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In this Issue

A Children's Development Khazana's (CDK) member helps her family during Covid. How Prachi learnt to be ahead of the game- Child Health Educators (CHE) advised and reminded their peers about personal hygiene and how to protect themselves and their families from Covid. Butterflies CHILDLINE team rescued 5 children from an ice-cream factory. All this and more in this issue (*apologies for the delay due to a malware attack on our server*).



Surviving the lockdown, the CDK way *How one CDK member helped her family during Covid*

Being a member of Children's Development Khazana (CDK) has helped scores of children and their families tide over this unexpected crisis. One particular inspiration was Shagufta who was learning tailoring when the lockdown struck, suspending all non-essential activities. For some life slowed down, for some like Shagufta it was a new challenge of considerably reduced family income. Fortunately, being a member of CDK, at Mahila Development Centre, Muzaffarpur, Bihar helped her find a way out...[read more](#)

Being Ahead of the Game

Long before the COVID-19 pandemic -Butterflies trained Child Health Educators in India's most marginalized communities to promote safe and healthy practices to their peers and other vulnerable kids. Read how Prachi shared the "correct way of washing hands" and the "importance of clean surroundings" years in advance to promote healthy and safe living and forestall the spread of disease causing viruses.

Child Health Educators (CHE), are one of the important child facilitators of Child Health & Sports Cooperative (CHSC) and are promoters and grassroots health educators among their peers. Every year, selected children undergo training which includes administering first aid, addressing minor health issues and hospital visits to understand the functioning of hospitals. Prachi is one such CHE who was elected a few years ago. During her tenure she proactively organized weekly sessions on health issues and also led a collective action on cleanliness and proper disposal of garbage in her locality. Here's how she carried her training as a CHE into her own neighborhood during the lockdown...[read more](#)



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Health Session

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Covid 19-संक्रमित लोगों के बारे में कैसे करे बाते

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Children's Cooperatives

Children's Development Khazana (CDK)- In addition to a life skill, CDK also proved to be a lifeline for children and their families during the pandemic. The financial management skills learnt helped children use their savings in their CDK accounts judiciously to help their families. Despite all odds, aided by adult staff, the children kept the CDK programme running in order to enable their peers access their savings during the lockdown. Refreshing children's memory, a session on the importance of savings was conducted online for children.

Child Health and Sports Cooperative (CHSC)- Members of CHSC interacted with their peers online and conducted a Health Session on Communicable Diseases. CHSC Health Bulletins on Covid-19 are being regularly shared with children.



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SHREYAS

SUSTAIN with COVID- Combating COVID, an awareness campaign titled 'SUSTAIN with COVID', was initiated from 26th June 2020 by Shreyas in Kerala. This campaign gave 10 most important instructions to follow in this pandemic along with the guidelines about the usage of masks and 7 steps of hand washing. The campaigns covered not only children but also parents in all the 17 CHSC groups.

Satellite connection for 2 Tribal Hamlets- The closure of schools widened the learning gap among children of lower-income families especially among tribal communities. Many of the tribal students in Wayanad district didn't own any facility to pursue their studies via the new online medium. According to a survey conducted by the educational department of Kerala State, 16% of the students in the Wayanad district lacked facilities to attend online classes. Responding to this need, Shreyas and the Tribal Department, Government of Kerala, in convergence with the Inter Agency Group donated 2 Televisions with satellite connection to two hamlets for children to continue their education accessing the Online Educational Classes.

PRATIGYA AND UNNAYAN - Focusing on health and safety during Covid, CHSC members in Pratigya and Unnayan continued their daily exercise and Yoga despite the lockdown, sometimes joined by their parents too.

Hamara Foundation, Mumbai and JKSMS, Jaipur- Health awareness sessions and meetings on Covid-19 were held by the CHSC in Hamara Foundation, Mumbai and JKSMS, Jaipur.

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Education Cooperative

The month of July witnessed the announcement of the school board examination results and all 34 of our children who appeared for it, cleared their levels in flying colours. Two of our students from Okhla Mandi scored more than 90% and two scored more than 80%.

On 11th July 2020, children celebrated world population day by making drawings to create awareness on the growing population and limited resources which will cause a problem for future generations. This was followed by a group discussion over the mobile phone with children.

To keep the children occupied during the lockdown, the Sadar Bazar contact point organized an art and craft activity with children. Children were asked to make crafts using waste materials available at home. This activity encouraged children to use their ingenuity and creativity for exploring new ideas and thoughts and led to children making beautiful and decorative crafts.



Butterflies CHILDLINE

During July 2020, a total of 53 calls were reported at the South & Southeast districts CHILDLINE and through these calls 65 children were assisted with the help of different authorities. 5 children were rescued from an ice cream factory with the help of the Sub Divisional Magistrate, Police and Child Welfare Committee.

The railway CHILDLINE team conducted an awareness activity on Covid 19 and CHILDLINE 1098 service, with police personnel, commuters, sanitation staff, local vendors, etc.

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