



Foster Care for 100 Orphan children in India



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Executive Summary

YCDA has initiated the Alternatives Form of Child Care programme focusing on care and protection of the children through community based rehabilitation and family focused alternative care arrangements to ensure the best interest of the children since 2007 in Boudh and Bolangir district in the partnership of SKN, The Netherlands. YCDA plays a pioneer role in promoting non-institutional care in the State like Odisha through community centric childcare. I.e. Kinship Care, Foster Care/Group foster Care and independent living.

We are concerned that each child is different and we need to see each as an individual case with distinct life history and a unique set of current circumstances. The fact is that a child has not reached a particular developmental stage that is average for his or her age may be, but is not necessarily an indicator of neglect, trauma or abuse, rather there can be different routes to encourage it and support the development of their potential through a proper plan or individual care plan.

In addition to this, for the proper implementation of the programme, YCDA now is supporting the children with small individual donation



YCDA Foster Care Program.....

“Foster care” where a child stays outside his biological family with the appropriate care, guidance and supports the child is ensured with his/her rights.

“Group Foster Care”: Group Foster is defined, as a family setting where a group of unrelated children are placed with fit facility/parents.

Child Welfare Committee (CWC) and District Child Protection Unit (DCPU) monitor both the arrangements.

YCDA started the Foster care & Group foster care initiative for the first time in the state of Odisha after due lanching of ICPS. The objective of the programme is to provide a temporary, safe, stable and nurturing family life experience for a child when the child’s family is unable to provide. YCDA considers that Foster care is the best option for the family and community to give care and protection

Our Guiding Principle

The two most important attempts such as UNCRC & ICPS serve as a guideline principle for promoting the concept alternative care. United Nations Convention on the Rights to the children states that in order to be able to develop his or her personality fully and harmoniously, a child should grow up in a family environment in an atmosphere of happiness, love and understanding .The integrated Child Protection scheme in its guiding principle mention that institutionalization of children have to be treated as the last resort as there is a need to shift the focus of interventions.

who need of care and protection and the care arrangement is the most beneficial and desirable environment for the healthy growth and development of a children.

During the implementation of family based care arrangement YCDA has been rehabilitated the more than 500 CNCP in Foster care and Group foster care arrangement as per the best interest of the child.

YCDA Support System during the Period:

★ Need Based Support:

To assess the development of supported children, YCDA staffs visited all 100 children along with a structured tool Village Child Protection Committee, particular child and community participated in the process. It helped the team learn the impact of support, challenges, and thereafter take appropriate action. 100 children were assessed to continue to get need based kind support. A family's situation is reviewed quarterly and an action plan is made as per their need. Children need various types of necessary support for survival, such as foodpackets , health care, educational materials ,clothes, shoes, psychosocial support and economic self-sufficiency. During the period, Medicine support, Education study materials, school bags, tuition fees, food packets, dresses, and sweaters has been provided as per need supported all 100 children.



★ Family Visit & Counselling Support:

100 Children are getting the counseling support in regular basis, the individual counseling impacts on the children resulted to make the children regular in school and helps the children to come out from the depression& traumatic situation. Follow up visit and monitoring is the major part of the program to strengthen the system. The social worker regularly visits the children, care givers and counseled them. All the 100 children are in family based care. The social worker supervised their academic progress records and discusses with the parents. The children are going to schools and tuition regularly. During the visit various challenges are identified and prepared the safety majors.



★ Family strengthening /Capacity building Support



Family strengthening is the major part to bring sustainable changes of the foster family and child. The social worker visits the family regularly and in order to strengthen the capacity of the families helps to avail the benefit from govt. schemes. During the period 65 nos. of families have been linked in IAY, Old age, Widow Pension schemes, CWWB and availed it. For family strengthening programme YCDA provide revolving fund support to run the income generation activities. During the period 43 nos. of families have been supported by revolving fund for income generating activities like Vegetable cultivation,

Vendoring, Poultry, Puja shop, Rice processing, Grocery shop etc. which can allow the families to earn additional income. Staffs visit to the family and giving the hand holding support for taking forward the

Income generation activities and bank linkages for the socio economic development of the families. It also generates interest on the savings for the children.

★ Celebrate “Joy of giving”:-India's Festival of Giving and Joy...

There are a lot of things in the world that can make us smile but nothing beats the invaluable joy of making someone happy.

YCDA in collaboration with Centurion University & Local Community celebrated Festival of Giving & Joy in Joy of Giving week on 6th October 2018 with an objective to Celebrate success and spread joy and happiness with the message of an act of giving & evoking that the happiness not only gives happy to the receivers but it gives much happy to the givers as “The Power of Giving is greater than Joy of Receiving” and preach “Every child has a right to a loving and caring family”



It is a cause for children in need through wish tree. Wish Tree is literally a Wish Fulfilling tree to fulfill the wishes of Children. In this programme, JITM, Balangir ,Sarpanch& Local community, Boudh came forward for donation drive for this cause. They have distributed **200** nos. of wishes given by children. Children were spreading happiness through putting happy dots.

★ Celebrating Children Festival

Children’s Festival is a day for children to get together in a child fenvironment where they enjoy fun together, do things together and share their new experience with each other. The Children Festival “Patangi”, 2018 has been organized in Baunsuni ,Boudh by YCDA, Odisha

The objective of the programme is to create a platform for the children to show their potentiality. More than 500 children were participated in various events during the programme. During the programme children played a role play focusing on Swatch Bharat Mission. Children festival is especially for children where the children ensure the Right of participation. The whole events was organized and presented by children only. The festival is unique in its celebration of cultural diversity with a spectacular non-stop entertainment program performed by the children from different blocks of Boudh district.

I am thankful to YCDA & Global Giving Supporters as it showed me the right direction to build my future. Once upon a time I was irregular in school but today I am continuing plus-III and am confident of doing something remarkable in life. I have dared to reach my goal of becoming a police officer as because of your continuous support. I am sure that my dream will come true some day.



**Thanks to Supporters &
Global giving to bring hope to our
life...**

**Let’s join hands
To ensure every child live in a
loving and caring family**