Chota Muh Khari Baat- a 3 month campaign led by Pravah across 5 states and in partnership with more than 10+ civil society organizations working towards preventing gender based discrimination in India

Pravah’s campaign- **Chota Muh Khari Baat** is an advocacy initiative of the flagship programme My Life, Mere Faisle (MLMF-working on preventing gender based discrimination across 5 states in India). The campaign aims to address the orthodox narratives around agency, where a young person’s voice is diminished to maintain the status quo around the dogmatic belief that a youth’s opinions, decisions and choices are not welcomed (A take on a common Hindi proverb- छोटा मुंह बड़ी बात). This year, our vision was to enable platforms for youth to have effective cross-border dialogues for challenging gender based discrimination in India, with specific focus to creating gender inclusive spaces and bridging the knowledge gap on sexual health and reproductive rights.

More than **40+ MLMF youth leaders** from Delhi, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Telangana and Uttar Pradesh have conducted youth addas with **6000+ adolescents** and held dialogues on decision making, abortion and bodily autonomy. Pravah organized open mics, panels, radio conversation as a medium to amplify youth voices to end gender based discrimination. Our digital campaigning efforts reached **4.2 million people** where conversations on menstruation, gender based violence were foregrounded.
Exciting Pravah Updates

Introducing a new Pravah initiative on impacting quality of education in semi-urban communities through youth leadership

Pravah in partnership with Echidna Giving, has developed a brand new programme called Youth Engagement for Learning and Leadership (YELL). Pravah felt the need to address the learning loss occurred during COVID-19 impacting adolescents especially those coming from marginalized socio-economic backgrounds. This initiative aims to use a holistic learning module, learner centric tools and experiential learning methodologies to bridge the learning gaps experienced by adolescents. It also focuses on capacitating adolescents with critical life skills and by equipping them to cope with uncertain times.

Our approach is to build leadership capacities and pedagogical understanding of youth leaders from the communities to curate education initiatives engaging directly engage with adolescents to enhance subject knowledge as well as life skills.

Youth Engagement for Learning and Leadership

- **2** states across India (Delhi and Telangana)
- **1200** adolescent lives impacted
- **6** slum communities engaged with (Sanjay Colony, Nehru Nagar, Kathputali Colony, Sawdha, Amberpet, Chanderghat)
- **14** social action projects by youth leaders
Pravah’s strategic shift for the upcoming years is to build a pool of youth community leaders and strengthen community-led initiatives to bring social transformation on issues such as education, gender and well-being.

Celebrating Pravah Alumni

Richa Gupta, Changelooms Alumni (Batch 2019) is now a global advocate for children’s wellbeing!

Richa went from teaching children in low-income communities of Delhi, to building her non-profit, Labhya Foundation. The organisation works with governments to make Social Emotional Learning accessible to 2.4 million children!

Richa has been recognised as one of 17 Young Leaders for the Sustainable Development Goal by the United Nations! She is the only Indian who is a part of this prestigious cohort, co-leading the SDG 2030 goals globally for the next two years.

We congratulate Richa for being a global champion for promoting equitable education and education wellbeing! To know more about Labhya Foundation, click here.

Sanjina Gupta, Sumit Pawar, (Changelooms Batch 2020) advocating for access to SRHR at Asia Youth Festival, Malaysia

Sanjina Gupta, founder of Rangeen Khidki, works extensively on building comprehensive gender and sexuality programs in India. Sumit Pawar has founded Qknit, an LGBTQIA+ collective aiming to increase awareness on legal and social rights.
Changelooms Learning and Leadership (CL) journey for early-stage young social entrepreneurs is designed and facilitated by Pravah since 2005. It is a 6-12 month ‘inside-out’ leadership journey to enable young social entrepreneurs effectively lead their social change initiatives. Like Richa, Sumit and Sanjina, we have more than 600+ social entrepreneurs who are driving change and advocating for issues that matter.

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Opportunities for You!

Join us!
Pravah is currently recruiting for 3 positions.
Check out existing positions on our website: https://www.pravahindia.org/

Opportunities for Young People
The next cycle of SMILE In-turn-ship is opening soon!
Nominate yourself or a young person from your circle to undergo a learning and leadership workshop in December.

Sanjina and Sumit have been recognised as young changemakers for SRHR by ARROW and got an opportunity to present their work at the Asia Youth Festival held in Malaysia during September 2022. Participants from across 7 countries got together to interact, innovate and bring in solutions in SRHR.

We congratulate them for their contributions in bridging the knowledge gap on SRHR in India. To know more about Rangeen Khidki and Qknit, click here.