

Annual Report 2022-23

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One percent of your income,

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Three of your lobbying efforts for children, their childhood and their rights.

Dr. Padmini

Founder and Managing Trustee

(17 July 1933 - 1 November 2023)

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Note from the Managing Trustee

As we advanced in the year with several planned activities and addressing the challenges with respect to FCRA - Foreign Contribution Regulation Act and streamlining both programmes and funding, we were jolted when Dr. Padmini was hospitalized with a serious illness in October 2022. In the last few years, it was very common to hear about Dr. Padmini getting hospitalised and coming out and back on her heels and travels, research and writing. But this time it was not so. On Nov. 1st Dr. Padmini breathed last.

Dr. Padmini nurtured not only CRT but a few other organisations in the field of child rights, environment, women's and civic issues. She was passionate largely on research and advocacy to lobby for the rights of all the communities in distress. We at CRT will continue to cherish the values Dr. Padmini practiced. We are intending to institute child rights Awards and also child rights Fellowship in 2023-24. We intend to announce these on Dr. Padmini's 90th Birthday (15th July 2023) and also release Dr. Padmini Memoir.

In the post covid period, along with the members of Karnataka Child Rights Observatory we did a comprehensive study on school safety measures in the schools, AWCs and hostels and found that the masses are aware of the safety measures to be taken, but in terms of execution there are several lacunae. This in particular calls for wide spread awareness among the communities about all kinds of safety measures to be taken to protect the interests of the children.

CRT took the lead to initiate state level discussion on the effectiveness of Child Rights Grama Sabhas (CRGS) in collaboration with RDPR University, Gadag. The best part of this is the participation of Grama Panchayat elected members, child representatives from Child Rights Clubs who had taken part in the CRGS and grassroots level officers from RDPR and other departments. RDPR, Govt of Karnataka is keen on upscaling the learnings from the Children in Governance project.

Along with other activities, as usual CRT continues to invest on capacity building of field interveners on child rights and related issues in several parts of the country. GOI has decided to withdraw ChildLine 1098 operations from NGOs. CRT was the Bengaluru City Nodal Agency for ChildLine 1098 for more than 15 years. Although we cannot agree with this change, we have to accept as the Govt is going ahead to hand over the whole operation to ICPS and the DCPUs to handle the same in districts.

We thank the continued support of our well-wishers, volunteers and appreciate the team for their commitments and look forward to effective interventions in the field. We wish Dr. Padmini's enthusiasm and zeal will drive us to reach the objects of the Trust.

Anselm Rosario
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Kathyayini Chamaraj

Anjali Ramanna

Dr. Vasudeva Sharma

Vision, Mission and Aim ki

Child Rights Trust [CRT] is a non-profit organization involved in spreading child rights perspectives among all stakeholders. Initiated in August 2002, CRT has a goal to reach out to individuals and groups who are at the grassroots level working directly with vulnerable children as well as administrators and policy makers at the highest level. Through research, training, advocacy and lobbying activities, CRT is empowering NGOs to be effective in their service provision from child rights perspective and also in preparing vulnerable groups in both urban and rural areas to access the services due to them from the Govt. In its pursuit to uphold every right to every child, CRT is working with people's representatives and Governments from grassroots to national level using advocacy and lobbying techniques. We have been recognised with the Karnataka State Child Welfare Award in 2008.

Vision

Every Right for Every Child

Mission

To endeavour to protect and promote all the inherent and indivisible rights of children whoever and wherever they are.

Objectives:

- To achieve and to consolidate the rightful position of children in general to the benefits and services to which they are entitled as children, and to a healthy and safe environment which is their due as human beings;
- To endeavor to protect, maintain and develop children's inherent right to peaceful existence and quality of life to which they are entitled;
- To sensitize civil society and the authorities on child rights;
- To carry out statistical research and research in social sciences relevant to children and their families;
- To secure the effective use of the legal process to remedy children's grievances

Our supporters

Supporters	Projects Supported
Creatnet services, New Delhi; Radhakrishna, US & Trustees of CRT	CRT's general activities, Children's Museum and Building fund
Educo, Spain	Children in Governance
Foundation for Children and Women (FCW), USA	Publications and Training by CRT and general administration
GOI and ChildLine India Foundation	ChildLine Nodal Agency, Bengaluru City
India Literacy Project (ILP), USA	RTE TaskForce
Local resource Mobilisation	General Activities and Administration
UNICEF	Karnataka Child Rights Observatory (KCRO)

CRT is a Trust, registered under 80G and 12 A. Any donations to CRT by individuals and organisations will receive a 50% tax exemption as per Govt rules.

CRT is also registered under FCRA to receive contributions from foreign countries, CSR partnership and NITI Ayog (DARPAN).

Reach and Impact So far

- Formed 103 Child Rights Clubs in three districts with 2000 members and facilitated in organising Child Rights Grama Sabhas in 90 Grama Pachayats.
- Developed the concept of Child Rights Grama Sabha (CRGS) in 2006 which is now part of the RDPR system, in Govt of Karnataka. Every year on an average one lakh fifty thousand children and in the last 18 years around 25 lakh children have taken part in the CRGS held at Grama Panchayats of Karnataka and have experienced democratic processes at the grassroots level.
- Since 2008 in the district level Child Rights Parliaments, every year about 1,500 children, on an average, are taking part, and so far, more than 20,000 children have taken part in the process.
- Around 700 child representatives have interacted with the legislators, ministers and Chief Ministers in the State level Child Rights Parliament held since 2008 and have raised child rights centric issues voicing the concerns from the grassroots experiences. The process has reached several policy and implementation issues to the highest level of the decision making and have resulted in some programs and projects.
- Facilitated with more than 100 legislators in Karnataka to form Karnataka Legislators' Forum for Child Rights since 2008 and reached out to more than 1000 child centric issues to be raised on the floor of the Legislative Council and Assembly.
- Due to our regular interaction and advocacy with the Chairperson of the Legislative Council a special session on Child Rights was conducted in 2014 and 2017.
- Organised South Regional Conference on Child Rights in collaboration of Karnataka State Legislators' Forum for Child Rights and UNICEF in 2017.
- Regular interactions with the media have resulted in wide news coverage and editorial on various child rights issues drawing the attention of the Govt and public alike.
- Since 2003 conducted more than 710 training programmes on child rights related topics in various parts of the state and the country and have reached out to 25,000+ personnel directly.
- Worked with 100+ teachers in 20 Schools (Sidlaghatta Taluk, Chikkaballapura Dist) while reaching out to 5000+ students in sensitizing on child rights and gender issues while sensitising and realising RTE Act 2009.
- In a collective effort facilitated in preventing 700+ Child marriages, provided information and knowledge about PCMA 2006, rescued 1000+ children from labour situations while sensitising about CALPRA 1986 and prevented hundreds of girls falling into prohibited Devadasi system.
- Trained 1000+ members of District Child Welfare Committees and Juvenile Justice Boards in Karnataka on Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act 2000/2015, Child Rights and related statutes in protecting the interests of children.
- Adopted major child rights centric Acts (JJ Act, PCMA, POCSO, RTE, CALPRA), UNCRC, SDGs and such material into Kannada and reached to both children and adults.
- Facilitated in organizing 25 Rural Children's Libraries reaching out to more than 2500 children
- Initiated a Children's Museum with artefacts from across the world with more than 300 pieces which has been viewed and studied by more than 500 children.
- A daily news compilation and analysis of 'child in news' (CIN) is reaching out to 1000 + clients comprising NGOs, Govt officials, media, students, activists, etc.

- E Manthana, an innovative method of conducting weekly webinars (initiated in April 2020) reached out to 3000+ participants.
- Advocated with the Education and Health departments to get a circular on display of ChildLine 1098 at schools premises and in hospitals.
- Advocated with department of Labour to get circular to support ChildLine 1098 and NGOs in rescue and case interventions
- Coordinated providing relief measures to 10,000+ vulnerable families and children at Bengaluru, Chikkaballapura, Bellary and Dakshina Kannada during Covid 19 pandemic.

1. Programme Highlights (2022-23)

A. **Karnataka Child Rights Observatory (KCRO)** initiated in 2008 is a consortium of NGOs



and interested individuals to monitor the situation of children in Karnataka from UNCRRC perspective. Today KCRO is also conducting various capacity building programmes both online and offline to equip the NGOs to monitor implementation of child rights centred programmes and projects. KCRO works with groups of legislators from both Assembly and Council while raising child centric issues through the Karnataka State Legislators' Forum for Child Rights. During the year KCRO along with its support group and members invested its time and resources on understanding the effects of covid pandemic and how the communities responded to it.

- **Launch of KCRO activities 2022 and capacity building programme on Laws related to Child Rights Protection.** The capacity-building on child-centric acts and procedures was conducted in collaboration with the State Legal Services Authority (KLSA) and CACL-K. 65 representatives from various NGOs across the state took part. Mr. Shashidhar Shetty, Member Secretary KLSA; Mr. Prosun Sen, UNICEF; Mr. Raghavendra HC, Member of KSCPCR and KCRO state convener graced the occasion, which also marked the launch of KCRO activities for the year.

Dr. Vasudeva Shrama N.V., Ms. Rovina Bastian and Mr. Raghavendra Bhat, Ms. Anjali Ramanna and Mr. Renny D'Souza conducted sessions on various child protection related laws



- **Consultation on Karnataka Child Budget – towards upholding rights of children.** The consultation was organised with the following objectives:
 - ❖ To make network organization members understand the child budget, allocations of various schemes against the current situation of children.
 - ❖ To empower the members to follow up the child budget at the grass root level i.e. district, taluk and panchayath level.

Resource person for the consultation Mr. T.R. Chandrashekaraiah, Former Economics Professor, Hampi University, Karnataka and Development Consultant explained about the process of making budget and its importance and its follow up process at grass root level as well.

Similar consultations were conducted at Chicknayakanahalli and Hospet.

- **Conducted 'A Comprehensive Study on School Safety Measures in the schools, AWC and hostels in the state'.** A total of 168 schools, 165 AWCs and 99 hostels were visited across the state and collected the necessary information for the study. A detailed questionnaire was prepared and discussed with KCRO network members for information collection. The findings of the study were shared with the concerned department officials for further action.

- State Level Capacity Building Workshop on Child Rights and Child Protection For Nehru Yuva Kendra Sanghathan Officers:** The programme was jointly organised by KCRO, NYKS, NIMHANS and UNICEF. A total of 32 officers of the Nehru Yuva Kendra Sanghathan, Karnataka, Government of India took part in a two days Capacity Building programme. UNICEF Hyderabad office Chief, Professors of Dept. of Psychiatric Social Work, NIMHANS, UNICEF Child protection, KCRO team were present in the inaugural session.

Mr. Murali, Dr. Janardhan, Mr. Raghavendra Bhat, Dr. Vasudeva Sharma NV, Ms. Nagamani, Mr. Raghavendra conducted various sessions on Child Rights and child protection related laws. Dr. Shalini Rajanish, Secretary to Govt., in charge of Youth Services graced the programme and appreciated the efforts of all the associates.



- Alternate Report on Implementation of CRC in the state:** Data collected from various sources like NFHS, RCH, Census, ASER, NRHM, NCRB etc and a draft report is prepared on children's health and nutrition; education and protection. This is a continuous exercise to supplement the report in the making.
- Periodic Legislators' Forum Meeting:** In spite of several efforts, the meeting of legislators forum did not happen due to various reasons. We have aspirations to organise such meetings with old and new members of the assembly and council in coming days.
- Assembly Q & H Analysis 2022-23:** An annual exercise conducted by KCRO to tabulate and analyse the child centric questions raised in the Karnataka Legislative Assembly and Council and preparing a report 'Are there Children in Vidhana Soudha?'. This is a popular social watch report referred to by the child centric groups.

Karnataka Legislative Assembly - Question Hour 2022-23		
To All Departments	Assembly	Council
Total Questions - 18,788	11,524	7264
Child Centric Qs - 742	400	342
% Of Child Centred Qs - 3.9 %	3.40%	4.70%

- 15th Assembly Questions Statistical Analysis:** Karnataka 15th Assembly duration is 2018-2023. During this period there were 150 days of legislative assembly sessions held in the state. We did statistical analysis of all the questions and child centric questions raised in the Karnataka Legislative Assembly.

Karnataka 15th Legislative Assembly 2018-2023	
Total Questions Assembly	26,857
Child Centric Questions	1,203
% of Child Centric Questions	4.50%

- **Child in News:** Scanning daily newspapers (10) for child centered news, listing and disseminating to news users for advocacy, policy, campaign, education, research, further dissemination, etc. – since 2008. childinews2017@gmail.com
- **KIDS TakeOver** - A unique celebration with children in the forefront was organised during Child Rights Week 2022. The theme of Child Rights week was “Sports for Development”. Children from various network organisations interviewed Ms. Mary Priyanka Francis, Commissioner, RDPR; Mr. Naganna Gowda, ChairPerson, KSCPC and; Ms. Anjali Ramanna, ChairPerson, CWC about their childhood, games and sports they have played in their childhood and its enjoyment, and the need for today’s children to be engaged in games and sports, etc.
- **District and State Level Child Rights Parliament.** During this year district level child rights parliaments were conducted in 30 districts. Two child representatives from each district took part in the State Level Child Rights Parliament. Around 80 children and 40 adults from 30 districts participated in the parliament. Mr. Prosun Sen, UNICEF, Hyderabad; Ms. Mary Priyanka Francis, Commissioner, RDPR, GoK; Ms. Sowmya Reddy, MLA, Jayanagara assembly constituency and Mr. N.L. Narendra Babu, member, Karnataka Legislators’ Forum for Child Rights were presented in the valedictory programme and responded positively to the issues raised by the children.



A newsletter about the week-long Child Rights Week activities including Kids Take Over and Child Rights Grama Sabhas (CRGS) etc., is available.

- **The state-level consultation on “Emerging Challenges and Opportunities for Child Rights”.** Network organisation members (40) participated in the discussion. Mr. Sony Kutty George, UNICEF, Hyderabad facilitated the consultation. Participants shared issues related to challenges and opportunities for protecting child rights. Priority areas for interventions among children and young adults were discussed and a possible list of priority issues was developed with detailed explanations and suggestions for intervention, capacity building, advocacy and lobbying.

b. RTE TaskForce Karnataka was initiated in 2009 as a response to give wide publicity, education, training on the Right of the Children for Free and Compulsory Education Act 2009. Currently the RTE TaskForce is having a field operation at Sidlaghatta Taluk, Chikkaballapura district. The RTE TaskForce also takes the responsibility of sensitising the state network members on the various developments with respect to the RTE Act implementation both at national and state level.

It's also working to improve the quality of education in Anganawadis, Primary and High schools in terms of building AWW and Teachers abilities to effective usage of TLMs, Libraries, Labs and digital infrastructure (Preschool education and Multi Dimensional Learning Space) Programme.



Achievements

- Conducted a series of awareness demonstrations on health management and monitoring of growth (including wasting and stunting and their effects), preparing nutritious food and feeding needy children to improve the conditions of malnourished children, pregnant women and lactating mothers reaching out to 455 members (mothers in various communities at the Anganwadi Centres (AWC) and 150 Anganawadi Workers (AWWs). AWWs are also familiarised about the appropriate usage of the tools to assess wasting and stunting and taking appropriate measures to combat the same. They are also putting extra effort in appropriately maintaining the growth monitoring charts and related documents.
- As per the suggestions by ILP, completed and updated information about initial growth and immunisation assessment of children in 50 AWCs on the ILP Collect App. This is going to be a basic tool for further monitoring and assisting the AWCs.
- Nutritional levels of 0-6 age group children in the working area has Improved as per below**

Grades	0-6 age	%
Green	1832	93%
Yellow	121	6%
Red	16	1%

- In 3 AWCs CDF model PSE methodology TLMs are prepared and trained the Anganawadi Workers to its effective usage.
- Around 80 numbers of 4-6 age AWC children are learning the CDF model PSE.
- MDLS Library Languages improving, science and Social Science program and Maths
- 10 Higher Primary schools and 2 High Schools LLA was conducted with 358 children of 5th and 8th children in 3 core and 3 languages subjects and it is updated in ILP spreadsheet and children levels are found as per below.

Subject	80% above		60% above		40% above		40% below	
	Children	%	Children	%	Children	%	Children	%
Kannada	341	95%	13	3%	4	2%	0	0%
English	328	91%	25	6%	5	4%	0	0%
Hindi	327	91%	26	7%	5	2%	0	0%
Maths	339	94%	16	4%	3	2%	0	0%
Science	335	93%	18	5%	5	2%	0	0%
Social Science	336	93%	19	5%	3	4%	0	0%

- Foundation learning Activities for 1 to 5 standards conducted in 50 schools communities through Village Learning Centres through Vidhya Saathis.



- 751 children End line assessment (Foundational Learning) was completed and the same was updated in ILP ODK Collect App. Findings are as per below...

Subject	1 st level		2 nd level		3 rd Level		4 th Level	
	Children	%	Children	%	Children	%	Children	%
Kannada	496	66%	111	14%	89	11%	55	9%
English	398	52%	176	23%	103	13%	74	12%
Maths	361	48%	216	28%	112	14%	62	10%

- 1284 High School children are given knowledge on career paths and WHO 10 Core Skills which will help them in effective building of their professional and personal life.



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c. ChildLine 1098 Nodal Agency, Bengaluru coordinates with four ChildLine Collaborative agencies [APSA, BOSCO, SAATHI Railway and BOSCO Railway ChildLine] in Bengaluru city since 2007. The Nodal agency conducts capacity-building activities for the collaborative agency personnel and coordinates with the Govt and its other allied agencies for smooth operations of ChildLine 1098 in linking the children in need of care protection with the service providers from Govt and other groups.



As the police department is playing an important role in the field of child protection, Bengaluru ChildLine wanted to reach them with required legal aspects and child rights. As part of advocacy, Nodal agency succeeded in conducting police sensitization programmes in Bengaluru Urban in all the 8 divisions, reaching 350 police personnel about child rights and related laws such as JJ Act, POCSO etc.



Prevention of Child Trafficking

is one of the major interventions required. To spread awareness on this, ChildLine conducted awareness programmes reaching various groups. On 30th July, World Day Against Trafficking in Persons, ChildLine joined hands with students of Christ (Deemed to be University) in observing the day with flash mob, rally and street play at Krantiveera Sangolli Rayanna railway station spreading the message about the day. The events reached 1520 stakeholders and spread the information.



Along with this ChildLine Nodal conducted awareness programmes on child rights with children in summer camps and weeklong activities to spread about ChildLine during ChildLine Se Dosthi week. Street plays were performed in various locations on child protection to observe the ChildLines day, programme on missing children day, child rights programs through community radios and also had live programme on Chnadana TV on Girl Child Protection and had discussion and answered to public questions.

Nodal's role is to facilitate multi stakeholders like govt., non govt., and community people. In the year nodal conducted 38 stakeholders meetings which



include informative sessions in connection with child rights.

ChildLine during the Open House Programmes, in various locations, provided opportunities for children to air their issues in front of officials. Children brought up lack of buses, school facilities, abuses near schools, etc. For these issues officials responded and a few were resolved. One of the schools in question had a large number of students but had very limited services. The issue was taken to the public forum and the school in reality got sufficient funds to address the problems.



Bengaluru ChildLine team actively participated in a marathon programme under the title Run for Child Protection to spread information about ChildLine and child protection issues and also tried to raise funds for child protection. Along with these activities conducted capacity building workshops with ChildLine team members, conducted meetings with partnering organizations and continued networking visits to get the coordination

support to run ChildLine activities.

Currently ChildLine 1098 is on the verge of closing its operations with NGOs. Govt of India through its new policy has decided to run ChildLine 1098 operations through ICPS - Integrated Child Protection Scheme.

- d. Initiatives for Married Adolescent Girls Empowerment - IMAGE & IMAGE Next** is largely working in five districts towards combating child marriages. CRT being a partner of a larger state level consortium since 2015 has taken the role of advocacy and knowledge partner of the project at the state level.



- e. Children Getting Out of Devadasi (GOOD) System for further dedication**, concentrates on five north Karnataka districts to end the Devadasi System. CRT has been a consortium member since 2018 and is the knowledge partner along with making advocacy efforts.



Child Rights Trust is the knowledge partner for IMAGE and C-GOOD projects. CRT facilitated capacity building programmes to the team members of both IMAGE and C Good project personnel and leaders of movements on leadership, advocacy, documenting and understanding legal provisions, etc., who are spread out in 15 districts.

We also conducted several advocacy meetings with the KLSA - Karnataka State Legal Services Authority and Departments of Women and Child Development, Social Welfare, Education and ICPS. The dividends of these advocacy meetings while joining hands with the Karnataka State Commission for Protection of Child Rights are worthy to be mentioned.

- a. The Department of Women and Child Development took the assistance of CRT in developing the SOPs for the implementation of PCMA - Prohibition of Child Marriages Act 2006 and also considered CRT as the chief resource team to train the Govt personnel throughout the state
- b. RDPR - Rural Development and Panchayat Raj department invited CRT team to conduct trainings to the Grama Panchayat level officials and elected members to combat child marriages on its online training sessions
- c. The Ministers of Women and Child Development and Social Welfare met the children and mothers from prohibited Devadasi families and have promised to address some of the major issues: not making compulsory to mention the father's name in both online and offline applications, providing reservations in hostels and schools, providing housing for former devadasi women, etc.
- d. A few media advocacy programmes have resulted in highlighting the grievances of children of devadasi families and early married girls in major newspapers. Bengaluru and Mysuru Akashvani carried special interviews with the children in distress and highlighted the issues faced by the early married girls and children of devadasi.

- f. **Children in Governance** is a programme initiated in 2020 to facilitate Grama Panchayats (GPs) and the service providers at the GP level and the children in examining the role of child participation in Governance. The project has field presence in 88 GPs of 9 taluks in 3 districts. The project is coordinating with the Dept of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj and local NGOs and CBOs as well as other service providers and aims to organise the Child Rights Grama Sabhas effectively. The concept of CRGS was developed by CRT in 2006 in action research conducted in 15 GPs of Ballary district.



The basic objective of the project is sensitizing the duty bearers about CRC, SDGs and bringing up child centric issues in the RDPR Act. Although the programme initiated all these in the beginning of the year, by February itself the whole state machinery became hyper active and sensitive towards the forthcoming Assembly Elections in May 2023. Although the officers were giving dates for the programmes several of them were getting postponed to later dates. Well the team followed up with the officers and made it possible to conduct the same as soon as the elections were over. The results are tracked and marked in the tracking sheet.



Grama Panchayath Level orientations are conducted in 33 Grama Panchayats for Panchayat Development Officers, Grama Panchayat President and elected representatives, Accredited Social Health Activist Auxiliary nurse and midwives and Anganwadi workers were conducted to appraise child rights issues at local level..



NGO level orientations were held in 2 taluks of Chikkaballapura districts in Bagepalli and Shidlaghatta taluks, on Sustainable development goals, preparation on effective ways of organizing Child Rights Grama Sabha and on Child Rights. Field facilitators have also facilitated activities with children in the summer camps organised by RDPR in most of the GPs. This gave an opportunity to the field facilitators to bring in CR issues,

facilitated indoor activities games, sports, music, arts & crafts, and educational programs among other activities that aim to impart new skills and foster personal growth in children.



The field facilitators re-formed Child Rights Clubs in the schools as per plans in all the 102 Grama Panchayats. Reprinted posters, newsletter on the role of Grama Panchayats towards children, handbooks on child rights, WCPC, SDG and about the Child Rights Grama Sabha to understand children and the law. These have reached all the members of the child rights clubs.



The team has taken up discussion on constitution preamble and fundamental rights, importance of 4 basic groups of child rights, i.e., Right to life, Right to protection, Right to development and Right to Participation. Regular meetings are conducted in all the clubs, children are prepared on how to participate in the interface meetings with elected representatives and also to prepare for the Child Rights Grama Sabhas.



Campaign for Child Rights Grama Sabhas in Karnataka- Promoting Participation of Children in Local Governance

The campaign had two objectives: (1) to create awareness on the importance of child rights Grama Sabha and (2) child rights and child protection issues.



This campaign had innovative methods like street play, the cultural team with a tabloid, songs, dance, and awareness meetings among children and the public to reach out to people on the issues of children and their participation in governance and decision-making. During this campaign, **street Plays are being performed by professional teams on child-centric issues** (health, education, protection, girl child, disabilities) and various acts that protect children from abuse and exploitation.

A three-wheel vehicle was decorated with child friendly messages and slogans ran through the village to draw the attention of the public towards the importance of Child Rights Grama Sabhas and

the participation of children in it. So far, 24 Grama Panchayats out of 60 Grama Panchayats in 3 districts.



Children are voicing their problems, needs and demands in the Child Rights Grama Sabha in the project areas. This year, so far out of 90 (2022-23) Village Panchayats **Child Rights Grama Sabhas** are systematically organized in 7 Grama panchayats

A state level conference on CRGS was held on February 11th 2023 in collaboration with RDPR University, Gadag and Dept. of RDPR, Government of Karnataka. Elected representatives of GPs, PDOs, ASHA workers, anganwadi workers, EO's, school teachers, and social work students, police personnel and project field facilitators along with child representatives took part in the day long discussion. Conference recorded positive effects of CRGS and how it has helped to resolve issues pertaining to upholding rights of children and how it is creating a space for children to share their issues and opinions was highlighted. Mr. Guruprasad and Mr. Sukantha of educos took part in discussions and witnessed vibrant sharing by various stakeholders. Discussing CRGS effectiveness research with the university.

g. Capacity building programmes, research papers and publications

CRT conducted UNCRC certification training in Hassan, Davanegere, Shimogga and also conducted several training and awareness programmes with Police, PDOs, AWWs, Multi Stakeholders, Parents and NGO representatives on child rights, PCMA, POCSO, JJ Act, services for the children of SCs, STs and Minority communities, etc. Along with workshops with NGOs and private bodies, CRT was invited as a resource team at ATI, SIRD, Mysuru; Navy officers, Karawara on Social Justice, Child Protection Policy and other issues.



DWCD with the support of NGOs prepared an SOP on PCMA. CRT members facilitated the process of the SOP and later CRT's suggestion, Govt embarked on conducting training to CMPOs on the SOPs. CRT designed the TOT on SOP - it's basically how to conduct the session and what message needs to be given to the officers, participants in the district to implement the PCMA and how to refer to the SOP. CRT Trained 30 resource persons for this and later was part of the state level training in all the 30 districts of Karnataka reaching about 3000 officers.

CRT conducted a capacity building programme with NGO representatives on CALPRA - Child and Adolescent Labour Prohibition and Regulation Act 1986, with the amendments for the proper implementation and to spread awareness about the same in the state.

CRT encouraged people who wanted to work in the community to uphold child rights through a fellowship programme. Initially piloted this with one person in Davanagere district.

CRT brought out the Makkaligagi Makkala Hakkugalu in an updated version and also SDG to reach the public.

Students

As part of the knowledge sharing exercises, CRT is providing space and time for students from various disciplines, that include Social Work, Law, Management and Psychology. During the year only 23 students underwent field training at CRT.

SL No	Students	No
18 Colleges sent their Students for Field work at CRT		
1.	MSW Students	31
2.	B Com Students	4
3.	BA LLB Students	9
	Total	44

g. Networking Activities:

Rural Children's Library and Children's museum and related network activities are ongoing programmes of CRT since its beginning. CRT is the secretariat of CACL- Campaign Against Child Labour and Network for Parenting. CRT conducts training on child rights centric issues continuously with various partners all over with Govt., NGOs, educational institutions and private parties. As a part of the networking and advocacy, CRT invests a lot of time discussing with the media, social work, law and education colleges and students in taking the child rights information to every nook and corner.

- **Campaign Against Child Labour - Karnataka:** For more than 10 years every day from the child rights trust we read and review more than 8 state level E-newspapers and search for news which highlights issues pertaining to child rights. The compiled information is shared with our NGO partners across the state through mail and WhatsApp. The compilation and analyses of the news is done while categorising them from Constitution, Sustainable Development Goals and UNCRC. From this year we started to share Child in news with **CACL-K** partners with the CACL logo. The feedback from the subscribers is encouraging.



From 2018 to 2022, the Child Rights Trust has taken on the responsibility of state convener of the campaign against child labour, launched in 1992 to end the child labour system and uphold children's rights. RLHP, Mysore, is entrusted with the state convener of CACL after a three-day 'Child Labor System and Legal Awareness' state consultation held in August 2022.

From May 30th to June 12th 2023 we organised 44 days Anti Child Labour Campagin inline with CACL National Secretariat. Unique posters were prepared for social media for 44 days and the same was reposted or circulated on social media to reach a large number of members. CACL needs a lot of IEC material, handbills and posters. To bring out posters CACL national secretariate requested the partners to send paintings and art works by children regarding child labour eradication. In this regard CACL K organized state level children's consultation on zoom. More than 20 partners and 50 children participated in this consultation. Mr. Nagasimha gave inputs to children about child labour, child rights and child protection. Within one week children sent their drawings. With the help of experts CACL selected paintings and shared them with the CACL central secretariat.

- **Rural Children's Library:** With the support of CRT at Chagaletti (near Bagaluru and Bengaluru International Airport) a Rural Children's Library was initiated in 2010. In the last 10 plus years, the library which began with 200 books has now reached a collection of more than 10,000 children's books. The number of members to the library has steadily increased and has more than 250 members from 15 villages. A few Govt and non govt schools around Chagaletti are part of the library in various activities and programmes. During lockdown the library children visited migrant families and motivated their children to visit the library. More than 18 migrant children are now members of CCL.



- CRT has a special interest in working with the Govt departments that have a greater attention towards children, that includes Dept of Women and Child Development; Directorate of Child Protection; Dept of Health; Dept of Education; Home; Rural Development and Panchayat Raj; Planning; Social Welfare; Labour and the State Legal Services Authority. During the reporting period CRT has joined hands with many of these departments in their training, meetings and consultations (online and offline) either to raise issues or to find collective solutions to problems and issues pertaining to children.

- **A Children's Museum** was initiated in 2017-18 at Sparsha Children's Home Nisarga, near Hesaraghatta, Bangalore. The artifacts collection is a donation from Dr Padmini and other friends. The Museum inaugurated in 2018-19 is now operating with new zeal, as the child volunteers who operate as curators of the museum are trained by several experts.



- 2022-23 What has happened?

2. Policies and Committees

- CRT has Child Protection Policy and POSH policies and has conducted mandatory training to the team members.
- Constituted an IC and CP Committee with external and internal members.
- Adhered to the UNICEF Child Safeguarding policy

CRT Members in :

- **Dr. N.V. Vasudeva Sharma** - Member in JJ selection committee,, ICPS, Karnataka State; Member, Group 10 - SDG cell, Govt of Karnataka; POCSO Manual Committee with DSERT; Education Dept; Member of the Ethics Committee in Ramiah Medical College and Indira Gandhi Children's Hospital, Bengaluru; IC Member, POSH, Christu (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru and Member, Child Protection Committee, Vidyanikethana, Bengaluru
- **Mr.Nagasimha G Rao** - External member in Dhvani Foundation in Child Protection Committee(CPC) , Preparation of the manual on prevention of corporal punishment with DSERT committee.
- **Ms.Nagamani C.N.** - External member in IC committees under POSH Act in Deccan Herald group; Indo Mim company, external member in Child Protection Committee in Seva Sadhana, Preparation of the manual on prevention of corporal punishment with DSERT committee,Preparation on manual on POCSO with DSERT committee, and Preparation of manual on constitution with SICHREM .
- **Mr. Kalakappa** - External member of the Child Protection committee in Sanrakshna organization.

3. Financials

- The Audited statement of the Trust is enclosed as follows.

GOWTHAMA S. COMPANY CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS		CHILD RIGHTS TRUST, BANGALORE CONSOLIDATED RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 ST MARCH 2023				# 23/57, 41 st Cross, East End, C Main Road, 9 th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore 560 009 Telephone : 2632042, 26661194	
31.03.2022 In Rs.	RECEIPTS	In Rs.	31.03.2023 In Rs.	PAYMENTS	In Rs.	31.03.2023 In Rs.	
5,811	To Opening Balance	21,159.00		By Donations for Women and Children Expenses	1,032,572.88		
2,616,094	Cash in Hand	2,680,545.15		Programme Expenses	117,153.00		
	Cash at Bank		2,701,704.15	Administration Expenses	371,569.30	1,521,294.19	
592,729	To Fund Balance	1,654,413.00		FOW Staff			
1,446,003	Foundation for Children and Women	1,624,054.00		By India Women's Project Expenses	896,435.00		
2,974,000	India Literary Project	5,792,805.59		Programme Execution (Staff salaries)	642,300.00		
	Edaco	7,100.00		ILP Programme Expenses	94,841.00	1,613,566.00	
	Corena Fund	190,273.00		Administrative Expenses			
	Children Fund	100,273.00		By Indian Network of Professional Social Workers, Associations (INDPWAI) Expenses Training and workshop		16,227.36	
1,251,482	Grant UNICEF	3,557,792.00	12,854,420.59	By Rajawade India Movement (RIM) Fund Expenses		13,618.00	
187,842	To Interest Income	165,735.93		Study on Sanitation Survey: Need Assessment			
1,717,276	To Donation	1,614,935.00	6,395	By TCH Netherlands Fund		4,810.70	
818,105	To Miscellaneous Receipt	41,971.00		TCH Netherlands Fund		4,141,267.76	
125,832	To Staff Benefit	204,379.00		By Ethics Fund			
243,579	To Programme Advance	467,438.97		Edaco Expenditure			
6,540	To TDS Receivable	6,071.00		By Children Fund		311,880.98	
	To CRT Local Expenses	86,734.36		Children Expenses		63,108.00	
				By Impact Store Expenses			
				By UNICEF		3,582,249.25	
				By Unicef Grant		2,197,480.06	
				By Unicef Expenses	300,209.00	31,602.00	
				By CRT Local Expenses	3,281,962.25	957,024.00	
				By Interest		274,283.50	
				By loans and advances		9,017.00	
				By Staff Benefit		66,000.00	
				By Bank Charges			
				By General Expenses			
				Closing Balance			
				Cash	11,600.00		
				Cash at Bank	3,312,217.25		
13,015,280	TOTAL	18,147,199.20	13,895,390	TOTAL	18,147,199.20		



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4. Planned Highlights 2023-24

KCRO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Launch of KCRO Activities and Capacity Building on Child Protection related laws ● Orientation and sensitization of ZP members of CEOs on child rights issues ● Launch of YuWaah activities in the state - State level meeting ● Legislators Forum Meeting ● Orientation and sensitization of ZP members of CEOs on child rights issues ● District Level Children Parliament
RTE TaskForce	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Refresher Trainings to VLC Vidhy saathis on VLC activities ● MDLS programme Initiative and Induction Trainings. ● AWC, VLC and MDLS Assessments and Collect App updation. ● AWC, VLC and MDLS follow up assessments and ILP Collect App Updation ● Life skills and Career guidance trainings to Children
Children in Governance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Revising the handbooks and handouts for wider publicity ● Organising Child Rights Grama Sabhas ● District level Child Friendly Grama Panchayats sensitising programmes ● Expansion to new three taluks
IMAGE - Next	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● District Level consultations and capacity building ● Public Hearing with Supreme Court judges ● Continued campaign and work with Govt
ChildLine 1098	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Police Sensitisation Programme ● ChildLine Day observation ● School sensitisation programmes ● ChildLine Se Dosthi and capacity building workshops
GOOD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● District and state level consultation, public hearing with the stakeholders ● State level public programme on the issue
Capacity building and other network activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Reorientation to the team members ● Capacity building programmes on CRC and related issues ● Celebration of CRT 20th year ● Expanding network activities with CACL and other groups ● Resource mobilisation

Thanks ...

- Supporters
- Donors with special reference to building donation
- Volunteers
- Network members of KCRO, RTE TaskForce Karnataka, CACL-K, Network for Parenting, SAIVAK, IACR
- School of Social Work
- RadioActive 90.4
- Karnataka Legislators' Forum for Child Rights
- Members of CWCs, JJBs and KSCPCR
- Media friends
- Students and the faculty of various colleges and institutions who have interned with CRT
- Supporters in Govt Depts - DWCD, Police, Education, Labour, RDPR, Law and Parliamentary Affairs and KLSA, NIMHANS,
- Families of the team members
- Trust members
- Children of Karnataka