Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre



"Our Vision is to ensure that the value of love, freedom, sincerity and justice are experienced and lived out by all"

"Our Mission is to empower every person who is touched by our work with the value of love, freedom, sincerity and justice. We have right-based and participatory approach. Within this we cherish a special love for and commitment to the poor, especially women and children. We try to show this love through our attitude, structure and work"

"We rise by helping others"

- Robert Ingersoll

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President's MESSAGE

The Annual Report of the Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre documents the growth and development of the Centre in its outreach to hundreds of people, particularly to women and children. What keeps KMWSC relevant today is its openness to emerging issues and concerns and its desire to respond with compassion and respect.

This good work would not have been possible without the support of the many well wishers, colleagues and those who believe in the cause. We are deeply grateful to them.



I wish Sr. Monica Suchiang, the Director of KMWSC and her team of dedicated staff every blessing as they continue this good work amidst the many challenges they face.

> anita M. Bhaganza Sr. Anita Maria Braganza

President

Kolkata Mery Ward Social Centre

Director's MESSAGE

Personally, I have been inspired by the idea that "Changes start from one's thought". So as I introduce this report for the period 2018-2019, I am humbled by the greatness and blessings of the Almighty for giving Kolkata Mary Ward Social Center the opportunity to initiate changes in the lives of those whom we have touched. We do get engrossed and often get tied down with our activities and targets but in the end, the only thing that matters, is how have the lives of people transformed. As years go by, we were able to see the changes in their habits, thought-processes and behaviour and that gives us immense satisfaction.

Over the years, Kolkata Mary Ward Social Center has made a successful journey adopting the best practices, facing hardship and challenges with grit and determination and managed to transform lives. We have moved on to empowering and building people through our initiatives, standing by them in their dark hours, encouraging them to bring about a positive change in their attitude and mindset.

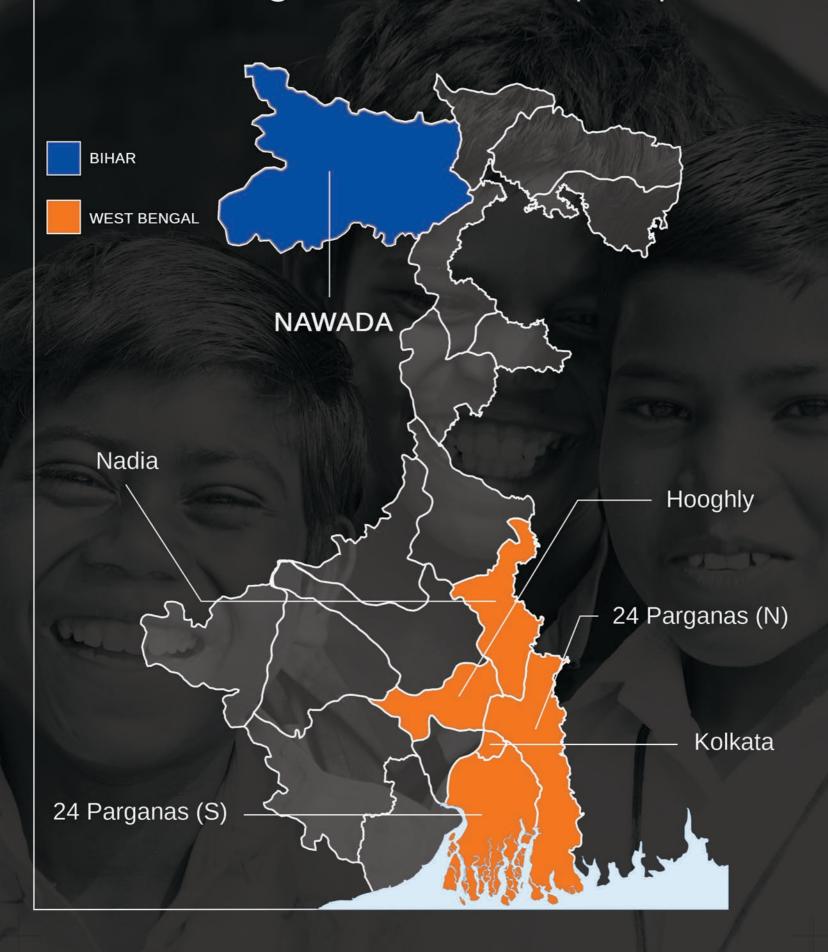
As we complete five years of our journey, I must acknowledge their unstinting trust and belief in our team, every support, help, guidance that we received from the Provincial and her Council along with the Governing body. I am truly grateful for all this and more. I heart - warmingly appreciate the commitment and dedication of the staff for their years of rentless service and contribution towards the growth of the organisation. I, in all humility thank all those who have walked along side us to bring about a change and transform the lives of young women, children and community.

I also take this opportunity to thank our partners, donors, well - wishers and friends for their support to our endeavours to make the place a better one for every human being irrespective of his caste, creed, language, colour, religion and region.

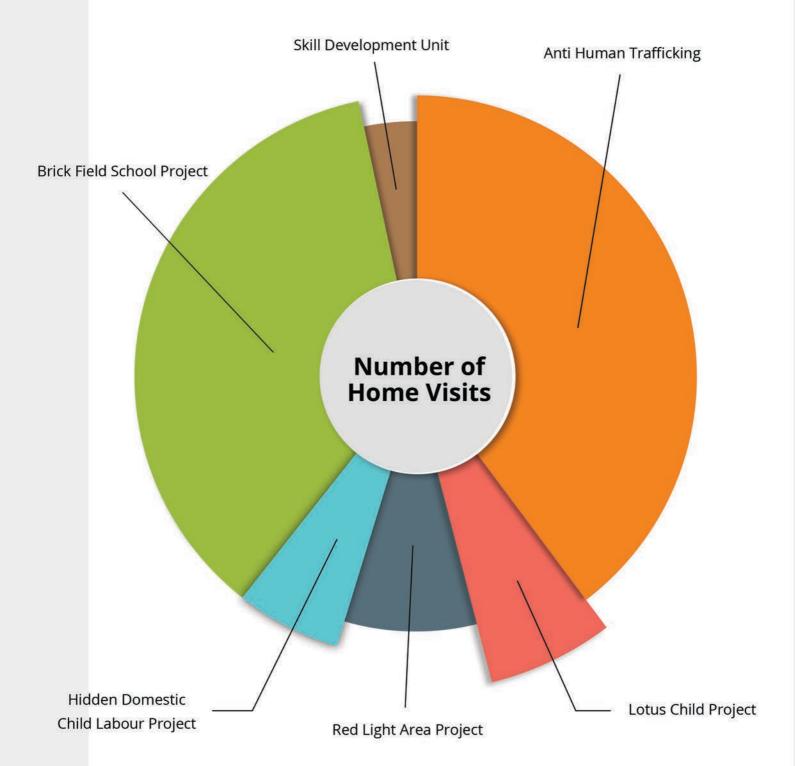
We are taking strides and we are not going to stop here. Instead, we will continue empowering generations by taking up policy - making decisions which will in turn have a positive impact in the future for the marginalised & the vulnerable. This will help them to re-invent themselves and effect a positive change in the community. **We will be the agents of change**. I am convinced that if one is determined to succeed in a mission, nothing can ever come in between. I end with these inspiring lines "When you step outside your comfort zone for your higher purpose, the Universe supports you in every way."



Reaching Out to 82,300 people



Connecting hearts through Home Visits



Overseeing visits

Monitoring visits for all the thematic areas was done through the year. The project co-ordinator and the director visited the project for monitoring and evaluation. Regular feedback was provided for better running of outcome based projects.



(Women and Child Development)



Anti-Human Trafficking Projects - Canning and Diamond Harbour

"Life's most persistent and urgent question is, What are you doing for others?"
- Martin Luther King Jr.

Since 2015, Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre, the social development wing of the Loreto Sisters is intervening in the area of Anti- Human Trafficking (i.e. one of the key source areas of Human Trafficking) in Canning Block 1, South 24 Parganas. KMWSC has been generating awareness on Anti-Human Trafficking through sensitization campaigns, training and workshop at various levels with stakeholders, networking and advocacy with the Police and Government departments, etc. Rescue, Restoration and Rehabilitation of trafficked survivors are integral components of the project.

The Community based intervention on Anti-Human Trafficking project will be implemented in Diamond Harbour Block-1, South 24 Praganas, West Bengal. Diamond Harbour is a major source cum transit point of Human Trafficking and mostly involving the girl children. Due to poverty, illiteracy and lack of awareness on the social issues (child trafficking, child marriage, child labour and domestic violence etc) people often get trapped in anti-social activities. Communities are more or less aware of human trafficking, missing children but they hesitate to discuss or show their concern. Human Trafficking is an organized crime and the nexus is a strong racket at the community level. Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre-Loreto will be focussing on preventive measures at the community level involving the community people as the primary stakeholders of the project.



Key Areas of Work:

- Community level intervention by Community Group formation against Human Trafficking
- Sensitization against Human Trafficking
- Capacity building of Community
- Capacity building of Adolescent girls
- Advocacy in Village, Block, District, State, National and International Level
- Rescue and Rehabilitation by referrals

Geographical Locations of Intervention:

- Canning I –South 24 Parganas, West Bengal, India Sensitization on Anti-Human Trafficking
- Diamond Harbour I, South 24 Parganas, West Bengal, India- Community based intervention initiative on Anti-Human Trafficking

A glance at our Campaigns

Activity / Advocacy	Topic	Number of Programmes	Number of beneficiaries (approximately)
Rally on International Day against Human Trafficking, 2018	Human Trafficking	01	500
Convergence Meeting	Unity is our Pride	01	73
Participatory Consultation	Anti-Human Trafficking - Implementing Theory to Practice	01	53
West Bengal Child Protection Day	Child Protection Specifically Anti - Human Trafficking	01	200
Child Corner in Women Police Station	Implementation of the Juvenile Justice Care and Protection of Children Act, 2016	01	150
International Women's Day Celebration	Implementation of the Juvenile Justice Care and Protection of Children Act, 2016	01	200
Advocacy with Gram Panchayat members and other participants in the community against Human Trafficking	Community participation of the key members is to keep their girls safe in the villages and to take ownership of the protection of their own children.	02	60
Advocacy with Key Stakeholders at Block Level against Human Trafficking	The Block Level Advocacy is to sensitize and make the Block Level administration as the major stakeholder to combat Human Trafficking and Child Marriage.	01	60





Awareness Programs	Topic	Number of Programmes	Number of beneficiaries (approximately)
Adolescent Girls' Group against Child Trafficking and Child Marriage through the Child Tracking System	The girls are familiarised in matters of Child Rights, Child Marriage and Child Tracking in order to protect and sustain themselves	01	50
Community Level Groups for prevention of Human Trafficking : Adolescent girls	Strengthening village communities of young girls between 12- 18 years to network within the community.	216	344
Community Level Groups for preventing Human Trafficking : Community Vigilance Committee	Fostering village communities to make a formidable network within the community	216	386
Girls Tracked under the Child Tracking system	Child of each village is tracked by Adolescent Girls' Group in Canning I and Diamond Harbour	18	3,010
Mass Awareness Campaigns- in villages, for auto and vehicle Unions , the fishermen and other communities	Against Human Trafficking and Child Marriage through puppet shows, street play, pamphlet distribution and school programmes	18	43,177

Measures undertaken at Canning Block I

1	Building Community Level Groups for prevention of Human Trafficking	Community Vigilance Committee– 198 Adolescent Girls' Group – 166
2	Stimulating the Village Stakeholders against Human Trafficking:	3,900 people
3	Sensitize key Stakeholders at the Block Level against Human Trafficking	60 people
4	Build Capacity of Gram Panchayat members and other participants in the community against Human Trafficking	30 people
5	Build Capacity strengthening capability in Adolescent Girls' Groups against Child Trafficking and Child Marriage	1,500 girls. 25 girls were trained. They in turn taught 150 girls from 10 villages, to track. Further, each of these girls tracked 10 more girls. Thus, a total of 1500 girls, as of now have been tracked.
6	Create a forum against Human Trafficking	45 people
7	Help facilitate Rescue; stopping Child Marriage and support their re-integration	Child Marriages stopped: 10 Children returned after intervention during this project period: 10 (some were even re-united with their parents)
8	This is an important center as when a case of any missing child or child marriage takes place, the villagers come here first to start the process of documentation	One Emergency Centre still exists in Canning.
9	Mass sensitization, Sensitization against Human Trafficking and Child Marriage through puppet shows, street plays, pamphlet distribution and school programmes	40,000+ people
10	 Model Village Devisabad village in Hatpukuria Gram Panchayat of Canning Block 1 has been identified during last three years of intervention. To make the village child - friendly, Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre is providing every help for the best interest of the village children through its Project. The following are the key points of the meeting - Gram Panchayat members, the village elders and other people especially the mothers participated in the meeting on issues such as: The role Identifying the child police officer to whom the villagers can go to when an emergency arises, as mandated by the Juvenile Justice and Care Act 2016 The responsibility of the Block Development Officer and CHILDLINE in stopping child marriages 	120 people

11	Child - Friendly corner The Women Police Station has designated a place for the Child friendly corner. The Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre took up the responsibility to set it up. They continue to maintain it. For the first time in West Bengal, Childrens' Day was celebrated in the Women Police Station and it was on this momentous day that the Children's' Corner was handed over to them. This act received huge Media Coverage.	100 children
12	Sensitization programme in 12 schools in 10 Gram-Panchayat areas against Child Marriage, Human Trafficking and reporting cases to the police.	1,639 students
13	Home Visits	2,810 homes

Ventures undertaken at Diamond Habour Block 1

- The Formation and implementation of 8 Adolescent Girls Group 178 girls
 The girls are aware of the
- ✓ Juvenile Justice Care and Protection Act 2016 ✓ Importance of CHILDLINE number 1098
- ✓ Prohibition of Child Marriage Act 2006
- ✓ Responsibility to report suspect cases of Trafficking to the police
- ✓ Immoral Trafficking Act 1956
- ✓ Of the need to report cases of Child Marriage to the department
- 2. Child Tracking System has been successful in 8 Villages of 8 GPs (Gram Panchayats)
- 3. 720 girls are being tracked successfully
- 4. 3 child marriages have been stopped by the intervention of the Adolescent Girls' Group and Community Vigilance Committee
- 5. 3,177 members were directly sensitized on Human Trafficking and Child Marriage issue
- 6. Convergence Meeting (initiative towards Policy level Changes)

Participants' profile: Gram Panchyat Member & Head of Trafficking unit and Child Protection – West Bengal Commission for Protection of Child Rights

- 8. Law enforcement: Diamond Harbour Women Police
- 9. Formation of Community Members
- 10. Adolescent Girls' Group was formed
- 11. Awareness on Human Trafficking in six schools in conjunction with the Sayangsidha programme of the West Bengal Police Department.
- 12. The Block Development Officer is willing to co-operate with Kolkata Mary Ward Social Center in building capacity for the Village Level Child Protection Committee. Kolkata Mary Ward Social Center is going to take this up in 2019-2020

Providing Education and Protection to Vulnerable Children - Sonagachi.

"Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves"
- James Matthew Barrie

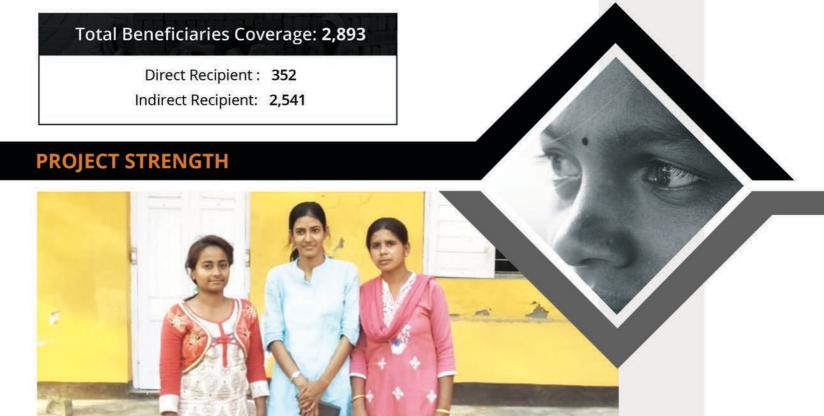
To create opportunities for Commercial Sex Workers and their children. This gives the children a scope to have a regular childhood and an all-round development.

State	District	City	Location
West Bengal	Kolkata	Kolkata	Netaji Boys Club at Masjit Bari Street, Sovabazar

Target Group:

The beneficiaries of the project include:

- · Children of Commercial Sex Workers and other women at risk
- Commercial Sex Worker and High Risk Prone Women of the Community
- · Community in the vicinity of our centre at Sonagachi

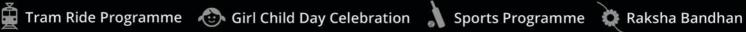


Arbitrations versus Accomplishments

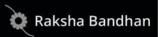
Arbitrations	Achievements
Capacity Building of Staff	06
Educational Support	65
Mainstreaming of children in School	31
Life School Education	127
Celebration of National / International Day	462
Parents' Meeting	104
Counselling Support	51
Therapeutic Workshop for Commercial Sex Worker's Children	472
Vocational training for Commercial Sex Workers	25
Awareness Campaign	512
Meeting with the Community	62
An exposure visit by the Children	165
Health Camp	77
Sponsorship for the Children of Commercial Sex Workers	03
Visitors at the Centre	109
Supplementary Nutrition	339
Partnership with Corporate Social Responsibility	03
Advocacy Meeting	74

Other activities conducted for our beneficiaries



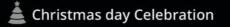








Sky Show Programme





Hidden Domestic Child Labour Project

"Wherever there is a human being, there is an opportunity for a kindness."

- Senecas

The project focuses on all forms of Child Labour and Child Domestic Worker. These children find it difficult to be accepted by society, be it, culturally or socially. To make them a part of the societal fabric, they require to be withdrawn from Domestic Child Labour force and instead make sure that they are integrated in society. To enable this, these children are given formal / open-school education or alternative livelihood opportunities. This way their rehabilitation is complete and they are an integral part of the mainstream. Keeping in mind the Directive Principles outlined in our Constitution, they now have the ability to lead a dignified existence in society.

The project is being implemented in some areas under Kolkata Municipal Corporation and North 24 Parganas, West Bengal. The details of the project implementation areas are given herewith:







District	Municipality	Location	Area	Ward No.	Month
St at			Rajabagan	03	April '18-September '18
North 24 Parganas	Baranagar Municipality	Alambazar	Chinikuthi	05	April '18-September '18
		Dunlop	Baranagar	01	April '18-September '18
		Ultadanga	Muraripukur	32	April '18-till date
	Kolkata Municipal Corporation	Ahiritola	Ahiritola Ghat	20	November '18-till date
Kolkata		Park Circus	Park Circus Station	39	December '18-till date
		Rajabazar	Canal Road	29	January '19- till date
		Baghbazar	Gallif Street	07	February '19-till date
	Baranagar Municipality	Chingrighata	Basanti Devi Colony	32	November '18-till date

Direct Recipient

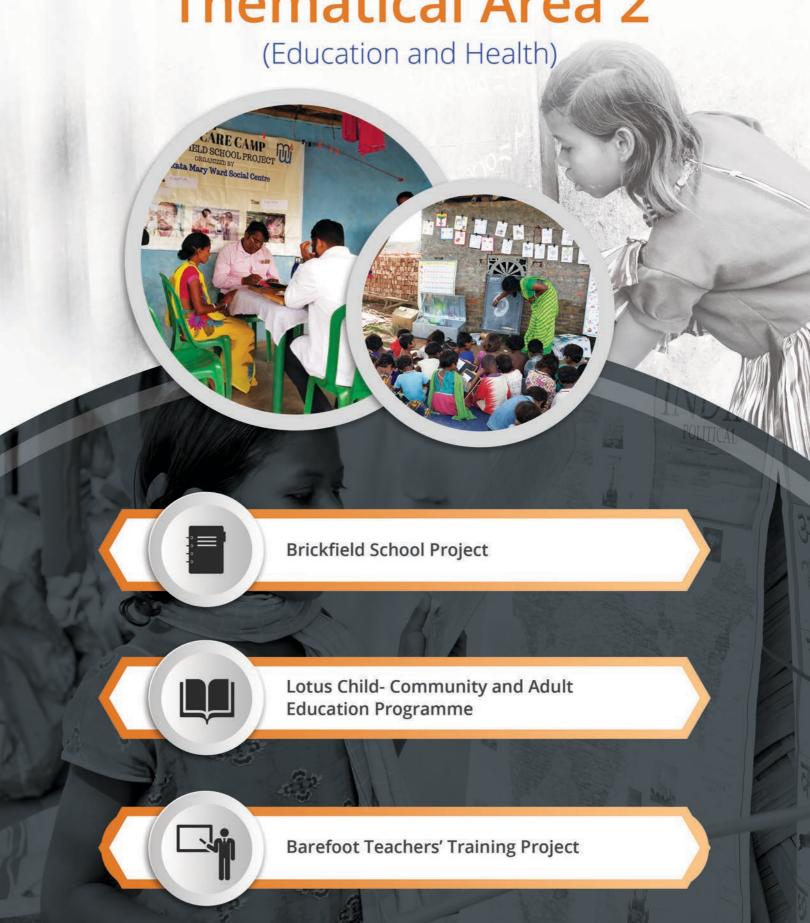
SI. No	Programme	Target Group	No. of Direct Beneficiaries
1	Running of Multi Activity Centre	Age group: 6 to 18 years	271
2	Mainstreaming children at school	Age group: 6 to 18 years	26
3	Meeting with Parents	Parents	495
4	Meeting with Children's Group	Age group: 10 to 12 years	95
5	Peer Group Meeting	Age group: 12 to 18 years	108
6	Meeting with Ward Level Child Protection Committee	Members	29
7	Meeting with Stakeholders	Government School teachers , councillor, local police station, local NGO and club members	81
8	Vocational Training for youth	Age group: 18 and above	08
9	Preparing the Birth Certificate	Infants	05
10	Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) engagement- Eye Camp organised by GKB Opticals	Community Members	307
11	Spectacles distribution by GKB Opticals	Community Members	144
12	CSR Engagement-Education support by Cognizant	Children	98
13	CSR Engagement-awareness program by CHILDLINE	Children and parents	126
14	Volunteer Visit	Community	80
15	Capacity Building of Staff	Multi Activity Centre	08
16	Christmas Day Celebration	Children and parents	160
17	Club Meeting	Club Members Of Multy Activity Centre	18
18	Children's Day Celebration	Children (6 to 18 years)	70
19	Girl Child Day Celebration	Children (6 to 18 years)	21

Indirect Recipient

SI. No.	Programme	Target Group	No. of Direct Beneficiaries
1	Auto Campaign	Community Members	83
2	Independence Day Celebration	Children, Parents and Community People	159
3	Awareness Programme	Community Members	217
4	Teachers' Day Celebration	Children and Multi Activity Centre Facilitator	178









"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others"
- Mahatma Gandhi



Destination Area Intervention

The Brickfield Industry is one of the oldest industries in India, which employs a large number of migrant workers belonging to the poor socio-economic strata. In Kolkata, West Bengal, the requirement for bricks has manifolded and created a vacuum in the availability of brickfield labourers. Thus, the rise in numbers and capacity of Brickfields resulted in an influx of migrant workers who filled in these job openings, all at the manual and unskilled level. The migrant workforce mainly comes from our neighbouring states and country like Bihar, Jharkhand, Odisha, Chhattisgarh and Bangladesh respectively. The adjoining Districts of West Bengal also have their workers shift to these Brickfields in search of seasonal jobs.

These migrant labourers spend almost seven to eight months in the Brickfields. The Brickfields serve as the second home to the labour force and their families including their children who are often involved not only with the household chores but also in the brick - making process.

Migrant families to the Brickfields live under severe deprivation of even the very basic amenities of life. This includes the education of their children, which is disrupted as they travel to and fro between West Bengal and the source location which also happens to be their native state.

The Brick Field School Project by Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre is an attempt to bring education, health and hygiene awareness and sensitization on rights and policies for our direct and indirect beneficiaries that is migrant Brick workers and their children. The project initially started in the year 2008 with just twenty Brickfield centres in three districts of West Bengal.









Source Area Intervention

According to the available data Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre found that 30-50% migrant children of The Brickfield School project are from the Nawada district of Bihar. Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre initiated, 'Process Intervening' in the Nawada district from the year of 2012. The Brickfield project staff started visiting Nawada with the aim of mainstreaming the enrolled children of the Bricklield School project into local Government Schools and into the Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya for Girls at their source location.

Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre does not consider the issue of Brickfield children in isolation and treats it to be an integral part of child protection, education and social security. It is important for the government department to institutionalize mechanisms of working together to address multiple issues of Brickfield children. With this the Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre Brickfield team completed its Nawada intervention.

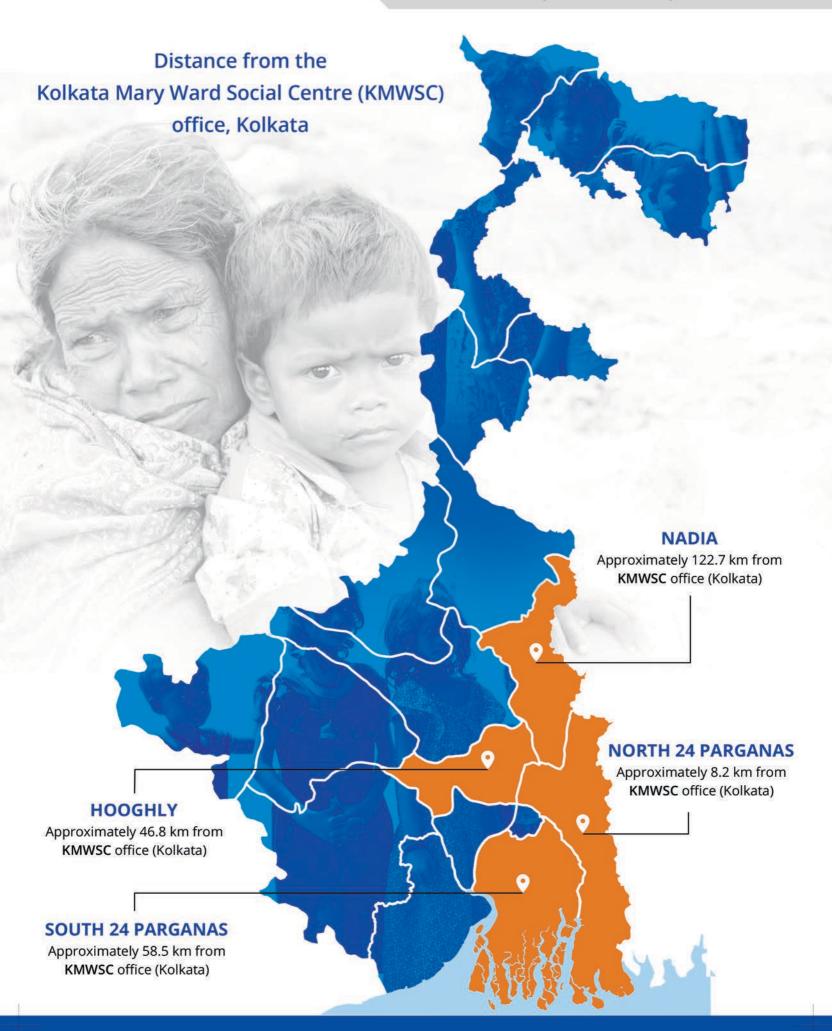
The Nawada Intervention is carried out at regular intervals by Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre in order to mainstream the migrant children and to follow up with different government departments like Education, Labour; Integrated Child Development Services etc. This was to ensure that the migrant children get all facilities which they are entitled to get as the citizens of the country.

Total Beneficiaries Coverage: 15,627

Direct Recipient: **9,320**Indirect Recipient: **6,307**

Let our voices be heard...





Key Areas of Work

Thematic areas of Brickfield project are-















Geographical Locations of Intervention

District	Area of Intervention
Hooghly	Tarkeswar Baliguri, II Panchayat Bharikhanb Harital Block and Tarkeswar Block
11008.119	Uttarpara
South 24 Parganas	Acchipur, Pujali Municipality
	Akra, Maheshtala Block
	Tona, Bhangore II Block
North 24 Parganas	Basirhat Block I
Nadia	Kalyani , Chakdah block

PROJECT STRENGTH



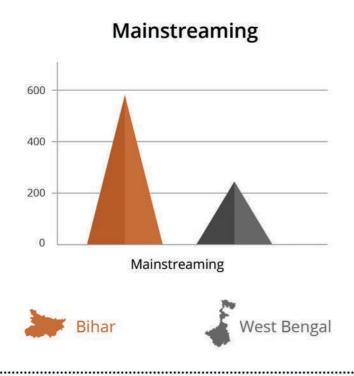
The Wake-up Call Programmes

Awareness Category	Topic	Number of programmes	Number of beneficiaries (approximately)
Health Awareness	✓ Health & Hygiene✓ Nutritious food✓ Prevention of disease	138	5,597

Deliberations with the Stakeholders & the Guardians

The Fields	DISTRICT	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
✓ Right to Education✓ Child Labour	NADIA			
✓ Child Marriage	HOOGLY	3,228	5,113	352
✓ Safe Migration✓ Child Rights	North 24 Parganas	5,226	5,115	33Z
✓ Health and Hygiene	South 24 Parganas			







Hand in hand with Corporate

Corporate Social Responsive initiatives	Name of the Corporate	Location	District	Number of Beneficiaries
Eye check up camp	GKB Opticals	Pujali	South 24 Parganas	76
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Lotus Child- Community and Adult Education Programme

"As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands-one for helping yourself',
the other for helping others" – Audrey Hepburn

With the desire to touch rural communities in West Bengal , the Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre bridges the gap between poverty and education to the two remote villages, namely Chaulgola and Sonapota in the district of South 24 Parganas, West Bengal to bring hope in their lives.

Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre goes out of its way to extend its hand to the community to be self dependent through various activities throughout the year, to enable them to join in and contribute to the nation's growth.

Skill Educational Development support through and vocational the learning training centres Need of the Parent/ Free health community camp **Community** meetings Advocacy Awareness and with the local sensitization Administration programmes

Our ground level actions at a glance

Advocacy / Activities	Topic	No. of Programmes / Meetings	No. of Beneficiaries (approximately)
Meeting with Goverment school heads	Formal Education	04	-
Interacting with the children and the Parents at the community level	Awareness on Child rights, Child Marriage, Environmental Issues, Health and Hygiene	10	290
Social groups	Social Issues	07	700
Resource persons	Skill Development	02	50
Resource persons	Formal Education	06	36



Our Initiatives -

Type of Awareness	Topic	Number of Programmes	Number of Beneficiaries (approximately)
Street Play	Health	03	300
Puppet show	Child Rights	02	256
Autorickshaw campaign	Girl Child	02	500

Total Beneficiaries Coverage: 3,420

Direct Recipient: 220 Indirect Recipient: 3,200

PROJECT STRENGTH



Barefoot Teachers' Training

"Believe you CAN and you are half way THERE"

- Theodore Roosevelt

The Barefoot Teachers' training programme is a unique grass root level teacher's capacity building enterprise which has been one of the pioneering initiatives of the Loreto Schools and now Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre. With the ever increasing need for tutorial support and with the NGO's supporting the education system with remedial education for the children, there is a rise in requirement for able Community Level teachers. The Barefoot training programme is a short term capacity building initiative for these teachers. The course provides essential inputs through a very thorough practical exposure in a relatively shorter period so that the trainees are equipped to teach in circumstances that has the provision of minimal infrastructure. The compact intensive training is a window of opportunity for the grass - root level teachers to enhance their teaching skills and teach the children of their communities, in an effective manner.

A total number of 589 Community Level teachers have been trained this year. It is a mammoth achievement that a total of 430 female teachers, have been empowered to teach the community children. Thus, this project is not only about building capacities but also about empowering women marginalized backgrounds and enabling them to be independent, skilful and contributing actively to society.

The medium of instruction of training was Hindi, Bengali and English. The training detail depending on the mode of instruction is as followings -



Total Number of Trainings Programmes





Total Number of Training Programmes			Total Trainings
Hindi	Bengali	English	21
05	12	04	21

Total Beneficiary Coverage: 1,217

Direct Recipient: 589 Indirect Recipient: 628

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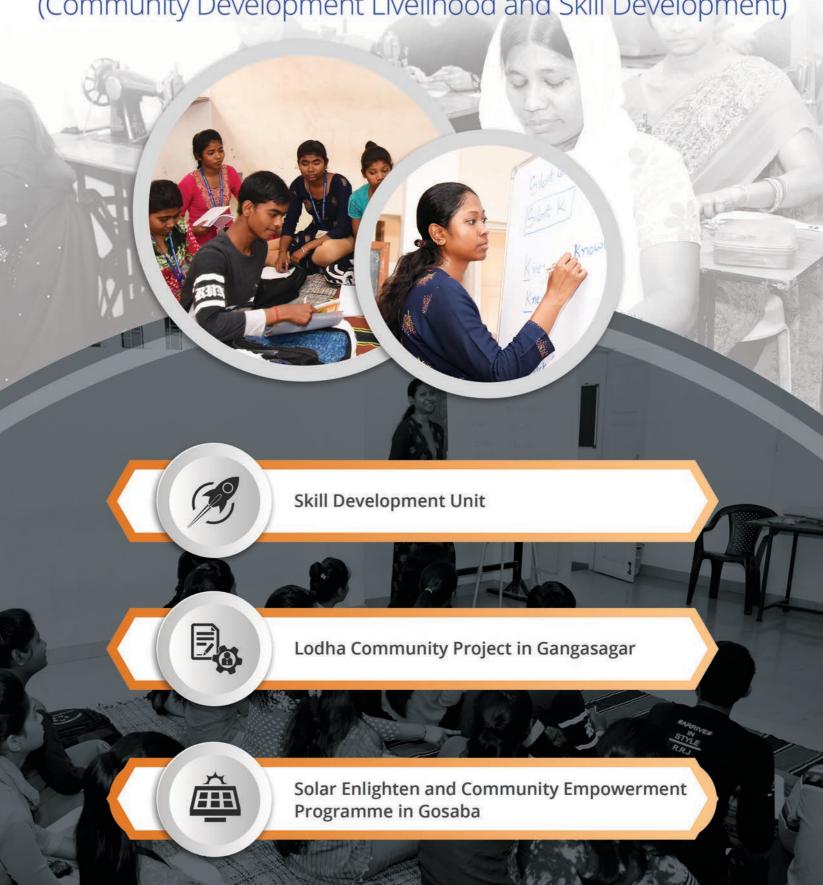


The name of the NGOs and Schools that have attended the Barefoot Teachers' Training Programmes from April 2018 to March 2019.

Sl.No	Name of School /Organization	District & State
1	Party Park India School, Jasrajpur ,Rajghat ,Sankisa & Youth Buddhist Soiety of India Organization , Uttar Pradesh	Etawa , Uttar Pradesh
2	Children's Happy Home, Kalikapur	South 24 Parganas, West Bengal (W.B.)
3	Moshal Public School , Budge Budge	South 24 Parganas, W.B.
4	Canning Training Centre	South 24 Parganas, W.B.
5	Baidyanath Vidya Mandir, Udaynaranpur	Howrah, W.B
6	Netaji Model School, Mahendraganj (Sagar)	South 24 Parganas, W.B.
7	Bapuji Model School, Krishna Nagar (Sagar)	South 24 Parganas, W.B.
8	Friend's Children Academy (Sagar)	South 24 Parganas, W.B.
9	St. Joseph's High School, Pakur	Sahibganj, Jharkhand
10	St. Joshep's Academy, Sahibganj	Sahibganj, Jharkhand
11	Modern Pre- Primary English Medium School, Santragachi	Howrah, W.B.
12	Mothurapur Diganta	South 24 Parganas, W.B.
13	Indian Children Dhapa	Howrah, W.B.
14	Sundarban Snehadan Foundation, Mothurapur	South 24 Parganas, W.B.
15	Radha Kirshnapur Sagar	South 24 Parganas, W.B.
16	Bolpur Education Centre	Birbhum, W.B.

Thematical Area 3

(Community Development Livelihood and Skill Development)



Skill Development Unit

"We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence then, is not an act, but a habit"

- Aristotle

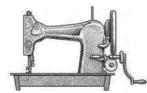
Under this project, short-term courses of three to six months duration are designed to focus on young men and women from nearby marginalised communities and urban slums. The project is based on modules, curriculum and youth counselling, and focuses on hands-on skills' training.

The learning includes mobilization from source, training, placement in jobs or entrepreneurship.









Tailoring



Spoken English



Computer Course



Bakery



Action speaks louder than words!

- 285 students have been trained.
- Students have been placed from the Beautician unit.
- Most of the students from the beautician & tailoring units have become entrepreneurs.
- I-Pad bag and other tailoring orders sold to different stakeholders
- Improving quality Training.
- Streamlining evaluation & certification.

Approval - Credit goes to our beneficiaries

The Certification of Courses was done for Spoken English, Tailoring and the Beautician courses. For the first time students from the Spoken English course and the Beautician unit received their certificates on their successful completion of the three months' training. An examination was conducted and then the certificates were awarded to them on 5th November, 2018.

Count of Beneficiaries trained from March 2018 to April 2019

Sl. No.	Unit	No. of Beneficiaries
1	Tailoring	42
2	Beautician	98
3	Spoken English	111
4	Computer	34

Total Beneficiaries Coverage: 5,310

Direct Recipient: 310 Indirect Recipient: 5,000





Lodha Community Project

"I always wondered why somebody doesn't do something about that. Then I realized I was somebody".

- Lily Tomlin

Lodha Community Project commenced in the year 2015 to bring equality among tribal communities of Gangasagar.

Location - Sagar block is an Island (also known as Ganga Sagar) under Kakdwip sub division in the district of South 24 Parganas, West Bengal. It is one of the islands in Sundarban which is located near the confluence of Ganga and Bay of Bengal. Radhakrishnapur is a remote village in Sagar Block under Rudranagar Gram Panchyat where Lodha community lives at Mayagayalini ghat. Radhakrishnapur village is away from the main town having a population of around 13000 people.

Know the Community - The Lodha community is a backward tribal community where people still continue to endure injustice, inequality, social discrimination, hatred, outrage in day to day life. They still continue to live in abject poverty and illiteracy with superstitions, social prejudices, discriminations and have very limited options to earn. The Lodha Community generate income by collecting crabs and fish and selling them at the local place. They are also struck by the geographical disadvantages and natural calamities very often. Mayagayalini Ghat is a remote place in Radhakrishnapur village. The Villagers live in penury with no easy access to transportation, education, basic healthcare, proper sanitation and safe drinking water. Generally, they dwelled in the forest and its surroundings. The main occupation of the community is working on others' farm lands, catching fish and crabs from the rivers.

Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre's Role - This is the fifth year of intervention in the Lodha Community by Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre sensitizing them on gender equality, health and hygiene, providing educational support, giving alternative livelihood options and providing identity proof like Health cards for pregnant mothers and bank accounts for the mothers so that thay benefit from the schemes, Government photo identity cards and school certificate procured for them.

A few Lodha women are taking a giant step forward to speak for their own cause. The value of education has been understood by the parents of the community. One boy and twelve girls have been admitted to the hostel for the tribal communities with the help of the centre teachers.



Total Beneficiaries Coverage: 2,064

Direct Recipient: 494 Indirect Recipient: 1,570

Actions speak louder than words!

Serial	Activities	Count		Total	
Number	Number		Female	Total	
1	Admission of Children in the Lodha Centre	06	09	17	
2	11 Medical camps	86	242	328	
3	3 Panchayat meeting	40	10	50	
4	11 Parents' meetings	65	291	356	
5	1 Health Awareness Camp	13	77	90	
6	1 Awareness camp on Government scheme	16	54	70	
7	Mainstream in Government school	08	10	18	
8	Mainstream in Hostel and Government school	01	12	13	

PROJECT STRENGTH





Solar Enlighten and Community Empowerment Programme in Gosaba

"What gets rewarded gets repeated"
- Bob Burg

Topography, Demography and Location - Gosaba block is one of the main deltaic islands in the Sundarban region in the district of South 24 Parganas. It is the last inhabited island in the Sunderban (world's famous mangrove forest cover), Bay of Bengal coast. Manmathanagar is one of the remote villages in Gosaba block having a population of 20,000 people. The entire region is topographically remote and largely isolated. Electricity has not reached the entire village. The remoteness of the area is amply understood by the fact that entire Manmathanagar village has no "pucca" or metalled road, no proper transport system except paddle van; the villages are connected with mud built roads. During the rainy season to commute is highly risky, hence people suffer.

The Importance of this project - The Solar Enlightened Community Empowerment Project has been playing an integral part in promoting Solar Light to the the most interior parts of the Sundarbans. As these villages have less access to electricity, life after daylight has become increasingly risky for the community people. They are prone to snake bites and poisonous insects and their health gets affected due to inhaling toxic fumes by using flammable oils for burning light. The project has been conducting extensive campaigns to make people aware of the necessity of using solar lamps, assembled by our expert technicians to have a healthy and safe life.



Key Areas of Work:

- Awareness Campaigns
- Solar Assembling
- Self Help Groups
- Promoting Solar Lamps

Geographical Locations of Intervention:

- Gosaba
- Bipradashpur
- Chandipur



PROJECT STRENGTH

Self Help Group	Number of Meetings	Topic	Number of beneficiaries (approximately)
147	72	 Felicitating Solar Light at the Village level. Self Help -Functioning and responsibilities. 	5,000

Total Beneficiaries Coverage: 5,197

Direct Recipient: 197 Indirect Recipient: 5,000

Our accomplishments:

Awareness Programs	Type of Awareness	Topic	No. of Programs	Beneficiaries Reached
Solar Light	Mass Gathering	Use of Solar Light	05	3,000

Training and Workshop

Sl. No.	Topic	Activity	Location	Participants
1	Implementation planning	Training on strategic plan	Kolkata	Brick Field School project
2	"Protection of Children from Sexual Offence (POCSO) Act"	Workshop	Kolkata	Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre staff
3	Anti-Human trafficking project. The pilot phase for Diamond Harbour	Consultation and workshop	Delhi	Director & Anti-Human trafficking Coordinator
4	Eliminate Bonded labour System	Workshop	Kolkata	Brick Field School project Coordinator
5	Creation of strategic planning and log frame	Workshop	Kolkata	Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre staff
6	Building resilience in children	Workshop	Kolkata	Red light & Lodha Coordinator
7	Project Management	Training	Kolkata	Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre staffs
8	Advocacy and placement	Consultation programme	Kolkata	Skill Development Project staff
9	Staff capacity building on result and outcome based project planning	Training	Kolkata	Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre staff





Events and Celebration

"Confirmity is the jailor of freedom and the enemy of growth"
- John F. Kennedy

Embracing and Affirming Diversity -



Christmas is a time for togetherness, love and acceptance; it is a time when we remember the Son of God. To share this uniqueness, KMWSC ushered in this spirit by involving all in the celebration. This year too KMWSC organized a Christmas get together for the children and the field staff with games, dances, Carol singing and distribution of cakes. This was also manifested in the celebrations that the KMWSC brought in for their project staff and among their direct and indirect beneficiaries. Infact, for the first

time ever, Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre organised a Christmas celebration cum reunion on the 9th December 2018, for the students of the skill development unit.

In each project, this festive spirit was fondly seen among the office staff and students. The goodies that Santa brought in, was distributed among the students. The director expressed her delight on seeing such enthusiasm, unadulterated joy and gay abandon with which the students danced and brought in, the spirit of Christmas. In the end, food packets were distributed to the students.





International Day of Anti-Human Trafficking was observed by Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre on 30th July, 2018. A Mass Rally was organised in collaboration with the British Deputy High Commission in Kolkata to march with the unvoiced, unsung and standing together with the women survivors and children. The rally was flagged off by the British Deputy High Commissioner, the chairperson of West Bengal State Commission for Protection of Child Right, Block Development Officer, Canning I, Sub Divisional Police Officer, Canning sub-division and Director of KMWSC by releasing white pigeons in the sky as a symbol of freedom and equality. More than 600 people witnessed and participated in the event.





Engaging with the bigger picture



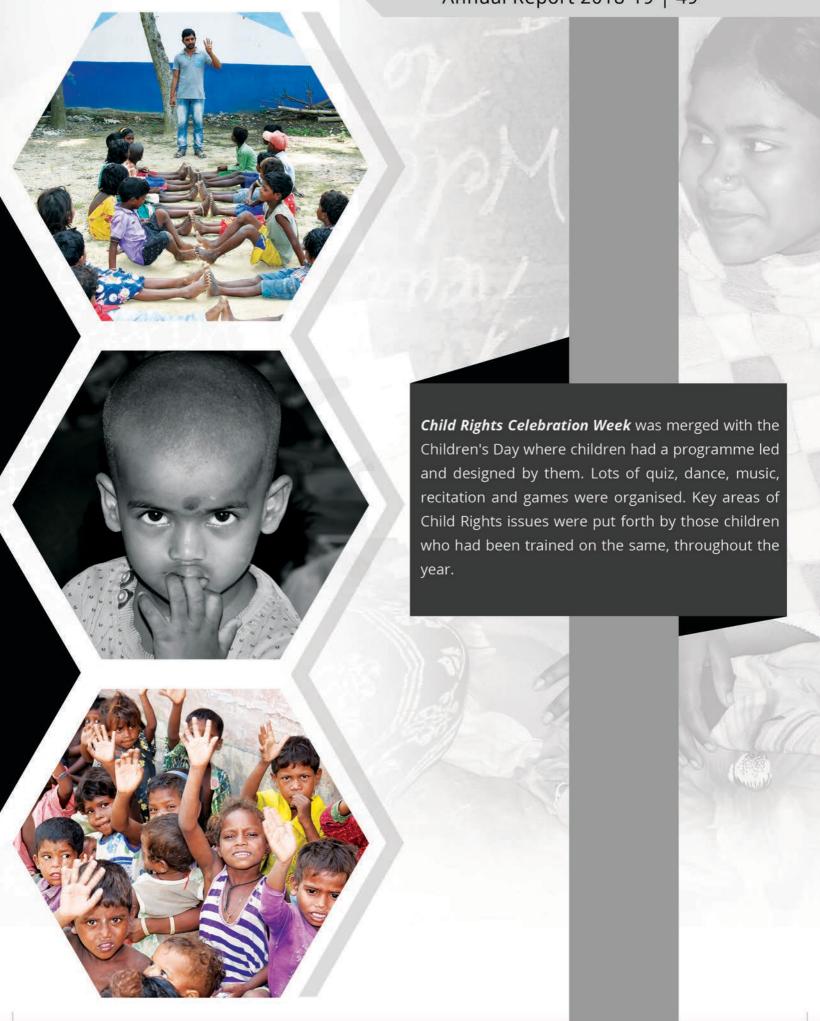
Visit by Sr Noelle , The Superior General from Rome and Sr. Judith , the consulter to Sr. Noelle was indeed a great honour for Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre. They were with us from 9th -11th October 2018. It was indeed a blessing that all the staff, beneficiaries and the Loreto Institutions could be a part of this wonderful meet. were welcomed in our Our special guests traditional Indian style with garlands and Aarti (an Indian ceremony) to welcome the guests in which 'diyas', the lights with wicks soaked in ghee, are lit up and simultaneously the blowing of conch shells takes place . Children from the Red Light areas of Sonagachi , one of KMWSCs intervention areas presented a traditional classical group dance and a song. Soon after, Sr. Monica Suchiang, Director of Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre and her team had brief interactions with short presentations by each of the Coordinators describing their Projects. The community level programmes was explained by the staff and how it was making a difference in the lives of each child, family and Community. On the 9th of October 2018, the team from the Anti -Human Trafficking project of KMWSC headed by Proshanto Baroi accompanied Sr. Judith and Sr. Monica Suchiang to the villages of Canning, West Bengal. A warm welcome was extended to the team by our beneficiaries residing in those villages. Though language was a constraint, their love and concern was felt. They interacted with the community members and discussed about their daily struggles in life and how KMWSC was making a difference in each of their homes. Sr. Judith was really touched by the testimonies of the villagers and was glad that the Project was taking great strides and steadily moving forward towards realization of the goals.

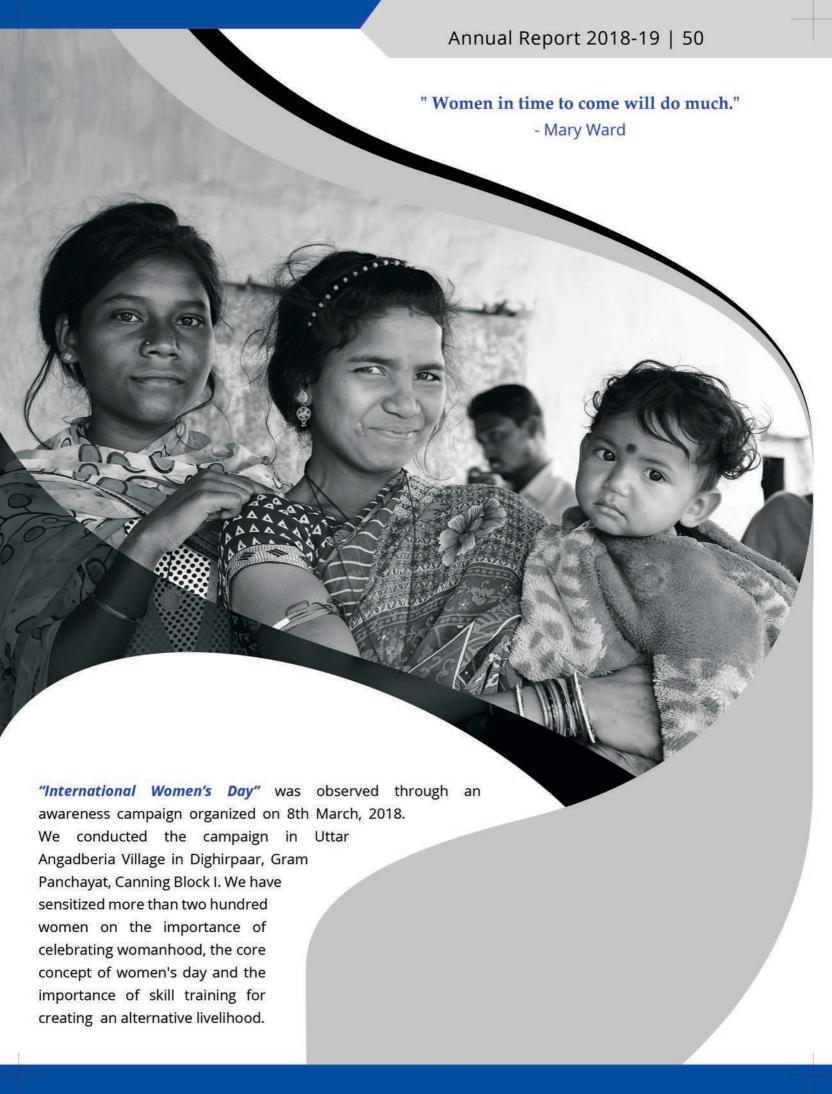


Children's Day was celebrated in partnership with the Canning Women Police Station. The programme was child friendly and had a fun element added to it . The programme was graced by the Director of KMWSC, Sr. Monica Suchiang who said "Children are not only the future of our nation but also the present". Therefore we need to ensure the security of the present generation of children from all dangers and unwanted consequences. She commended the Canning Police, both Women and General Police Station for their relentless efforts in protecting the children in their areas. The programme brought children from the ten Gram Panchayat areas in close proximity with the police who were also actively participating in the events through songs, dance, poetry and games. Hundred children and their escorts came from the villages under the Gram Panchayats of Matla 1, Matla 2, Dighirpar, Goplapur, Itkhola, Nikarighata, Taldi , Daria Hatpukuria and Bansra. The police and the children mingled freely. The Cannning Women Officer-In-Charge, Smt. Munmun Chowdhury gave a short speech. She appreciated the efforts done by Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre. The children were overwhelmed to have a lively interaction with the police on their special day. We are thankful to the district administration, the police, and the village community members continued support in making the Children's Day event meaningful.

On 14th November, Children's Day, the West Bengal Commission for Protection of Child Right organised a Children's Tram ride programme from Shyambazar to Esplanade. Twenty children from the Hidden Domestic Child Labour Project and Red-Light Projects along with the children from other organizations participated. They had a wonderful funfilled day. Children from our Red-Light project performed a dance in a cultural event at Esplanade, Kolkata.







Advocacy

"The right way is not always the popular and easy way. Standing up for right when it is unpopular is a true test of moral character"

- Margaret Chase Smith

Espousing

The convergence meet was organized by Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre to bring the stakeholders to understand, and assess the Anti-Human Trafficking initiative together and formulate ideas for future endeavours and activities. The convergence saw the participation from the District Administration, Law Enforcement Agencies (Police) and the Panchayat heads. The community participation where the Community Vigilance Committee and the Adolescent Girls' Group from the villages were involved, made it a success. All the thirty-two who were present, enthusiastically participated in the programme. The women Police Officer-In-Charge of Canning I shared her experiences and explained the evils of trafficking and stated that her record showed a fall in the registration of cases in comparison to 2016-2017. Ms. Sudheshna Roy, member of West Bengal Commission for Protection of Child Right gave the key note address and emphasised on the transformative minds of girls, putting across what will bring them liberation. The fact that girls are strong and they need not submit to anyone was emphasised. It was reiterated that girls and women are strong and thus in turn, should make sure to strengthen others in the community.



The Consultation focused on "How to bring theory to practice" through specific intervention strategies to combat against trafficking at the community level. Former Justice,
Nadera Patheriaya gave the key note address after Sr. Monica
Suchiang, the Director of Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre welcomed the participants. Sr. Monica said, "Our strategies have to be refined and redefined contextually and well in time to challenge the perpetrators of the evil act of Trafficking." The participants comprised of notable NGOs such as Caritas, World Vision of India, Justice Venture International and others. Justice Nadera Patheriaya said Sensitization, eradicate poverty and effective implementation of POCSO", will minimize trafficking. Dr. Joydev Majumder, Director of Joy Prokash Institute of Social Change and Mr. Mahesh Menon of National Institute of Juridical Science stressed on balance between theory and practice and that it can be achieved through advocacy and strengthening of Village Level Child Protection Committee. The participants actively joined in the discussions of the five key points and their pertaining issues.



Being an Agent of Change

The convergence meet on Safe Migration was the first ever convergence meet organised by Brickfield School Project under Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre on Safe Migration. The objective of the meet was to explore methods for sustainable and practical common convergence and cooperation amongst NGO's and Government agencies for Safe Migration. This meet was used to provide a platform for advocacy on the review and revision of the existing government policies and commitment related to the issues of unsafe migration. Here, the role of government mechanism to ensure safe migration and basic entitlement of the migrant population was dealt with.



Thinking and Acting justly

Rising: From a campaign, to a way of life

One Billion Rising 2019 is the fifth year that the Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre organised One Billion Campaign in collaboration with the Eastern Zonal Culture Centre, Ministry of Culture, Government of India addressing "Violence against Women and Girls". Through this event held on 9th February 2019 at the Simpark Mall, Kolkata, Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre was able to spread the awareness on sexual slavery and trafficking, child marriage and sexual harassment to thousands of people from all walks of life. Our main goal was to reach out to the voiceless where violence and oppression against women are still at large. These were addressed through performances from different schools, colleges, NGOs, testimonies from survivors and thoughts from eminent personalities. Through the event, we could reach out to over two lakh people with a signature campaign where over 10,000 people pledged their support.

We Did It! Our Success Cases...

Cultivating Values needed now -

"The most effective way to DO IT, is to DO IT" - Amelia Earhart

Sunita Manjhi

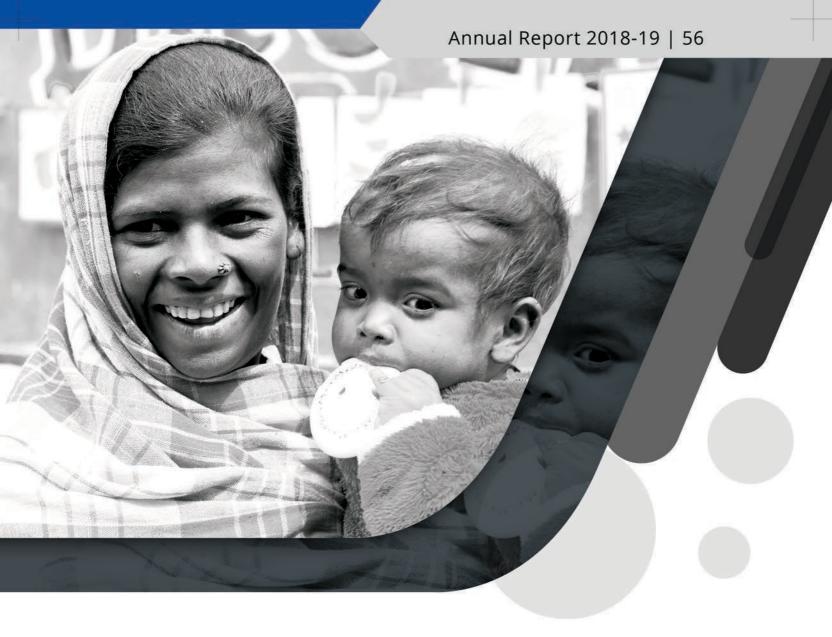
Sunita Manjhi came to West Bengal with her family to work in one of the brickfields in South 24 Parganas from Nawada District in Bihar. As she was pregnant the BFS teachers had gone to Sunita's home multiple times to generate awareness and encourage her family for institutional delivery. The family was very orthodox and wanted her to have the child at Brickfield only.

On 1st February 2019 condition of Sunita deteriorated rapidly. The teachers rushed her to the local government hospital along with her husband and mother-in-law with the help from the Asha Karmis. She was rushed to the Insentive Care Unit and the doctors said the condition of the mother and child was critical.

Late at night, the BFS leading teachers received a call from the hospital informing them that Sunita had fled. Those teachers went to the Brickfield, contacted the Brick Field Manager and convinced the family on the urgent and Immediate medical attention for Sunita. Her family understood the gravity of the situation and were sorry about their fears which led them to behave like that. They were now scared and decided to take Sunita home.

To provide the best medical attention, the BFS teachers on a referral from the local Government hospital took Sunita to R. G Kar Hospital in Kolkata. Next day, Sunita gave birth to a beautiful healthy daughter and is very thankful to the entire Brickfield School team for helping her out when she was most vulnerable She said, "I understand the importance of Institutional Delivery now and I will encourage other women from my community to do the same".







Santo Singh

Santo Singh is a ten years old boy hailing from Bihar. Now, he lives at Muraripukur Road, Kolkata-67. He was five years old when he lost his father. His mother worked as a maidservant in others' houses and he lived with his aunt. Despite his unwillingness to discontinue with academics, he was forced to do so in class II after the demise of his father. Hence, he was compelled to work as a child labourer in a grocery shop.

Santo is now a daily attendee to Multi Activity Center (MAC). He is good at origami and has shown a keen interest in learning. Meanwhile, the MAC facilitator visited the aunt and convinced her to allow Santo to continue with his studies. He is now admitted in a Government school, Siksha Nikertan in class V.





Purioto Bhakta

Purioto Bhakta had an early marriage with Sukumar Bhakta in Medinipur. After marriage, she shifted and started to reside in the Lodha community with her husband. Her husband drank heavily and at times begged in order to feed his wife. They had no permanent place to stay.

At the onset of winters, her husband died leaving her pregnant without a roof over her head. She begged to feed herself and her unborn child. After the birth of her son, this cycle of begging continued as both had no other means of survival. Purioto often had to resort to catching tortoise and poisonous snakes and sell them in the market. When her son was a little big, the teacher

contacted her and brought her child to the centre and then admitted him.

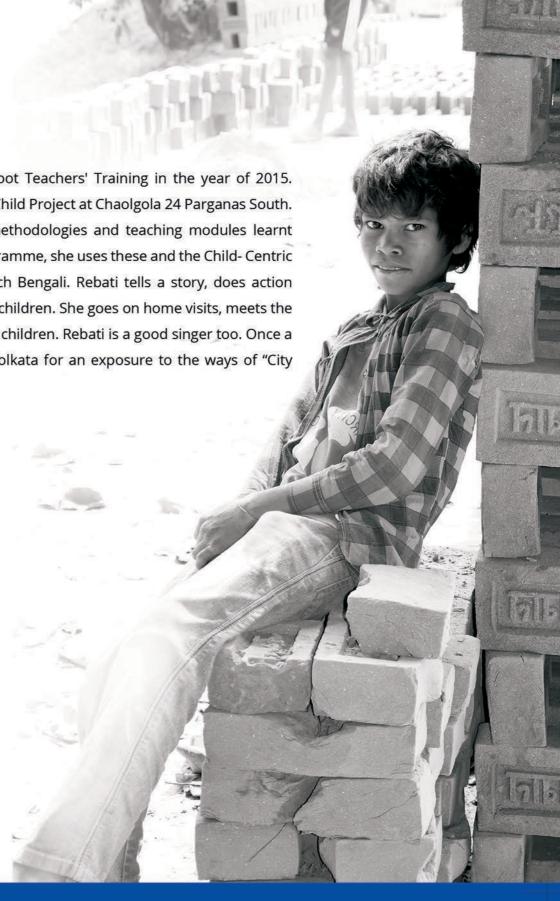
The young boy left school after class VIII and started working to help his mother to run the family. Her son is now working in the fisheries at Mednipur. He visits his mother during holidays. A bank account was opened by the teacher, for Purito. Her son deposits money in her account so that she can fend for herself. She has also received the housing scheme allowance under the Pradhan Mantri Yojana because of the type of bank account she had. This enabled her to construct the house under this government scheme.

Living in the Lodha community, she plays a role model. She is happy to help them and the children of the community. Purioto speaks up for the welfare of the Lodhas so that the coming generation can have a better future.



Rebati Paik

Rebati Paik completed her Barefoot Teachers' Training in the year of 2015. Now, she is teaching in the Lotus Child Project at Chaolgola 24 Parganas South. Having mastered the Barefoot methodologies and teaching modules learnt under the Barefoot Teaching Programme, she uses these and the Child-Centric activities in the classroom to teach Bengali. Rebati tells a story, does action rhymes and plays games with the children. She goes on home visits, meets the mothers and takes updates of the children. Rebati is a good singer too. Once a year she brings the children to Kolkata for an exposure to the ways of "City Living".



One of the major highlights in 2018 of KMWSC Anti-Human Trafficking Project is the case of the eighteen year old Sanaka Madi. This case is a major indicator to prove the viability and effectiveness of our Anti-Human Trafficking module. The module emphasises the sensitisation and strengthening of the Adolescent Girls Groups' in the ten villages of Canning I. Sanaka Madi (name changed) has been a regular member of the group. She rescued her friend after being trafficked.

Sanaka is fully conversant with the laws and regulations of Anti-Human Trafficking and is very vocal about her discontent with Child Marriage and Human Trafficking. Sanaka worked out her strategy from KMWSC intervention by posing as a willing compliant to the demands of the traffickers on phone and then setting demands to join them if only her friend is brought back to meet her. When she saw her friend at the station, she followed the decision taken at the meeting. She promptly took her friend's hand and fled with her. Despite all the threats to her life, she managed to rescue her friend. She is now in the final year of her Graduate Studies. What is noteworthy is that, at the point of intervention she was studying in class XII. She was presented with the Bravery award, Bigrangana Award by West Bengal Commission for Protection of Child Rights for her efforts in rescuing her friend.

Since the last three years, Kolkata Mary Ward Social Center has implementing the Project at Sonagachi, the Red-light Area in Kolkata. Presently sixty two children are getting Educational Support and therapeutic (Art, Dance, Drama) support from the project. It dawned on us that the adolescent girls are targeted mostly by the pimps and often by their family members pushing them to sex trade as a family tradition. That is why this year we chose three Adolescent girls (names concealed) for our Sponsorship programme. We then provided them with Tutorial support, admission fees for pursuing higher studies, study material, supplementary nutrition, health facility, school uniform, shoes, school bags and other requirements.



Sabina (name changed), a fifteen year old beautiful, naive and gregarious girl who was friendly with her school mates. While she was studying in class VIII, she met a boy of about twenty four years and fell in love with him. Frequent visits by the boy to her, led her to trust him. His motorcycle was an added attraction for her. She, being a young impressionable girl soon started having dreams of living with him.

Sabina was convinced by her male friend that they had to elope, to be together. Soon she agreed. She was called by the boy's friend to a nearby railway station where she would find him waiting for her. This railway junction was 12 kms away. Being deeply in love she followed every instruction. At the Sealdah Station, she was asked to board the train to Darjeeling for a tour with her lover. She complied. Unfortunately, she never met her lover and only remembers that soon after, she fell in deep slumber.

The CHILDLINE in Canning was informed by the Anti-Human Trafficking staff, the CHILDLINE in Siliguri (in the North of West Bengal) kept a close watch on the station and managed to rescue her but the trafficker gave a slip to the police. She was presented to the Child Welfare Committee who in turn made sure that she returned to her mother in Kolkata. Sabina was thus, handed over by the Child Welfare Committee, Kolkata to her mother in the presence of our staff. Our staff along with CHILDLINE, completed all the documentation and formalities. Her reintegration was initiated by the Kolkata Mary Ward Social Centre.

She recently joined the vocational training unit. Her sister and she are pursuing the Beautician course together. Every care is taken by us to see to it, that she rebuilds her life.



Media

Recognition from the Fourth Estate ---- NEWS!



Welcoming Volunteers, Funders and Interns

Start where you are. Use what you have, " Do what you can."



Name	Number of Volunteers		
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Toronto Canada		11	
Angela from Spain		01	1
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Teresa Baross from Spain		01	
Australia River view college		06	
St. Stephen's Green Dublin, Ireland	4 1/48	24	- 2
Loreto Convent School, Shimla		12	3
Bro Rolling,Christian Brothers		01	1
Loreto Elliot Road School, Kolkata	N 255	30	
Misean Cara		02	

Our Lifelines...in gratitude

"The meaning of life is to find your gift. The purpose of life is to give it away"
- Shakespeare



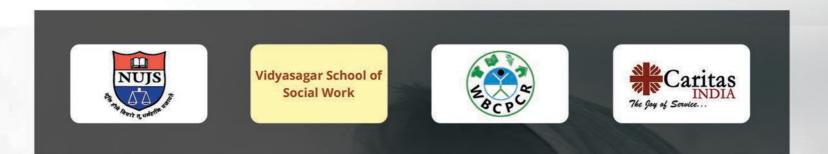
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"If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, YOU ARE A LEADER" - John Quincy Adams



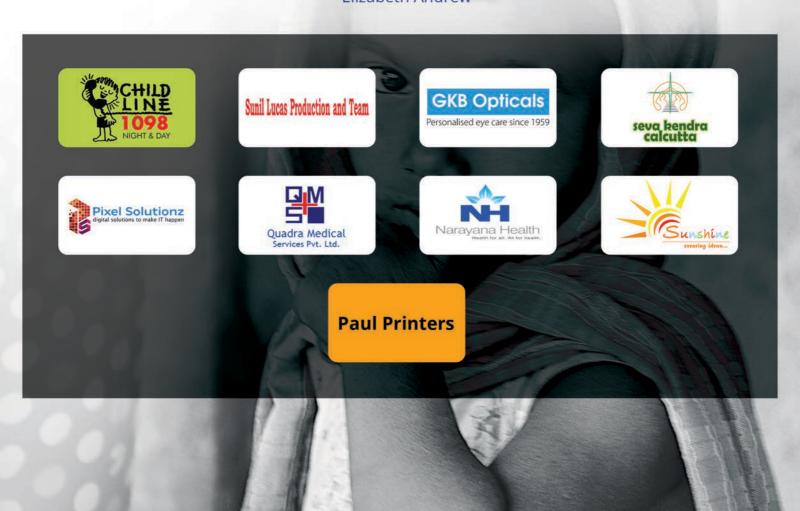
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"Little by little, a little becomes a LOT"
-Tanzanian Proverb



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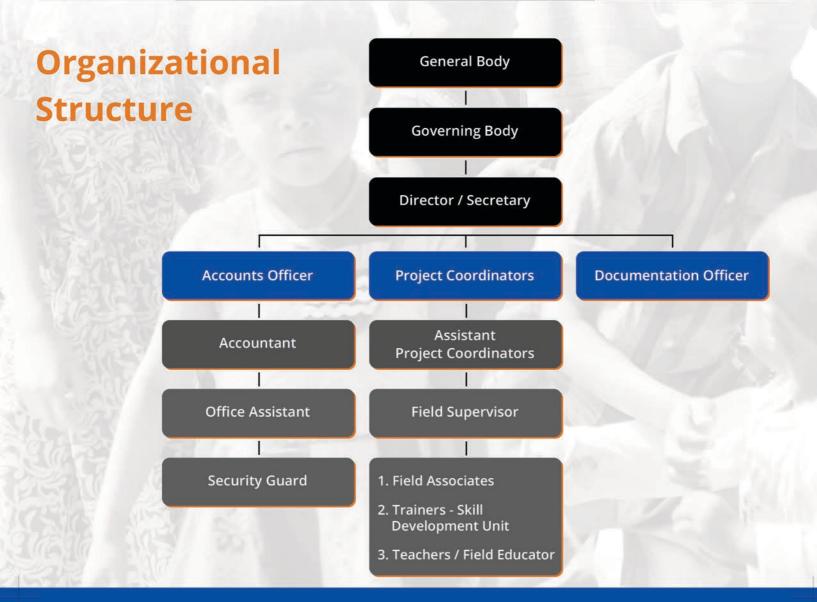
"Volunteers don't necessarily have the time; they just have the heart!"
- Elizabeth Andrew



Governing Body

"People will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel"
- Maya Angelou

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Family Tree

"How wonderful it is that nobody need want a single moment before starting to improve the world"

- Anne Frank

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To love the poor, live, die & rise with them".

-Mary Ward

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