# **Brief History of Our Work in Borivali (E)**

#### Background:

The area work was started in the year 1994 from Borivali station were the children use come for begging and shoe shine work in the railway station and after studying the children it was seen that the children come from the nearby area from Ramleela Ground and from Borivali Fatak and children are of the tribal Family known Vagiri who have shifted from Gujarat in search of employment. They came and occupy the empty land of BMC and started staying with their house made of bamboo covered with plastic and started doing work on the daily wages and then they started their traditional work of old cloth collection and selling, seasonal work and these way they establish them in the area and build up their community. Through the year they shifted from one place to another and finally settle in the Area of Borivali Fatak and in two part one pollution is staying in the road side payment at Borivali west of same population and come under BMC land and other part in eastern part of mix community and the land come under the railway zone both have been in the threat of demolition.

No. of Families : 84
No. of Children : 143
No. of Youths : 15
No. of Women's : 40

### Problem/issues for starting project over there:

Begging and the child labour was the major issue when we survive the area and we found most of the children were on the street as no one to keep watch on them as parent go for work and living the children behind. Though initiative by the BMC School children were not going and parent never showed any interest to let the children to the school. The children were only busy in earning and spending for themselves in way eating Gutka and tobacco related product and gambling with the money. The children also open to many viral infections such as T.B., water related diseases, hygienically problem and food related infection. The children didn't have the proper shelter to protect them and their families and no basic amenities for the children and health factor was completely lacking.

### Past Success:

Children were admitted to BMC School with network with teacher and school department with proper follow up. Medical facilities in the area and through BMC hospitals in which health issues was minimise and created a concern toward their health. Started nutritional supplement program for the children which help to increase the children participation and stop the children from going for begging and improve in their health status. Formation youth and women's group, opening of saving account, Pan card, Aadhar Card, Ration Card, family planning and children have reach for the higher educational level



### Current Activities/Availing Facilities:

In the centre focus on their educational development through staff and volunteers from college, child right base program, school networking, youth development, women's development, awareness and rallies and watch on the children health, personal hygiene and nutritional supplement program



# Future Projection:

Forming for youth and women's group and registering the group and provide training to the group so they able to sustain the program and handle the responsibility of the children and community.

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