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AMARDAS BHATIA, 77



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I am very happy and satisfied with the health service being provided by Luminous Power Technologies and iPartner India. It is benefitting the entire village who usually cannot even afford to buy medicines, let alone a doctor's consultation fees. In my village, we look forward to the weekly health camps and also inform others about the camps.

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF FUNCTIONARY

I am delighted to present iPartner India's Annual Report for the year 2016-17. My journey with iPartner India has not been long but it sure has been extremely fulfilling and exciting. This is an important year for iPartner India, as we enter the tenth year of change and progress.

We are proud to work with a wide range of organisations across India who are deeply committed to their work. Our partnerships with corporates, family foundations and individual donors have enabled us to achieve the results highlighted in the report. iPartner India continues to ensure that its primary focus is to make marginalised voices heard.

In 2016-17, our priority was to provide sustainable livelihoods to young women and girls by providing skill training in Delhi and Uttar Pradesh, support the education for young girls to follow their dreams and aspirations in Himachal Pradesh, to deliver preventive health care to local communities in Himachal Pradesh and to create awareness about the dangers of child trafficking through iPartner India's Every8Minutes campaign.

We are constantly growing and learning through our direct involvement with projects we support and with our engagement with donors. For this, I wish to recognise and thank all our partners and donors for the great partnership we have shared in this reporting period.

Our success is reflected in those lives we have reached out to. With the ongoing support of our donors, partners, the Board and our dynamic team, I believe iPartner India is set for the challenges and achievements ahead in 2018.

I hope you will enjoy reading the annual report.

With deep gratitude,

Sumedha Sharma
Chief Functionary,
iPartner India



about iPartner india



iPartner India is a philanthropic and CSR advisor, dedicated to encouraging focused giving towards the most pressing development issues facing modern India.

We support high impact projects through fundraising and capacity building support, demonstrating to our donors and partners the effectiveness of transparency and accountability in the work we do.

We enable expert partnerships to build capacity in under-funded NGOs, working across a range of issues. We offer a platform for generous individuals, families and CSR teams to bring about long-term sustainable change.

We come with 9 years of experience and expertise of working closely on the ground with local Indian NGOs. In this reporting period, iPartner India supported 10 projects in 5 states in India, improving the lives of over 165,062 people.

The key to our success has been the rigorous processes we have in place to identify, monitor and evaluate our programs. In addition to helping grassroots organisations scale up, iPartner India also offers mentoring and advisory services to help our partners innovate and become more efficient and impactful.

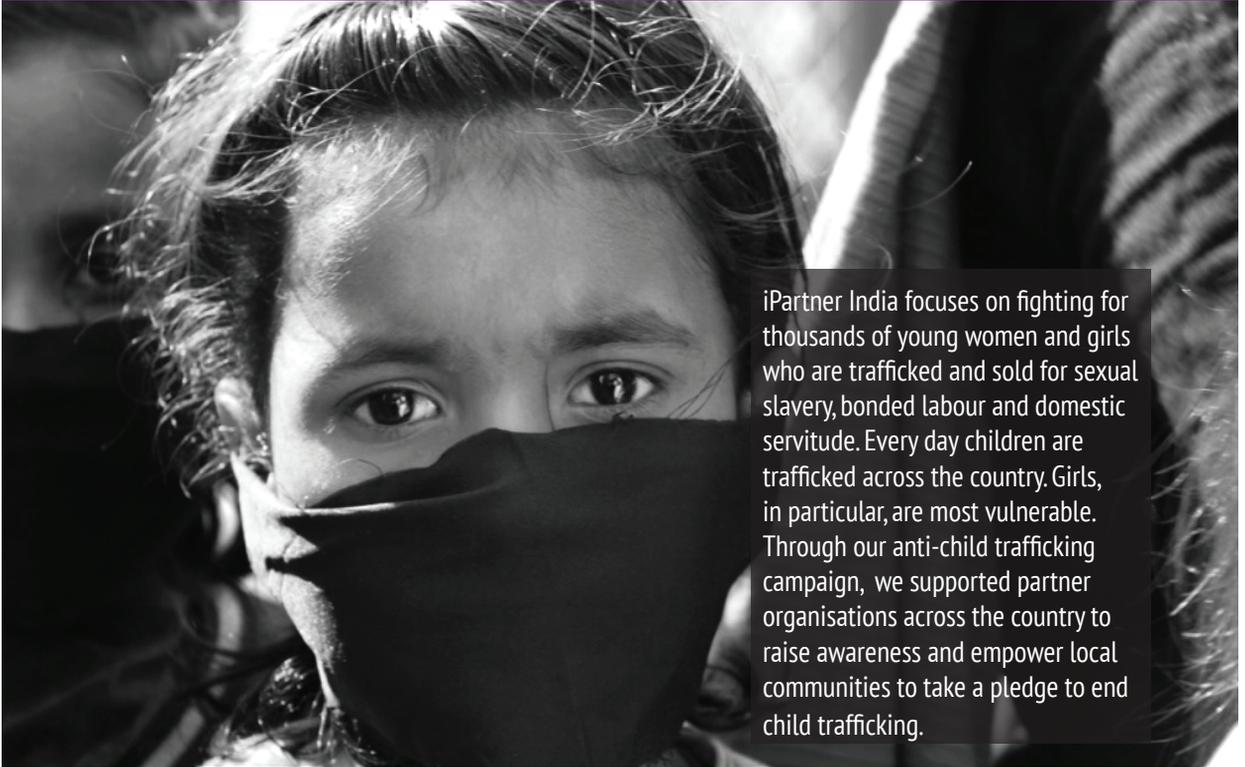
OUR REACH across **INDIA** is vast, but
OUR FOCUS is **BESPOKE** and **TARGETED**

our work



ANTI-CHILD TRAFFICKING
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anti-child trafficking



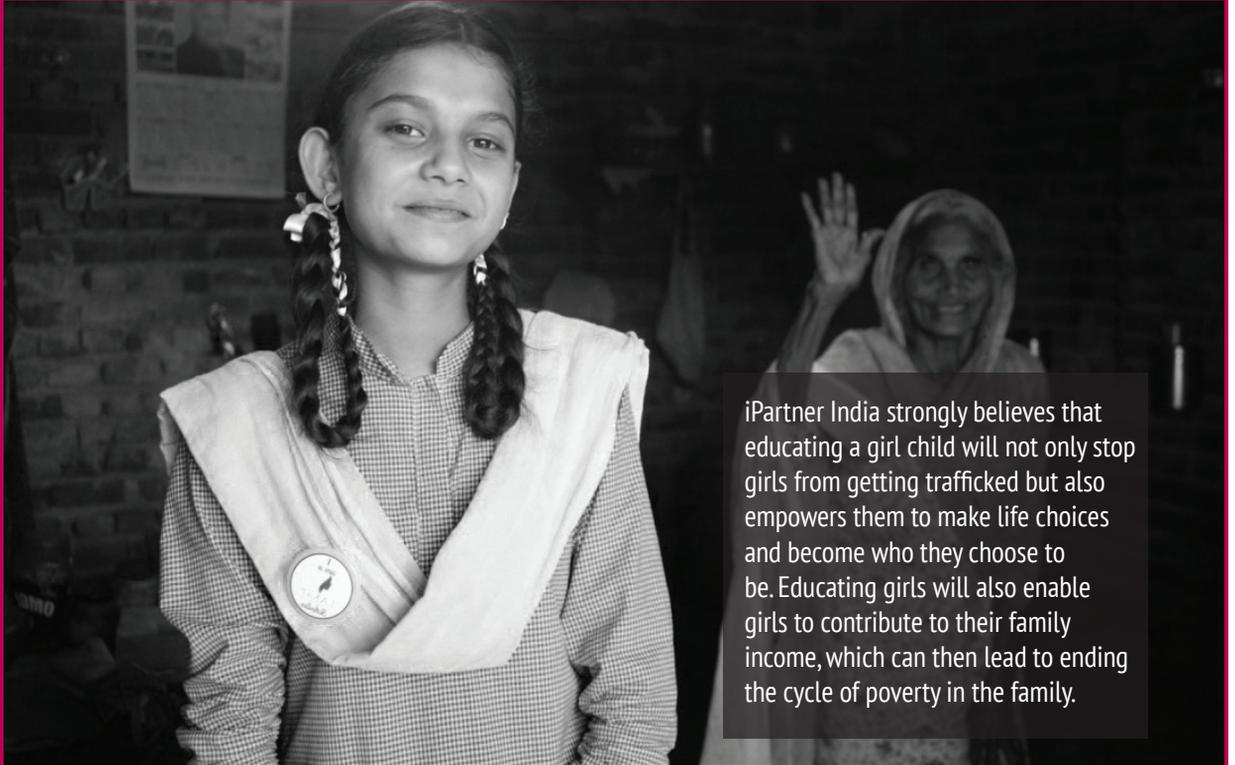
iPartner India focuses on fighting for thousands of young women and girls who are trafficked and sold for sexual slavery, bonded labour and domestic servitude. Every day children are trafficked across the country. Girls, in particular, are most vulnerable. Through our anti-child trafficking campaign, we supported partner organisations across the country to raise awareness and empower local communities to take a pledge to end child trafficking.

iPartner India's Every8Minutes campaign organised an event themed 'Walk for Freedom' from 25th November to 10th December in 2016.

The campaign collaborated with 15 partner organisations in 12 states where young women and girls marched the streets to raise their voices against child trafficking. Street plays, painting competition, signature campaign and mob flashes were held to raise awareness and to engage with local communities on the issue of child trafficking in India.

Every year, iPartner India joins hands with its partner organisations who work closely with local police, magistrates, schools and community leaders to curb the menace of child trafficking through the Every8Minutes campaign.

education



iPartner India strongly believes that educating a girl child will not only stop girls from getting trafficked but also empowers them to make life choices and become who they choose to be. Educating girls will also enable girls to contribute to their family income, which can then lead to ending the cycle of poverty in the family.

iPartner India in collaboration with Luminous Power Technologies supported the scholarship programme for 25 bright girls in Gagret, Himachal Pradesh. All 25 girls come from Below Poverty Line (BPL) families. Without this scholarship, most of them would have dropped out of schools to help their family in household chores or work in the fields.

Besides providing a scholarship to 25 girls, 38 school camps were held for dental hygiene and anemia testing. Most of the girls who were screened were anemic, a lifestyle disease, which can easily be prevented through proper diet and iron supplements.

For school boys, regular workshops were held to promote awareness on substance abuse. There is a rise in substance abuse, such as consumption of alcohol and smoking, especially amongst adolescent boys. The workshop provided a platform for the boys to interact with counsellors to become aware of the harmful effects of substance abuse.

health

iPartner India implemented the healthcare project in Himachal Pradesh in partnership with its partner organisations, Luminous Power Technologies and Ankur Welfare Society. The project focused on delivering healthcare at the doorstep by organising general and specialist camps. Most of the illnesses are preventable lifestyle diseases like diabetes, high blood pressure and anemia. The project focused on enhancing health seeking-behaviour within the local communities.

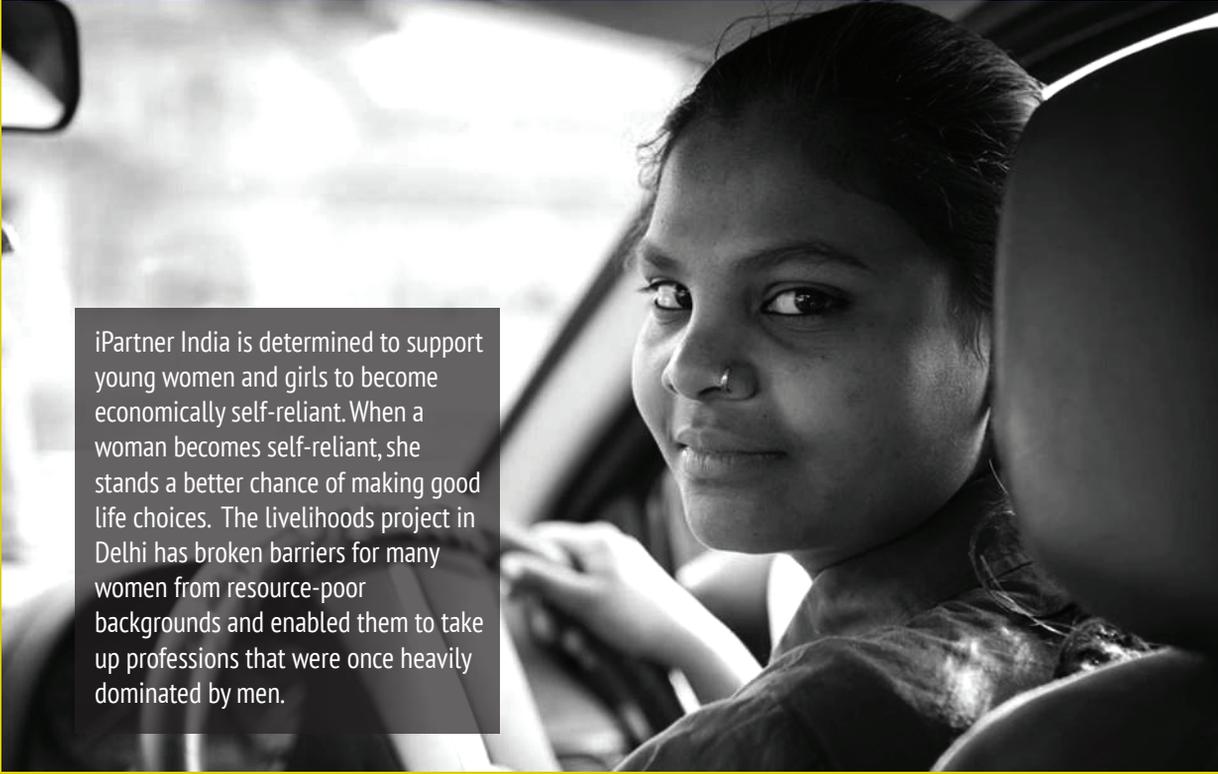


iPartner India's health project with Ankur Welfare Society directly reached out to over 25,266 people through several healthcare services. Health screening and tests were held for diabetes, BP, uric acid and anemia during the weekly health camps. The medical camps have been a great success and have benefitted many families, especially those living below the poverty line.

With the help of a Mobile Medical Unit (ambulance) equipped with a doctor and medicine, 164 medical camps were held in 50 panchayats. Over the counter medicine were prescribed by the doctor. For complicated cases, referrals were made for patients to visit government or private health facilities.

Poverty, poor diet and lack of awareness are some of the reasons why many of the patients are affected by preventable diseases.

women & livelihoods



iPartner India is determined to support young women and girls to become economically self-reliant. When a woman becomes self-reliant, she stands a better chance of making good life choices. The livelihoods project in Delhi has broken barriers for many women from resource-poor backgrounds and enabled them to take up professions that were once heavily dominated by men.

iPartner India supported a training programme for 60 women in Delhi with Azad Foundation to learn professional driving. iPartner India strongly advocates the fact that once women become economically self-reliant, they can live a life with dignity. The trainees initially faced resistance from family members and the community who opposed the idea of them becoming professional women drivers. These challenges were overcome and they were trained. The women drivers can now either be employed by cab service providers or placed as private women chauffeurs.

iPartner India also supported a project in Delhi to develop an online training module for garment industry workers, specifically for resource-poor women who would otherwise find it hard to give written exams or understand theoretical classes conducted using traditional methods.

In Anupshahr, iPartner India supported Pardada Pardadi Educational Society in the construction of a Production Centre for Women which now provides a stable livelihood to over 150 women.

2016-17 highlights



More than 10,000 people were reached during Every8Minutes 'Walk for Freedom' campaign. The campaign called out to various stakeholders such as local NGOs, police and local communities to speak out and take action against the horrendous act of child trafficking. With one child missing every eight minutes, iPartner India will continue to fight and raise its voice to end child trafficking in India.



25 girls are now receiving full scholarship to complete their senior secondary school. In addition the girls also receive the benefits of life skills and career guidance workshops and regular health screening during the school camps. Most of the girls have gained confidence and are now actively participating in inter-school debates and quiz competitions.



As a result of the weekly health interventions, over 25,000 people in Amb and Bangana districts in Himachal Pradesh have received free health check-ups, medication and health screening for diabetes, blood pressure, Hb testing and cholesterol. It was observed that diabetes and anemia top the list of afflictions faced by the communities. Most of the patients who attend the camps find out for the first time that they suffer from health problems.



60 women are now on the path to becoming the first generation of women drivers, not just in their families but also in their communities. The trainees not only receive technical training in driving skills, they also receive training in calling out the violence against women, gain greater mobility, are able to negotiate with the family to delay marriage and fight patriarchal mindsets.

our plans

Over the next year, iPartner India plans expand its work to new geographies and challenges to tackle human rights issues facing India. It will work more closely with the Government and continue to inspire corporates to aim higher with their CSR initiatives thus creating far reaching social impact on local communities.



Widening our Reach and Impact

iPartner India aims to reach and impact lives in the areas where women and children are most vulnerable. iPartner India will continue to bridge the gap between donors and partner organisations doing remarkable work to ensure that the work will grow and expand to the remotest areas.



Advocate for Social Change

iPartner India will continue to speak out for women and children, especially those from marginalised communities so that they can live a life with dignity, freedom from fear and with equal opportunities in education, health care and employment.

our services



iPartner India team member, Kulsum Rashid during an interactive session on prevention of sexual harassment at workplace, with employees of Circuitronix.

PREVENTION OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT AT WORKPLACE POLICY WORKSHOP

To make work spaces safe for women from all types of harassment, iPartner India conducts gender trainings and workshops on Prevention of Sexual-Harassment at Workplace. This year, the iPartner India team conducted a workshop for employees of Circuitronix. 40 vibrant and enthusiastic employees actively participated in the activities and discussions on de-constructing gender stereotypes and making their work-place a safe space for everyone especially women.

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

iPartner India works closely with companies to integrate the values and vision of the company with its CSR programme. We identify and recommend the right NGO partners and act as an intermediary between the company and the beneficiary. iPartner India also conducts due diligence, monitoring and evaluation of the projects being supported and reports back on the utilisation of the funds.

EMPLOYEE VOLUNTEER & MENTORING PROGRAMME

An employee volunteer and mentoring program that allows your staff to share their expertise with a particular project on a 'pro-bono' basis. This is an innovative tool to encourage employee commitment, foster leadership skills and improve the company's reputation by simultaneously benefiting communities and increasing social impact of business activities.

meet the team



Sumedha Sharma
Chief Functionary

Sumedha has over 23 years of experience working in national and international organisations on health, education, gender mainstreaming and building women's leadership in local self-governments in Asia and the South Pacific. Her strategic capacity building skills propels our partners towards greater social change.



Eshant Kumar Rajput
Senior Finance Manager

Eshant joined iPartner India team in May 2016 as the Finance Manager. He comes with 11 years of experience in financial management and accounting systems, including 7 years of experience in the development sector finance functions.



Kulsum Rashid
Senior Manager
Strategy & Programmes

Kulsum is the programme specialist of iPartner India. She leads the process to initiate, support, manage and monitor our programme partnerships. She gains her strength by sustained partner engagement and regular field visits.



Mary Khuvung
Communications Manager

Mary manages the communication section for iPartner India. She conceptualises, plans and implements communications work to effectively promote iPartner India's work to external audience.



Aditi Bakshi
Programme Officer

Aditi keeps our programme management running smoothly with attention to detail. She is responsible for ensuring that the monitoring and evaluation of our NGO partners is up to date so we are fully accountable to our donors.



Rajiv
Administrative Assistant

Rajiv, the lifeline of our Organization, is the main admin man and a big support to the iPartner team. He also helps coordinate the work of the Finance and Programme teams. Rajiv maintains all offline records and ensures availability of information at all times.

board of trustees



vision

iPartner India's **vision** is to create a more just and equitable India – an India where poverty levels have been significantly reduced, where every person has equal opportunities regardless of gender, caste or socio-economic background.

mission

iPartner India's **mission** is to give voice to grassroots NGOs and inspire individuals & businesses to join efforts in creating a better India.



Sanjay Patra
Executive Director

Financial Management Service
Foundation, India



Shoba Mathai
Director

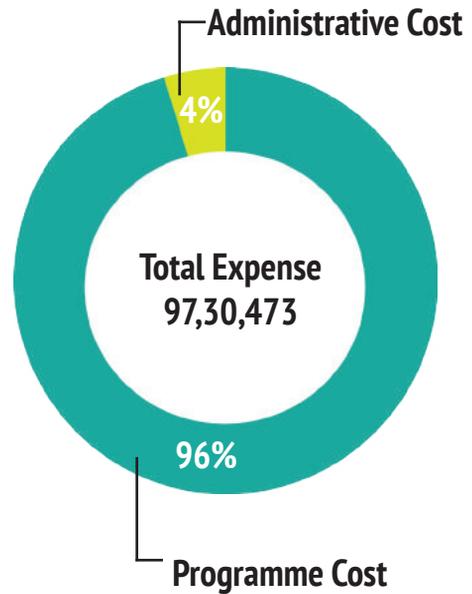
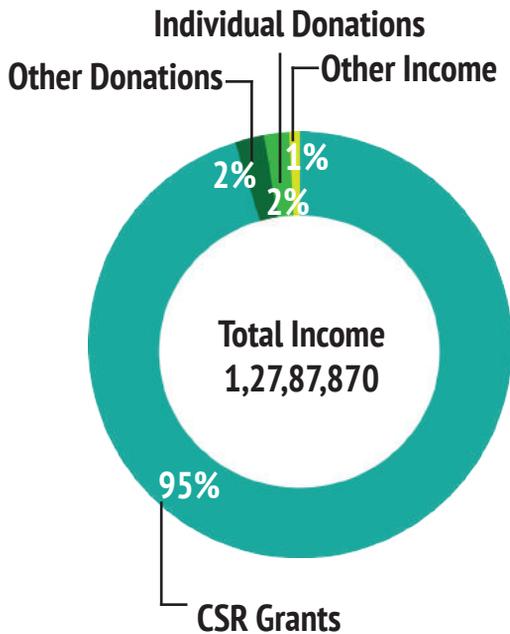
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Shankar Venkateswaran
Advisor

Corporate Sustainability,
Social Development

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HEALTH

53.14%



**WOMEN &
LIVELIHOODS**

29.45%



EDUCATION

17.10%



**ANTI-CHILD
TRAFFICKING**

0.32%



“Girls’ education is the single best investment that any society can make.”

- Carol Bellamy

PREETI RANI, 10th Grade



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I wish my father was alive today, he would have been so proud of my achievements. I want to become a science teacher when I grow up because I really enjoy the subject.

Thank you for giving me this great opportunity.

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Preeti is one of the 25 LAMP scholars supported by Luminous Power Technologies. She regularly participates in inter-school debates and quiz competitions. She recently won 2nd prize at the district level quiz competition held in Gagret.

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