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TRICHY HUB, INT PROVINCE

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MESSAGE FROM HUB DIRECTOR

Dear Directors of Partner Organizations

I am immensely happy to present to you the annual report of the Homelink Network of the Tiruchy hub, Tamil Nadu.

Nonprofit and service sectors are a fast-growing and much faster than profit oriented business sector since 2021. With so much growth, it is essential for the nonprofit and service sectors to embrace technology to continue its missions effectively. One of the smartest changes a growing nonprofit and service sectors can invest in the document management system. When it comes to document management system for nonprofit organization which has a lot of documents to manage it requires the digitalized documentation system in place. There are many well-known benefits of digitization of documents, like increased efficiency, easier collaboration and enhanced accessibility.

However, there is one benefit of digitizing documents that is often overlooked – the ability to free up physical space. By converting physical documents into digital files, you can reduce the need for physical storage space, which can save you money on storage costs and free up valuable office space for other uses. Digital documents can be particularly beneficial not only for businesses that deal with large volumes of paperwork but also for nonprofit and service sectors.



**Rev. Fr. Amalorpavaraj SDB.,
Hub Director
Don Bosco Anbu Illam, Coimbatore.**

Having realized the paramount importance and benefits of digital documentations the HOMELINK has introduced a new web tool known as DIGI – (Data Intelligence for Global Interface) which includes Web Application, Mobile App, Power Bi Report, Facial Recognition and Biometric etc. This web tool is very flexible and could be utilized not only by the child care institutions but other non-profit and service sectors as well. Hence I would request all the partner organizations to make use of this DIGI web tool at optimum level to improve the efficiency of your organization.

I sincerely thank all the node directors and data managers in all the YaR and Marialaya centers for your fine cooperation and wish you all the very best for the future to serve for the vulnerable and marginalized children in the society.

MESSAGE FROM HUB COORDINATOR

Dear Team,

As we reflect on another year of dedicated service to children in need of care and protection, it is with great pride and gratitude that I present our annual report for the Trichy Hub. Over the past year, our collective efforts have made a significant impact on the lives of vulnerable children across our region. One of our key achievements has been the effective coordination and monitoring of seven nodal organizations entrusted with documenting services provided to these children. Through our innovative utilization of the CHILDMISS webtool, we have streamlined the process of documenting and tracking the support services offered, ensuring greater accountability and transparency in our operations. The CHILDMISS webtool has proven invaluable in not only facilitating the documentation process but also in generating insightful data for our mini-research endeavors.

By leveraging this tool, we have been able to conduct thorough analyses, identify trends, and extract valuable insights that have informed our decision-making processes and programmatic interventions. I am excited to share that our efforts towards enhancing our data management capabilities will soon receive a significant boost with the introduction of the upgraded version of Homelink DIGI (Data Intelligence for Global Interface). This upgraded version will come equipped with special features such as a web application, a mobile application, instant reporting, customizable tools, and facial recognition technology. These advancements will further empower us in our mission by providing enhanced functionalities and improved accessibility, ultimately enabling us to better serve the children under our care.



Mrs. D. Jacqueline
Hub Coordinator
Coimbatore

I would like to extend my heartfelt appreciation to each and every member of our team, as well as our partner organizations, for their unwavering dedication and tireless efforts in advancing the cause of child protection and welfare.

Together, we have made a tangible difference in the lives of countless children, providing them with the care, support, and protection they deserve.

Looking ahead, let us reaffirm our commitment to excellence and innovation as we continue our mission to ensure the well-being and safety of every child in our community.

Thank you for your continued collaboration and dedication.

Child MISS

Child MISS is a Management Information System and Services and a network that contributes to speed, process, structure, knowledge, and services for the care, protection, and development of children. It is a web-based tool, to assist government and non-governmental organizations in documenting all their services and follow up in a single-window system to enhance their mission for children at risk more effectively and efficiently. The ultimate focus of Child MISS is to create a 'Child Safety Net', to say that Child MISS is not a mere technological intervention or data collection software. It is vital information about the children in difficult circumstances, which will assist the networking organizations to strengthen the role of advocacy through legal provisions and law enforcement, review and reform child policy development, offer psychological counselling to children and parents, and raise the community consciousness and collaboration to create a safe environment for children. Thus Homelink through network partners will promote safety and protection to children.

VISION

Inspired by Don Bosco and challenged by the marginalization of people, especially the young, we will strive by our attitudes, way of life, & actions, to empower the young at risk and to create a just and humane society by joining hands with socially responsible citizens and groups.

MISSION

- We shall incarnate ourselves, as individuals and groups, in locations and communities where marginalization is more prevalent.
- We shall accompany the Young at Risk in their struggle to grow to the fullness in freedom and humaneness.
- We shall provide positive environments that will prevent exploitation and will empower the Young at Risk to be agents of personal and social transformation.
- We shall create newer spaces to grow, live and work together; especially giving priority to participatory, human, and child rights perspectives.

With Young at Risk in the forefront, we shall network with other socially responsible individuals and groups in building communities and movements.



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR



YaR CAMPAIGN

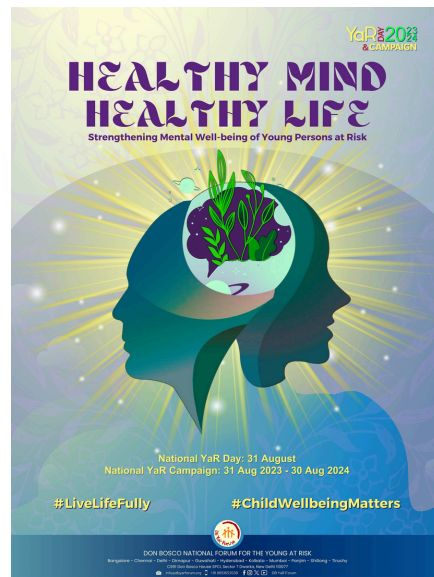
31st August 2023

Campaign Closure & Campaign Launch Program

For the last year, the theme of our YaR Day and Campaign was "Choose Life, Not Drugs." We had a monthly promotion of theme posters, infobits, and resource kits. YaR Centers have taken the initiative to organize various campaign programs throughout the year. This campaign created awareness about substance abuse among children and young adults.

This year's YaR Day and Campaign focused on "Healthy Mind, Healthy Life," aiming to raise awareness about the crucial connection between mental well-being and the overall quality of life of young adults. There was an online program for the closure of the last year's campaign and the launch of the 2023–2024 YaR Day campaign on August 31, 2023. The campaign poster "On Healthy Mind, Healthy Life" was launched, and the pledge of the last year's YaR campaign was reiterated.

Campaign Poster



Various activities were organized across all YaR (Young at Risk) centers in alignment with the yearly theme, "Healthy Mind, Healthy Life." These included the creation of flip books addressing stress management, conferences for schoolchildren, and awareness programs held in child care institutions (CCIs), schools, and evening study centers. Additionally, the national team implemented the practice of sending nutritious food bites and flip books as part of the YaR campaign, aiming to extend the benefits to children nationwide. Hub coordinators contributed by preparing flip books covering various topics related to the YaR campaign, which were then disseminated through awareness programs to reach all children effectively.

SOCIAL AUDIT

04th- 6th September 2023

In the past year, the Social Audit team of INT embarked on a comprehensive assessment of our Child Care Institutions (CCIs) in alignment with the Juvenile Justice (JJ) Act. Each CCI underwent a thorough evaluation encompassing legal documentation, record-keeping, infrastructure compliance with JJ Act regulations, and the quality of services provided to the children under our care.

This dedicated effort allowed us to gain invaluable insights into our operational strengths, areas for improvement, and the extent to which we meet the benchmarks and standards set forth by the JJ Act for safeguarding and nurturing children in need of care and protection.



CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION ON "HEALTHY MIND, HEALTHY LIFE"

25th November 2023

Coimbatore Don Bosco Anbu Illam

Don Bosco Anbu Illam had organized a Children's Day program by conducting a conference on "Healthy Mind, Healthy Life" on November 25, 2023, at the Nirmala College campus. To highlight the theme of the conference during the inaugural session, the dignitaries released a dignitaries released a printed poster of the theme. Nearly 1200 (thousand and two hundred) 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students from fifteen (15) schools in Coimbatore participated and benefited a lot from this conference.



Salem Don Bosco Anbu Illam

Salem Don Bosco Anbu Illam orchestrated a joyous celebration in honor of Children's Day, extending its festivities to children residing in shelter homes, evening centers, and schools. This uplifting event spanned from November 13th to November 17th, 2023, unfolding at their respective locations. The festivities encompassed a diverse array of competitions. Impressively, a total of 1400 children from 45 villages, along with 304 schoolchildren, enthusiastically engaged in these festivities.



Namakkal Don Bosco Anbu Illam

A week-long competition was organized for the children of the Evening Study Center, as well as the sheltered children from Namakal Don Bosco Anbu Illam and St. Xavier's Children's Home. The event took place from November 9th to November 14th, 2023. Various competitions, including essay writing, poem writing, drawing, mono-act, mime, and Thirukural recitation, were conducted for these children. 102 children actively participated. A session on mental health, conducted by Ms. Archana from DMHP Namakkal, was also part of the event.



Tiruppur - Marialaya

The event took place on November 19th at Marialaya, Tiruppur, where approximately 300 children were transported via separate buses from villages. Children from various villages showcased cultural programs such as dance, speeches, songs, and dramas. The event concluded with a special lunch for all attendees.



Covai- Marialaya

The event was held on November 21, 2023, in Marialaya, Coimbatore, and was attended by nearly 120 children from the Marialaya shelter home and children from evening study centers. Competitions were held for different grade groups, and prizes were awarded. As a token, each child received a rose sapling, funded by Equitas Bank and the Coimbatore Rotary Club.



AWARENESS PROGRAMME FOR CHILDREN AND WOMEN ON “HEALTHY MIND, HEALTHY LIFE”

Session on Goal Setting, Substance prevention & Stress management:

187 students from Classes 10 and 11 at Presentation Convent participated in a dynamic three-hour workshop focused on goal setting, substance prevention, and stress management. The session was highly interactive, allowing students to actively engage with the material and benefit from practical exercises and discussions. By addressing these important topics, students gained valuable insights and skills to navigate their academic and personal lives more effectively. With a focus on empowerment and well-being, the workshop aimed to equip students with the tools they need to thrive both now and in the future.



Session on Stress Management:

This empowering workshop aimed to equip participants with practical tools to navigate life's challenges with resilience and calm. Throughout the session, attendees engaged in interactive discussions, learning various stress reduction techniques tailored to their needs and lifestyles. From mindfulness exercises to time management strategies, each participant discovered personalized approaches to alleviate stress and promote well-being. Additionally, the initiative extended its reach to the Shelter Children of Covai Marialaya, sensitizing around 30 young girls to the importance of stress management.



Session Social Media - Boone Or Bane

In an engaging session held at Singanallur Corporation School, 85 bright young minds from classes 7th and 8th embarked on a thought-provoking journey to dissect the complexities of social media. Through interactive discussions and real-life examples, the children explored the positive aspects of social media, such as connectivity, information sharing, and creative expression. They also examined its negative impacts, including cyberbullying, addiction, and privacy concerns.



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Children Parliament Meeting

Children within the community engaged in discussions concerning various topics such as education, health, sanitation, and sports, as well as expressed their concerns regarding protection during Children's Parliament meetings. These sessions aimed to equip them with the skills necessary to organize such meetings, fostering leadership qualities from an early age.



YaR SEMINAR & HLK DISCUSSION

20th to 23rd September 2023

A YaR Seminar was held on the national YaR theme “Healthy Mind, Healthy Life” at Chennai Provincial House from September 20th to 23rd, 2023. All the Hub Coordinators and Directors from all YaR centers at the national level took part in the event. During the seminar campaign, posters were released by all the participants.

There was also discussion on the new the new Homelink web tool. We had a virtual meeting with the Eliat team and discussed the process undergone in the development of modules. All the hub coordinators were trained on designing tools.



CAPACITY BUILDING TRAINING & LAUNCH OF HOMELINK DIGI

17th to 19th January 2024

In January, a three-day training program was conducted by the National Team on Homelink Digi, spanning from the 17th to the 19th. The training focused on familiarizing all hub coordinators with the functionalities of the new web tool, Homelink Digi. During the program, a panel discussion was held wherein hub coordinators elucidated the new features and advantages of Homelink Digi to all other participants. The culmination of the event occurred on the final day with a website launch program followed by a concluding session.




HOMELINK DIGI

Data Intelligence for Global Interface

Introduced new upgraded web tool HOMELINK DIGI

Homelink DIGI (Data Intelligence for Global Interface) is a digital platform that streamlines micro-studies, data-driven, decision-making and research and promotes networks for proficiency, publication and enhances services with the following features.

- Web Application
- Mobile Application
- Instant Reporting
- Customizable Tools
- Facial Recognition



MOBILE APP

The mobile application comes with a data entry feature and assists in monitoring and live reporting, making it easily accessible and instantly available for Data accountability.


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DON BOSCO NATIONAL FORUM FOR THE YOUNG AT RISK

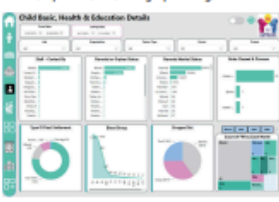
Don Bosco National Forum for the Young at Risk (DB YaR Forum), India, has been a registered organization since 2002. Its mission is for reflection, sharing, and coordination among those involved in serving children and young people at risk in South Asia. It aims to network with like-minded groups, civil society, government and non-governmental organizations to influence policies related to children and youth at the state, national, and international levels.



Homelink Network is an ongoing initiative started by DB YaR Forum in 2002 to ensure appropriate, timely and real-time monitoring and predictive intervention planning, enabling organizations to respond effectively to evolving scenarios for the needs of Young People at Risk based on accurate documentation and data analysis. It aims to establish a culture of data-informed management and intervention planning supported by the best technologies and practices. It has more than 90 partners.

POWER BI REPORTS

A Power BI report is a multi-perspective pictorial report that presents various information and findings through charts and graphs. It offers clear visual insights that aid in understanding data, ensuring the effectiveness of service execution with comprehensive strategic planning.



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OBJECTIVES

- Systematically documenting the information, processes and workflow of the organizations.
- Data-led intervention planning in organizations.
- Developing a data-driven childcare system through documentation, research and networking.
- Data-driven advocacy and engagement with stakeholders and government on issues of children, young adults, etc.
- Harnessing current advances in digital technologies in the service of the work with Young at Risk.

INSTITUTIONS WHO CAN USE

- After Care
- Children Home
- Counselling
- Day Care
- De-Addiction
- Differently Aabled
- Fit Institution
- HIV/AIDS Affected
- HIV/AIDS Infected
- Hostel
- Leprosy Centre
- Life Skills
- Migrants
- Observation Home
- Old Age Home
- Open Shelter
- Place of Safety
- Reception Unit
- Special Home
- Suadhar Greh
- Study Centre
- VTC / ITC

WHO CAN BENEFIT?

Government
Project Management Team

Non-government organizations
Stakeholders (Police, CWC, JJB, DCPU, etc.)

Donor Agencies
(International, National, State, District, Administration)

BENEFITS OF HOMELINK DIGI


- Single & Multiple Users
- Comprehensive Documentation
- Digital Tracking
- Unlimited Storage
- Data Privacy & Security
- Quick & Easy Access
- Paperless & Eco-Friendly
- Data Analysis & Research
- Increased Productivity & Efficiency

COMPONENTS OF HOMELINK DIGI

- Child Profile (SIR & ICP)
- Call & Rescue
- After-care / Foster Care
- Staff / Volunteers Info
- Sponsorship
- Organization / Centre
- Events & Projects
- Services & Follow-up
- Group / Club / Caring Community
- Missing Children: Track & Trace

SERVICES

- Achievement
- Advocacy
- Camps
- Counselling
- De-Addiction
- Education
- HIV/AIDS
- Home Enquiry
- Home Visit
- Hostel/Boarding
- Intervention
- Job Placement
- Medical
- Parent Visit
- Post Restoration
- Room Placements
- Savings
- Scout & Guide
- Special Service
- Sports
- Visit to Family
- Vocational





HOMELINK DIGI PROMOTION

INT Province Silver Jubilee Symposium

As a component of the promotion campaign for the newly upgraded web tool, Homelink DIGI, the Coimbatore hub actively participated in the INT Province Silver Jubilee Symposium held on February 15th at Alaihal Media College, Trichy. During the event, the team delivered a presentation highlighting the advanced features of Homelink DIGI. Approximately 250 members, including directors, staff, and members of Don Bosco Centers from Trichy and Chennai Province, as well as Marialaya sisters, were in attendance at the symposium.



Meeting with, Provincial of Trichy Province

Following the Homelink Digi Presentation at the INT Silver Jubilee Symposium, a meeting was held with Rev. Fr. Agilan, Provincial of Trichy Province, during his visit to Don Bosco Anbu Illam on March 7th, 2024. Discussions centered around the implementation of Homelink Digi in the INT province. An appointment was secured for an online meeting with all Yar directors to further discuss the strategy for implementing the upgraded documentation tool.





OTHER REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Homelink Annual Activity Report & Social Audit Tool Presentation in INT Yar Sector Meeting

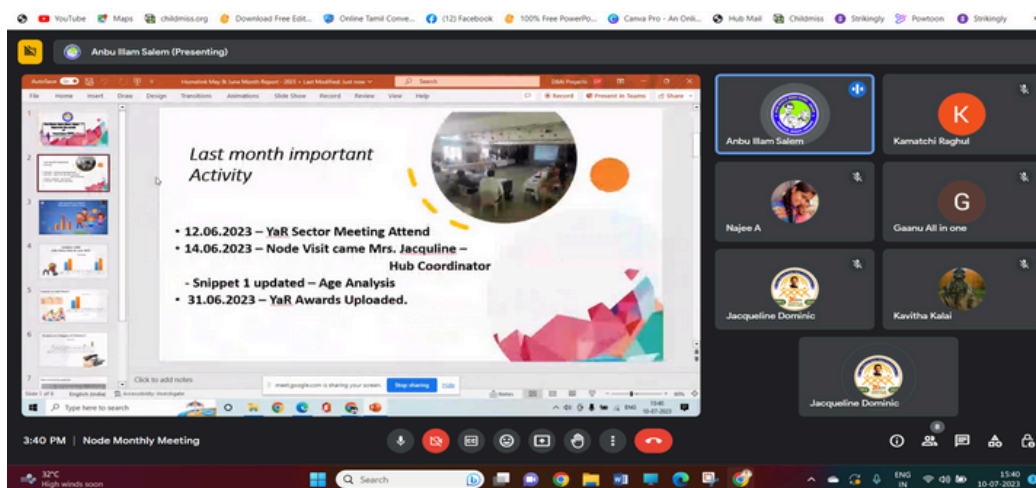
As the new academic year commences, the annual YaR Sector Meeting is convened in INT Province, serving as a platform to review the accomplishments of the past year and strategize for the upcoming one. At this year's gathering, the Hub Coordinator took the opportunity to deliver a comprehensive presentation on the status of documentation standards at YaR Centers over the preceding year.



Furthermore, the meeting provided an opportunity to introduce the Social Audit Tool to all node directors. The purpose was to familiarize them with the process of social auditing and equip them with the necessary knowledge to navigate forthcoming audits effectively. To this end, specific dates for audits at each center were established, ensuring ample time for preparation and readiness to address any audit-related queries or concerns.

Online Monthly Meetings for Node Staff

Monthly meetings conducted online aimed to assess the report quality and provide instructions for upcoming month activities. During these sessions, the Node data entry staff presented their monthly activity reports, including the number of data entries made, analysis reports presented through graphs and charts, and updates on other office tasks completed. This presentation format proved beneficial for sharing knowledge and fostering mutual learning among the node staff, aiding in their professional development and presentation skills. 12 node visits were completed from April 2023 to March 2024.



Node Monitoring Visitation

Regular monitoring of the nodes under the Coimbatore hub was conducted to track web tool usage. The review encompassed both the quality and quantity of the data, ensuring that all organizational activities, including services to children, were comprehensively documented in the web tool. During these monitoring visits, the data entry staff received motivation and encouragement to consistently input data. Any uncertainties regarding the tool's modules were clarified, and technical issues, if identified, were promptly resolved with the assistance of the national team. Additionally, hands-on training was provided to the staff on report generation and snippet preparation to enhance their proficiency in utilizing the tool effectively.



Online & Offline Trainings for Nodes

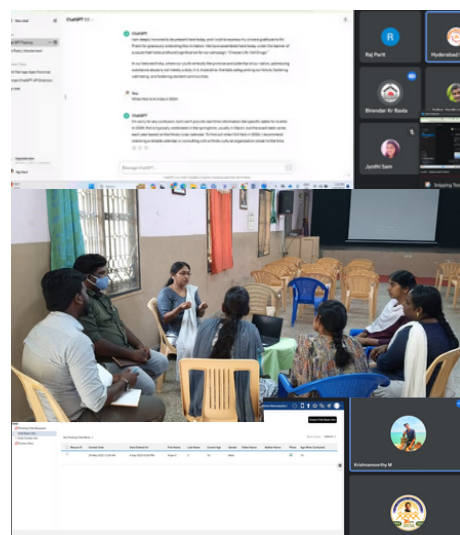
Capacity of the Node staff was improved through trainings on various tools like

- CANVA designing tool
- Pick to Chart – Infographic Report preparation
- Report generation from ChildMISS
- Snippet Training
- Annual Report preparation

Training on Chat GPT

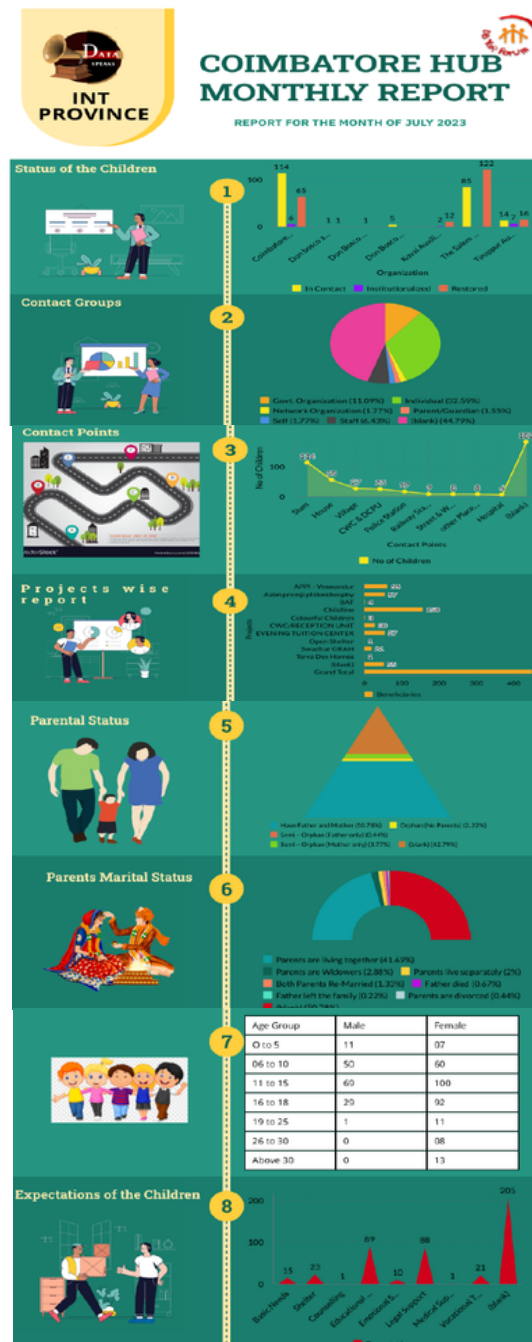
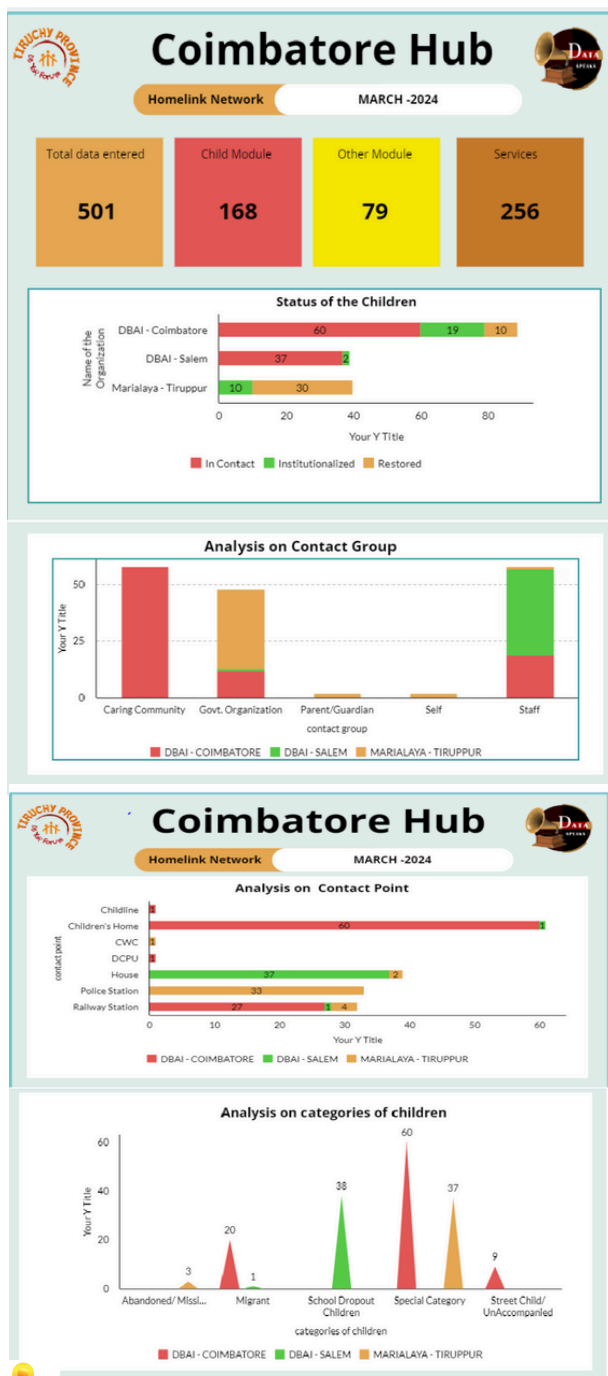
Node follow up:

In addition to direct visits and online meetings, follow-ups with Node staff were conducted through phone calls and WhatsApp groups. These communication methods were utilized to share information received from the national office and provide instructions regarding the completion of tasks.



Infographic Report

Infographic reports are prepared every month, and they are shared with all the node directors and staff to make them visible in the data entry status of their own organization and the standard of data entered by their staff. Through the sharing of informational reports with all the node directors, they compare their organization with other organizations and encourage their staff to make entries regularly. The gaps in the data entered were also noticed by the directors, and accordingly, they intervened with the concern staff.



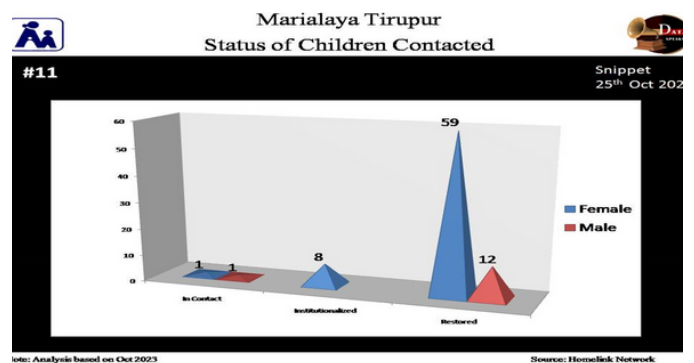
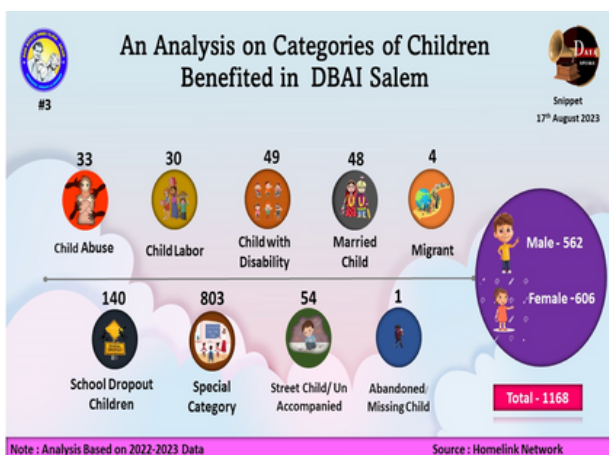
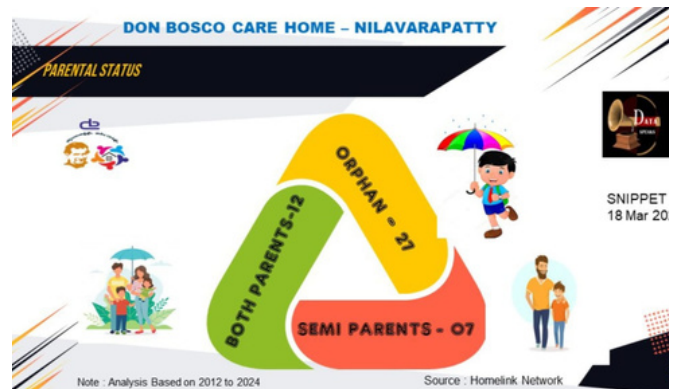
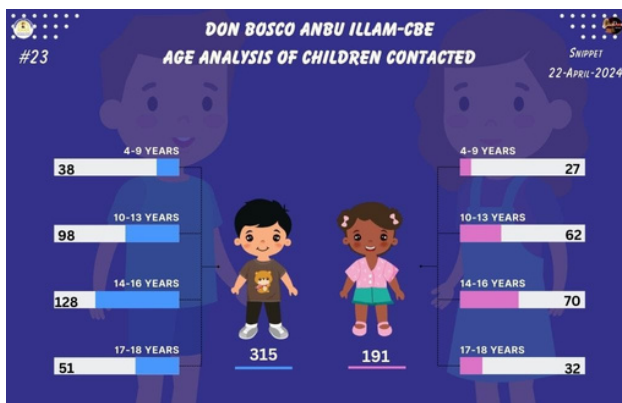
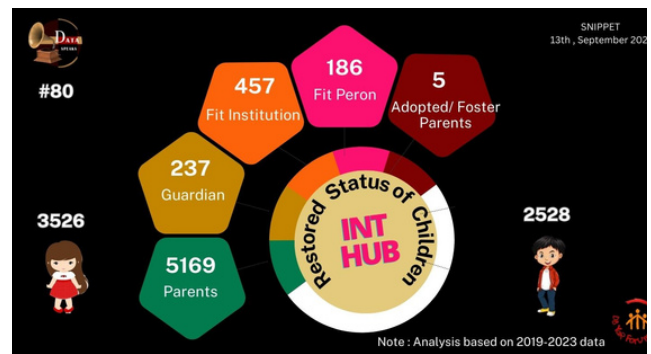
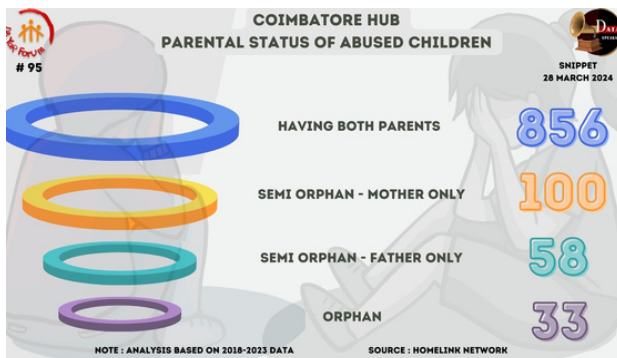
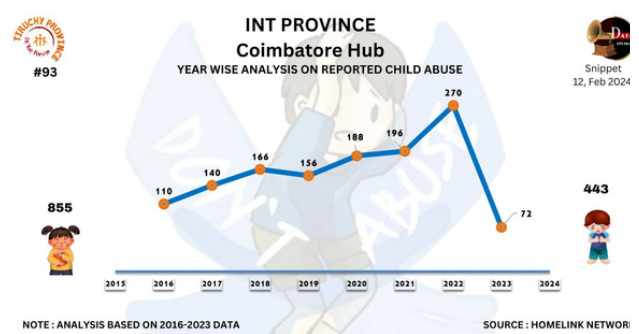
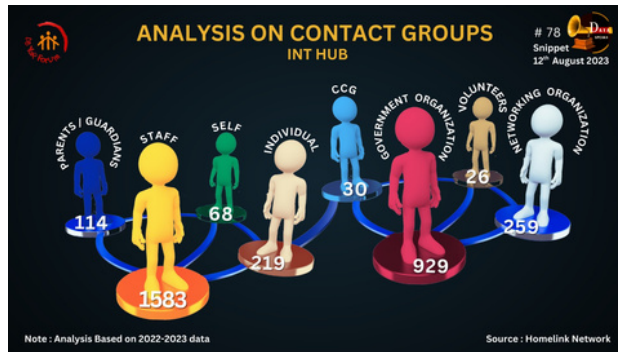
Snippets

Snippets are the diagrammatic representation of huge data, which provides a brief representation or summary of data to convey key information on services rendered to vulnerable children from each center. Node-level and hub-level snippets are prepared and shared to increase the visibility of services tailored to children. Around 43 JPG and video snippets were prepared in the years 2023–2024.

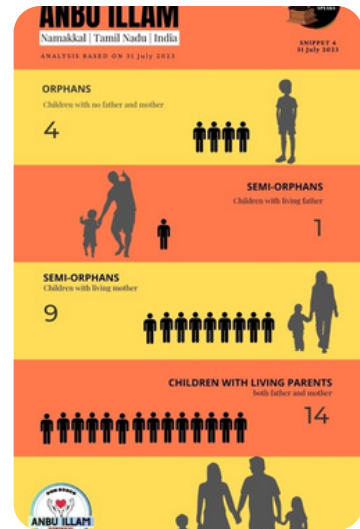
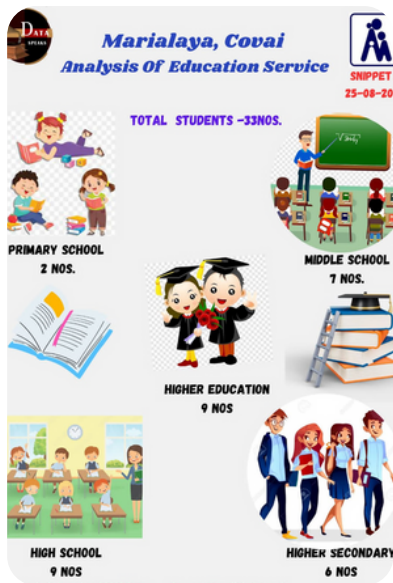
Training on Canva designing tool , helped all the node staff to prepare snippets in a professional way.

Name of the Organization	Hub/ Node Snippets		Total
	JPG	Video	Total
Coimbatore Hub	5	7	12
DBAI - Coimbatore	6	1	7
DBAI - Salem	2	0	2
DBAI - Namakkal	4	0	4
DB Care Home - Nilavarapatty	2	0	2
Don Bosco Nest - Tiruppur	0	0	0
Marialaya - Covai	4	2	6
Marialaya - Tiruppur	8	2	10
Total	31	12	43

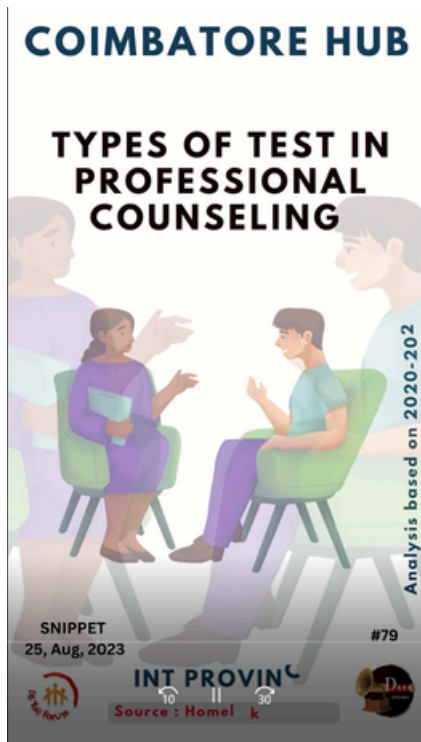
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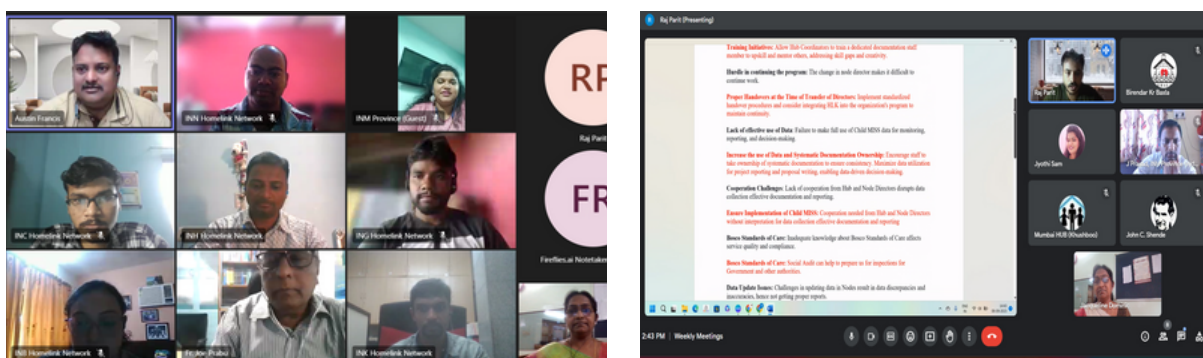
Video Snippets



Hub Monthly & Bi Weekly Meetings with National Team

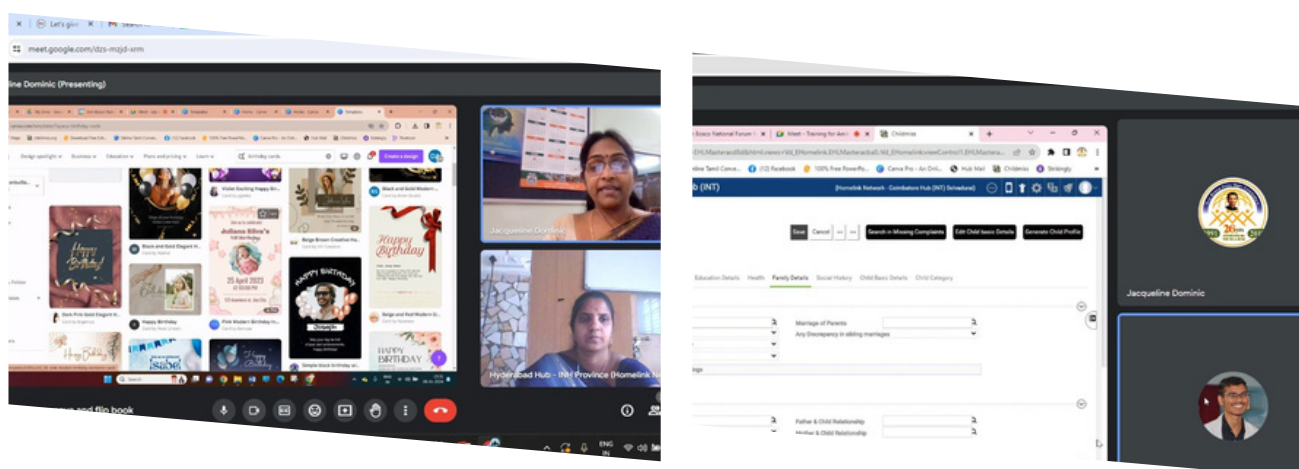
Every month, the hub coordinators actively participated and delivered presentations during the Monthly Hub Meeting organized by the national team. They share updates on the hub's data entry status, analysis reports, snippets, details of meetings and training sessions conducted, and any other notable achievements within the group. This collaborative approach ensures effective communication and information sharing among the team members.

Four biweekly meetings were held to share instructions about the tasks that needed to be completed on specified dates and also to update the daily track sheet and track sheet, which were also monitored by the national team.



Training for Newly Appointed Hub Coordinators

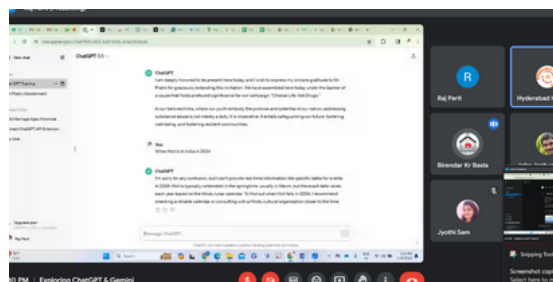
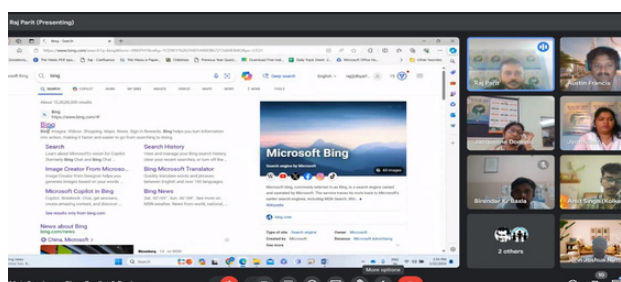
Each hub coordinator is tasked with training newly appointed hub coordinators on various modules. For instance, the INT Hub Coordinator conducted training sessions for Ms. Swarna Gowri, the newly appointed Hub Coordinator for the Hyderabad Hub, and Mr. Amit for the Kolkata Hub. The training focused on the Child Module, covering family and social history, child categories, the Clubs module, JPG and video snippet preparation, as well as training on Canva, a design tool.



CAPACITY BUILDING TRAININGS FOR THE HUB COORDINATORS

Training on AI Tools

Artificial intelligence (AI) is rapidly becoming indispensable in our daily lives. This swift technological progress underscores the critical need to integrate AI education to ensure everyone is equipped for future workforce demands. As Hub Coordinators transition towards advanced technology, it has become essential for them to familiarize themselves with AI tools. The National Team has taken the initiative to train coordinators on several AI tools, including Copilot, Designer, and Chat GPT.



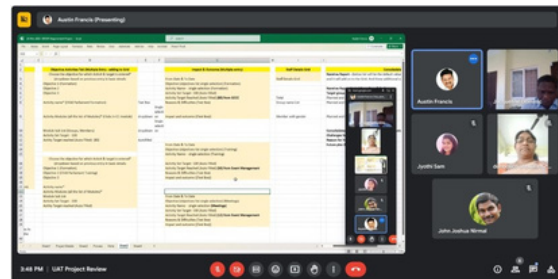
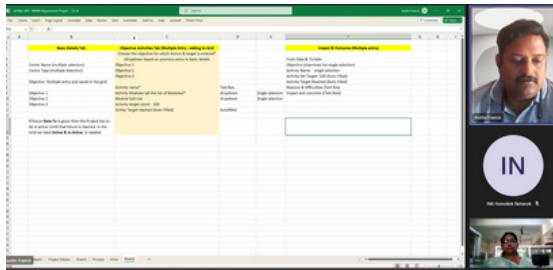
Training on Children Parliament:

The Children's Parliament aims to create a platform where children's voices are heard, respected, and considered in matters that impact their lives, promoting a more inclusive and participatory approach to governance and social change. Thus, to make all the hub coordinators aware of this forum and also to create awareness about children's parliament and to develop leadership qualities among children, an online training on children's parliament was conducted by INT Hub coordinator Ms. Jacqueline for all the other hub coordinators to share knowledge and implement the program in the other centers in their respective places by educating children about democratic processes, rights, and responsibilities.

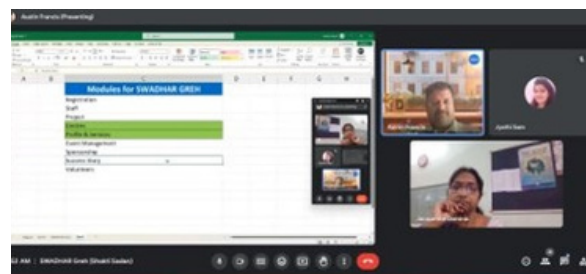
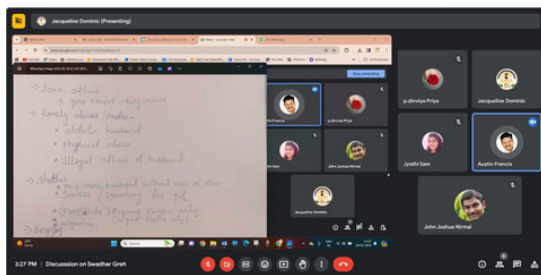


Discussion on Narrative and Quantitative Report for a Project

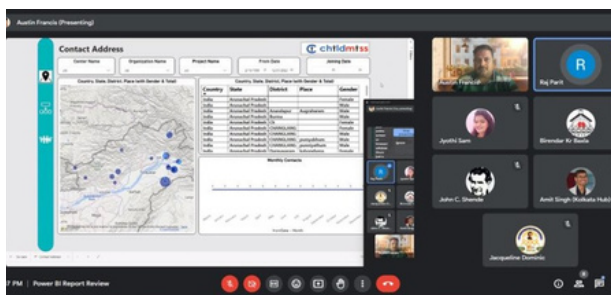
There was discussion on the components needed for a narrative and quantitative report for a project and a virtual meeting with Fr. Amalorpavaraj, Director of the INT Development Office, to incorporate the project quantitative and narrative report into Homelink DIGI."



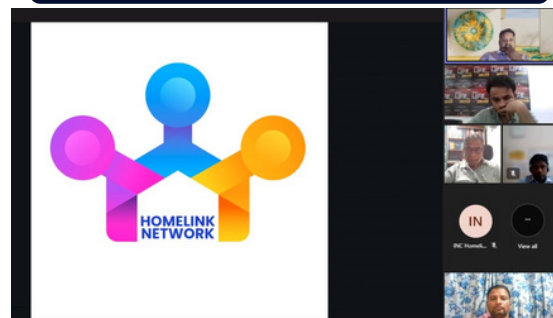
Discussion on Inclusion of Swadhar Greh Centre in Homelink DIGI



Discussion on Power BI Report Generation



Meeting on Homelink Logo Designing



Discussion on Homelink DIGI Broucher

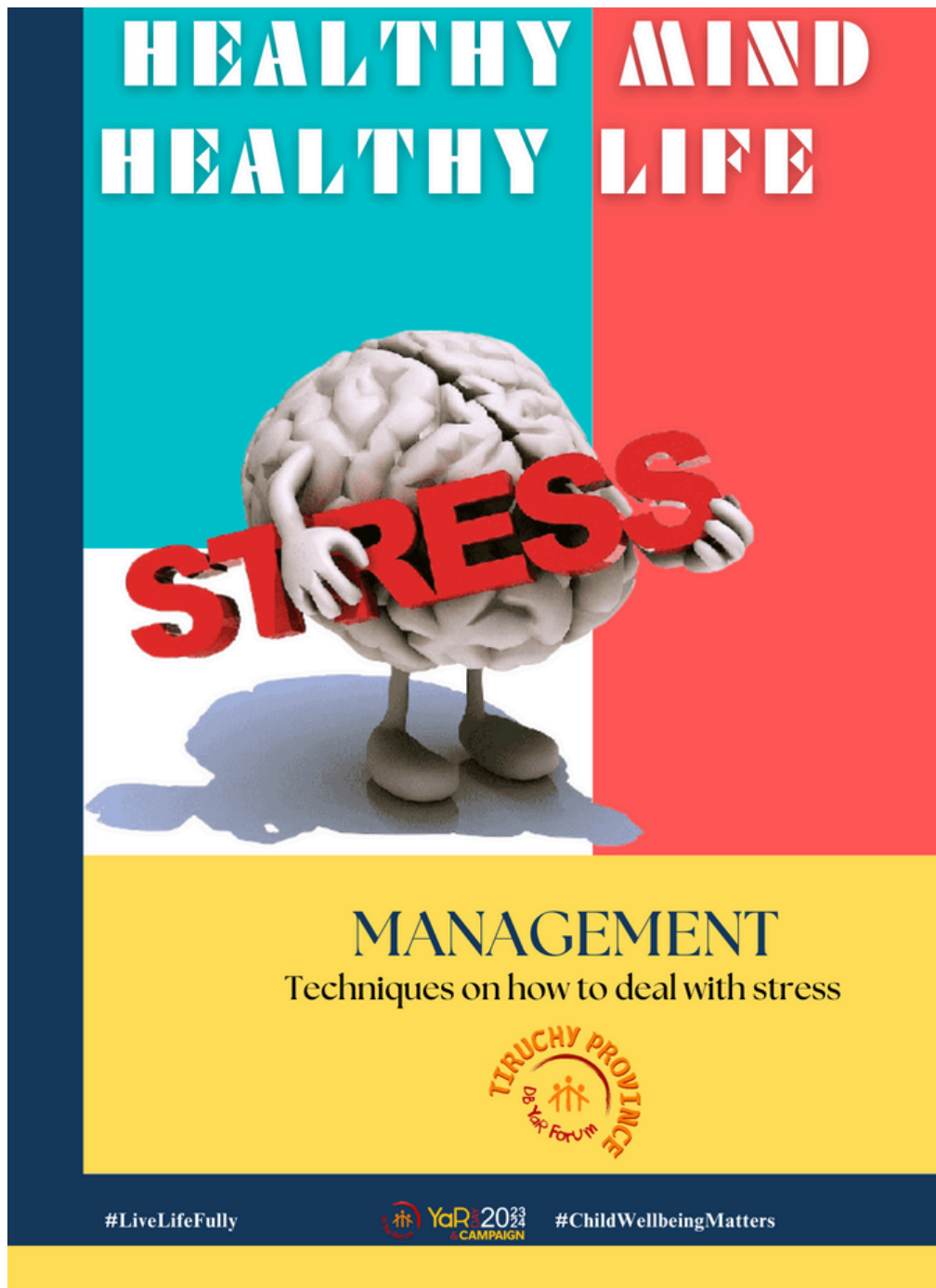




PUBLICATIONS

DIGITAL PUBLICATIONS

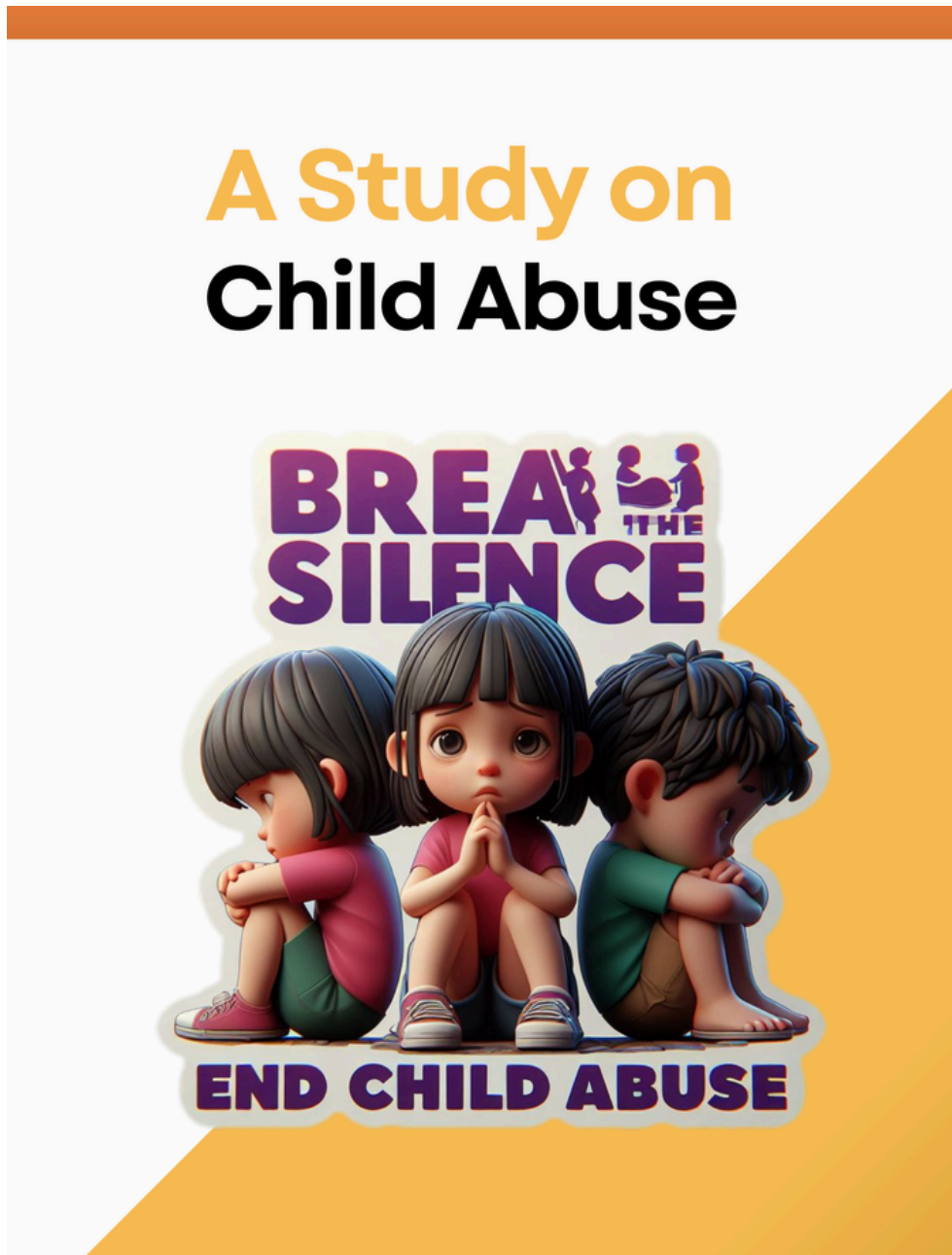
Flip Book on Stress Management



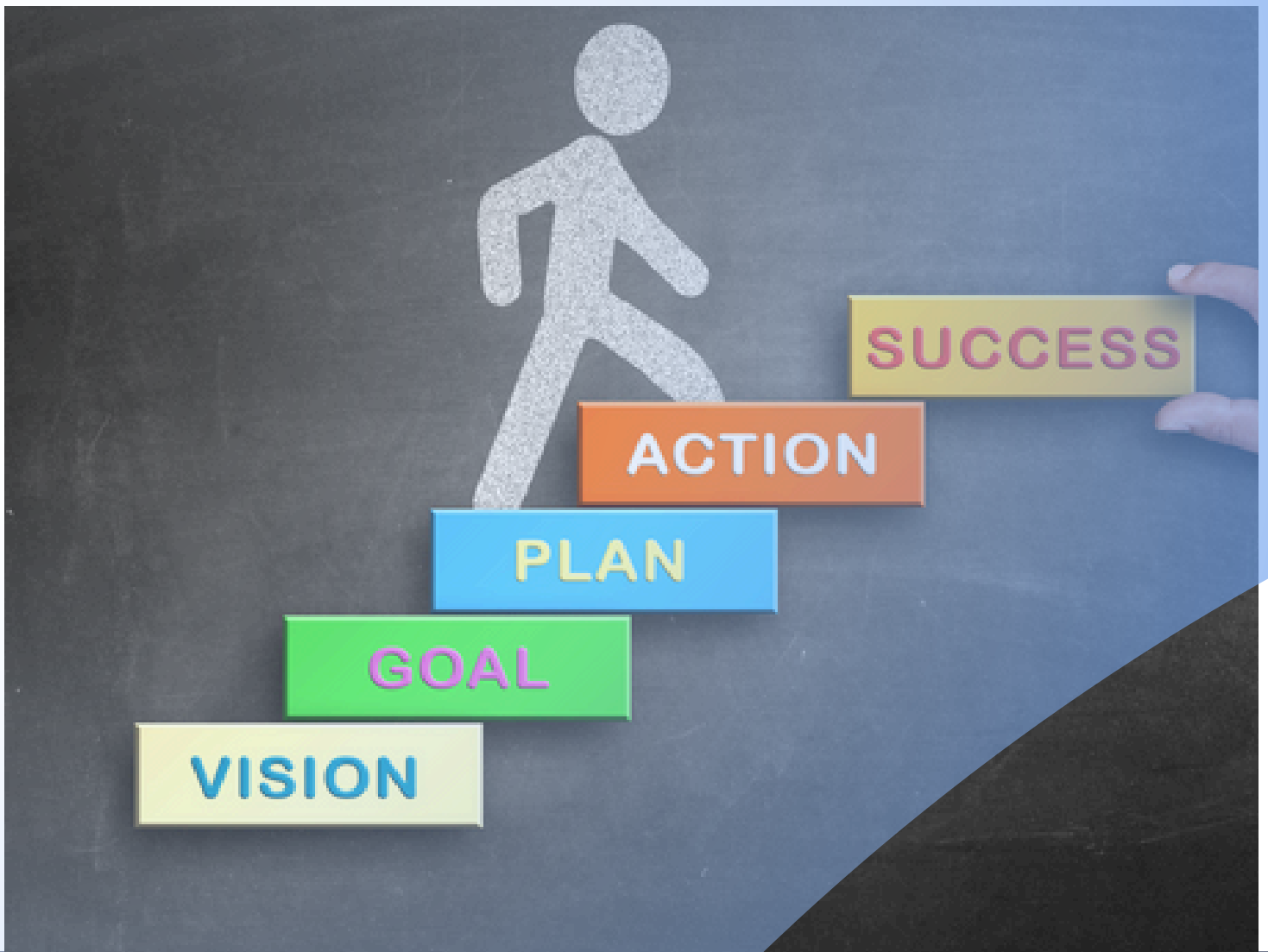
Each year, all Hub coordinators within the Homelink network release flip books covering diverse topics. This year, aligned with the YaR Campaign's theme "Healthy Mind, Healthy Life," hub coordinators have selected topics highlighting different aspects and impacts of mental health and life. The INT Hub released a flip book specifically focused on stress management, providing recommendations to help individuals overcome stress.

PRINTED PUBLICATIONS

Mini Research on Child Abuse



Homelink Network has embarked on a mini-research initiative exploring various child issues using available data within its network. This effort underscores the belief that even small-scale research can yield significant benefits, such as addressing children's needs based on empirical evidence. Findings from such research can strengthen advocacy efforts and influence policy changes at multiple levels, aiming to enhance child welfare and rights. One notable study conducted by INT Hub for the years 2023–2024 focused on the critical topic of child abuse.



SUCCESS STORY

SUCCESS STORIES

"From Darkness to Light"

Jaya Devi 's Journey of Resilience and Redemption"

I'm Jaya Devi (name changed). I live in the LG Thottam area in Ukkadam, Coimbatore district. My dad works for the corporation, but there's something you should know. He drinks a lot, and it's tough at home. My mom takes care of things, and my grandma is also around. When I was in 6th grade, I dropped out of school because I was hooked on making TikTok videos. It seemed like a fun thing, but it took a toll on me. My parents, who believe in superstitions, thought I was possessed by the devil because I was stressed. They kept me locked in a dark room for two whole years. Nobody knew what was happening, and my relatives and neighbors got worried. Despite all that, I kept making videos in that dark room. My long hair was cut off, and my dad didn't seem to care. My mom was too scared to let me out or talk to anyone. I felt trapped. Then, one day, a teacher from Don Bosco Anbu Illam found out about me. Some parents from our neighborhood told her during a meeting. She decided to visit me. She came with my friends and convinced my mom and grandma to let me out. She wanted me to go back to school.



I was scared to face people after being locked away for so long, but the teacher encouraged me. She promised that my friends wouldn't hurt me. She even asked my friend if she would be friendly and help me catch up with my studies. That gave me courage. My parents agreed to send me back to school, and the teacher and my friends left. The next day, they enrolled me in the 8th grade at the Government High School. Learning wasn't easy at first, but I'm catching up. The teacher still checks on me, and she suggested I join the evening center for extra help with my studies. Now, I'm back in school regularly. My relatives and neighbors are happy to see me out, and they thanked the teacher for helping me. I want to take this chance to thank Don Bosco Anbu Illam and the teacher for being there for me.

DBAI - COIMBATORE

SUCCESS STORIES

From Adversity to Achievement A Journey of Gratitude with Don Bosco Anbu Illam"

My name is Sathya Moorthy, and my journey with Don Bosco began in the year 2006. Raised by my grandparents after the departure of my father and the loss of my mother when I was young, life threw its challenges at me early on. Seeking refuge with my uncle in Coimbatore, I soon found myself unwelcome, and I made the difficult decision to leave.

It was then that fate led me to the doorstep of Childline 1098, where I found not just shelter, but a new family at Don Bosco Anbu Illam. Under the guidance of Director John Darman and Administrator Fr. Ryan, I pursued my education, completing my 10th standard and then venturing into ITI for two years.

But the thirst for knowledge and a desire to achieve more led me to pursue higher secondary education. With the support of Fr. Santhan, I successfully completed my 11th and 12th standards, scoring commendably. Encouraged by Fr. Ryan, I went on to pursue a degree in B.Com CA from a college in Dindigul. After a year of work, I found myself drawn to the field of social work, inspired by my experiences at Anbu Illam. With the help of Father, I pursued and completed my MSW at Bharathiar University. My journey then took me to the Childline project at Don Bosco Anbu Illam, and later to employment at Brookfields Mall during the challenging times of the Covid pandemic.

However, my passion for social work persisted, leading me to PSG Hospital, where I dedicated myself to serving others for over a year. It was during this time that I built strong relationships with foreign volunteers, maintaining connections even after they left India.

Through the generosity and support of one such foreign volunteer, I was offered an internship opportunity at a school in Germany. Don Bosco Anbu Illam paved the way for this incredible opportunity, nurturing and educating me every step of the way. I am forever grateful to the directors, management, and staff of Don Bosco Anbu Illam for their unwavering support and guidance.

As I find myself now in France, embarking on this internship, I am reminded of the profound impact Don Bosco Anbu Illam has had on my life. I carry with me the lessons learned and the values instilled, and I remain in touch with my roots, always welcomed with open arms whenever I visit.

To the foreign volunteers, especially Lara, who facilitated this journey to France, I am deeply thankful. It is through the kindness and opportunities provided by individuals like you that dreams are realized and futures are shaped.



DBAI - Coimbatore



SUCCESS STORIES

"Hope Against the Odds: The Inspiring Journey of M. Sivakumar"

Once upon a time, in a quiet village called Aathur in Salem district, there lived a boy named M. Sivakumar. He faced a big challenge because he got sick with a disease called HIV from his parents, who sadly passed away. Now, he was alone, taken care of by his grandparents.

When he was in the 10th grade, his grandmother found a safe place for him called DB Care Home in 2017. There, he got help with his sickness and a place to live. Despite his struggles, he didn't give up.

Sivakumar worked hard and finished his studies, even earning a degree in B.Com CA. He then got a job at Reliance Smart Bazaar, where he earned Rs. 10,000 a month. But he didn't stop there. He also worked part-time at DB Care Home, helping other children there who needed support.

Now, Sivakumar is a shining example of someone who faced tough times but never lost hope. He teaches us that with determination and kindness, we can overcome any challenge and make a difference in the lives of others.

DB CARE HOME - MOOLAKADU



"Resilience and Redemption: Ajay Kannan's Journey"

Ajay Kannan's journey began at Edapadiyar Anbu Illam, where he struggled to settle in. Discontent, he often attempted to run away until he found himself relocated to the Reception Unit of Don Bosco Anbu Illam. There, he spent eight months before being transferred back to Edapadiyar Anbu Illam to complete his 10th standard education.

Upon finishing his studies, Ajay returned to Don Bosco Anbu Illam Reception Unit. Eventually, with the intervention of the Child Welfare Committee, he was moved to the Children's Home. Determined to improve his prospects, Ajay enrolled in the Government ITI to study COPA (Computer Operator and Programming Assistant).

Having successfully completed his studies, Ajay Kannan now works at Pix Rock VFX Pvt. Ltd. He looks back gratefully on the assistance he received, which enabled him to overcome early challenges and build a promising future for himself.

DBAI - SALEM



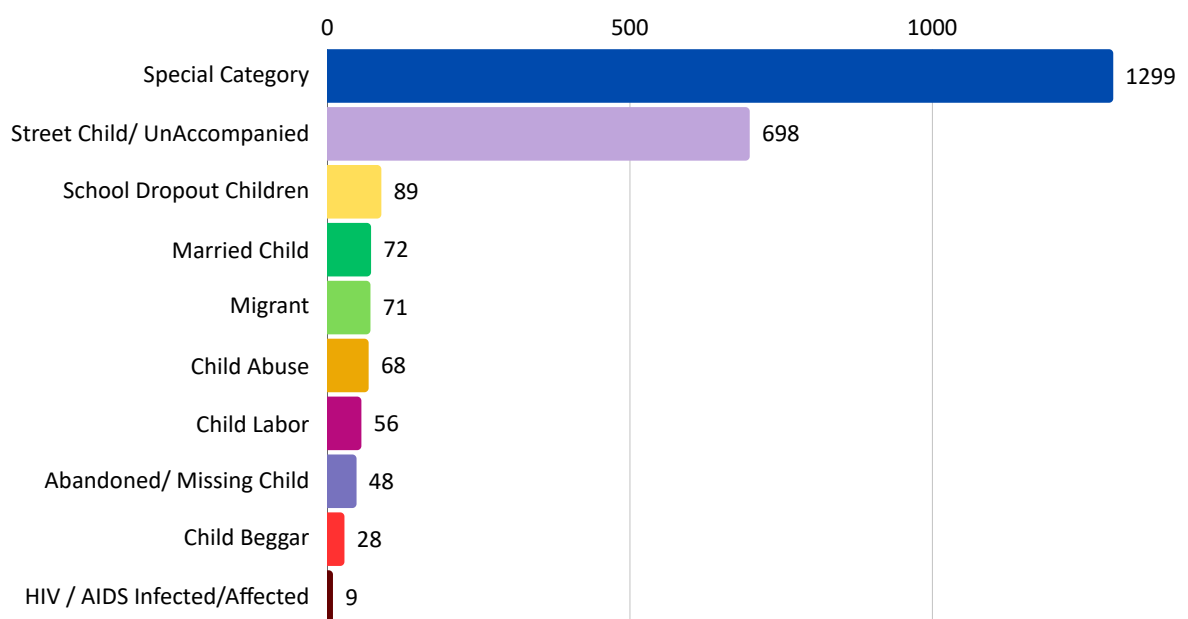
DATA ENTRY STATUS OF INT HUB

APRIL 2023-MARCH 2024

Data Entry Status by Nodes in Child Module

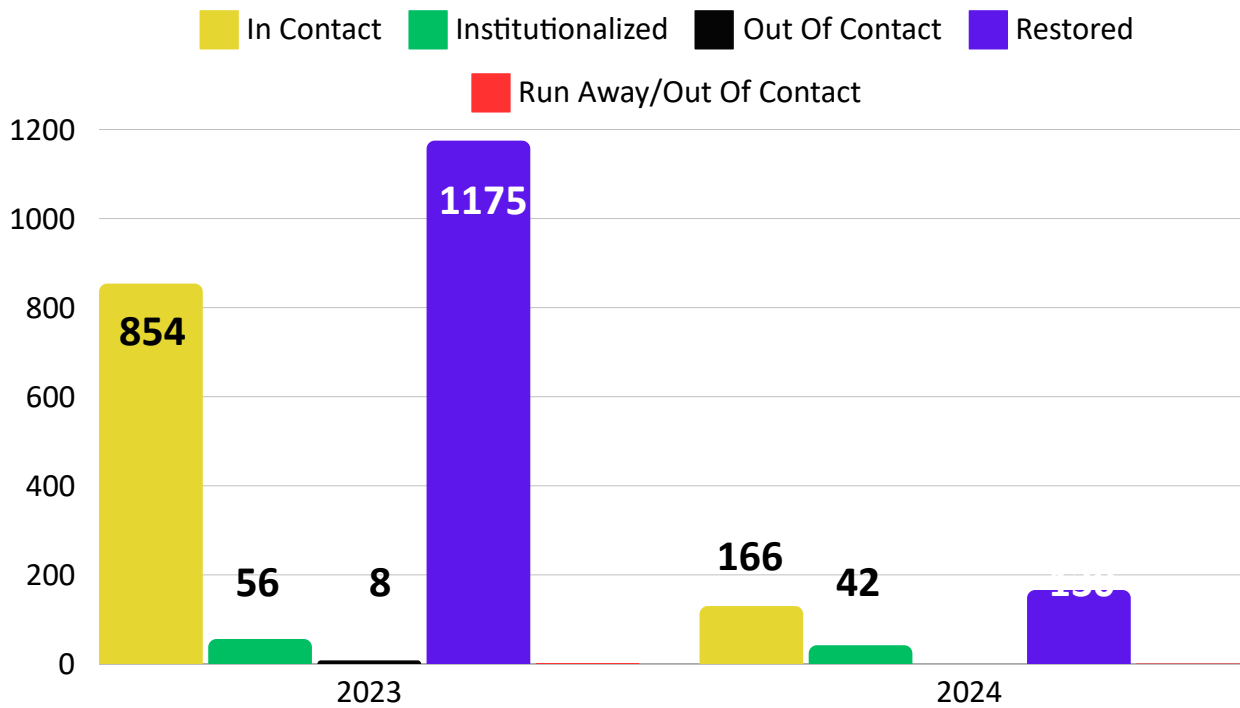
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Coimbatore Don Bosco Anbu Illam Social Service Society	170	296	466
Don bosco anbu illam - Namakkal	0	18	18
Don Bosco Care Home Nilavarapatty	0	8	8
Don Bosco Nest - Tiruppur	13	9	22
Kovai Auxilium Salesian Sisters Society - Marialaya	64	2	66
The Salem Don Bosco Anbu Illam Social Service society	616	579	1195
Tiruppur Auxilium salesian sisters society	491	168	659
Grand Total	1354	1080	2434

Categories of Children



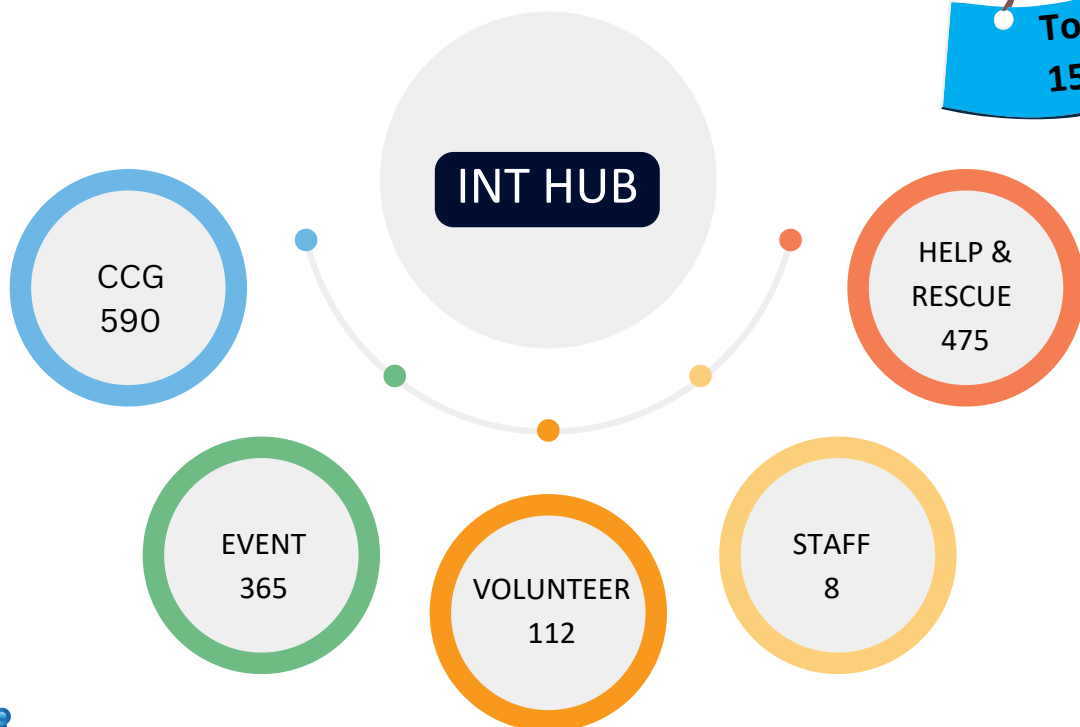
CHILD STATUS

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UTILIZATION OF OTHER MODULES

Total
1550



SERVICES

Total
2881



Counseling
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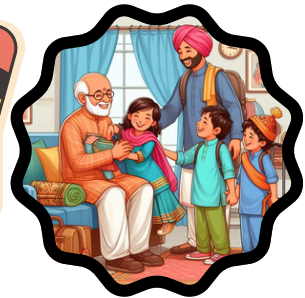
Medical
350



Education
532



Home Visit by Children
274



Parents Visit
763



Vocational Training
64



Future Plan 2024-2025

- To arrange an online meeting with provincial officials to discuss the implementation of Homelink DIGI across all centers.
- To develop a three-year plan (2025-2027) outlining the implementation and sustainability of Homelink across each province."
- To coordinate hub-level training on Homelink DIGI for all nodes within the province
- To organize Node-level training on Homelink DIGI for all nodes within the province
- Promotion of Homelink DIGI for FMA National Youth and Recreation Centres in Wellington, Ooty
- To compile statistical data for the year 2023-2024 from all YaR centres.
- To follow up with all nodes regarding nominations for YaR Awards.
- Promotion of the Homelink DIGI web tool to other NGOs.
- Follow up with all YaR Centres for participation in YaR Campaigns and to organize activities on YaR theme of the year.
- Training and Capacity Building on Artificial Intelligence for Children.
- Homelink Annual Training .





HOMELINK NETWORK

Homelink Network is an ongoing initiative started by DB YaR Forum in 2002, to ensure appropriate, timely and real-time response to the needs of the young at risk, based on accurate documentation and data analysis supported by the best of technologies available today.

WE WORK TOWARDS

- Developing data driven child care system through documentation, research, and networking.
- Systematically documenting the systems, processes, and workflow of the organizations.
- Data led intervention planning in organizations.
- Data driven advocacy and engagement with stakeholders and government on children's issues.
- Harnessing current advances in digital technologies in the service of the work with young at risk.

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