

ACTIVITY REPORT

DREAM INDIA NETWORK



ST. ELIZABETH CHILDREN'S HOME

St. Elizabeth children's home is a unit of DIN foster home programme and consist of 8 children and care taker. It is established in year 2018 to provide safe, secure homely shelter for the children who are deprived from the mainstream of the society due to various reasons. The homes focus on ensuring holistic development of the children under their care. The children are from different part of Karnataka and for them it is a home to Love and Care. Most of the children are from slums, are rag pickers and few from underprivileged family back ground. Majority of them have only either mother or father.

EDUCATION

The academic classes for the children started in the month of May 2021. In the beginning the classes were online due to the COVID pandemic. They were all studying in English Medium School. The homes provided all the necessary facilities like, internet and sufficient systems, mobiles phones etc... to attend the online classes. Until September 8th 2021, the children were attending online classes and from October children began regular school. They were also provided extra tuition classes post school timings to recieve additional education support.

HEALTHCARE

Regular medical check-ups of the children are undertaken with the support of a doctor who did the service voluntarily. During this year none of the children suffered any serious health issues. Health sessions are organized periodically to educate children regarding various communicable and non-communicable diseases. The care takers shared with children all information related to Covid and ensured that children took adequate precautions against COVID 19. Regular counselling and follow up were done to all the children to ensure better mental health and strength. The main aim of the mental health care was to support the children to come out of the mental stress and anxieties experienced earlier. It helped many of them to come out from the stress and problems and to focus more on their studies. The counselling sessions seems to have positive effect as the caretakers observed positive changes in the attitude and behaviour of the children. They were showing better self confidence and self-esteem.

LIFE SKILL EDUCATION

The children got a chance to attend the life skill development classes via online. Children were provided life skill sessions which is apt for the age category of 6-8 which includes class for moral values, personality development, relationship building etc.

CONCLUSION

The above highlights that children in the foster homes though coming from crisis and difficult situations are able to cope up with it and blossom their potentialities. The multiple opportunities received at the foster homes are relevant and adequate to develop their potential. Dream India Network is able to achieve this with the support extended by institutions like INDIA Donates and other individuals.

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