, Amity International School, Noida said, "I am ecstatic as Class 10 and Class 12 toppers are from our school. The students exceeded our expectations."

Arbitt Bajpai, a student of DPS Noida, who scored 99.9% and topped the school in Class 12, said, "The internal tests and exams are taken very seriously in my school which helped me inculcate the habit of working hard and stay competitive."

At Apurva International School, Greater Noida, Rajalakshmi Anand topped with 99.80%. Principal Smita Pandey said, "The glorious results are a testimony of the academic excellence of our students."

Ganesh Sharma, principal at Global Indian International School, Noida said, "This year's batch was the first to undergo the board exams in the new format and evaluated under the new assessment system. Teachers played a very important role in the success of the students."

Several students faced several hardships while pursuing their exams in the middle of the pandemic. Gaurish Singh, a student of Noida Public School, was supported by an NGO for completing his studies and scored 90%.

"Whenever school was shifted to virtual classes, I had great difficulty in arranging a mobile phone as my family does not have a single earning member and we are supported by my maternal uncle," said Gaurish who lives in a temporary settlement in Sector 43. He lives with his mother and four younger siblings. His father passed away 10 years ago.

Meha Bhambhani from Indira (Social) and Development Research and Action Group helped Gaurish's education and also gave him a mobile phone. "During the peak of the pandemic, his mother was looking for a drop-out of school so that he could work and earn for the household. We convinced her to change her decision and today we are very proud of his score in the board exams," she said.

Yashvika Kaur from All Noida School Parents Association said, "The Class 10 results have been satisfactory for parents as well as students. It seems that finally students have overcome the depression brought in by the pandemic and have well-adjusted to the new normal."

Sangeeta Dhillon, principal at DPS Indirapuram said, "The students who appeared for the Class 10 board examinations have performed outstandingly well, considering the challenges they faced. We are proud of each one of them and are grateful to the parents and teachers who guided and motivated them to give their best despite all odds."

How students fared in Noida & Gzb

GAUTAM BUDH NAGAR DISTRICT				GHAZIABAD DISTRICT			
	Total	Passed	% Pass percentage		Total	Passed	% Pass percentage
Class 12				Class 12			
Total students	16,510	15,112	91.53	Total students	18,062	16,620	92.02
Total boys	9,425	8,445	89.60	Total boys	10,280	9,269	90.05
Total girls	7,085	6,667	94.10	Total girls	7,782	7,351	94.46
Class 10				Class 10			
Total students	21,690	20,869	96.21	Total students	23,352	22,405	95.94
Total boys	12,778	12,198	95.46	Total boys	13,842	13,184	95.27
Total girls	8,912	8,671	97.01	Total girls	9,510	9,221	96.96

Sector 137 student tops Noida region in Class 12

At a perfect score of 99.99%, Sector 137 resident Yashvika Vag was on cloud nine as the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) declared the Class 12 board examination results on Friday. A student of Amity International School, she scored 100 in 100 in all five of her main subjects.

Yashvika celebrated the day with her school teachers, friends and family by distributing sweets and gathering congratulatory messages. "I knew I would get good marks as my exams went well but I never expected that I would get a 99.99 score. The feeling is surreal," she said.

Gautam Budh Nagar Class 12 student Yashvika has topped in the Noida region with a perfect score. In the district, 36,500 students appeared for Class 12 board exams of which 9,425 were boys and 7,085 were girls. The pass percentage in the district was 91.53% and Priyush Sharma, regional officer (Noida region), CBSE.

With a new exam pattern for Class 12 and Delhi University admission also being initiated through entrance exams, the 18-year-old hopes to get into a DU college to pursue clinical psychology. "If these results have been as impressive as mine from Delhi University this year, Yashvika would have definitely got admission at the college of her choice. However, she will be appearing for the CU entrance exams next," said Anjali Vag, her mother.

Mirajit, Pooja of Vidya Bharati Public School (VBPS) Noida scored 499 out of 500 marks. "The Class 12 CBSE results have made students happy as the pass percentage has been very high, even with new papers," said Virek Puri, principal VBPS.

The overall pass percentage for Noida region has been 96.08%. Noida region includes nearby districts.

A student of DPS Noida, Rya Nayak scored 99.4%. "I topped in Class 12 when I scored 499 in the year's CBSE board exams and instantly wanted to be a doctor. As I have topped in school, my dream has come true in the perfect setting for school doctors," she said.

Atul Bhatia, principal, Indira Yashwanthi, Associate Gautam Budh Nagar, said this time the National Education Policy 2020 gave every child opportunity to face well. "The new education policy student was able to select subjects out of a variety of options which has led to results," she said.

Manoj Kataria, Headmaster, Gautam Budh Nagar, P. Williams Society said, "The idea of syllabus was two in the CBSE and having students in two terms help students in getting good results."

At Cambridge School, Sector 137, Deepa Aggarwal topped with 99.9%.

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Workshop sensitises women's shelter staff on gender violence

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NOIDA: A two-day workshop was held in Noida for personnel deployed at the One Stop Centres (OSC), popularly known as Sakhi, across 18 districts of western Uttar Pradesh on Wednesday and Thursday.

Sakhis support women affected by any sort of violence with specialised services such as medical, legal and counselling assistance. It also acts as a temporary shelter for women who may have escaped violence at home and do not have any other place to go till the time a safe home is provided to them.

According to the Gautam Budh Nagar district probationary officer (DPO), the women and child development department of Uttar Pradesh government directed the workshop in a letter to the DPOs of 20 districts



The personnel were trained in how to address survivors, case management, providing support.

MALA BHANDARI,
founder, Sadrag NGO

on November 4, of which 18 participated. The districts included Moradabad, Bijnor, Rampur, Amroha, Sambhal, Meerut, Bulandshahr, Ghaziabad, Hapur, Baghpat, Gautam Budh Nagar, Saharanpur, Muzaffarnagar, Shamli, Agra, Mainpuri, Mathura, Firozabad, Kasganj and Auraiya. The workshop was held in Sector 62 and was carried out by personnel of Noida-based non-governmental organization

(NGO) Sadrag (Social Action and Development Research Action Group) and UN Women, New Delhi. These personnel are the first responders to victims coming to the centre and hence sensitising them about gender-based violence, how to approach the victim and how to assist them, is of prime importance," said Atul Soni, Gautam Budh Nagar DPO.

Mala Bhandari, founder of Sadrag NGO, said, "The personnel were trained in how to address the survivors, case management, providing support through coordination with other departments such as medical, legal state authorities and police," Bhandari said.

DPO Soni said on an average, OSCs provide assistance to 30 to 40 women on a monthly basis. "Usually, NGOs and police personnel guide such victims to come to the OSC", he said.

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