



NGO: Door Step School Foundation,Pune

Door Step School Foundation is dedicated to combating illiteracy among children aged 3 to 14 years from marginalised communities, including those living on construction sites, pavements, temporary - permanent slums and seasonal migrants like those working in brick kilns and sugarcane factories. Through a range of innovative programs implemented across 500+ communities and 120+ government schools, DSSF positively impacts over 70,000 children every year in and around the Pune Metropolitan Region.

IDRF partner since: 2021

Focus area: Education

Location: Pune, Pimpri Chinchwad

Project Title: Lifelong Literacy and Learning for children from underserved communities

Details: Door Step School Foundation aims to address illiteracy among children (3 to 14 years) from marginalised sections of society like those from construction sites, pavement dwellers, temporary and permanent slums. Our focus is to address three major problems of public education system through various innovative programs:

- Non-enrolment i.e. children are not enrolled in schools for a variety of reasons.
- Children drop out of school at an early age.
- Even if children are enrolled in schools, their quality of education is low and children suffer from low learning levels

DSSF has also expanded its scope to take vocational counselling and guidance to school children between 12 to 14 years and youth in communities up to 25 years.

To address the aforementioned challenges, we conduct different activities with children (*Fig.1*) by implementing a range of innovative and interactive programs in both community and school settings (*Fig.2*)

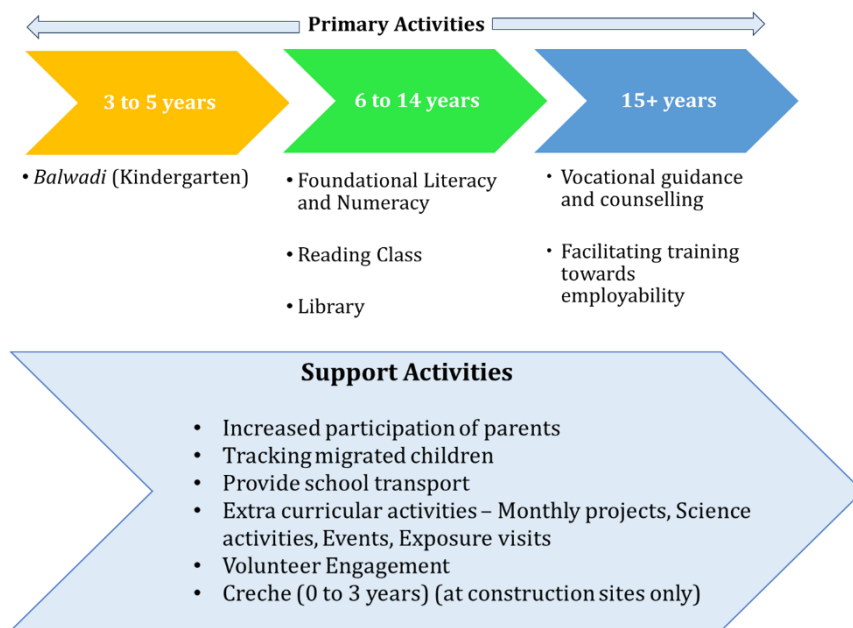


Fig.1

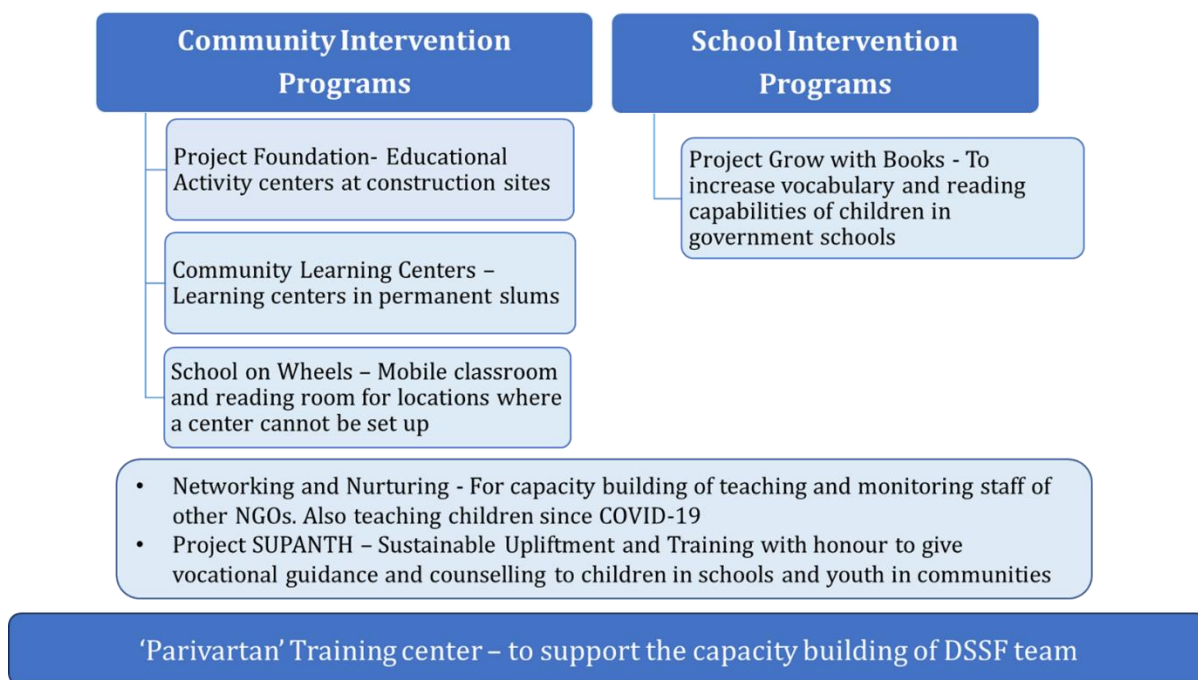


Fig.2.

All our initiatives are supported by our in-house training center - 'Parivartan', which equips DSS team members, PMC school teachers as well as other NGO personnel with comprehensive training programs. These include new teacher training, refresher courses, child care training and parental involvement sessions. Additionally, our Publication department publishes a diverse range of educational material in Marathi including graded learning books, story books and teaching tools in Devnagiri (Marathi & Hindi) language literacy, Mathematics and Balwadi.

Our dedicated team of over 600+ well-trained employees, supported by 500+ committed volunteers, CSR & funding partners and individual donors, all work together to ensure success of these programs reaching over 70,000 children annually in Pune.



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