MITRA

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MITRA ACTIVITIES

Increased access to education for children of sex workers through the collective Mitra

MITRA collective with the help of SANGRAM continue to strengthen empowerment and access for children of sex workers through various initiatives. In the current year, there are 569 children (under the age of 18 years) of sex workers in the areas that Sangram and VAMP work in (Miraj, Sangli, Satara, Karad, North Karnataka). Mitra (friend) formed in 2009 by children of sex workers continues to play a leading role in empowering the lives of these children. Since 2009 many children were trained in HIV prevention programs since they were partially educated and trusted by the women. Today 15 adult children of sex workers provide good documentation support for sex workers in HIV prevention programs and supporting its larger advocacy initiatives.

28 children living with HIV are provided health and nutrition support. VAMP and Mitra started supplementary education for children of sex workers living with their mothers in the brothels, since 2000. Currently 185 children (32.5%) receive supplementary education in 6 areas. All the teachers are adult children of sex workers who have themselves completed either higher secondary or graduation.

A hostel run by sex workers and Mitra; provides residential facilities, education, nutrition. In the current year it has 33 children (5.7%), 12 have passed out and into the higher secondary education system since 2010. 9 are currently receiving scholarship from Sangram for special home schooling to complete higher secondary or graduation. In addition 30 adults are gainfully employed, 232 children have caste certificates (40.7%) that will enable them to access special entitlements for reserved categories.



A. DATA TABLES

TABLE 1.CHILDREN OF SEX WORKERS

| Name of town/village | Girls | Boys | Total |
|----------------------|-------|------|-------|
| Satara | 20 | 24 | 44 |
| Miraj | 61 | 89 | 150 |
| Mudhol | 30 | 20 | 50 |
| Jamkhandi | 16 | 13 | 29 |
| Budhani | 25 | 15 | 40 |
| Kesargop | 13 | 12 | 25 |
| Rabkavi | 28 | 33 | 61 |
| Sangli | 51 | 63 | 114 |
| Nippani | 20 | 30 | 50 |
| Total | 270 | 299 | 569 |

TABLE 2. SUPPLEMENTARY EDUCATION PROVIDED FOR CHILDREN OF SEX WORKERS IN BROTHELS

| Place | Girls | Boys | Total |
|-------------------|-------|------|-------|
| Gokulnagar | 17 | 18 | 35 |
| Uttamnagar, Miraj | 14 | 21 | 35 |
| Mudhol | 18 | 14 | 32 |
| Rabkavi | 13 | 15 | 28 |
| Nippani (Hostel) | 19 | 14 | 33 |
| Karad | 10 | 12 | 22 |
| Total | 91 | 94 | 185 |



TABLE 3. SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN OF SEX WORKERS LIVING WITH HIV (CUMULATIVE DATA)

| Children of Sex Workers living with HIV | | | |
|---|------|------|-------|
| Place | Girl | Boys | Total |
| Karad | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Mudhol | 4 | 13 | 17 |
| Budhani | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Rabkavi | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| Nippani | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| Jamkhandi | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Total | 11 | 17 | 28 |

TABLE 4. CHILDREN OF SEX WORKERS WHO HAVE RECEIVED BACKWARD CASTE CERTIFICATES TO ENABLE THEM TO RECEIVE ENTITLEMENTS (CUMULATIVE DATA)

| | Girl | Воу | Total |
|-----------|------|-----|-------|
| Satara | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Miraj | 4 | 9 | 13 |
| Mudhol | 30 | 20 | 50 |
| Jamkhandi | 16 | 13 | 29 |
| Budhani | 25 | 15 | 40 |
| Kesargop | 13 | 12 | 25 |
| Rabkavi | 28 | 33 | 61 |
| Sangli | 3 | 8 | 11 |
| Nippani | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 120 | 112 | 232 |

TABLE 5. CHILDREN OF SEX WORKERS WHO ARE GAINFULLY EMPLOYED (CUMULATIVE DATA)

| Employed in other sectors | Girl | Воу | Total |
|---------------------------|------|-----|-------|
| Satara | 0 | 6 | 6 |
| Miraj | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Mudhol | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Jamkhandi | 0 | 4 | 4 |
| Budhani | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Kesargop | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Rabkavi | 3 | 4 | 7 |
| Sangli | 2 | 3 | 5 |
| Nippani | 0 | 0 | 0 |



| Total | 7 | 23 | 30 |
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| TABLE 6. CHILD | DREN OF SEX WORKERS WHO ARE GAINFULLY EMPLOYED IN SANGRAM AND CBOS |
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| Girls | Boys | Transpeople | Total |
|-------|------|-------------|-------|
| 7 | 6 | 2 | 15 |