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# Introduction

### Introduction

#### **About IIFL Foundation**

The IIFL Foundation was established to implement the CSR initiatives and interventions of the India Infoline Finance Limited (IIFL) Group, which is one of the largest financial services conglomerate in India.

The Foundation has strategically designed projects in thematic areas of education, financial literacy, health, and other activities such as water conservation and disaster response.



Under education thematic area. adopted comprehensive Foundation has approach to improve literacy among girls. It aims to provide literacy and numeracy skills to around 1,00,000 illiterate girls in Rajasthan by 2025.



- **Education**
- **Financial Literacy**
- Health
- **Water conservation**
- Disaster relief and rehabilitation



## **About Sakhiyon ki Baadiprogram**



### **Empower Girl child**

The primary goal of the SKB initiative is to empower girls and help them reach their full potential. The program educates girls from vulnerable communities in informal settings and later integrates them into formal education in government schools.

#### **Interactive teaching**

SKB employs interactive teaching methods, including play-way techniques, music, drama, and field exposure to spark genuine interest in education. The curriculum covers subjects like Hindi, English, Mathematics, and Moral Sciences, aligned with government school standards.

### **Capacity Building**

The program is further strengthened by the presence of community teachers called Daksha, who play a pivotal role in achieving SKB's objectives. Regular training sessions enhance the Daksha's' capacity, equipping them with knowledge of child psychology and the ability to engage and motivate students.

#### **Operations**

SKB operates for four hours a day, six days a week, in various community settings, such as homes, verandas, community halls, or open areas.



## **Program outreach**

### The SKB is operating in 13 districts of Rajasthan as highlighted below:



Outreach of Sakhiyon Ki Baadi Program in Rajasthan, India \*map not to scale

### Number of SKBs in each district by implementation partners

ı	District	Block	No. of SKBs				
ĺ	IIFL Foundati						
	Udaipur	Gogunda	27				
	Rajsamand	Rajsamand	22				
		Khamnore	22				
	Pratapgarh	Pratapgarh	27				
	Ajmer	Srinagar	25				
	Jodhpur	Mandor	30				
	Pali Banswara	Rohat	24				
		Garhi	24				
Jalore	Jalore	28					
	Bhilwara	Sahada	22				
	Gayatri Seva Sansthan						
	Udaipur	Sayara	50				
		Sarada/Girwa	50				
		Salumbar	48				
		Lasadiya	50				
	Pratapgarh	Pipalkhunt	50				
		Choti Sadri	49				

District		Block	No. of SKBs		
Shrushti Seva Samiti					
Udaipur	Kotr	a/Phalasiya	100		
Pratapgarh	Dha	iryawad	100		
Sirohi	Pinc	lwara	50		
Pali	Bali		50		
Dungarpur	Bicc	hiwara	50		
Janchetna Sansthan					
	Abu	Road	45		
Sirohi	Abu	Road (Bhakar)	40		
	Mou	ınt Abu	15		
Nut Samaj					
Jaipur	Jaip	ur	10		
Antakshari Foundation					
Pali	Des	uri/Marwar Jn.	30		
CERP					
Chittaurgarh	Chit	torgarh	50		





### **OECD-DAC Evaluation**

Sustainability: The continuation of benefits from the intervention after major development assistance has ceased. Sustainability can be defined as the ability of key stakeholders to sustain intervention benefits after the cessation of donor funding.

Efficiency: A measure of how economically resources/inputs (funds, expertise, time, equipment, etc.) are converted into results.

Relevance: The extent to which the objectives of an intervention are consistent with recipients' requirements, country needs, global priorities, and partners' policies.



Coherence: The need to ensure alignment and consistency across policies of the program.

Effectiveness: The extent to which the intervention's objectives were achieved, or are expected to be achieved, considering their relative importance.

**Impact:** Positive and negative primary and secondary long-term effects produced by the intervention, whether directly or indirectly, intended, or unintended



## **Sampling**

The sample size was derived by applying stratified random sampling method across four districts of Rajasthan, covering five to seven centers from each district. A total of **601** interviews were conducted across various stakeholders, details of which are provided below.

Comprehensive list of the sample covered in the survey								
Location	Students	Parents	Dakshas	Trainer	Cluster/ Block Head	PRI Member	School Teacher	Total
Udaipur	128	93	30	5	11	14	5	286
Chittorgarh	45	53	8	0	3	5	9	123
Sirohi	45	28	5	1	2	3	3	87
Jalore	44	49	7	0	0	1	4	105
Total Sample Surveyed	262	223	50	6	16	23	21	601

Tools used for survey	
Identified Stakeholders	Tools Utilized
Parents and Students	Structured Interviews
Falents and Students	<ul><li>Focused Group Discussion</li></ul>
Daksha's	Structured Interviews
Trainers	Structured Interviews
Cluster Heads/Block Heads	Structured Interviews
PRI Members	Semi-structured Interviews





### Relevance

Relevance measures how effectively a programme is aligned with the goals and policies of the Government in which it is implemented.

The National Education Policy (NEP) launched in 2020 reiterates the importance of 'Access to Education' for every child further advances achieving gender parity to ensure equitable access to quality learning for all irrespective of gender. The NEP 2020 recognizes that certain groups are grossly underrepresented in the existing educational systems, mainly the girl child.

100%

asserted the importance of the SKB programme for the overall development and education of the children, especially girl child



About **95%** of the beneficiaries (students) at the SKBs are girls – most from ST communities, a close second being girls from SC communities, with most of the students being first-generation learners



Through SKB, IIFL Foundation also addresses the issue of female education and strives to mainstream the young girls, especially from the tribal belts, into formal education.

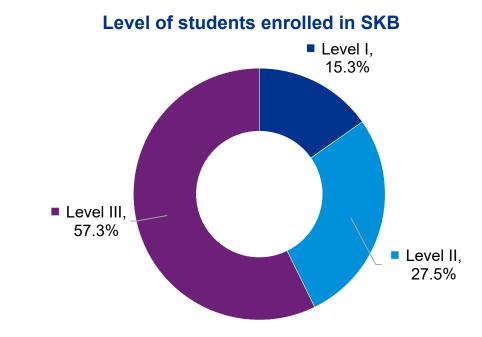


### **Effectiveness**

#### Effectiveness is defined as an assessment of the factors influencing progress toward outcomes

Most SKB centres being situated within proximity to the homes of its target students ensures regular attendance. 45 percent of students surveyed said they took 5 minutes to reach the SKB from their homes.

Nearly 58 percent of the students surveyed have attained the highest level of education possible at an SKB, which is Grade III. This means these students are / would soon be ready to get mainstreamed into government schools.



98%

I enjoy Hindi subject and way Daksha teaches it, I want to become a teacher after completing my studies

Students attend the SKB regularly

Yashodha, Age 17 years. Location: Idgah Centre, Sirohi District







## **Efficiency**

The purpose is to establish whether the inputs—funds, knowledge, time, human resources etc.—were effectively employed to create the intervention outcomes.

### **Program peculiarity**

the SKB initiative was found to be unique and relevant, and not overlapping with any existing programmes in its target areas. As 70 percent of the surveyed students said they had never had access to any source of education prior to the SKB

### School enrollment before attending SKB



70 percent of the student respondents were not going to school before enrolling in the program



99 percent students surveyed said that they engage in sports, arts, and fun activities at the SKB.



### Time spent learning at SKB

Out of 223 respondent parents, 100 percent shared that the SKB is operational 6 days a week, and 71 percent shared that their children spent 3-5 hours learning per day at their respective centers



### **Coherence**

Coherence refers to the compatibility of the intervention with other interventions in a country, sector, or institution.

### **Coherence of SKB Program**

IIFL Foundation through its SKBs, are aiming to eliminate female illiteracy in the indigenous tribal and other vulnerable areas with disproportionate male-female literacy and education ratios, thereby trying to address gender disparities by achieving literacy and numeracy skills for both men andwomen.

#### Alignment with the UNSDG



**SDG 4: Quality Education** 

Target 4.1

Target 4.5

Target 4.6

The specified SDG targets aim to provide universal, quality primary and secondary education for all children, eliminate gender disparities, offer equal education and vocational training opportunities for vulnerable populations, and promote literacy and numeracy among both youth and adults.

### Alignment with State priorities

#### Mukhyamantri Rajshri Yojana, and Aapki Beti Yojana

The Government of Rajasthan's two marquee program focused on reducing gender disparity & providing girl child with access to educational opportunities aligns with the objective of SKB program.

#### Alignment with National priorities

#### Samagra Shiksha

The Union Government of India had proposed Samagra Shiksha in its 2018-19 budget, which subsumes three erstwhile schemes namely, Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) and Teacher Education (TE).



## **Impact (1/4)**

### Time required to reach SKB

45 percent students take 5 minutes to reach their respective SKB centres from their homes. While rest of the students stated that they take 30 minutes or more to reach the SKBs.

### **Brand visibility**

73 percent of students reported that they were not aware of the name of the Foundation (IIFL), while 58 percent of the parents said that the organisation they were familiar with was the implementation partner (NGO) on ground.



### Potential shift to formal

**Schooling** 97 percent of the surveyed parents said they would like to re-admit their children to government schools since the SKB intervention.

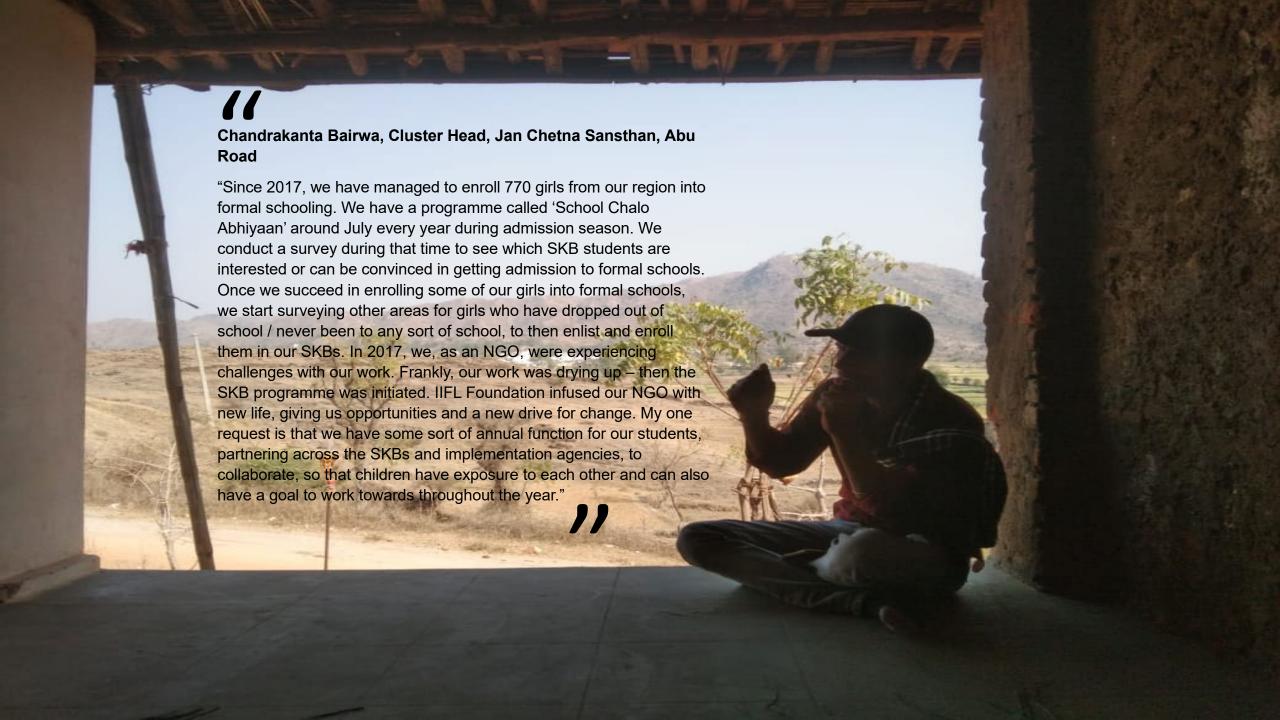




### **Reduction in child marriage**

Daksha's feel that there has been a reduction in the cases of child marriages in the areas where Sakhiyon ki Baadi is operational. It has also led to inculcating a value for education within the communities.





## Impact on Dakshas (2/4)



## **Dakshas**

had a significant impact in their lives due to the Program, providing them with livelihood and an enriching teaching experience for the students

Kamala Kumari, Daksha, Abu Road, Sirohi



"Earlier I used to hesitate speaking in front of elderly members and men from the community, now teaching in SKB has made me confident to put forth my point"

### 1. Empowerment:

- Increased confidence
- Improved self-esteem and decision-making skills
- Enabling them to invest in education and enhance their living conditions

### 2. Enhanced social standing:

- Role models for other young girls
- Inspiration to pursue education and break traditional gender norms
- Increased recognition in the community

### 3. Skill development:

- Enhanced teaching skills
- Improvement in their employability



## Impact on parents (3/4)





## **Parents**

experienced behavioural changes within them, resonating with the importance of education.

### Kumal lal, Parent, Sayara, Udaipur



"We have started leaving our children back in the village for studying while we migrate to cities for work for some months in the year"

### 1. Economic improvement:

 Parents can focus on their livelihoods and labor work, leading to increased income due to the extra time gained while their children visit the SKBs.

### 2. Reduced financial burden of parents:

 Provision of basic resources for educational purposes by the SKBs

#### 3. Increased awareness:

- Increased awareness about importance of education among parents leading to increased enrollment of their children in formal schools
- Reduction in child labor



## Impact on community (4/4)

## **Community**

Program significantly influenced the community in multiple aspects, leaving a lasting impact.



"I joined SKB in 2020, and I have learned a lot here; my level has enhanced. Earlier I was not able to read and write, but now I can do it without any difficulty or fear."



### 1. Reduced girl child marriages

 due to developing eminence of education in the community

### 2. Improved literacy rates & behavioral change:

- Overall increase in literacy rates
- Progressive behavioral change toward gender equality
- Encouraging equal opportunities for boys and girls in education

### 3. Enhanced community development:

- Educated individuals contribute positively to community development initiatives
- Creating a more prosperous and harmonious society



## **Sustainability (1/2)**

Sustainability assesses how well the programme ensures the long-term viability of its outcomes and influence.

# Continuity of the Programme

Over 97 percent of the dakshas said they would continue going to the SKBs in the future as it gave them a sense of empowerment and fulfilment aside from recognition within the community and serving as inspiration to other girls / young women to seek education.

Remuneration offered by IIFL Foundation is invaluable to the dakshas as they too belong to marginalized communities where poverty is rife, and finances are always strained. This is a huge incentive for the dakshas to continue teaching, apart from the fact that they feel inspired to impart education within their community to empower other girls. Moreover, without the support of the Foundation, it would be almost impossible to provide stationery and learning material to students and teachers. This aside, it is with the Foundation's support that the study curriculum is delineated, not to mention imperative regular teacher trainings. All this would cease if the Foundation were to exit the programme.



Students TLM at SKB



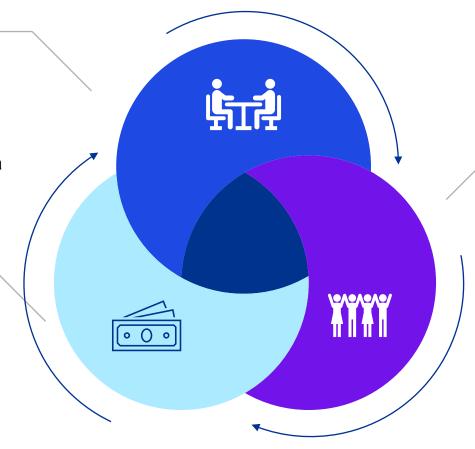
## Sustainability (2/2)

#### **Potential associations**

Collaborate with other NGOs, local government bodies, private sector partners to explore the opportunities for a continued funding source.

#### Widen aid support

Seek for grants, donations, partnerships with other organizations running programs of similar nature to sustain the SKBs.



## Institute community alliance

Involve local community for decision making roles in the program, leading to develop a sense of community ownership through making them an integral stakeholder of the program.



