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CHANGE IN ACTION

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ENSURING IMPACT THAT EMPOWERS

PROJECTS - BRIEF AND REACH

- The cradle to career approach forms the basis of all our projects, and is based on six pillars: early childhood education, remedial learning / tuitions, health & nutrition, mental health, digital literacy and career development.
- The computer literacy program impacts more than 1500 students. This initiative has been preceded with quality teacher training.

CHAHAK Bindapur

A brief: Following a comprehensive survey of Bindapur's J J Colony, inhabited by vegetable/fruit sellers and daily wage earners, we identified a significant gap in kindergarten facilities. In April 2023, we joined hands with Kriti Foundation and secured premises to initiate this center.

This project focuses on guiding and preparing children, aged 3–6, for admission into regular schools. In addition, computer literacy is also being offered for children of the community. In fact, the center hosts a well equipped computer lab. In addition, we also actively encourage families to recognize the importance of education, health, and hygiene, through workshops.

CH serves more than 300 students via this center

Number of students availing ECE: 115; Remedial Learning & Tuitions: 170; Computer Literacy: 28

CHAHAK Vikaspuri

A brief: The residents of Vikaspuri camps are chiefly rickshaw pullers, daily wagers and their families. Within the community there stands a dire need for early childhood education, in order to prepare children, aged 3–6, for formal schooling.

Focus is also placed on health & nutrition, covering physical, mental and emotional health, and computer literacy. Generation of awareness amongst families is critical, and covers important subjects like the need for education, health and hygiene etc.

CH serves 200 plus students in this center

Number of students undergoing ECE: 114; Remedial Learning & Tuitions: 92; Computer Literacy: 13

MCD schools

A brief: The Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) runs 1,500+ primary schools in Delhi, serving over 700,000 students. In November 2024, CH collaborated with The Education Alliance (TEA) for implementing the Early Childhood Education pillar in three MCD schools - Malviya Nagar, Vinod Nagar and Mandawali.

We serve 700+ students across the three MCD schools through ECE and computer classes.

"I've been teaching for nearly eight years now, and it has been one of the most deeply fulfilling journeys of my life. There is something profoundly meaningful about helping children grasp the basics, watching their confidence grow as their foundations strengthen. What moves me most is not just their academic progress, but the transformation in their belief in themselves."

- K.P. Jurgan, Teacher



IMPACT

CHAHAK Bindapur and CHAHAK Vikaspuri

- In the end-of-year ECE assessment conducted during March 2026, both centers demonstrated excellent performance. CH-Vikaspuri achieved an average development score of **88.50%**, while CH-Bindapur attained an impressive average development score of **93.90%**.
- Students have been showing growth in all four areas of development: **physical, cognitive, social emotional learning and language**.
- In Remedial learning, compared with ASER data on grade-level performance, **there has been a nearly eightfold improvement in Math competency and a threefold increase in English proficiency**.

"My son loves to attend school...not only because he has made a number of friends here, but also because teachers at CHAHAK are caring...they understand the child and his or her way of learning, very well...children don't feel overwhelmed...they are taught via play, encouraging recall.

In case of any challenges, all stakeholders are invited to find a joint solution, even if it is something as simple as completing homework. My child is treated like their own, which makes all the difference." - a Parent

MCD schools - Malviya Nagar, Mandawali and Vinod Nagar

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At the PTS Colony Centre in Malviya Nagar, Shivanshi, a visually impaired nursery student, has made inspiring progress through the dedicated support of a Children's Hope teacher. Once hesitant and dependent on others, she now actively participates in classroom activities, engages with peers, and eagerly joins songs, storytelling, and tactile learning sessions.*

Through personalized guidance, inclusive teaching practices, and a nurturing environment, the teacher helped Shivanshi build confidence, independence, and a sense of belonging. Today, her curiosity, enthusiasm, and active participation reflect the transformative power of individualized support and inclusive education.

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"Working in early childhood education with Children's Hope India has shown me how powerful the earliest years truly are. As a Program Manager, I've witnessed how the right support, care, and stimulation can shape not just a child's learning journey, but their confidence and future. Every small milestone feels like a big step toward lasting change."

Diksha Mehta, Program Manager - Early Childhood Education



SPOTLIGHT

She Shine: Empowering Girls. Empowering Futures

The launch of **She Shine** at CHAHAK centers in Vikaspuri and Bindapur in January 2026 marked a meaningful step toward empowering adolescent girls through education, awareness, and self-expression. Beginning with sessions on the **importance of education**, girls from the community explored what learning means to them: independence, dignity, and opportunity, while engaging in open discussions, reflections, and personal pledges toward their dreams. Participation grew steadily across subsequent sessions, with **leadership workshops** in February encouraging girls to find their voice, challenge norms, and recognize their own agency. In April, a **nutrition session** connected health with daily habits, equipping them with practical knowledge on well-being during adolescence. And, in May a session on **health and hygiene** was implemented. With each session, **She Shine is building safe, supportive spaces where girls feel heard, informed, and empowered, taking confident steps toward shaping their own futures.**



Transforming Classrooms Through STEM and Teacher Empowerment

With the installation of **STEM labs by LIFELAB**, classrooms are being reimagined as spaces of exploration and hands-on learning.

At the center of this transformation are our **teachers, equipped through focused training to become facilitators of curiosity, guiding students to question, experiment, and discover.**

By strengthening teachers and embedding STEM learning, LIFELAB is not just enhancing classrooms, it is expanding what every child can imagine and achieve.



Exploring Art, Expanding Horizons

Igniting curiosity, fueling exploration, and inspiring a love for learning, students from CHAHAK participated in an enriching exposure visit to the **National Gallery of Modern Art**.

Surrounded by powerful works of creativity and expression, the children were introduced to new ideas, perspectives, and forms of storytelling beyond their everyday experiences. The visit not only deepened their appreciation for art and culture but also encouraged imagination, reflection, and dialogue, bringing learning vividly to life outside the classroom.



From Foundations to Futures: Children Step into Formal Schooling

The **'graduation'** of children from CHAHAK marks a proud and meaningful milestone in their learning journey.

Having built **strong foundations in early literacy, numeracy, and social skills**, these young learners have grown in confidence, curiosity, and independence. Nurtured in a safe and supportive environment, they are now ready to transition into formal schooling—equipped not just with knowledge, but with the enthusiasm and resilience to continue learning and thriving.



SPOTLIGHT

Where Cultures Meet: Inspiring Young Minds Through Global Exchange

Children of CHAHAK Vikaspuri and Bindapur visited the performance of the **Children's Exemplary Choreographic Ensemble "Kazachye Razdolye"**. The children interacted with the members of the ensemble, which is dedicated to preserving and promoting the cultural heritage and traditions of the Cossacks.

When students meet cultures beyond their own, learning comes alive. Such interactions help children to discover how cultural exchange builds curiosity, respect, and global understanding.



Hamara Akash: The Sky is the Limit

The **Making of Hamara Akash**, the second edition of **Gratitude Through Art** for Medanta Hospital, was a vibrant journey of collective expression and purpose.

Led by contemporary artist **Megha Madan**, with support from the **Amar Nath Sehgal Private Collection** for CHI, the workshops became spaces of exploration, where colour, creativity, and shared joy came alive. What emerged was not just art, but a powerful reflection of gratitude, collaboration, and human connection.



Planting Trees, Growing Values for Life

When a child plants a tree, they nurture far more than the earth: they cultivate empathy, curiosity, and a deep, lasting sense of well-being. In that small act of care, they begin to understand responsibility, patience, and their connection to the natural world.

As they water, protect, and watch something grow, they develop respect for life and a sense of purpose. These moments go beyond environmental awareness, they shape values, build emotional resilience, and plant the seeds of a more conscious, compassionate future.



Celebrating Love and Gratitude: Mother's Day at CHAHAK

Children at CHAHAK celebrated Mother's Day with warmth and joy, expressing their love and gratitude through heartfelt cards, handmade gifts, songs, and small performances. The celebration created a beautiful space for children to acknowledge the care, strength, and sacrifices of their mothers and caregivers. Filled with smiles, emotions, and proud moments, the day not only strengthened bonds but also helped children understand the value of appreciation, love, and family.



Building Bridges for Impact: Teach For India Fellows visit CHAHAK-Vikaspuri

As a first step towards a possible long-term partnership with Teach For India, CHAHAK-Vikaspuri hosted 15-20, Year 1 Fellows, for a **Mid-Year Retreat immersion**. The session included an overview of CHAHAK's work, classroom exposure, and team interactions, and was widely appreciated for being insightful, practical, and engaging. Fellows gained new perspectives on education's role in driving individual and societal change, valued the honesty and energy of the facilitators and the Children's Hope team, and left feeling inspired, grateful, and motivated to stay connected and contribute meaningfully.

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Ms. Aditi Gugnani Malhotra, CHI Ambassador visits CHAHAK

Aditi has been involved with CHI for nearly 20 years, following in the footsteps of her mother, Kavita Gugnani, who served as a CHI board member. She later became Lead Parent for the CH3 Manhattan team when her children participated in the program, and has remained deeply engaged ever since.

Her commitment goes well beyond advocacy. She visits project sites annually, brings needed resources, encouragement, and most recently donated books by Katha to help nurture a love for reading among students.

We warmly thank Aditi for her consistent work as a CHI Ambassador, her steadfast commitment and her enduring belief in our work.



CHAHAK Teachers embark on a recreational, team-building trip

The CHAHAK teachers' trip was a refreshing and memorable experience for all 21 participants. The group visited the beautiful city of Rishikesh, where they explored the serene Triveni Ghat and enjoyed the natural beauty of Neer Waterfall. The journey also included a visit to Haridwar, where the teachers experienced the spiritual atmosphere of Har Ki Pauri. The trip provided an opportunity for relaxation, bonding, and rejuvenation, allowing the teachers to connect with one another outside the classroom while creating lasting memories together.



Empowering the cause of inclusion

Arunima is an NGO that cares for and empowers children and youth with disabilities. CH sponsors the summer camp organized by Arunima, each year. This year, the children and their mothers took actively part in various activities, together. This served as a wonderful opportunity for both, mother and child, to bond over fun and laughter.



"When I enter the classroom, I feel as though I have stepped into a different world. The children's smiles fill me with happiness from within. Teaching them is not just a responsibility—it is a source of peace and fulfillment."

Meena S. Rawat, Volunteer, CHAHAK, Vikaspuri



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