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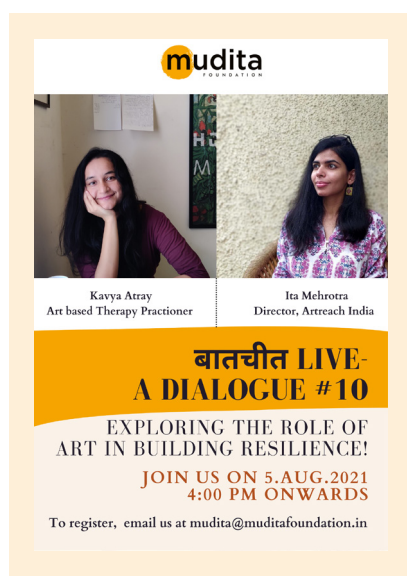
-individuals, organisations, communities!

- **Pahal** - 19 awareness sessions with over 820 children, adolescents and adults from schools, organisations across India
- **Leher** - Capacity Building programme with two new partners even as ongoing support continues for other partners
- **Baatcheet Live** - (a virtual knowledge sharing platform)– 48 participants attended the 10th session in August
- **Sameeksha** - Perception-based study on the 'Risks to children's safety during the Covid-19 Pandemic' was initiated and the report compiled for data from 158 respondents from 4 partner organisations
- Blogs on children's safety, a newsletter and a podcast on human trafficking reaching out to over 2500 students and educators across the country

BAATCHEET

Platform for collaborative learning

Our exploration of the concept and practice of resilience in the context of preventing and responding to abuse, violence and exploitation of women and children continued with a session in August which focussed on the use of Art and art-based tools. The session had two practitioners who were able to share their experiences of working with individuals, groups and communities. Activities, reflections and sharing of case studies helped make the session practical and relevant.



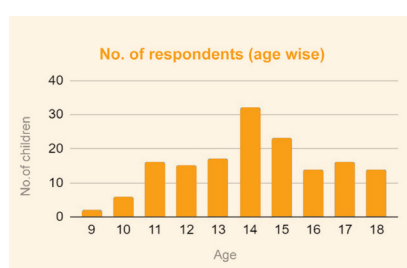
Baatcheet Aug poster

SAMEEKSHA

Evidence based research

The first phase of the children's perception based study on understanding risks to children's safety during the Covid-19 pandemic was concluded successfully. Data from 158 respondents from 4 partner-organisations was received, collated and analysed. A simple framework was created to evaluate the level of risk of each child to the different forms of abuse. The report is thought-provoking and helps us understand better the silence around physical, sexual and online abuse. The tool used did give children the space to express their perception of risks to discontinuing education and child labour. The study does reinforce the need to engage in conversations about safety and risk with children and has also led us to develop more participatory-based tools that can be used by practitioners to assess risk more holistically, with children. If you are interested in reading the report, do email us for the same.

We look forward to the next quarter with Daan Utsav, a new partnership with Shoolini University and our first community-based intervention.



New partnerships! New programmes! New synergy! New learning!

The last three months have been busy for us at Mudita Foundation as we've initiated new conversations, new partnerships and new programmes in pursuit of our vision to create safe spaces in communities, schools, colleges and everywhere.

PAHAL



The First Step

Even as children continue to spend more than a few hours online for their learning, we were able to conduct **virtual storytelling** and interactive sessions with children and adolescents in communities, schools and shelter homes on **online safety and personal safety** in partnership with NGOs - Vrikshala, Emancipation India, Rotaract - Ashoka Artisans and Sarthak Prayas.

Joyita Ambett also represented Mudita Foundation at a student-event organised by St. Columba's School, New Delhi. The event, focusing on the theme on **'Building inclusive and resilient communities in the Covid Era'** had a workshop for close to 85 students and teachers from 10 schools followed by the Edmund Rice Justice Meet which had a panel discussion on the issue also. Joyita shared with the group our explorations on community resilience and her own experiences of **community models and processes to prevent trafficking from vulnerable communities**. The panel discussion was attended by over 250 students, teachers and school leaders from across the country.

A two-session module on **Understanding Abuse, Violence and Exploitation** was done for two batches of youth trainees of Etasha Foundation. The sessions helped

them understand different forms of abuse, violence and exploitation that they as young people are vulnerable to. Sharing on real-life examples was done and information on how to report or seek help was also shared.

Our work with teachers and educators continued with new awareness workshops on **online safety and child protection policy for schools** launched in partnership with Aditya Birla Education Academy. The workshop on child protection policy for schools had an over whelming response with over 50 teachers and schools leaders attending the same with questions on the drafting and implementation of these policies.

A new partnership with Delhi Public School International (Edge), Gurugram gave us an opportunity to conduct awareness workshops for over 150 teachers of the school on their **role as educators in ensuring the safety of the children in their care**.

A friend and supporter of Mudita Foundation, Mr. Narendra Chirmule has begun to #talkabouttrafficking by organising virtual awareness sessions for young people, family, friends and professional associates from his network across the world. We have had the opportunity to interact with students, academicians and professionals across the world in these groups.

Takeaways of participants from sessions on Human Trafficking –

- I felt bad about what's happening and always thought it was risky to do something. But I think I can do something.
- 7 steps (Spread awareness / Tell friends and family / form groups and tell them / donate time / when you see something, do something / Make a noise)

Takeaways of participants from sessions on Child Protection –

- I will be more conscious about the comments being passed in the class.
- Understanding that Corporal punishment can also be emotional abuse rather than just physical abuse.

A series of three blogs on child safety and protection written and published with Aditya Birla Education Academy for teachers and educators across the country. These have been shared with close to 1900 readers on their mailing list.

A partnership was also initiated with Via News Didi, a free, weekly digital newsletter that re-purposes the news as

a learning tool for students of Grade 6 and above. In little over a year they have had over 40 editions and a readership of over 500 students and teachers across the country. After an interactive awareness session with the VND team, they co-created an edition on human trafficking followed by a podcast on the same. The newsletter was sent out to their subscribers and shared on social media pages too.

LEHER

Building capacities

A new partnership was initiated with Etasha Foundation, working in Delhi-Haryana. Etasha works with adolescents, youth and women with a focus on employability and entrepreneurship. The Leher programme consisted of 8 sessions for 10 counsellors and helped them to understand their role in ensuring the safety of the children and young people they work with.

We also facilitated and reviewed the Child Protection Policies of Laksh Foundation and Etasha Society as part of the ongoing Leher programme.

A 2-session module was initiated as part of a partnership with Vihaan

and WWS, Belgaum to build the capacity of 13 members of their teams in using participatory research tools to include the voices of children in a baseline assessment of a community in the context of abuse, violence and exploitation. The baseline assessment is to be done in Kishanganj - Bihar and Belagavi - Karnataka. Both regions are hot spots for human trafficking. The tools have been used by the Bihar field team in their work with adolescent girls in rural Bihar and helped them to unearth new information and perspectives from the children. The partnership with Vihaan-WWS promises to help us reach out to more vulnerable communities and critical stakeholders in Bihar.



Use of the participatory tools by the Vihaan field team at Vihaan

We look forward to the next quarter that keeps more people safe and healthy! Do take a look at our updated website (www.muditafoundation.in) and stay in touch!

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