



Understanding

# AFTERCARE



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## As per the Juvenile Justice Act, 2015 —

Aftercare means making provision of support, financial or otherwise, to persons, who have completed the 18 years of age but not completed 21 years of age, and have left any institutional care to join mainstream society.

**"Aftercare is an imperative part of the caregiving process as it helps in building resilience in the children who spend years in Child Care Institutions (CCIs)"**

— UNICEF India



Domestic market size

**1.7 CRORE**

Children in Need of Care and Protection in India (i.e. 40% of the domestic child population) [Dec-2016]



**370,000**

Children enrolled under Child Care Institutions (CCI) [Sept-2018]

CCI population

Satisfaction level

Only

**50%**

Care leavers reported a satisfactory CCI Life Experience Index score [Aug-2019]



Care leaver is a youth preparing to leave the CCI on attaining majority (18-years of age). Amongst the most vulnerable sections of the youth population, they need deep support to become resilient and independent citizens



# 58%

Care leavers (CLs) had not received any kind of career advice through trainings or one-to-one counselling [Aug-2019]



Data as per a UNICEF study is based on a sample of 435 CLs and 100+ key informants working on the ground on child protection in 5 Indian states, namely Delhi, Gujarat, Karnataka, Maharashtra and Rajasthan



**What CSA does**

Catalysts for Social Action (CSA) works towards providing a family-like care to every child under institutional care

Its 'Livelihood and Aftercare' program aims to make the children independent by providing educational support and skill-based training so care leavers can realise their full potential

**Its impact**

**4,500+**

Children supported under institutional care by CSA in FY2020 alone!



**327**

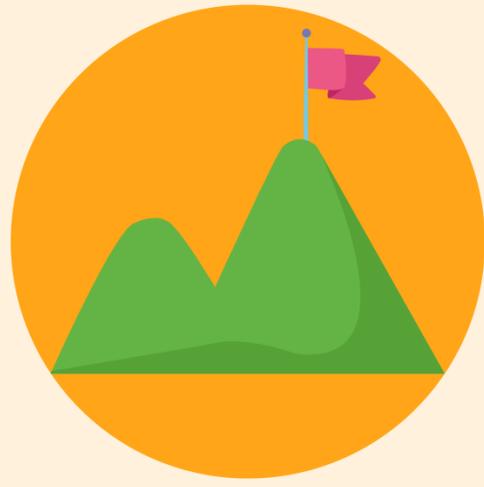
Care leavers (CLs) supported by the Aftercare Program so far

**CSA's Aftercare program**



**18**

Years of experience



**87**

Partner CCI's

**4**

Presence across states  
(Maharashtra, Orissa, MP, Goa)



**20K**

Lives impacted till date



Salary comparison

# INR 9.8K

Average monthly salary earned by CSA's CLs — 22.5% higher than the national average CL salary



# 99%

Of CSA's care leavers engaged in higher education and salaried jobs (n=323) — this figure stands at 75% at the national level (n=435)

Present engagement of CLs

The national data is taken as per a UNICEF study based on a sample of 435 CLs and 100+ key informants working on the ground on child protection in 5 Indian states. Only 75% of care leavers across these 5 states were engaged in higher education & salaried jobs and the latter earned an average monthly salary of INR 7,500-8,500



Cost of the program

**INR 60,000**

Average total cost per CL for the Aftercare program (includes direct cost of INR 25K incurred on tuition fee)



**INR 788,000**

NPV of lifetime increase in annual earnings over minimum daily wage because of the training (Increase p.a. = INR 24K,  $r=10\%$ ,  $n=40$ )

Lifetime earning potential

RoI

**1200%**

Return on Investment for CSA's Aftercare Program

CL - Care leaver | NPV - Net Present Value





Cost per CL

**INR 28,000**

Budget per care leaver for  
vocational training or higher  
education fees

Number of CLs

**12**

Care leavers that ShareAlittle is  
fundraising for





**“Before joining the program, I had low self-confidence and used to feel very shy.**

**But after completing this course and being employed as a bedside attendant, I now feel more brave and confident to take on the challenges that life throws at me.**

**Thank you CSA and the team members for your constant guidance and support to make me independent”.**

**- Pinky Yadav, a 2019 CL from Thane**



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