

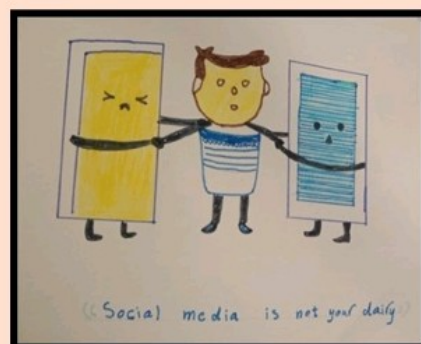
Report On Children's Club Meeting Through Online Platforms

MAY 2020

WAZIRABAD | BHOGAL | MALVIYA NAGAR AFG & SOM | BUDELLA AFG
& CHIN | BUDELLA ROH | MADANPUR KHADER | SHAHEEN BAGH |
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- ⇒ To establish leadership structures among children which develops their self-confidence and make them capable to take up & solve issues in their community.
- ⇒ These structures aim to be a safe space for the children where they can share their concerns & suggestions if any.
- ⇒ Children's club is to help children to develop ownership skills which help in identifying and reporting any issues related to child protection and safety.

Topic of the month: Right Use of Social Media



Refugee Assistance Programme
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Introduction

Children's clubs in Refugee Assistance Programme organized awareness sessions on "Right use of social media, Child Marriage and Child labour" in the month of May 2020 through different online platforms. Children from 9 clubs in the age group 6-14 actively participated in the engaging online awareness sessions where they were informed about the topics. Speech competition, drawing and painting, discussion were organised as part of the awareness programme. 289 children attended in the awareness sessions.

Budella & Wazirabad

A speech competition was organized on 'Right use of social media. 17 students from Budella and Wazirabad participated in the online speech competition. The combined video of speeches was shared with children's club members in Bridge and Tuition whatsapp groups. Total 90 students watched the speech videos and responded with their opinions. Children emphasized the following points through their performances.

- Exploring and experimenting on social media can help children to build the knowledge and skills so that they can enjoy online activities and avoid online risks.
- Children can use social media to share educational content, either informally or in formal school settings.
- Social media can be used in connecting with extended family and friends and taking part in local and global online communities would give children a sense of connection and belonging.
- Children can be creative with profile pages, photos and video, and modifications for games.

Also explained the dangers involved in social media especially in sharing content and personal information, and negative effects of excessive use of social media.



Bhogal

A session on right use of social media was conducted sharing vital information on pros and cons of social media and how to use them effectively for one's own benefit with the help of a video titled "Use Social Media Intelligently" which details a story of 2 school going children on how social media affected them and how they overcame the situation and used the application positively.

Some of the points shared with the students are as follows:

⇒ **Pros of social media:**

- Can interact with each other,
- Access to knowledge/current events,
- Explore their creative side
- Engaging in classes during lockdown

⇒ **Cons of social media:**

- Time Consuming,
- Cyber bullying,
- Decreased productivity and
- Becoming disconnected with family and friends due to excessive use.

⇒ **Using social media efficiently and positively.**

After the video presentation students were asked to draw a picture on the topic and share it in the group.



Malviyanagar

This pandemic has not only impacted health but also social security of vulnerable groups. Children happen to be part of this vulnerable population. Therefore, a session was planned with members of children club to create awareness regarding right use of social media. In the meeting club members also discussed about child marriage and child labour.

Highlights of the session are :

- Social Media: Meaning
- Types of Networking sites
- Positive and Negative use of social media
- Impact of social media
- Does and Don'ts regarding social media
- Child Marriage - Concept and age
- Consequences of child marriage
- Child Labor - Concept and age
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- Child line Helpline number
- Recap of good touch and bad touch

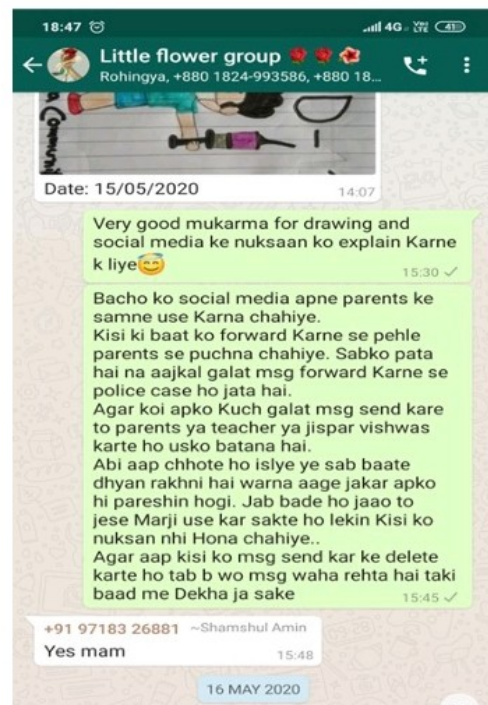
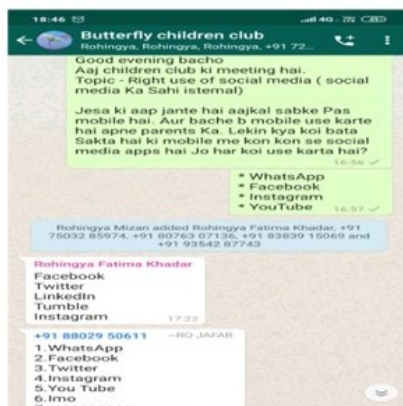
The topic was split into multiple sessions as we tried to reinforce important messages which were already shared with them in previous meetings. Children Club members did mention that they use their guardian's phone for attending online classes and they also highlighted that their parents are around when they are using the smart phones. They all agreed that they will not talk to any strangers over social media.

Madanpur Khader, Sahheebagh, Khajurikhas and Vikaspuri (Rohingya sites)

The topic of the session of this month was "Right use of social Media". In the beginning of the session, the participants were invited to share their understanding about social media. Some children replied correctly. Then they were explained about social media with an example of FACEBOOK where anyone can share their information and collect information of any other person. However we know in this lockdown situation most of the children are studying through internet, they use Whatsapp, Zoom app etc. Social medias have lot of benefits at the same if we don't use it wisely, it would become dangerous.

The tips for using social media in a right way was shared to the children, the main points discussed are follows;

- Children must use social media under the observation of their parents.
- Don't do make friendship with unknown person whom you don't know. That person can harm the children.
- Don't open unknown sites without the permission of parents.
- Inform the parents if anyone misbehaves on social media like sending vulgar messages, photos or chats. It is punishable act by law if someone does like this.
- Never feel shy to ask anything from their parents. Parents never scold if their child wants to know anything from them.
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- Never share the photos which can be personal or others. Even if unknown person ask the information immediately inform their parents.



Participants

Date	Clubs	Nationalities	Boys	Girls	Total
20/05/2020	Budhella	AFG & CHIN,	29	46	75
06 & 18/05/2020	Malviyanagar	AFG & SOM	21	52	73
15/05/2020	Bhogal	AFG	19	18	37
20/05/2020	Wazirabad	AFG	6	9	15
22/05/2020	Vikaspuri	ROH	6	14	20
15/05/2020	Khajurikhas	ROH	13	14	27
14/05/2020	Madanpur Khader	ROH	7	15	22
27/05/2020	Shaheenbagh	ROH	12	8	20
Total			113	176	289