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*Protecting and empowering children since 1989*



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# From the DIRECTOR'S DESK

Dear Friends,

It gives me immense pleasure to share Butterflies' Annual Report for the Financial Year 2022-23 with you. As we step into the new "post-COVID" world, with renewed hope, vigour and determination. Our work on mental health, emotional well-being, family strengthening and household budgeting reaped immense benefits during and after covid by helping children, and families tide over the sudden loss of income due to lost jobs and the emotional stress that came with it.

Our Child Health and Sports Cooperative and Childrens Development Khazana witnessed an increase in membership and reach owing to the renewed enthusiasm in the programme by children and their parents. Our partnership with the state government of Uttarakhand in delivering education and life skills to children from marginalised communities is bringing about meaningful and sustainable change in their lives and livelihoods.

Concurrently our Blue Umbrella Day campaign on April 16 against the sexual abuse of boys continued in several states of India, supported by Family for Every Child (UK). Our combined efforts have led to more awareness on the hidden issue of sexual abuse of boys. This was possible due to our valued Alliance partners of the National Alliance of Grassroot NGOs (NAGN) and Delhi Child Rights Club (DCRC) which helped us generate new shared learnings and deliver large scale impact on the ground.

Looking back, we have emerged stronger, more resilient, more determined to expand our work in the area of mental health, prevention of sexual abuse of boys and build programmes geared towards delivering a multiplying and lasting positive impact among children, families and communities.

We have continued to work closely with the government and have also expanded our partnerships with individuals, communities and other stakeholders to bring in new synergies.

During the year, Butterflies reached out to more than 9,965 children in 7 states through our childrens' cooperatives. We could not have achieved this without the unwavering support of our alliance members to take the concept of cooperatives to the children they work with. We are grateful to them in helping us drive the execution of various programmes in these unprecedented environments. We are also deeply indebted to our India and USA board members, corporate partners and foundations. In addition, the support various state governments, district and municipal administrations provide us is of immense help. I would like to extend a special note of thanks to the officials of Indian Railways, Government Railway Police and Railway Protection Force for their support in running the child help desk in Nizamuddin Railway station.

I would like to thank our individual, corporate and institutional partners for their trust in us. And finally, I would like to give a big hug of gratitude to all our colleagues at Butterflies who continue to work day in and day out for children to have a better future for themselves.

**Thank you for taking the time to read our report. We are truly indebted to you for your time and support to Butterflies.**

Yours Sincerely,

**Rita Panicker**  
Director



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You already have wings.  
All you have to do is

**TRY.**





# Introduction

*Butterflies is a registered voluntary organisation working with the most vulnerable groups of children, especially street and street connected children since 1989. With a rights based, non-institutional approach the organisation endeavours to educate and impart life skills to vulnerable children so that they become self-reliant and exit the generational cycle of illiteracy and poverty. Butterflies also has a research, advocacy and training wing that works to support a better understanding of social issues, to capture learnings from our interventions, share learnings with civil society and government agencies. It is an active participant in national and international networks for advocating and promoting policies, programmes and actions to protect rights of children.*

Butterflies is a member of Family for Every Child, a global alliance of local civil society organizations working together to improve the lives of vulnerable children and families around the world.

Butterflies is the Secretariat of the India Alternate Care Network (IACN), an alliance of practitioners, national agencies and academics. This initiative is supported by UNICEF India.

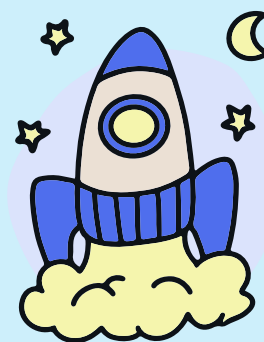
Butterflies' goal is to continuously find approaches and strategies for working with children, in their efforts and struggles to protect their rights. Through the Children's Cooperatives (Children's Development Khazana and Child Health & Sports Cooperative), **Butterflies has shared its learnings and technical support to local grassroots organisations interested in implementing the Cooperatives with children they work in 8 countries of South and Central Asia and Africa (Afghanistan, India, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Madagascar and Ghana). Within India, the Children's Cooperatives Programme has taken its roots in grassroots organisations in 7 locales- Mumbai, Jaipur, Wayanad, Ranchi, Muzaffapur, Bhubaneshwar, Dehradun, Haridwar, and Udham Singh Nagar in 7 states and 1 Union Territory - Uttarakhand, Kerala, Delhi, Bihar, Jharkhand, Odisha, Rajasthan and Maharashtra.**





## Our Vision

A world where every child is loved and respected regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, caste or disability. Is fed, clothed, and housed within a caring family environment. Has free access to quality education and training in line with her or his abilities and interest. Has free access to quality health care. Has free access to right to play and leisure. Has a voice and can speak out without fear of the consequences. Is free from exploitation and abuse and from direct or indirect effects of armed conflict or communal violence. A world where every child is free to be a child and live in dignity and has a hope for future. Butterflies addresses the challenge of making the Constitution of India and UNCRC a reality, particularly for those children who are most vulnerable, neglected, abused and exploited. Butterflies is committed within its mandate to work towards solidarity among voluntary organizations, with the government and all Civil Society Organizations for addressing the concerns of all children.



## Our Mission

Butterflies will continue to work with the most vulnerable groups of children. To make sure that such children have the opportunities to reach their full potential, whatever that might be. To give children a voice and tools to raise issues which have a bearing on their lives and to facilitate the changes that will enable them to become valued and productive citizens. To encourage children to have confidence and motivation and means to make the world a better place for themselves and for their children. To work in partnership with the government, and to promote policies, laws and programmes which affect children. To work in partnership with practitioners, and key stakeholders to raise awareness of problems which affect marginalized children everywhere. To use the Constitution of India and UNCRC to advocate for children's rights.







# At a Glance

- **2,163 children in our education programme in Delhi and Uttarakhand**
- **1,532 children provided emergency assistance through Butterflies CHILDLINE**
- **6,270 children are members of Children's Cooperatives**





## Children's Development Khazana



**113**  
branches in 8  
states of India



**₹ 18,58,661**  
savings of  
children



**473**  
Advance  
Committee  
members



**6,270**  
memberships across  
113 branches



**185**  
Child Volunteer  
Managers



**355**  
monthly CDK life  
skills sessions  
conducted



**₹ 47,561.50**  
incentives given in  
Butterflies



**13**  
children availed Welfare advance

## Child Health and Sports Cooperatives (CHSC)



**113**  
branches in 8  
states of India



**248**  
Child Health Educators elected  
and trained



**249**  
Child Sports Educators  
elected and trained



**6,270**  
memberships across  
113 branches



**167**  
Buddies selected and  
trained



**628**  
monthly CHSC  
Life skills  
conducted

# Street Education Programme

The Street Education Programme represents a distinctive, community-driven approach to empower street and working children in the urban landscape of Delhi. Our dedicated team operates across diverse locations, including bus terminals, railway stations, marketplaces, and parks, with eight strategically positioned contact points in the city: Chandni Chowk, Haathi Park, Kashmiri Gate, INA Market, Sadar Bazar, Jama Masjid, Nizamuddin Dargah, and Okhla. This initiative is designed to engage with and support nearly 1,500 children daily, providing them with opportunities for growth, education, and holistic development.

- **1,120 Children Supported:** In the past year, we have reached out to and engaged with **1,120 children**, with a commendable **42% participation rate from girls** across our eight street contact points.
- **11 students have successfully enrolled in our Butterflies School of Culinary and Catering**, offering them the chance to acquire valuable culinary skills and a pathway to brighter futures.
- **27 students from our street contact points have been enrolled** in higher educational programs this year, marking a significant step towards their educational advancement.
- **Our dedicated team conducted 178 home visits**, fostering a direct connection with the families of the children we serve. Furthermore, **we hosted 63 community meetings across all eight-contact points**, focusing on crucial topics related to children's education, health, and overall well-being. These meetings also saw the development of action plans to enhance parental involvement in our initiatives.
- **We carried out 42 school visits**, providing valuable support to both students and parents for new enrollments and re-enrollments in formal education. Additionally, **six School Management Committees now include Butterflies'** staff and parents of children we work with as active members, this has resulted in both parents and the school management to understand the needs of the first generation learners. Classrooms have become inclusive spaces for teaching-learning. Improved retention of children in schools.
- **Our Street Education Programme continues to make a positive impact** on the lives of Delhi's street connected children and working adolescents, offering them hope, education, and a pathway to a brighter future. We remain committed to our mission and look forward to further achievements in the coming year.



## Year in Review







## World Human Rights Day-

On the occasion of World Human Rights Day, children from Butterflies were invited by Unicef and the Juvenile Justice Committee, Supreme Court of India to an event at the Annual Stakeholders' Consultation on Child Protection. The evening event was hosted at the residence of Honourable Justice Ravindra Bhat, Chairperson of the Juvenile Justice Committee. Through a dance performance children raised awareness on the issue of sexual abuse of boys and a Mime show on the ill effects of excessive mobile usage which received a rapturous applause from the audience who were senior officials from Government of India, law enforcement, senior members of the judiciary, state governments and civil society. The children were felicitated by Ms. Cynthia McCaffrey, Unicef India Representative and Honourable Justice Ravindra Bhat, Supreme Court of India.

## Exposure Visits and Study Tours

In our commitment to environmental conservation, 197 students were taken on a study tour to the National Zoological Park, Bharat Darshan, Waste of Wonder Park, and the Museum of Indian Prime Ministers. Additionally, 284 students embarked on an excursion to Jim Corbett in Uttarakhand. These annual excursions offer students a valuable opportunity to explore nature, experience independence, and gain insights into various social norms and cultures while fostering positive bonds with their peers.

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*We need to preserve the nature, birds and animals otherwise the future generation will not be able to see what we are seeing today (student)*





## Children's Day Event at Presentation Convent School

On November 17, 2022, 30 children from our Chandni Chowk contact point participated in the Children's Day Program organized by Presentation Convent School. The event featured magical shows, dance performances, musical chairs, and 4-corner races. Students enjoyed refreshments and received participation gifts. Our students expressed their gratitude by presenting handmade thank-you cards to the teachers, earning appreciation from the school's principal and staff.



## HUDCO Painting Competition

The Housing & Urban Development Corporation Ltd. (HUDCO) hosted a painting competition for underprivileged children in preparation for World Habitat Day 2022, themed "Mind the Gap. Leave No One and Place Behind," as designated by UN-Habitat. This event took place on September 10, 2022, and saw participation from 10 children, including 6 from Okhla Mandi, 3 from Jama Masjid, and 1 from INA, representing Butterflies. Among 130 participants from 13 NGOs, Kusum and Muskaan from Okhla Mandi contact point secured the first and second prizes in the age group of 8-11 years, while Kishan, also from Okhla Mandi contact point, won the third prize in the age category of 12-14 years.

## Children's Council (Bal Sabhas)

At Butterflies, children's active participation is a fundamental principle that guides our approach across all facets of our work. Bal Sabhas, or Children's Councils, serve as essential and secure spaces where children can express their concerns, share their perspectives, and collaboratively find solutions to their issues. These council meetings, attended by children from all contact points, offer valuable opportunities for learning democratic values and skills such as active listening, negotiation, embracing diverse viewpoints, and consensus-based decision-making.

The agenda and discussions in these meetings encompass topics that affect their lives and society, including water and sanitation, infrastructure, education, safety, sports and cultural events, and more. During the lockdown, many children highlighted challenges related to online studies, assignments, and exams. Some also expressed concerns about the lack of textbooks. Through these meetings, children found solutions, such as information sharing, sharing of text books, lesson planning, and enhancing cooperative learning among their peers.



## Picnic for Parents

In response to parents' expressed need for leisure time for themselves to the Child Development Officer at one contact point during the monthly meeting, Butterflies organized a Sunday outing for parents of all our children. This refreshing day out took place in a local park and included games, camaraderie, and meals. The "Parents' Day" was a boon for their emotional well-being.



## Touching Lives – The football match, our experience – Shivam & Himanshu

We are Shivam and Himanshu, hailing from the INA Contact Point. Our parents left their villages in search of a better life in Delhi, where they work tirelessly to provide for our families. With both our parents working, they often do not have the time to monitor our education or even check on our well-being. This is why we turn to Butterflies' contact point every day. Here, not only do we receive an education, but we also learn essential life skills.

Today, we want to share our story about the importance of cooperation and why it matters to us, illustrated by a memorable football tournament experience. Butterflies had a brilliant idea: to organize a football tournament involving junior and senior teams from all our contact points. At INA Contact Point, we formed our junior team. The challenge was daunting because most of us were accustomed to playing cricket and had little experience with football. We were worried that we might lose badly.

However, one of our friends shared our concerns with her father, who happened to be a football enthusiast. He graciously agreed to coach our team whenever he had spare time. His encouragement and guidance became our driving force. He emphasized that winning or losing was not the ultimate goal; the real victory lay in our dedication and participation. We practiced diligently, excited about the prospect of playing in a grand stadium.

On the day of the tournament, eight teams competed, each playing three rounds of matches to reach the finals. Initially, nervousness gripped

us, but we won the first round, boosting our confidence. We advanced to the finals against the formidable team from Nizamuddin Dargah. Their players displayed remarkable skill, but we were certain that by playing as a cohesive unit, we could clinch the victory. This was a lesson we had imbibed from our cooperative experiences. And we did it. We emerged victorious, even when everyone had predicted our defeat. The feeling was overwhelming, and it resonated with the famous words, "Koshish karne walon ki haar nahi hoti" (Those who try never lose).

From this unforgettable experience, we, as children, learnt that success is not solely about winning but also about hard work, cooperation, and teamwork. Failure should not dishearten us; instead, it should fuel our determination to persevere. In our story, being members of a cooperative enabled us to work together harmoniously and achieve success, even though we had no prior experience in playing football.





# Intervention in Uttarakhand

The Government of Uttarakhand, Education Department's Samagrah Shiksha Abhiyan program in partnership with Butterflies focuses on identifying and supporting out-of-school children to enrol in schools. The aim of the program is to prepare them to achieve age appropriate learning levels, so that the children can be admitted to the appropriate grade in the school.

The government has provided multipurpose mobile schools equipped with teaching and learning materials, staffed by Butterflies dedicated educators who engage with out-of-school children in urban areas of Dehradun, Haridwar, and Udham Singh Nagar.

The intervention specifically targets children from migrant families, those who have dropped out of schools, or have never been enrolled. These children receive learning support for one year at Non-Residential Special Training Centers (NRSTCs) in these districts, after which they are mainstreamed into formal schools at age-appropriate levels.

The program significantly contributes to achieving the objectives of the Right to Education in the state of Uttarakhand. Beyond academic education, children also acquire crucial life skills through activities such as Bal Sabhas, health sessions, and creative pursuits like arts, crafts, poetry writing, and daily newspaper reading. The mobile schools are well equipped with laptops, libraries, and play materials to create an enriching learning environment.

We maintain regular communication with parents by organizing meetings, during which we share the progress of their children and provide information about various government schemes and programs available to support children and families and help them to access the same.



## Year in Review

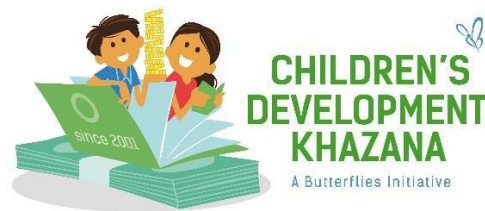
- **1,043 children** (548 Boys and 495 Girls) were in our education program
- **874 children** (486 Boys and 388 Girls) mainstreamed in the formal school education system
- **119 children** (59 Boys and 60 Girls) mainstreamed in upper primary classes
- **745 children** (417 Boys and 328 Girls) mainstreamed in primary classes
- **21,000 people sensitized** through parents and community awareness program about children's right to education and government welfare schemes











# Children's Development Khazana (CDK)

Conceptualized and initiated by Butterflies in 2001, as a vehicle to empower street and working children, Children's Development Khazana (CDK) is a life skills education programme, educating children and adolescents financial management & democratic values. Children of the age group of 9-18 years are the members of CDK. In India, it is operational in seven locales in seven states and one Union Territory - Kerala, Delhi, Bihar, Jharkhand, Odisha, Uttarakhand, Rajasthan and Maharashtra.



## Year in Review

- **113 branches**
- **6,270 memberships** across 113 branches
- **18,58,661 INR savings** of children
- **185 Child Volunteer Managers** and **178 Assistant Child Volunteer** managers trained
- **473 Advance Committee members** elected and trained
- **355 monthly CDK life skills** sessions conducted for CDK members
- **47,561.5 INR incentives** (interest given by banks to children's savings. The CDK has a bank account, where all the savings are deposited.)
- **13 children availed of Welfare** advance at Butterflies

## Touching lives – Aditya

Hi, I am Aditya, and I'm currently in the 12th grade. My journey with Butterflies began seven years ago when I joined the Chandni Chowk Contact Point. These years have been transformational for me, thanks to the incredible impact of the Cooperatives program.

Cooperatives are a unique initiative led by children associated with Butterflies at each contact point. Two particular cooperatives, the Children's Development Khazana (CDK) and the Child Health and Sports Cooperative (CHSC), have been instrumental in my personal growth. Together with my peers, we select child leaders to manage these cooperatives at our contact point.

Over these seven years, I have had the privilege of serving in various roles, including being a Child Volunteer Manager in CDK and a Child Health Educator in CHSC. Looking back, I feel fortunate to be part of this Cooperative because it has been a catalyst for profound positive changes within me.

Before joining the cooperatives, I lacked the confidence to speak in front of groups. Fear would often grip me. However, through active participation in cooperative activities, I gradually developed the art and confidence to express my thoughts without hesitation. I have even led cooperative activities, explained concepts to fellow members, and even read books to my group. The fear of speaking in front of people slowly vanished.

Becoming a child leader was a turning point. It made me realize that I possessed leadership skills within me. I admit to making numerous mistakes during my first stint as a child leader, but those





experiences were valuable lessons. I did not repeat those mistakes when I was elected for the second time.

As a member of the cooperatives, I have learned a multitude of new things. For instance, I discovered the importance of budgeting and saving money at a very young age—lessons that many people learn much later in life. My experience with the cooperatives has been nothing short of exhilarating, and I am hopeful that this exciting journey will continue to shape my future positively.

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## Pursuing My Banking Dreams – Arun from Okhla Mandi

I am Arun, and my father sells vegetables at the bustling Okhla Mandi market, one of South Delhi's largest wholesale vegetable and fruit markets. My mother is a homemaker. My life took a new direction when my friend Mohit told me about Butterflies Okhla Contact Point.

Curiosity led me to the contact point, where I discovered a world beyond education. There, I learned about intriguing activities like the Children's Development Khazana (CDK) and Child Health and Sports Cooperatives (CHSC). The more I immersed myself in the contact point, the more I uncovered about the Cooperatives and their myriad benefits.

I observed how children actively managed these cooperatives, and that intrigued me. Some children were elected to oversee cooperatives, and after some time, I decided to contest the election

for the position of Assistant Volunteer Manager (ACVM) in CDK. As an ACVM, I received training on my responsibilities, which were akin to those of a bank manager.

The work fascinated me, and it dawned on me that banking could be a viable career option. I also learned that to excel in a banking career, one needed a strong foundation in mathematics. Therefore, I began focusing on improving my math skills.

The cooperative experience has been immensely beneficial. It taught me the value of teamwork and collective effort for the benefit of each member. Thanks to my experience as an ACVM, I was able to set a clear career goal: to become a banker in a government or private bank.

My journey is just beginning, and I am excited to pursue my dreams and shape my future in the banking world, all thanks to the transformative power of Butterflies and the Cooperatives.





# Child Health and Sports Cooperative (CHSC)

*The Child Health and Sports Cooperative (CHSC) is an initiative that provides a secure and nurturing environment for children, empowering them to develop essential life skills and make informed, positive life choices. At the core of this cooperative is the integration of sports, which plays a pivotal role in achieving its objectives. The programme's primary aim is to counter social isolation and enhance social relationships among children. Through active participation in sports, they learn the importance of teamwork, adherence to rules, and the values of inclusivity, irrespective of individual abilities or gender. CHSC also serves as a means to prevent risky behaviors and promote healthy choices among the young participants.*

Even amidst the challenging circumstances of the pandemic, CHSC demonstrated its resilience and continued to provide substantial benefits to children and their parents, albeit with disruptions in enrolling new members. The cooperative swiftly adapted by employing innovative strategies, leveraging mobile phones to maintain contact with children. Health bulletins were created and shared with families through digital channels, accompanied by feedback mechanisms and virtual health sessions.

Remarkably, the children who are part of CHSC exhibited remarkable leadership and adaptability during the pandemic. Equipped with knowledge and skills acquired through the cooperative, such as hand hygiene, proper cough etiquette, and strategies to manage anxiety and uncertainty, they extended their support to family and community members. They took the initiative in organizing collective awareness campaigns, both offline and online, focusing on crucial aspects of the pandemic such as COVID-19 prevention measures, the significance of vaccinations, maintaining physical distance, and mask wearing. Furthermore, they actively participated in the distribution of relief materials to those in need.

## Ensuring sports and play for all children Football Tournament for children. Referees from the official Liverpool Fan Club -

The Delhi Children's Football League (an initiative of Butterflies), organized a Football Tournament for children on 3 & 4 September at the Commonwealth Games Sports Complex. Referees from the official Liverpool Fan Club, Delhi NCR were officiating for the matches which were played by children at the national football

stadium. The two day event was a sight to behold, with children in spanking new uniforms putting their best foot forward, and another group of children performing a dance on the famous South African song Jerusalem.



## Year in Review

- **Expansion:** CHSC expanded its reach, boasting 113 branches operating across India.
- **Membership Growth:** An impressive 6,270 memberships were established across these 113 branches, reflecting the project's substantial impact.
- **Youth Empowerment:** The cooperative elected and provided training to 248 Child Health Educators and 249 Child Sports Educators. Additionally, 167 Buddies were selected and trained to further empower the youth.
- **Life Skills Education:** CHSC conducted 628 monthly life skills sessions, equipping children with practical knowledge and skills to navigate life effectively.
- **CHSC remains committed to its mission of nurturing resilient, informed, and socially conscious children, building a brighter future for communities across India.**





## Touching lives Empowering Through Savings and Knowledge - Niza from Okhla Mandi

Greetings, I am Niza, currently in the 11th grade, pursuing my passion for the Arts. My journey with Butterflies began when I was just a 3rd-grade student, thanks to my brother's introduction to this wonderful organization. I initially joined the contact point for education, but what truly amazed me were the cooperatives. Among them, the Children's Development Khazana (CDK) stood out, teaching us the invaluable skill of saving money. Attending my first General Body Meeting of children, I realized the significance of saving in life and how it instills a habit that can last a lifetime. I also was introduced to the Child Health and Sports Cooperatives (CHSC) and their myriad benefits. For instance, I used to have a strong liking for junk food, but through health sessions, I learned about its adverse effects on our health. Now, I make a conscious effort to avoid it.

My journey did not stop at being an observer. I decided to run for the position of Child Volunteer Manager (CVM) and was elected. This experience brought immense joy, helping me build confidence and lead CDK activities effectively. Moreover, CHSC played a pivotal role in transforming my habits. My penchant for junk food significantly diminished, and the money I would have spent on it now finds its way into my CDK account.

## Discovering Life's Skills and Savings -Netansh from Chandni Chowk

I am Netansh, a 12-year-old student in the 7th grade at a government school in Chandni Chowk. My educational journey intertwines with the invaluable experiences I have gained through the Chandni Chowk contact point and Butterflies' programs, which have become an integral part of my life over the past year. Cooperatives have been a revelation to me. Here, we do not just study; we engage in sports, including football tournaments, and cultural afternoons- a space to perform a dance, sing, recite a poem, drama or mime. I proudly served as a striker for the Chandni Chowk junior football team during a tournament. While our team secured the third position, I could not help but think we could have done even better.

Butterflies introduced me to essential life skills. I have learned how to maintain happiness and cope when I am not feeling my best. I have gained insight into how to remain healthy and the importance of personal hygiene. I participated in a play that shed light on the exploitation of boys, highlighting their need for support too. Health sessions have been particularly enlightening. They have taught me about nutritious food and the harmful effects of indulging in junk food. My knowledge base has expanded significantly through cooperatives and other Butterflies programs, a privilege I would not have had otherwise. I used to spend all my money and, at times, lost it, which left me disheartened. That is when I learned about Children's Development Khazana (CDK). With just one Rupee, I opened my CDK account, and it has been a game-changer. I have come to appreciate the security and wisdom in saving money with CDK.

In this journey, Butterflies has not only enriched my life with knowledge but also instilled the value of saving and empowered me to make healthier choices.

# Child Protection and Mental Health

*Butterflies has long been a staunch advocate for the prevention and protection of children from abuse, neglect, exploitation, and the promotion of opportunities and support to enhance their mental health. Recognizing that freedom from discrimination and violence is a critical social determinant of mental well-being, Butterflies acknowledges that issues related to child protection and mental health are universal concerns. However, it is essential to note that marginalized and vulnerable children and adolescents often bear the brunt of multiple forms of violence and deprivations, limiting their ability to grow in a safe and supportive environment. Addressing this gap is imperative to facilitate and support these young individuals in enhancing their mental health and emotional well-being.*

Butterflies takes a holistic approach, with the individual child as the central focus. Collaborating with parents, families, community members, teachers, schools, and other stakeholders, the Child Protection and Mental Health (CPMH) program employs various strategies, social case work and group work as the therapeutic approach. The overarching

objective of this program is to empower children, families, communities and schools to create an environment that supports children's emotional well-being, prevents and addresses violence against children, and provides therapeutic care to those facing emotional and behavioral challenges. Mental health is a cross cutting intervention in Butterflies.

- **17 Child Social Protection Committee (CSPC) meetings** conducted covering topics such as the right dietary pattern, safe spaces for children, positive parenting, entitlements, and mobile addiction, the importance of education, and gender and masculinity.
- **57 home visits to engage with clients** and their families, aiming to understand family dynamics and interact with CSPC members.
- **21 life skill sessions** on topics including effective communication, building confidence, the importance of mental health, social media and mobile addiction, career choices and challenges, and self-motivation and aspiration.
- **26 children supported through social casework** and family therapeutic care, providing crucial assistance during challenging times.
- **Initiated a project on Gender and Masculinity**, focusing on building understanding around sexual violence against boys and perspectives on gender, masculinity, and sexuality. Workshops and sessions were conducted with boys, parents, National Alliance of Grassroots Organization (NAGN) members, and in schools to sensitize them on safeguarding children, particularly boys, from sexual violence
- **8 schools (government, government-aided, and MCD schools)**, engaged for sessions on gender and masculinity. Additionally, school visits were made to facilitate the admission process for children.



## Year in Review





## Achievements of the CSPC

CSPC meetings addressed vital issues such as girls' education, securing ration cards, awareness of government schemes, healthy diets, family bonds, positive parenting, and gender and masculinity.

CSPC members collectively ensured that four girls in Hathi Park returned to school after facing teasing and potential dropout situations. Concerns were also communicated to the school principal for further action.

A CSPC member in Kashmiri Gate raised concerns regarding the complexity of obtaining ration cards in the area. To address this, a session was organized to educate residents on the application process.



## Mental Health Day Observance

World Mental Health Day was observed and celebrated across Butterflies' contact points on October 10, 2022. Various activities, including yoga, laughter therapy, paintings, essays, and expressions of positivity, were organized by children at different locations. These activities aimed to raise awareness of mental health issues within communities and promote mental well-being.







# Resilience Centre and CHILDLINE

CHILDLINE (1098) is a 24x7 emergency helpline service for children in crisis and in need of care and protection. Government of India, Ministry of Women and Child Development is implementing this helpline at districts and selected railway stations in partnership with non-government organizations to provide effective professional support to children in emergency and to safeguard them from harm and vulnerabilities. Any child or concerned adult can dial 1098 to access this service. The aim of this helpline is restoring children to their families and in the event the families cannot be traced the children linking children in need of care and protection, to relevant organizations run by government, and civil society organizations for long-term care, protection and rehabilitation.

- **1,782 calls were received** by Butterflies CHILDLINE
- **1,532 children** (884 boys and 648 girls) in **need of care and protection** were intervened under different categories of crisis.
- **575 children in need of care and protection** were produced before CWC with the objective of arranging short or long-term shelter for them, initiating process of rehabilitation in expected or solemnized cases of child marriage, sexual or physical abuse and linking with sponsorship scheme.
- **Butterflies CHILDLINE helped families lodge 5 First Information Reports (FIRs)** against the perpetrators of sexual assault
- **Butterflies CHILDLINE helped the state (District Magistrate) lodge 20 FIRs** against the employers employing children in hazardous occupation or processes.
- **380 children were placed in a temporary shelter** until their families were traced
- **58 children were placed in a permanent shelter**
- **26 children were placed in a drug de-addiction center.**
- **212 children were restored to the families.**
- **151 children were rescued from child labor** and linked with CWC for their rehabilitation.



## Year in Review





## Outreach Programs and open house



- **4,341 children and adults at 79 different locations** of south and southeast Delhi were sensitized on child rights and the child helpline number 1098 using tools like documentary screening, signature campaign and drawing competitions
- **21 meetings with stakeholders** (Vendors, Coolies, sanitation staff and taxi/auto drivers) were organized by Railway CHILDLINE on child helpline number 1098 and the Child Help Desk at Nizamuddin Railway Station.
- **7 open houses were conducted for children** to openly raise and discuss their issues which were shared with concerned government authorities for their intervention

## District Task Force/Child Help Group meetings

Butterflies CHILDLINE is a member of District Task Force (DTF) at four districts of Delhi. DTF was formed in each district of India with the direction from the Supreme Court of India for the rescue and rehabilitation of child labor. The DTF meeting is chaired by the District Magistrate and convened by Deputy Labor commissioner of the district. Butterflies CHILDLINE participated in 21 DTF meetings wherein information was shared about identified child labour locations followed by discussions on the rehabilitation of rescued children. Railway CHILDLINE is a member of Child Help Group at Nizamuddin railway station and participates in the meetings chaired by the director of the railway station. During the period, CHILDLINE staff participated in 8 such meetings and discussed ways to improve the service of CHILDLINE, implementation of SOP, maintenance of master register etc.



## Resilience Center

During this period, 73 boys were given temporary shelter at Butterflies' Resilience Center under different categories of crisis. Among these children, 52 children were rescued from child labor. The staff of resilience center helped these children in the opening of their bank accounts wherein they got their unpaid wages and compensation from the government. They were also assisted in making or updating their Adhaar Identity Card, psychosocial support, food, shelter, clothes and producing before Child Welfare Committee (CWC) and family restoration. The remaining 21 were children who had either run away or were separated from their families. The staff of Resilience Center conducted daily interaction with these children, traced their families, produced them before CWC and restored them to their families.

After the restoration, to ensure the child's continued safety, the Butterflies team regularly follows up with the child and his/her family.





# Alliance

## 'Delhi Child Rights Club' (DCRC)

Established on Human Rights Day, December 10, 1998, the 'Delhi Child Rights Club' (DCRC) is an initiative launched by Butterflies. It extended an invitation to children affiliated with various NGOs dedicated to children's welfare in Delhi to join its club. With a shared concern about the inadequacy of adults in safeguarding children's rights in Delhi, these young individuals took it upon themselves to advocate for the promotion and protection of their rights. In unity, they pledged to create the "Delhi Child Rights Club" as a citywide platform, where they could collaborate to build a child-friendly and secure environment.

DCRC serves as a vital forum for children in Delhi to convene, deliberate, and strategize ways to raise awareness and take actions in making Delhi a child friendly city. Moreover, DCRC aspires to be recognized as a platform where children's voices are acknowledged, particularly in matters where city policies or decisions impact them directly. The club operates with a core group comprising three child representatives from each member NGO, which convenes monthly to discuss pertinent issues and plan collective activities, such as cultural and sports activities as well as awareness drive on child safeguarding issues.

Through interactive methods such as discussions, workshops, drama, songs, and games, DCRC members share their experiences, formulate plans, and undertake actions, including awareness campaigns, rallies, and programs that champion their rights. Additionally, DCRC members conduct research on issues affecting their lives and communicate their findings to decision-makers and key stakeholders.

- **288 children from 15 DCRC member organizations** attended a health session on Prevention and Precaution During Summer. The child participants decided to 'play it forward' and share this knowledge with friends and neighbours in their local community or Child Care Institutions.
- **383 children from 17 DCRC member organizations** participated in World Environment Day celebrations under the theme of Only One Earth
- **82 children attended a career guidance session** with Sanjeev Gupta, a career mentor and life coach
- **On 27th July the Delhi Child Rights Club (DCRC) hosted** an online session commemorating 75 years of independence to engage youth in advance of the official observance on 15th August 2022
- **350 children from 18 organizations attended** a session on bullying taken by Ms. Sandhya Goswami, senior counsellor of Deepalaya
- **390 children from 15 DCRC partner organizations** participated in a cultural afternoon
- **75 children from 18 DCRC member organizations** attended a session on emotional wellbeing, focusing on stress and anger



## Year in Review



- **800 children of Delhi Child Rights Club participated** in the World Children's Day celebration at Central Park, Connaught Place. The daylong event consisted of dance performances, skits, and songs. Special corners were dedicated for painting, drawing, spoon race, hand painting and balloon flying
- **40 participants consisting of teachers, field officers or care givers working directly with children** attended a session on sports for development
- **78 children from 18 organizations** participated in the election of the new editorial board for Delhi Children's Times
- **288 children attended an online session** on managing examination stress and fear
- **75 children attended a follow-up session** on Risk Behavior in Adolescents



## National Alliance of Grassroots NGOs (NAGN)

National Alliance of Grassroots NGOs (NAGN) is a network of grassroots organizations committed to the protection of children's rights. NAGN is based on a shared vision and common understanding on the issues concerning children and families to build solidarity for the cause of children and move forward unitedly to ensure effective action at the grassroots level for the protection of children's rights.

- **Blue Umbrella Day (BUD)**- On 16th April 2022, children from NAGN member organizations across India observed Blue Umbrella Day (BUD) to raise awareness of the widespread yet hidden issue of sexual abuse of boys.
- **Learning Exchange**- On 29th April 2022, directors and programme heads of 15 partner grassroots organizations participated in a learning exchange on Masculinity and Sexuality.



### Year in Review

- **Three members of National Alliance of grassroots NGOs** from Kashmir, Bihar & Gujarat conducted two Focused Group Discussions with boys on the topic "Building positive perspectives on masculinity among boys".
- **3 NAGN members attended a session** on- "Masculinity and Gender".
- **5 issues of the NAGN e-newsletter were brought out** and disseminated among Alliance members from April 2022 to March 2023.

# Research, Training, and Advocacy (RTA)

*At Butterflies, Research, Training, and Advocacy (RTA) serve as the organization's knowledge hub. RTA specializes in conducting empirical research, providing training on child-related issues, and engaging in advocacy activities aimed at influencing governmental and non-governmental stakeholders. The overarching goal is to transform the lives of children and their families while creating a safe and protective environment for them. The establishment of RTA was driven by the recognition of the need to enhance program interventions for children and families in response to rapid socio-economic, technological, and political changes in India and globally.*

## Studies and Publications

During 2022-2023, the Mental Health team at RTA continued its research endeavors, focusing on the situations and challenges faced by street-connected and vulnerable children.

## Training and Webinars

Throughout the year, RTA conducted various knowledge-building sessions and skills-strengthening programs. These sessions covered a wide array of topics, including:

- Social Casework Sessions
- Buddy Training
- Stress & Anger Management especially during examinations
- Child-Sensitive Communication for Post-Rescue Situations
- Online Sessions on Emotional Wellbeing
- Household Budgeting and Financial Management
- Training of Trainers (ToT) on Masculinity & Gender with Associate Member Organizations

## Gerry Pinto Memorial Annual Lecture-

"Social Work Education and Practice - Looking back, Looking Ahead" was the theme of the 2022 Gerry Pinto Memorial Annual Lecture held on April 30 at the India Habitat Centre, New Delhi.

More than 110 participants from 30 grassroots organisations, colleges, research institutes and practitioners across India participated in the event which was organised as a tribute to three eminent social work educators whom we lost in the last year: Professors R. R. Singh, Delhi University, Professor H Y Siddiqui, Jamia Millia Islamia and Dr. Olinda Pereira, Mysore University. The purpose of the occasion was to galvanise professional social work educators and practitioners nationwide to reflect on social work education and practice and to set a roadmap for the 21st century. The panel, which featured both academicians and practitioners was chaired by Prof. (Dr.) Sanjai Bhatt, Department of Social Work, University of Delhi. The speakers at the lecture were Prof. (Dr.) S. M. Sajid, Department of Social Work (Former Registrar and Pro-Vice-Chancellor) Jamia Millia Islamia University, Dr. Digambar Narzary, Chairperson, Nedan Foundation, and Prof. (Dr.) Kalpana Sarathy, Deputy Director of Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Guwahati Campus.







## Advocacy

The Blue Umbrella Day campaign, organized on April 16, 2022, brought together 18 partner NGOs from across the country to address and raise awareness about sexual violence against boys. This impactful campaign is organised by Family for Every Child (FFEC), a global alliance of 41 local CSOs, including Butterflies, from 37 countries.





# Butterflies School of Culinary and Catering (BSCC)

*The Butterflies School of Culinary and Catering (BSCC) offers a comprehensive eighteen-month training program in culinary and catering. This program is designed to empower urban youth from economically disadvantaged backgrounds, aged 17 and above, with essential life skills. The aim is to prepare these young individuals to enter the hospitality sector as competent professionals, on par with graduates from esteemed international institutes.*

BSCC's training program places a strong emphasis on instilling entrepreneurial qualities in its students. This approach is geared towards enabling graduates to secure promising positions in renowned hotels or even embark on their entrepreneurial ventures within the culinary and catering domain.

Our school is equipped with professional facilities to facilitate theory and practical training, including a dedicated Head of BSCC, a professional nutritionist, a chef with accreditation from a registered hotel management institute, an assistant chef, a supervisor/instructor, and a National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) educator. Additionally, BSCC benefits from a collaborative partnership with the Pusa Institute of Hotel Management, which provides valuable opportunities for our trainees to receive guidance and training from their esteemed faculty chefs.





# Children's Media

*Butterflies Children's Media represents an innovative program dedicated to educating children about contemporary media technologies while nurturing their life skills, enabling them to express themselves across various media platforms. This program serves as a creative space for children, allowing them to craft their media productions and voice their perspectives on issues that are relevant to them. The Children's Media portfolio encompasses the following components: Butterflies Broadcasting Children, Children's Theatre, and Delhi Children's Times Newspaper. The overarching objective of this initiative is to provide children with a communication platform, equip them with practical knowledge and skills, and empower them to articulate their ideas and viewpoints to the wider public. It serves as both a life skill education endeavor and a pathway for children to discover their unique areas of interest.*

## Butterflies Broadcasting Children (BBC)

Butterflies Broadcasting Children operates a radio program titled "Bachon ki Nazar se (Through the Eyes of Children)," which is broadcast on All India Radio (Rainbow – 102.6MHZ) every Thursday at 3:45 pm. Within this program, children actively participate in its production, with contributions from child correspondents representing member organizations of the National Alliance of Grassroots NGOs.



### Year in Review

- **20 Child Reporters actively engaged.**
- **52 Radio shows produced.**
- **9 Podcasts with English subtitles released.**
- **Publication of 5 issues of the Delhi Children's Times.**

## Butterflies Broadcasting Children at Indian Institute of Mass Communication (IIMC)

In celebration of India's independence, Butterflies Broadcasting Children (BBC) received an invitation from the Indian Institute of Mass Communication (IIMC) to present a 30-minute radio program. This program featured the participation of 8 children from our four street contact points in Sadar Bazar, Hathi Park, Chandni Chowk, and Okhla Mandi. During this engagement, the children had the opportunity to meet and interact with Prof. Sanjay Dwivedi, the Director-General of IIMC, along with other esteemed faculty members.



# Our Supporters

## Institutional Support

- Misereor, Germany
- Comic Relief, UK
- Azim Premji Foundation, India
- Butterflies USA Inc
- Catholic Relief Services
- Australian High Commission
- ChildHope, UK
- UNICEF
- The Miracle Foundation
- Childline India Foundation (Ministry of Women & Child Development, Government of India)
- Uttarakhand State Government, Education Department, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan
- Benevity Inc
- Family for Every Child, UK
- UK Online Giving Foundation
- Pusa Institute of Hotel Management, New Delhi
- Prasar Bharati (All India Radio)

## Corporate Support

- Hennes & Mauritz India Pvt Ltd, New Delhi
- Publicis Sapient
- JW Marriott Hotel, New Delhi





## Friends and Individual Supporters of Butterflies

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# Our Leadership

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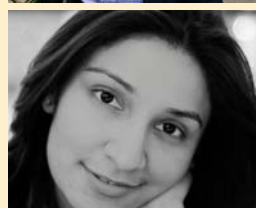
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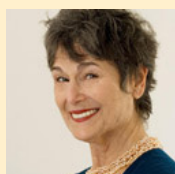


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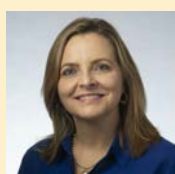
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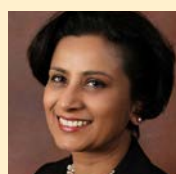
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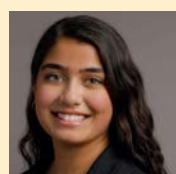
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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Butterflies

### Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

#### Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **Butterflies** ("the Society"), which comprises the Balance Sheet as at 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023, and its Income & Expenditure Account for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the aforesaid financial statements give the give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, of the state of affairs of the Society as at March 31, 2023, and its income & expenditure account for the year ended on that date.

#### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing (SAs) issued by ICAI. Our responsibilities under those Standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Society in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Standalone Financial Statements

The Society's Board of Member is responsible with respect to preparation of these financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position, financial performance of the Society in accordance with Society Registration Act, 1860 (the "Act"). This responsibility also includes maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in India, for safeguarding the assets of the Society and for preventing frauds and other irregularities, selection and application of appropriate accounting policies, making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent and design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring the accuracy and completeness of accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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### **Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Society's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Society to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.



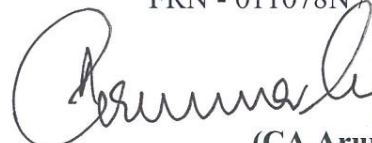


We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

**For A P R A & Associates LLP**

Chartered Accountants

FRN - 011078N / N500064

  
(CA Arun Kumar  
Gupta)



Partner

M.No.089657

Place: New Delhi

Date: 12/09/2023

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**BUTTERFLIES****BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 2023**

	Schedule	As at 31.03.2023 Rs.	As at 31.03.2022 Rs.
<b>SOURCES OF FUNDS</b>			
Corpus Fund	A	29,00,000	29,00,000
Reserves & Surplus	B	8,27,78,982	8,07,62,870
Donor Reserve Fund	C	2,37,06,532	2,87,30,238
<b>Loan funds</b>		-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>10,93,85,514</b>	<b>11,23,93,108</b>
<b>APPLICATION OF FUNDS</b>			
<b>Investment</b>		-	-
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	D		
Net Block		5,39,91,727	5,79,89,353
		<b>5,39,91,727</b>	<b>5,79,89,353</b>
<b>Current Assets, Loans and Advances</b>	E		
Cash & Bank Balances		5,01,05,727	5,06,07,146
Other Current Assets		1,04,92,574	80,55,293
		<b>6,05,98,301</b>	<b>5,86,62,439</b>
<b>Less : Current Liabilities and Provisions</b>	F		
Liabilities		52,04,514	42,58,684
Provisions			
		<b>52,04,514</b>	<b>42,58,684</b>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<b>5,53,93,787</b>	<b>5,44,03,755</b>
		<b>10,93,85,514</b>	<b>11,23,93,108</b>

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As per our report of even date attached herein  
For APRA & Associates LLP  
Chartered Accountants  
FRN - 011078N/ N500064

For Butterflies

  
CA Arun Kumar Gupta  
Partner  
M No. 089657  
Place : New Delhi  
Date : 12/09/2023  
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Dr. Saju Paracka Paulose  
Chairperson



  
Ms. Rita Panicker Pinto  
Director



**BUTTERFLIES****INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023**

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>Schedule</b>	<b>2023 Rs.</b>	<b>2022 Rs.</b>
Donation and Grants Received	G	5,70,31,419	5,77,78,801
Other Incomes	H	42,50,932	30,13,393
		<b>6,12,82,352</b>	<b>6,07,92,194</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
Project and Administrative Expenses	I	5,95,05,845	5,23,35,059
Depreciation		49,43,498	55,84,430
Finance Charges	J	48,611	32,483
		<b>6,44,97,954</b>	<b>5,79,51,972</b>
<b>Excess of Income over Expenditure</b>		(32,15,602)	28,40,223
Balance Transferred to Reserve & Surplus		<b>(32,15,602)</b>	<b>28,40,223</b>

**NOTES FORMING PART OF ACCOUNTS**

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For Butterflies

  
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Date : 12/04/2023  
Place : New Delhi



  
Dr. Saju Paracka Poulse  
Chairperson



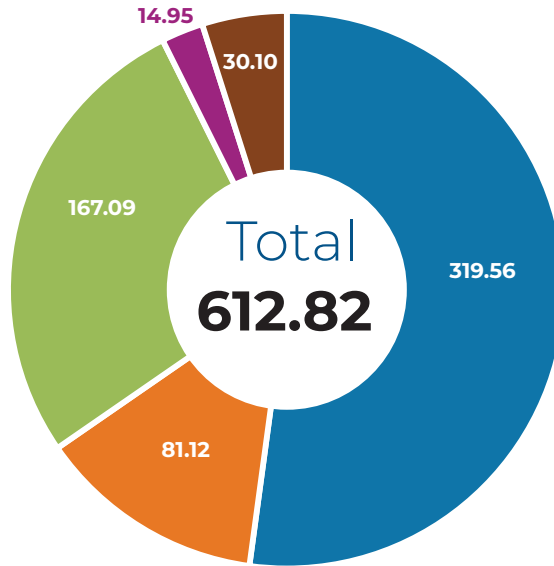
  
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## How Your Support is Being Used

### Butterflies Society Income 2022-2023

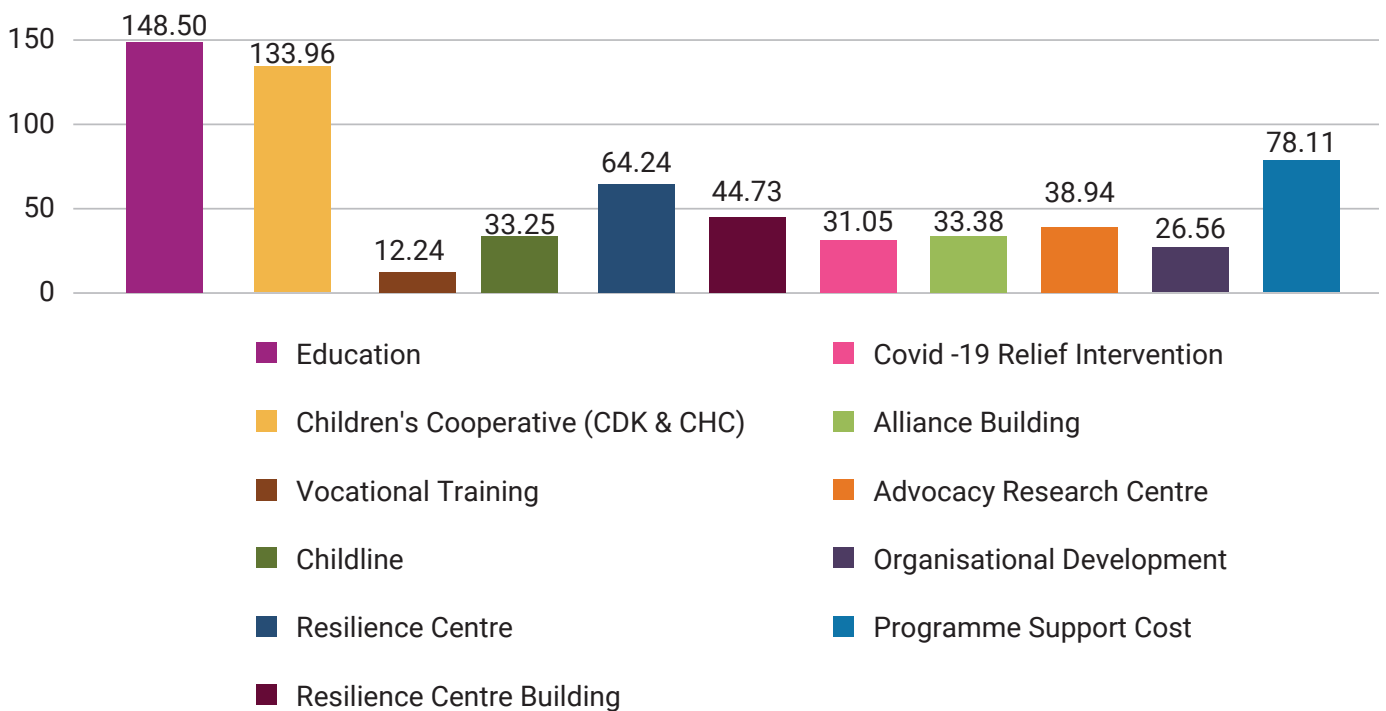
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### Butterflies Society Expenditure 2022-23

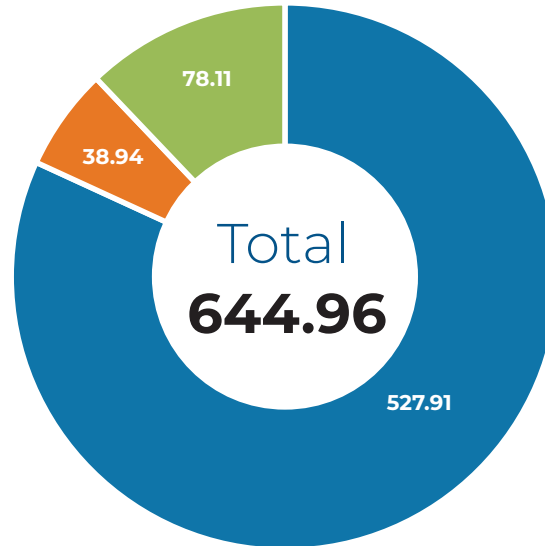
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## Expenditure 2022-23

(Figures in Lacs in Indian Rupees)



- Direct Intervention Programmes for Children
- Advocacy Research & Training
- Programme Support



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## चाइल्ड एब्यूज़ के खिलाफ बच्चों का नुक्कड़ नाटक



■ विस, नई दिल्ली: यौन शोषण के खिलाफ लोगों को जागरूक करने के लिए बच्चों ने नुक्कड़ नाटक किया। निजामुद्दीन रेलवे स्टेशन पर शनिवार को वटरफ्लाइज संस्था की ओर से ब्लू अम्ब्रेला अभियान के तहत कार्यक्रम हुआ। नुक्कड़ नाटक का मंचन 11:15 वजे शुरू हुआ। इसमें 10 साल से 15 साल के बच्चों ने वाल यौन शोषण से जुड़ी एक कहानी की प्रस्तुति देते हुए लोगों को बताया कि ज्यादातर बच्चों का यौन शोषण उसके जानने वाला या फिर कोई रिश्तेदार करता है। वटरफ्लाइज संस्था की निदेशक शिता पनिकर ने कहा कि यौन शोषण का शिकार लड़के और लड़कियां दोनों होते हैं। दुनिया में 6 में से 1 लड़का यौन शोषण का शिकार होता है। भारत में भी स्थिति अलग नहीं है, लेकिन ऐसे मामलों में शिकायत कम दर्ज होती है, इसलिए जागरूकता की जरूरत है। इस तरह की घटनाओं का बच्चे की सेहत और दिमाग पर गहरा असर पड़ता है।

## रंगभेद

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हमारे समाज में ऐ कमी नहीं है, जो अपने चलते खुद को कमतर दरअसल, हमारा समा लोग भी गहरे रंग वा गोरी चमड़ी वाली लड़ कम आंकने का कोई फिल्म पिंकी व्यूटी पा वहनों की कहानी लंका में रहने वाली पाणिमृही) का रंग ज वुलवुल (खुशबू गुप्ता दवा हुआ है। वचपन लेकर ताने सुन-सुनक हो चुकी है। वेशक इ को काफी तकलीफ प इसके वह अपनी व्ह के लिए व्यूटी पार्लर च फिल्म के राइटर सिंह ने एकदम सिंपल वेहतरीन स्क्रिनप्ले की के सामने एक ऐसी जिसमें कई वार वे र

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Awareness campaign: Blue Umbrella a buddy for boys



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Decade after POCSO, campaign aims to highlight male sexual abuse - The Week

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A sensitisation campaign named Blue Umbrella Day will be held on April 16

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Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012, defines forms of sexual offence against children. A gender-neutral law, it recognises that boys, too, can be victims of sexual abuse unlike the Indian Penal Code where Section 375 maintains that rape is something that only a man can perpetrate on a woman. Section 377 of the IPC, 1860, talks about "sodomy", which has mostly been used to target homosexual couples.

The POCSO Act has further expanded the definition of sexual offences to include acts like aggravated penetrative sexual assault and non-penetrative sexual assault as well. "But when a boy goes to a police station to report that he has been sexually abused, the vocabulary is rather limited. Especially in local languages. Police stations will not easily believe that boys too can be subjected to penetrative sexual offence. How can that happen to boys, is the common reaction," said J.B. Oli, head of programmes at noted child rights NGO Butterflies, which works with street and working children, especially in Delhi. "At best, they will just use the word sodomy. But mostly they won't even use that. They will just say sexual assault or 'kuchh galat hua hai', (something bad has happened). Barriers exist because there is a reluctance to use the right words for forms of sexual offence when men are the victims," said Oli, at the release of the report *Breaking the Silence on Sexual Violence Against Boys*, a study conducted in India, Nepal, Philippines and Cambodia over six months in 2017 as part of the Blue Umbrella Campaign.

Organised by Family for Every Child (FTEC), UK, a global alliance of 41 local CSOs (including Butterflies) from 37 countries, the Blue Umbrella Campaign aims to highlight that boys being sexually abused remain largely unknown, unacknowledged and not responded to, across a wide range of contexts and cultures. A sensitisation campaign titled Blue Umbrella Day is being organised on April 16 to recognise it as an international day to encourage adults to play a larger role in protecting boys from such harm.

Across the four countries, 122 boys and youngsters between 12 and 25 who have experienced sexual abuse or have been actors (or perpetrators) in harmful sexual behaviour were interviewed, along with 87 parents or caregivers and 75 key informants as part of this report. A further 215 boys and girls and 35 parents and caregivers from the general population, selected through a simple random sampling.



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A multi-country study on young boys who have survived sexual abuse has revealed that while 1 in 6 boys experiences sexual abuse globally, abuse among them remains largely unacknowledged and unaddressed, owing to the dominant perception that boys cannot be abused.

The study, conducted in India, Nepal, Cambodia and the Philippines, said that boys receive less protection due to the freedom that they enjoy in comparison to girls.

Widespread incomprehension about the potential for sexual violence against boys is mirrored in embarrassment amongst caregivers, community members and boys themselves, and disbelief by authority figures, contributing to under-reporting and social isolation," the findings of the report stated.

The study was conducted by partner NGOs of these countries who are part of the UK-based Family for Every Child (FFEC), a global alliance of 41 local civil society organisations from 37 countries. In India, the study was conducted by the NGO Butterflies.

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A multi-country study of young boys who have survived sexual assault showed that the issue remains unacknowledged and under-addressed, owing to the perception that "boys cannot be abused."

The study was conducted across India, Nepal, Cambodia and Philippines, with the interview of 122 boys and young men, between 12 and 25, who were sexually abused. The study also included 87 parents or caregivers and 75 key informants.

The study was led by the United Kingdom (UK)-based Family for Every Child (FFEC), a global alliance of 41 local civil society organisations from 37 countries, while the India chapter of the study was led by the NGO Butterflies in India.

Across the four countries, men identified with two roles within the family system – being a provider and a protector of girls. "Dominant notions of masculinity serve to instruct boys that they must be strong and independent and that they are responsible for what happens to them. Boys are reproached differently to girls for their abuse, for example being seen as weak for 'allowing it to happen', and, where the abuser is male, stigmatised as deviant," the report said.

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# स्कूल छोड़ चुके बच्चों के लिए वरदान साबित हो रही बटरफ्लाई संस्था

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हरिद्वार/पथरी। बटरफ्लाई नाम से संचालित एनजीओ पिछले लंबे समय से ऐसे क्षेत्रों में स्कूली शिक्षा तथा अन्य शिक्षा प्रदान कर रहा है जिन क्षेत्रों में सरकारी स्कूलों की कमी है या फिर यहाँ के बच्चे सरकारी स्कूलों तक नहीं पहुँच पाते। पथरी क्षेत्र के गुर्जर बस्ती में एक ऐसा ही शिक्षण कार्यक्रम चला रहे बटरफ्लाई एनजीओ के अनुदेशक महेश सिंह नेगी ने बताया कि हम यहाँ आयु आधारित शिक्षा प्रदान कर रहे हैं जो बच्चे कभी विद्यालय नहीं गए या उन्होंने बीच में छोड़ दिया हो उसके लिए हम यह शिक्षा का कार्यक्रम चला रहे हैं। फिलहाल हमारे पास 57 बच्चे हैं जो शिक्षा ग्रहण कर रहे हैं। हमारी संस्था के लोग प्रतिदिन लोगों के घर-घर जाकर इन बच्चों को बुलाते हैं पढ़ाई के साथ-साथ



इन्हें हम चित्रकला तथा अनेक प्रकार के खेल भी सिखाते हैं। स्कूल आधारित शिक्षा का सत्र अप्रैल से मार्च तक होता है हमारी संस्था ने राज्य सरकार के साथ अनुबंध किया हुआ है जिसके तहत हम जगह-जगह जाकर आयु आधारित शिक्षा प्रदान करते हैं उन्होंने बताया कि हम दो लोगों का स्टाफ यहाँ यह शिक्षा कार्यक्रम चलाते हैं जिसमें आशीर्वाद मिश्रा नाम की अनुदेशक भी शामिल हैं।

# Children take centre stage to raise awareness about sexual abuse of boys

Alisha Dutta  
NEW DELHI

A motley crowd at Dilli Haat sat in rapt attention to watch a bunch of children attempting to introduce the audience to something often overlooked by adults – the sexual abuse of boys. Through their performance, the children aimed to highlight the abuse of young boys which more often than not goes unreported.

Through mediums like street plays, dance and mime shows, children aged between 8 and 14, associated with Butterflies, an NGO, performed at various locations of the city, including Dilli Haat, to sensitise the public about sexual abuse of boys. The performances were organised on the occasion of the Blue Umbrella



Children performing a play on the occasion of Blue Umbrella Day at Dilli Haat on Saturday. SHIV KUMAR PUSHPAKAR

Day, marked across the world, to encourage adults to play a bigger role in protecting boys from harm and caring for them in ways that best support their well-being. The various acts revolved around demystifying notions of masculinity that let adults believe that male children are not in the need of parental vigilance like girls, and that they can protect themselves. "The campaign emphasised on the fact that sexual violence is experienced by both girls and boys. They both need care and protection," said Rita Panicker, director, Butterflies.

# Why sexual assault against boys needs equal attention

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New Delhi: Dilli Haat resonated with the children's voices singing "It's time for us to stand up and say 'I am a boy, I am a boy, I am a boy'." In the hot April sun, more than 100 students from city schools performed mime acts and plays about sexual harassment of boys at Nizamuddin Dilli Haat Station and Dilli Haat. Lead by Butterflies, several NGOs observed the International Blue Umbrella Day, which is an occasion to encourage adults to play a bigger role in protecting children from sexual violence. The mime acts and plays dealt with topics like good touch, bad touch and isolation of victims of sexual harassment, especially boys, who are generally believed not to be victims as much as girls are. During the performances, students held up posters saying, among others, "A touch can be too much", "If

Sexual assaults against boys go mostly unreported because of poor awareness and social stigma, Rajat Kumar 22, said. "As a boy, I feel this topic is never discussed, but it doesn't mean it won't happen to me", said a 12-year-old boy. "We often talk about sexual violence against girls, but we ignore the boys – who are equally vulnerable. Through our street play today, I hope we created awareness on the matter and helped the boys to stand up," said 10-year-old Anshika. "Through the Blue Umbrella Day campaign, I learnt that if I am subjected to such behaviour, I have to talk about it." Recently, a 16-year-old boy is alleged to have been sexually abused by a group of boys allegedly thrashed a 12-year-old and sexually assaulted him in northern Delhi's Jahangirpuri. These are some of the many incidents of sexual assault against boys in the city. In 2020, the Union ministry of women and child development conducted a study to determine the magnitude of child abuse in India and found that 22% of children had one or more forms of sexual abuse, among them, 12% of boys. The real concern of the study was the enactment of the POCSO Act in 2012 to protect children from sexual offences. According to the National Crime Records Bureau, Delhi saw 101 POCOs cases in 2021, but none against boys. A study by Butterflies, titled "Breaking the Silence" revealed that boys were sexually abused by perpetrators known to them. "We need to challenge many dominant social norms related to gender, masculinity and sexuality and give all children, girls and boys, equal adult protection, care and guidance," suggested Rita Panicker, director, Butterflies.



Over 100 school students took part in the event at an event at Dilli Haat. The young performers talked about the need to raise awareness about sexual crimes against boys.









World Children's Day  
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