

MESSAGE FROM FOUNDER'S DESK

Dear Friends and Supporters, Welcome to the first edition of our newsletter! I am excited to share the progress we've made in our mission to uplift underprivileged children, create sustainable livelihoods, and promote environmental sustainability.

NEWSLETTER

Our learning centers in remote areas are providing these children with quality education, despite the challenges they face in their environments. Our art and craft workshops for housewives from low-income families have empowered women to develop new skills, earn a livelihood, and achieve financial independence. Additionally, our Livelihood Café is not only creating job opportunities but also fostering a sense of community and resilience. While we celebrate these achievements, we must also acknowledge the difficult realities many continue to face. The recent political turmoil in Bangladesh, the tragic murder of a female doctor at R G Kar Medical College, and the ongoing global unrest have deeply affected the mental well-being of children and communities. As an organization committed to the well-being of children, we recognize that our work is more urgent than ever. We are not only focused on supporting their academic journeys but also on nurturing their mental and emotional well-being. Thank you for your continued support of our mission. With your help, we can continue to bring progressive changes and providing these families and their children with a better social environment and attending to the needs of these promising children .

With heartfelt gratitude,

Debashis Majumder
Chairman & Founding Trustee, My Children Foundation

SPOTLIGHT ON US

WHO ARE WE ?

My Children Foundation, a Kolkata-based not-for-profit trust, supports underprivileged children in continuing their education. We provide mentorship, financial aid, and supplementary tuition to foster long-term impact. Prioritizing transparency and efficiency, we use technology to minimize costs and maximize donor impact. Our efforts extend to breaking the poverty cycle through livelihood opportunities and sustainability initiatives like eco-friendly products and waste reduction.



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- **Building Confidence:** Learning centers in remote areas boost self-confidence through education, life skills, and activities.
- **Supporting Talent:** We identify and mentor talented children, providing resources and tracking progress digitally.
- **Livelihood & Sustainability:** We develop skills, create eco-friendly products, and connect communities to markets for sustainable income.



WHY US?

At MCF, we ensure **Full Transparency:** Track your donations, children's progress, and disbursements. Join, stop, or rejoin anytime. **Lowest Running Cost:** Leveraging technology and automation, we minimize costs, ensuring most funds go directly to children.

Compliance and Tax Benefits: We comply with all regulatory requirements, and donations are tax-exempt under section 80G of the Income Tax Act.



LETS DIVE INTO OUR ACTIVITIES

2024-25



MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

The number of children under comprehensive mentorship has reached **129**. 2024 marked a year of further expansion in the form of members, mentors, volunteers and change agents enrolling with MCF. Total numbers reached – Mentors: **37**, Members: **78**, Registered Donors: **230**, Volunteers – **21** and Change Agents – **14**.

ADOPTION OF LEARNING CENTERS

We are strengthening our existing learning centers to provide better infrastructure, supplementary education, new activities and facilities. This is only possible through our adoption campaign. Our first adopted learning center is Mathurapur, West Bengal. It is adopted by **Mr. Sandeep Sen** and **Mrs. Sagarika Sen**.



NEW MCF OFFICE WITH LIVELIHOOD SHOP & CAFÉ

We shifted to a new office at Kasba near Ruby more in Kolkata to expand our sustainable livelihood initiative. We helped to generate livelihood by employing the mother of one of our supported children as the Cafe Manager and this will further help her in supporting her family.

2023-24



Learning Centers

- **Mathurapur, West Bengal** – Jan 2024 (50 children).
- **Barathol, Asansol** – Sept 2023 (31 children).
- **Paschim Dwarakapur, Patharpratima** – Nov 2023 (23 children).



Annual Meet

The annual meet for 2023 was organized on 18th June at Rabindra Tirtha, Newtown and it was a grand success. Our Chief Guest was honorable, Mr. Debashis Sen, Managing Director – HIDCO.

On the very day of our annual meet, we launched the MCF Mascot – Brackie, which is a representation of our values and the work we do.



Mentorship Program

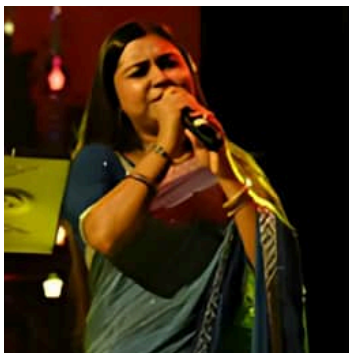
The number of children under comprehensive mentorship has reached **120**.

Total numbers reached- **26** mentors, **53** members, **207** donors, **16** volunteers, and **12** change agents.

Clothing Drive

Collected **5,000+** clothes and distributed them to children in Sundarban homes.

2022-23



Mentorship Program: 60 children under comprehensive mentorship.

Engagement: 24 mentors, 47 members, 165 donors, 11 volunteers, and 6 change agents.

Learning Centers: Launched coaching centers in remote villages of Bengal. First Learning Center: Kulti, Asansol – 29th Sept 2022 (18 children). Other Centers: Arbeta, Goalberia, Rangapara (16-20 children each).

Annual Meet: A successful event held on 1st May, featuring cultural programs, talent hunt, and clothes distribution. Fundraising Event: 5th Nov 2022 – Cultural fundraiser with renowned artists to support the foundation.

2021-22

Fight Covid-19 Together

We established a 125-bedded safe home at Ramakrishna Mission Narendrapur with government collaboration. Also we provided support to Affected Families Helped 100 children impacted by COVID-19, especially from daily-wage families.



Mentorship Program

30 children were supported under this mentorship program, receiving guidance and resources to help them achieve their academic goals.

Engagement

We're grateful for the collective effort of our community including **5** mentors, **23** members, **104** donors and **3** volunteers. Together, they're empowered by **1** visionary change agent.



সেফ হোমের দ্বারোদ্বাটনে মন্ত্রী পার্থ চ্যাটার্জি। রয়েছেন বিধায়ক ফিরদৌসি বেগম ও লাভলি মৈত্র, মিশনের সম্পাদক স্বামী সর্বলোকানন্দ মহারাজ প্রমুখ। ছবি: গৌতম চক্রবর্তী

A few words from one of ours.....

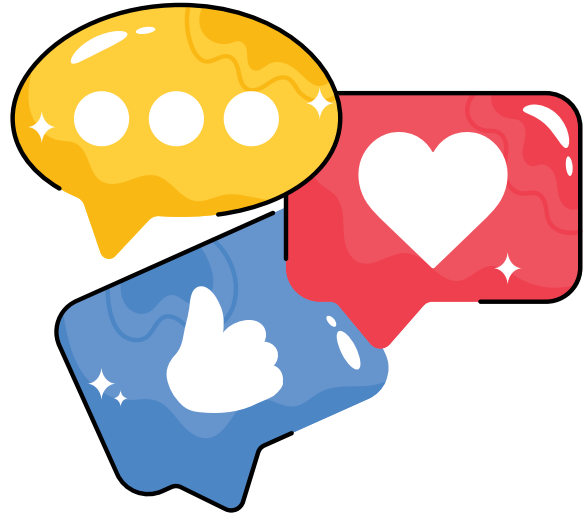


Sikha Roy

My father, a jute mill labourer, has struggled with work, especially during the pandemic, jeopardizing my education. A teacher told us about My Children Foundation, which supports underprivileged students, and helped us register. They've twice provided books and supplies. I'm really very grateful and hope they continue supporting my higher education.



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