

SUMMARY

Thank you for your faithful partnership with World Vision to serve children and their families in Assam and West Bengal.

Assam

In the red-light district of Silchar, World Vision established a Child-Friendly Learning and Recreation Center (CFLRC), which provides education, nutrition, and mental health for children. We are the only nongovernmental organization working in this district, the largest and oldest brothel in northeast India.

A referral network was created to report child sex trafficking and sexual and gender-based violence cases to the police, and to support survivors. The network was set up in partnership with the Assam police department, child care providers, child welfare committees, and civil society organizations.

More than 10,000 girls are part of Girl Power group training, which equips girls to recognize the signs of abusive relationships and dangerous situations. World Vision staff members facilitated 19 Girl Power group and police

meetings to help develop a relationship between the girls and police officers. One Girl Power group member came forward to report a runaway, who was her friend.

West Bengal

Due to an increase in COVID-19 cases, government regulations limited program implementation. However, the team hosted Channels of Hope and Celebrating Families workshops, which provides parents and caregivers tools to support children well-being. We also developed training programs for child protection agencies and campaigns for the international days against violence toward women and children.

Muslim and Hindu faith leaders participated in the Channels of Hope-Child Protection workshop, which focused on the important role they have in their communities to stand against child trafficking and child marriage.

A total of 98 people participated in the survivor's support program, which provides mental health support as well as online safety awareness training.



Child-Friendly Learning and Recreation Centers are places where children learn life skills and personal safety. In West Bengal, there was an increase in enrollment as well as vocational training.

PROGRESS ON CORE ACTIVITIES

Assam

- 10,003 girls mobilized into 230 Girl Power groups
- 756 men completed legal awareness training
- 64 faith leaders completed Channels of Hope-Child Protection training

West Bengal

- 7,762 children educated to prevent trafficking and promote safe migration
- 171 girls participated in Girl Power groups
- 219 men engaged in Men Care groups that teach how to protect children

KEY LEARNINGS

Assam

Project targets will be revisited since we will work only with children. It has been a challenge to begin Men Care groups, but the project team encouraged men to attend meetings to learn about government acts that aim to protect children against domestic and sexual violence and child marriage. Since government elections were in process, planned trainings were delayed.

West Bengal

Over the past six months, six staff members tested positive for COVID-19, which impacted project activities. Due to government restrictions, large events, programs, and advocacy campaigns could not be held.



“In many ways, my job has been fulfilling, especially to see mothers who did not have the confidence to think of alternate source[s] of income start up their own business to save up for the future of their children.”

*—Supriya Sewa
community development
facilitator, West Bengal
(pictured above right)*

LIFE-OF-PROGRAM UPDATE

Assam

17,653 people, including 11,057 children and youth, benefited from ministry activities during the first six months of FY21.

West Bengal

11,608 people, including 7,805 children and youth, benefited from ministry activities during the first six months of FY21.

PLANS FOR THE NEXT SIX MONTHS

The project team in Assam plans to provide COVID-19 relief to children in the red-light area and leadership training for girls, develop community awareness campaigns, create program materials in the local language, train community members to protect children against domestic and sexual violence and child marriage, set up a school-based reporting system for child sexual abuse, teach girls about laws and their rights, and offer counseling for survivors and caregivers.

The project team in West Bengal plans to distribute food/dry rations to CFLRC mothers and children; teach 20 of those mothers income-generating activities; provide vocational training, educational assistance, and psychosocial support for CFLRC children and youth; expand CFLRC in new red-light areas; and set up child-friendly police stations.

THANK YOU

Through your support and generosity, children and their mothers and fathers have opportunities to learn and grow. Thank you for partnering with us to provide safe places for children to flourish and thrive.

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ASSAM FINANCIALS

Program spending October 2020 through March 2021

Activity Description	Fiscal Year-to-Date Spending	FY21 Funding	Program-to-Date Spending
Outcome 1: At-risk children living in red-light areas and survivors of sex trafficking are made resilient and are able to protect themselves from second-generation prostitution.			
Provided at-risk children in red-light areas with legal identity and regularly monitoring so they have increased resilience	\$787	\$108,070	\$787
Strengthened the capacity of red-light area single-mothers to provide adequate care and nurturing to their children	\$687	\$37,457	\$687
Increased access to psychosocial care, formal education, and vocational training for reintegrated girls in Dhubri and Baksa districts of Assam	\$6,798	\$97,704	\$6,798
Outcome 2: Adolescent girls are active participants in efforts to reduce sex trafficking and other sexual violence against children in their families and communities.			
Improved life, protective skills, and voice of adolescent girls to protect themselves and their peers from sex trafficking	\$169,610	\$262,748	\$169,610
Outcome 3: Community demonstrates knowledge and behaviors that are protective of adolescent girls from sex trafficking and other gender-based violence.			
Trained faith leaders to stop child sex trafficking and other sexual violence against children	\$12,824	\$39,141	\$12,824
Strengthened engagement of fathers and other men in protecting girls from sex trafficking and other gender-based violence	\$12,946	\$22,302	\$12,946
Increased awareness in communities on sex trafficking and ways and means of protecting girls	\$9,413	\$50,775	\$9,413
Outcome 4: Increased capacity, coordination, and accountability of formal/informal child protection actors in effectively preventing and responding to sex trafficking and other sexual violence.			
Strengthened dialogue between communities and authorities to improve child protection issues	\$0	\$35,217	\$0
Established and strengthened community-based, child-friendly reporting and referral mechanism to enable girls to report	\$543	\$47,727	\$543
Enhanced capacity and coordination of formal child protection agencies to respond to sex trafficking and other sexual violence	\$16,700	\$101,359	\$16,700
Subtotal	\$230,308	\$802,500	\$230,308
Management and fundraising	\$76,769	\$267,500	\$76,769
TOTAL	\$307,077	\$1,070,000	\$307,077

WEST BENGAL FINANCIALS

Program spending October 2020 through March 2021

Activity Description	Fiscal Year-to-Date Spending	FY21 Funding	Program-to-Date Spending
Outcome 1: Children, especially the most vulnerable, are active participants in reducing child sex trafficking and all forms of violence in their families and communities.			
Increased capacity of children to protect themselves	\$45,792	\$70,494	\$562,862
Established Child-Friendly Learning and Recreation Centers	\$144,634	\$235,531	\$538,311
Provided services for girls in aftercare homes	\$19,706	\$83,267	\$160,884
Provided economic support to girls' families	\$391	\$0	\$436
Promoted alternative livelihood options	\$4,341	\$9,628	\$10,182
Provided psychosocial care, formal education, and vocational skills training	\$19,129	\$23,290	\$54,593
Outcome 2: Families have strong, healthy relationships, and access to appropriate services to care for and protect their children.			
Strengthened engagement among men to protect children	\$9,983	\$21,839	\$51,528
Created family development plans for families living in red-light districts	\$2,430	\$7,348	\$6,489
Cared for families with family development plans	\$18,039	\$32,398	\$31,962
Established income-generating activities for families with family development plans	\$4,176	\$49,448	\$10,264
Outcome 3: Communities, including faith communities, are working together to establish and sustain a safe and protective environment for all children.			
Increased capacity of faith community to care for children who are vulnerable to, or survivors of, violence	\$29,044	\$0	\$82,157
Developed stronger district-level child protection committees	\$24,823	\$58,269	\$54,598
Coordinated meetings among government and nongovernmental organizations	\$12,406	\$8,178	\$103,585
Strengthened advocacy initiatives at district, state, and national levels	\$2,183	\$4,084	\$45,019
Supported the most vulnerable families with food and hygiene supplies	\$0		\$94,689
Subtotal	\$337,077	\$603,775	\$1,807,559
Management and fundraising	\$112,359	\$257,611	\$602,520
TOTAL	\$449,436	\$861,386	\$2,410,079