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training programme)

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Session

Adults



'Safety Issues related to gender based violence in Haryana' was organised for organisations working on gender Haryana. The organisations included Navjyoti Foundation, SMART, Gender Lab, Etasha Society, Breakthrough and Laksh Foundation. The organisations spoke about their interventions in place, their demography, issues arising and cases they encounter and the challenges they face while working in communities. It was recognised how the chaupal (a common place) is an extremely political and gendered place in the community that perpetuates gender inequality and provides no place for expression to children. From women being restrained to step upon the chaupal to different castes having their separate chaupals.



did not have knowledge of other organisations working

similar development and social goals in the same region. We are thankful to all the organisations for sharing their insights and time and making our Baatcheet a success. These small initiatives together facilitate shared knowledge and collective action.

partners and supporters who've been with us throughout our journey.

s we approach the last quarter of the financial year, a special thanks to our





"Mudita Foundation is doing a great job by spreading awareness on very

awareness sessions broadly focusing on personal safety, child protection and creating classrooms. We facilitated 10 sessions with 3 organisations and 1 college. **Etasha Society** Our monthly sessions with the Etasha

etween January to March, we

reached out and facilitated

Society's Youth Trainees for their B SMART Job Readiness course were

continued. Two of these sessions were conducted online and one session for their Mongolpuri, Delhi center was conducted in person. The sessions catered to providing an overview of the POSH Act, safe relationships and online abuse and exploitation. **Aditya Birla Education Academy** We conducted an awareness session with students undertaking

Advanced Certificate Course

Education by Aditya Birla Education Academy. The participants were students enrolled in B.Ed and M.Ed programmes. The session focused on creating a safe learning environment for classrooms and recognising abuse along with sharing informative tools and healthy classroom practices. **Uninhibited** We educated around 39 team members in two sessions of community field teams of Uninhibited working on

menstrual, sexual and reproductive health (MH and SRH) in marginalised communities across different states in India. The field team members were based in Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka and Jharkhand. The session, although in Hindi, was translated alongside in Kannada. The session focused on POCSO and responding to disclosures of abuse. "मुदिता फाउंडेशन के साथ में मेरी अनुभव बहुत अच्छा रहा और बहुत अच्छा कार्य कर रही है बाल सुरक्षा समिति तैयार कर सकते

पुलिस और कम्युनिटी के लोग रख सकते हैं इससे हमारे साथ कोई भी बस्ती में शोषण हो रही है तो हम तत्काल इन्फॉर्म कर सके और हमें मदद मिल सके." – Community field team member, Uninhibited **Here and Beyond** An online session was conducted with Here and Beyond's (HAB) experiential educators. HAB takes school students

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on adventurous journeys across India through time-bound trips focusing on

outdoor experiential education.

18 years). The dynamic group of

reflected and identified spaces

and actions within their personal

daily lives where they feel unsafe.

They further brainstormed on how

they can keep themselves safe in

situations of risk.

important and sensitive social issues like child abuse, human trafficking etc. I have witnessed such incidents and myself experienced all forms of child abuse as child and did nothing about it. Being aware of one's legal rights becomes so important here. It would be a great pleasure to be part of such NGOs and work for the cause." – Participant, Here and Beyond "Everything was explained in such a lucid way and in exact context to the industry we are working for. The

program was highly interactive and engaging. After this session I can confidently say that I can use the knowledge not only in our workplace but also in general life to help any child in need. Special thanks to Neha." - Participant, Here and Beyond



Shyamlal Saraswati Mahavidyalaya A new collaboration with Shyamlal

Saraswati Mahavidyalaya, Bulandshahr,

Uttar Pradesh was initiated. On our

first visit, two sessions were held with students of M.Sc Chemistry, M.Sc Maths, M.Sc Biotech, M.A. Sociology and M.A. Home Science. The session focused on imparting awareness on personal safety, safe relationships, POSH Act, and the 5 D's of bystander intervention. "This session was really awesome. I got to know several new things which I generally thought are basic. So, I'm really grateful to you. From today I

the people around us." - Participant, "सुरक्षा है मेरा हक़।"- Participant,

ought to be emotionally available to

"सबसे पहले thankyou मुदिता फाउंडेशन

की हमें इतने अच्छे ट्रेनर को भेजने के लिए

और मेरी जानकारी जितनी भी थी वह बहुत

कम थी और यह ट्रेनिंग लेकर और ज़्यादा

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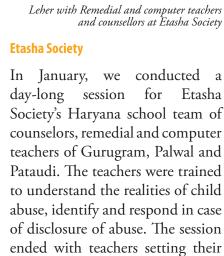
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कानून बनाये है तो मेरे को बहुत साड़ी



e embarked on two new Leher collaborations in the final quarter of the year.





personal goals for the coming

two months for creating safer

days capacity building session for

Navjyoti India Foundation (Urban) In March we conducted a 2+2

classrooms.

the office bearers and faculty team of Navjyoti India Foundation -Urban Baal Gurukul programme. These young individuals from the community volunteer with Navjyoti India Foundation for teaching children within the community. They were between the age group of 13-18 years along with their registrar (above के बारे में पता चला जो की मुझे नहीं पता थी" Made easy to memorized the flowchart to resolve the problem or gave the right direction to the case.

have

village, Haryana in collaboration

with Laksh Foundation. A three day

completed a year of our

pilot project in Mangar

successfully

The team of young volunteers then conducted a pilot survey to understand the risks that are prevalent within their community. Each one of them interviewed 6 girls and boys in their community, and the data was later collated for interpretation by them. They jointly deciphered how the majority of

students within the community did

not have knowledge of the schemes

rolled out by the government or their rights. They also observed how most of the children within the community spent an hour to more than six hours on the internet by playing games, using social media or watching/creating videos and how they aren't a part of an organization where they can raise their concerns related to safety. Post the analysis, they acknowledged their experiences while conducting the survey and contemplated what can be done to minimise risk and increase awareness. The young volunteers then created action plans and were further divided into groups of their choice for taking ahead the concept of safety within their community through surveys, rallies, stories, posters and street plays. A followup would be done post 6 months.

जानकारी ट्रेनिंग क द्वारा मिली। एक बार और thankyou मुदिता फाउंडेशन आने के लिए और Navjyoti को भी thankyou की उन्होंने ये ट्रेनिंग हमारे पास पहुंचाई।" – Navjyoti Gurukul "मुझे ऐसा पहली बार सेशन मिला जिसमे हर तरह की अधिकार के बारे में और हर तरह के शोषण के बारे में पता चला और ma'am ने हमें बहुत सारे गेम्स के ज़रिये बहुत चीज़े सिखाई। " – Navjyoti Gurukul



सभी दोस्तों के लिए भी । मुझे शोषण के सभी टॉपिक अच्छी तरह से समझ आ गई है। अब मैं और भी ज्यादा सतर्क और जागरूक हो चुकी हूं। मैं नेहा मैडम और कशिश मैडम का धन्यवाद करना चाहती हूं। मुझे बहुत अच्छा लगा की मुदिता

फाउंडेशन शोषण के विषय पर काम करती

है ताकि बच्चे सुरक्षित रहें।"

"मुझे यह ४ दिन की ट्रेनिंग बहुत पसंद आई

यह मेरे लिए बहुत लाभदायक है और मेरे

Students identifying unsafe spaces in their daily routine

– Student Navjyoti Gurukul "मुदिता के द्वारा POCSO के ऊपर जो वर्कशॉप की वो हमारे लिए उपयोगी साबित होगी। हमें पता लगा की हम किस तरह से हेल्प कर सकते है जिन बच्चों का एब्यूज किया जा रहा है। मुझे बच्चों और महिलाओं से संबंधित कुछ एक्ट्रस "Mudita Foundation team delivered the workshop in a very simple way that everyone should actively participate. - Teacher, Etasha Society

The Safe Spaces Project

"मैंने यहाँ कठपुतली बनाया और सीखा

और कठपुतली का खेल देखा जो मुझे

सबसे अच्छा लगा। कुछ ऐसे खेल खेले

जिनमे मुझे बहुत माज़ा आया और मुझे

सारे लोगों से मिलकर बहुत अच्छा लगा।

हम सभी ने गांव में जाकर कठपुतली का

खेल दिखाया जो की बहुत अच्छा और

मज़ेदार था।"—Student, Laksh Foundation

puppetry camp for the adolescent girls and boys was conducted in January by Ms Abha Jeurkar, from Mudita Foundation, who is also a Play for Peace facilitator. The three days were filled with inclusive and interactive activities along with the participants preparing their own puppets and showcasing a puppet show at the chaupal (a common place) of the village. The puppet show used stories identified by the children on topics ranging from domestic violence, child marriage to online exploitation. The puppet show was a boost in confidence for the students, with many realising and acknowledging

how married women are frowned upon from stepping on the chaupal. The participants also prepared plans towards taking their puppet shows to other villages and schools.

Making faces of puppets through paper mache



बहुत अच्छी बात है ताकि लोग गांव में हो रहे इन अत्याचारों से सावधान हो जाये। आप लोग का एक दोस्त की तरह व्यवहार करना बहुत बढ़िया लगा। जो आपने नए नए गेम खिलाए बहुत मजा आया। हमने पहले कभी कठपुतली का खेल नहीं खेला आपके साथ खेलकर बहुत मज़ा आया इससे हमारे गांव वालो को भी खुशी हुई। हमारे को इस चीज के लिए ट्रेनिंग देने के लिए धन्यवाद।" – Student, Laksh Foundation

"मुझको बाल विवाह की बात बहुत अच्छी लगी इसको हम ख़तम करना चाहते है। घरेलू हिंसा के बारे में भी बहुत कुछ सीखा और की हम इसे कैसे रोक सकते है। जो भी मैंने यहाँ सीखा मुझको सब कुछ बहुत अच्छा लगा सब कुछ यहाँ पर सीखने की थी और दूसरों को भी सीखाने की भी है। क्योंकी यह सब कुछ हमारे फायदे के लिए ही है।" – Student Leader / teacher,

In February, we met the Mangar

year ended with our team and the

adolescent group leaders meeting

the Panchayat members and ASHA

adolescent group's parents.

Laksh Foundation

workers to brief them about the safe spaces project, and enlist their support towards creating Mangar a safe space. We also held a successful fundraising that raised much needed funds for our Safe Spaces Project in Mangar, Haryana. We look forward to our second year with expanding the project in two more villages and



Playing a game on safety as a collective responsibility with the parents of adolescents in Mangar

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