



There can be no keener revelation of a society's soul than the way in which it treats its children." — Nelson Mandela

A child has the purest heart any human being can possess and all that heart desires is love; no matter what the circumstances are. Any person who claims that he or she had an amazing childhood has witnessed enough love, care and affection from their family members or their guardians. Children are God's gift to planet earth, and it is also said that if one keeps a child happy, they are keeping the god happy. Childhood is in fact God's best gift to any individual and we all know that money can buy anything but even all the money in the world is in-sufficient to bring back the past in anyone's life. And as we all know that today's children are tomorrow's future.



Children's Day Celebration



"Every child comes with the message that God is not yet discouraged of man."

As we all know that children are bright of the country. They should be treated and appreciated well with lots of love and affection. In order to fulfil such type of needs regarding children, Children's Day is celebrated all over India on 14th of November every year. It is celebrated in the memory of Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru to pay honour and respect. He was the first Prime Minister of India and most importantly a true friend of the children. He loved them a lot and always kept them near to his heart. He was generally called by the children as Chacha Nehru. He was very fond of the children despite of his hectic life as Indian Prime Minister. He loved to stay and play with children. In order to pay him a tribute, his birth anniversary was started celebrating as the Children's Day since 1956. Chacha Nehru said that children are the future of the country, so it is necessary to love and care

them until they stand on their own leg. Children's day celebration is a call to everyone to protect their little ones from any harm and save their future for bright future of the country. Children in our country have been forced for hard labour for long hours at very little pay. They have not access to the modern education that's why they remain backward. They need to raise

their status which is possible when every Indian citizen would understand their responsibility. They are valuable asset and future of the country as well as hope of tomorrow. Children's day celebration is a right step regarding their bright future. We are the citizens and leaders of tomorrow. So we really matter and deserve respect,





special care and protection. But we also must admit that children like those in RISE, of slums, where crimes are at peak are regularly abused and assaulted. They are far away from the glimpses of childhood and have been pushed into the struggle of survival. At RISE we also made our children aware about their rights and train them to fight for it. Children were also guided towards that Children's Day is an occasion to imbibe the values of discipline, sense of order, cleanliness, beauty, and above all, innocence. So, let us join hands, let us stand up, for we are the future leaders of this beautiful nation and let us lead by example.



Knowing our rights on Childrens Rights Day



United Nations Universal Children's Day was established in 1954 and is celebrated on November 20th each year to promote international togetherness, awareness among children worldwide and improving children's welfare. Day also marks the anniversary of the date that the UN General Assembly adopted both the declaration and the convention on children's rights.

Children's rights includes their right to association with both parents, human identity as well as the basic needs for physical protection, food, universal state-paid education, health care, and criminal laws appropriate for the age and development of the child, equal protection of the child's civil rights, and freedom from discrimination on the basis of the child's race, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, religion, disability, color, ethnicity, or other characteristics.

On the occasion of world child right day RISE made children aware about the various rights they have and can claim, including the schemes which Indian government has provided them for the protection of their fundamental rights. From Right to education, to Mid day meal, to right to clean water and sanitation to right to equality, every child was

informed, aware and sensitised in detail.

A workshop over Child Rights and POSCO act was also conducted by experts of the area. Another

schemes like -Integrated Child Development Scheme, Scheme Operation, Integrated Programme for Street Children, Kishori Shakti Yojana, Wheat Based Nutrition Programme





(WBNP), Nutrition Programme for Adolescent Girls (NPAG), Rajiv Gandhi National Crèche Scheme for the Children of Working Mothers, Balika Samridhhi Yojana (BSY), Initiatives to combat trafficking of Women and Children, Central Adoption Resource Agency (CARA), Shishu Greh Scheme, services, Reproductive, Scheme for Working Children in need of care and protection, National Child Labour Project. Etc was demonstrated.

On this occasion children were told about different child lines helpline numbers they can take help of in case of any danger and need. They were told about CHILDLINE 1098 is India's first 24 - hour, free, emergency phone outreach service for children in need of care and protection. Any concerned adult, or a child in need of help can dial 1098, the toll free number to access our services. We not only respond to the emergency needs of children but also link them to services for their long-term care and rehabilitation.



World Toilet Day



World Toilet Day is celebrated every year on 19th November. It is a day that seeks to engage and educate people and their communities worldwide to encourage support for sanitation-related issues and to break the stigma around sanitation. The silence around the issue of toilets and sanitation has deadly consequences. It is a day to raise awareness about all people who do not have access to a toilet despite the human right to water and sanitation. It is a day to do something about it. Clean and safe toilets are prerequisites for health, dignity, privacy and education. The aim of this day is to draw global attention to the sanitation crisis. In 2013, the United Nations General Assembly officially designated November 19 as World Toilet Day. It is coordinated by UN-Water in collaboration with

RISE in Sangam Vihar celebrated the World Toilet Day on 19th November where we screened Videos, played jingles and PPTs on the **importance of Sanitation, the importance of drinking water and the sources of Contamination**. PPT shows were screened at RISE centres to create awareness among communities to have access to Toilets. The main

motto being **Access to Toilets and Access to Healthy life**. On the Occasion of the World Toilet Day, RISE organised one day workshop along with competition among the students of the RISE. Educators informed the kids about health & hygiene and engaged them in the sanitation work to ensure use of toilets by every person at their locality. This initiative helped students to raise awareness among the society about the usage of toilets, its negative impacts and economic losses of the community. The kids informed the community people to build positive environment around the total sanitation campaign where government has invested huge amount in construction of the toilet as of now still huge no of population defecating in open so it's urgent need to take necessary action and engage youth brigade in this momentum. RISE children celebrated the event with so much of enthusiasm with the theme of **No One Left Behind** to identify future leaders to take charge of sanitation champions in their respective Villages.



Scholarship Exam for RISE students



About 100 well-performing children from RISE were engaged for scholarship examinations by Akhil Vishwa Gayatri Parivar (AVGP), which will allow them to deal with obstacles of financial crisis and continue education with obstacles. Books are given to children and teachers are trained to prepare for screening. Children were also offered to use the OMR sheet which will be visible for future higher examinations. There are several ways these scholarships have been designed to ensure that each student can make a significant push during his educational journey on the basis of his personal aspirations. This initiative is a long haul in RISE and we are targeting PUSH which is essential for moving towards their dreams. Even this year, we hope that our children of RISE will move forward in the competition of scholarships.



Niha ... a passionate educator

Niha Khan, the youngest educator in RISE is a dynamic and soft spoken personality. She is a graduate in Arts and had a strong passion towards teaching profession. She had a dream to do something in life and simultaneously work towards her passion, but was not getting chance to fulfil that. Trying to explore all possible opportunities in the same line, she was introduced to AROH Foundation and its various interventions in her community. She has a strong say in her community now, as every household is aware of the work she does. Her students show remarkable performances in all fields. She herself has grown a lot as a person. From a shy girl within the limits of her house, she has emerged as outspoken leader who is also the torch bearer of women and children welfare in her society.



In her own words, "AROH's influence and coordination towards society, environment and poor children has brought a great transformation in my life which cannot be expressed in words. The concept of bringing under privileged children to mainstream and for continuous enhancement of educators like me has been a regular process. The confidence level of all educators and children is high. I thank AROH for giving an opportunity where I can nourish just not my dreams but an opportunity to craft 50 other lives too."



Rising Adil ...

Adil is a 14 years old boy residing in Balamgarh. He has 4 members in his family including his one brother. His father's name is Muhammad Sharif who works as a tailor and mother's name is Tehasena who is a housewife. He has one brother. He along with his brother go to school and none of them is engaged in child labour. Due to financial instability and lack of funds his father can't send the children to a good reputed school though the children are all very good in studies. While being on a field sensitization and community engagement drive by RISE educators, team got to know about Adil. We also met his parents and got him admitted in RISE. As he did not know anything about the course or how to write and read so it was a big task to make him things understands. Team noticed that Adil, in comparison to his other sibling was a bit lagging in his learning capacities. Instantly team convinced his parents to send him to RISE and then onwards he got connected to RISE. Thereafter slowly and steadily he started learning, reading and writing seamlessly.



Now Adil takes his studies seriously and shows his full efforts towards studies. He now loves to read Hindi and loves to draw. He is very active in participation. He also has started learning things himself and his family is very much satisfied and happy to see the progress. His parents also take immense pride in her achievements and progress. Other siblings of Adil are also now a part of RISE and are taking baby steps towards progress.



Agriculture Insurance Company of India Limited (AIC) was incorporated under the Indian Companies Act 1956 on 20th December, 2002 with an authorized share capital of INR 15 billion and paid up capital of INR 2 billion. AIC commenced business from 1st April, 2003. AIC has taken over the implementation of National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS) which, until FY 2002-03 was implemented by General Insurance Corporation of India. In addition, AIC also transacts other insurance businesses directly or indirectly concerning agriculture and its allied activities. AIC also works towards upliftment of marginalized sections of the society. Project RISE is CSR initiative of AIC which aims to provide better educational opportunities to underprivileged children.



AROH Foundation is a leading national-level NGO, strengthening government programmes and CSR initiatives of several corporates and PSEs by providing total integrated solutions - consulting, planning and implementing - for sustainable, inclusive development and growth of the needy and marginalised communities in several states of India for the past 12 years. AROH is an ISO 9001:2008 Certified organization, registered under Societies Registration Act, 1860.

RISE is a pioneering initiative designed by AROH Foundation, which recognizes the nation's concern of improvement of learning outcomes and universalisation of elementary education as of paramount importance, and strives to bring the deprived and marginalized or educationally backward children in backward villages and slums under the safety net of education through an innovative approach and Project-Based Learning Methodology.

