



Play Learn Connect

An Education
Initiative for children
on the move

Report for Baseline Study

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This Baseline Study for ‘Play.Learn.Connect’ – An educational initiative for children on the move was conducted in January- February 2021 to understand the current levels of learning and development of children aged between 3 to 8 years from temporary migrant families as well as attitudes & perceptions among parents/caregivers towards responsive parenting and play based learning. These are children enrolled at Mobile Crèche sites at temporary migrant colonies across [REDACTED]. Commissioned by [REDACTED] this report represents the joint efforts of many individuals whose contributions we gratefully acknowledge herein.

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List of Abbreviations

CECED : Center for Early Childhood Education and Development

CSDS : Center for the Study of Developing Societies

ECE : Early Childhood Care

ECED : Early Childhood Education and Development

IA : Internet Addiction

IAMAI : Internet & Mobile Association of India

ICDS : Integrated Child Development Services

IDI : In-Depth interview

MC : Mobile Crèche

MWCD : Ministry of Women and Child Development

NSSO : National Sample Survey Office

OI : Outline India

PMOU : Problematic Mobile Phone Use

RTE : Right to Education


TOT : Training of Trainers



Executive Summary

████████████████████ with support from ████████████████████, aims to address the critical needs of children aged 3-8 years from temporary migrant families through the ‘Play.Learn.Connect.’ intervention that empowers the parents/caregivers to engage in playful learning experiences that supports the holistic development of the children. These early learning and play-based interactions will allow children to develop the necessary skills (including socio-emotional skills) that are essential in life.

In ████████████████████ 2020, ██████████ had partnered with Outline India to conduct a Needs Assessment Study to help guide this intervention. As a follow up to this study, a Baseline study was undertaken to assess the current levels of learning and development among these children. We also looked into engagement of parents/caregivers with their children, as well as their attitudes and perceptions towards responsive parenting. The role of play based learning in the early learning and development of children is one of our focus areas. Additionally, in Depth Interviews were conducted with Mobile Crèche Facilitators to further understand the role they are playing towards the learning & development of children, as well as the attitude of parents/caregivers towards play-based learning.

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