



BUILDING HOPE FOR AT-RISK CHILDREN

Annual Report 2024-2025



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FOREWORD

by CEO, Navin Sellaraju

It is with great pride that I present this year's Annual Report, reflecting RCI's unwavering commitment to protecting vulnerable children and strengthening child protection systems across India.

From April 2024 to March 2025, we directly **protected 1,898 children** across six transport terminals, while an additional **2,287 children were safeguarded by trained and sensitised railway officials**. Our preventive work in six slum communities helped **shield 859 children from abuse and exploitation** through education, vocational training, healthcare, and access to government schemes.

Our family reintegration programme gained significant momentum, with **470 children and families receiving active support** from our caseworkers. Notably, **our collaborative projects with District Child Protection Units (DCPUs) in Patna and Dadar** marked a milestone for RCI.

Financially, we secured majority of our programme funding through local fundraising—an encouraging step toward sustainability.

With support from Airbnb, Bain & Company, Justice Venture International, Mukul Madhav Foundation and other donors, our total income reached ₹7.9 crore. We are working hard to build a reserve, which will ensure our financial resilience.

This year also saw the finalization of RCI's Theory of Change for 2030, shaped through collaborative input from our board, advisory group, trustees, and senior leadership.

As we look ahead, we remain committed to deepening our impact, strengthening systems, and ensuring every child has the opportunity to grow up safe, supported, and empowered.

Warm regards,

Navin Sukumar Sellaraju
Chief Executive Officer
Railway Children India

NUMBERS THAT MATTER



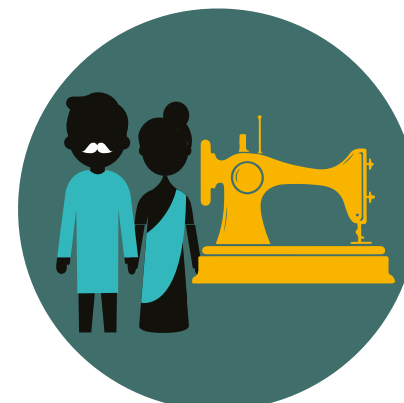
1,898
children reached and protected across **6 transport terminals**, including Delhi, Ghaziabad, Patna, and Mumbai.



93%
children identified at terminals were **reunited with families** or placed in safe care within the stipulated time.



859
children in **6 slum communities** prevented from abuse or exploitation through education, health, and protection support.



426
children & families received ongoing support, with reintegration and family care plans for 420 children.



512
children transitioned from high to moderate, and then to **low vulnerability** within one year.



505
children and 323 families linked to **vital government schemes** and services.



2287
children protected by sensitised and trained railway staff.



4201
stakeholders trained in child protection laws, SOPs, and safeguarding practices.



REAL STORIES, REAL CHANGE

Too many children face difficult journeys, but with the right support, their stories can take a new direction. Here are just a few of the many powerful stories we are proud to share—stories of resilience, hope, and the chance to reclaim a childhood they deserve.

*Names changed to protect the child's identity.

DOUBLE THE COURAGE, TWICE THE HOPE: ASHA AND ALISHA'S JOURNEY TO HEALING

During a routine home visit to Delhi's Tulsinagar community, Railway Children India (RCI) identified 5-year-old twins Asha and Alisha, both living with a cross-eye condition. Their father's passing in April 2024 had plunged the family into financial hardship, leaving their eye treatment unaffordable. When RCI stepped in, they arranged for medical evaluations at a local health camp, where doctors confirmed that corrective surgeries could restore the twins' vision. The team swiftly facilitated Asha's pre-surgery tests and hospital visits, and on October 6, 2024, she underwent a successful eye operation. Along with medication and nutritional support, RCI also helped enrol Asha in school—restoring not only her sight but also her path to learning.

Just as hope returned for Asha, a new medical challenge emerged for her sister. Doctors discovered a blocked

heart vessel that needed urgent attention before Alisha could undergo her eye surgery. While the news devastated their mother Rabia, RCI mobilized support once again—this time linking the family with the Child Heart Foundation. On November 26, 2024, Alisha received the life-saving heart surgery she needed, and for the first time, she could run, play, and attend school like other children her age. Her eye surgery is now the next step, already in progress with close support from the RCI team. To further safeguard the twins' future, RCI linked the family to the government's Preventive Sponsorship Scheme, ensuring educational continuity and stability. Today, Asha and Alisha are healthy, joyful, and full of life—thanks to early identification, compassionate action, and the belief that every child deserves the chance to thrive.

RADHIKA'S STRUGGLE: A TEENAGE GIRL'S JOURNEY FROM STREETS TO SUPPORT

During an outreach program at Anand Vihar Bus Terminal, our team spotted Radhika (name changed)—a 16-year-old girl wandering alone. When approached, she avoided the team and tried to escape, even seeking help from passing commuters. One of our team members patiently introduced herself and explained their work, slowly gaining Radhika's trust. Eventually, she was safely brought in from Platform No. 2 to our contact point, where she was given food and water.

Radhika shared her difficult story. Originally from Bihar, she had been living with her family in a rented house in Uttam Nagar, Delhi. But for the past several months, she survived on the streets, collecting scrap to get by, as her mother neglected her needs. Although she sometimes returned home, she mostly stayed near Anand Vihar railway station, where she made friends and unfortunately began consuming substances such as beedis, cigarettes, ganja, and smack.

Her family had left for Bihar to attend a wedding, deceiving her into running an errand and then locking the house behind them. Her aunt told her they had gone, leaving only ₹1000. On 21st November 2024, she took a bus to Anand Vihar and continued living there as a ragpicker.

Radhika's family faced many hardships. Her father, a former driver at a Gaushala, is currently unemployed and undergoing treatment for tuberculosis. Her mother sells vegetables, earning ₹10,000–15,000 per month. Radhika studied only up to Class 5 before dropping out years ago. She has a brother working at a tent house and two married sisters. While she said her father loves her, her mother neglects her.

Refusing to return home, Radhika was provided emotional support by our team and guided through official procedures, including filing a General Diary (GD) entry and undergoing a medical examination. A pregnancy test and ultrasound confirmed she was pregnant. During counselling, she disclosed that a man named Shravan had sexually exploited her while she was living on the streets. Shravan was taken into custody and an FIR was filed.

On 12th December 2024, Radhika was presented before the Child Welfare Committee (CWC), where her mother also appeared. The committee admitted her to Lal Bahadur Shastri Hospital and ordered a Medical Termination of Pregnancy, with assistance from our organization. She was hospitalized from 29th November to 23rd December 2024.

During her hospital stay, our workers supported her daily. On 4th December, Radhika attempted to escape, threatening self-harm with a blade. A worker skilfully de-escalated the situation and convinced her to surrender the blade. She was eventually discharged on 23rd December and returned home with her mother.

However, on 24th December, a follow-up revealed that Radhika had left home again. She was found the same day at Anand Vihar Bus Terminal and admitted to seeking drugs. The team contacted the CWC, which ordered her placement in a de-addiction center. Radhika is currently staying there and continuing her rehabilitation services at SPYM.

Radhika's journey highlights the complex challenges faced by vulnerable street children—her resilience amidst neglect, exploitation, and addiction underscores the urgent need for sustained support and intervention.

FROM FEAR TO FREEDOM: VIJAY'S PATH TO HOPE AND HEALING

Vijay (name changed), a 10-year-old boy, grew up in a home filled with hardship. His father, a daily-wage labourer, struggled to provide for the family, while Vijay was left in the care of his stepmother. Far from a nurturing figure, she subjected him to constant scolding, physical abuse, and forced him to handle all household chores. Over time, this toxic environment deeply affected Vijay's emotional and physical well-being. Eventually, the pain became too much to bear, and Vijay made a brave decision—to leave home and try to find shelter with his grandmother.

With little understanding of the city and no guidance, Vijay arrived at Dadar Railway Station, frightened, barefoot, and wearing soiled clothes. During a routine outreach activity, a Railway Children India (RCI) team member noticed the visibly distressed boy and approached him. After gently engaging in conversation, the staff member learned of the abuse Vijay had endured. The team quickly took action, ensuring his safety and initiating legal protocols. He was soon placed in the protective care of a local childcare institution.

Meanwhile, his family had reported him missing and distributed posters around their neighbourhood. Vijay's grandmother, heartbroken and desperate to find him, even made a pilgrimage to Ajmer Dargah to pray for his return. However, due to his ongoing fear of his stepmother, Vijay refused to disclose any family contact details to the team.

In a fortunate twist, an RCI team member based in Kalyan recognized Vijay's face on one of the missing posters while eating at a hotel. The poster matched the boy under RCI's care. Without delay, the team contacted local police and Vijay's family, setting the stage for a possible reunion.

Following a directive from the Child Welfare Committee (CWC), the RCI team attempted a home visit. Initially, the family misled the team, claiming they had shifted to Gujarat. However, persistent follow-ups led to a breakthrough—Vijay's grandmother privately revealed that they were still living in Ghatkopar. The delay, she confessed, was due to internal family conflict and the continued abusive behaviour of Vijay's stepmother, which had also affected her.

Further investigation revealed that Vijay's education had suffered under these circumstances. Though he had a genuine eagerness to study, his stepmother consistently obstructed him from attending school. Understanding the importance of restoring his right to education, the RCI team reached out to a nearby school. A compassionate teacher agreed to admit Vijay, giving him a chance to start anew.

This new opportunity filled Vijay and his grandmother with relief and hope. The grandmother expressed her profound gratitude to RCI, calling their support “a blessing” that helped bring her grandson back—and back on track.

Today, Vijay is safe, enrolled in school, and living with his grandmother in a more supportive environment. He continues to receive counselling and emotional support from RCI to heal from his traumatic past. The organization remains closely involved, monitoring his home life and academic progress to ensure that he thrives in a stable, child-friendly setting.

Vijay’s journey, marked by resilience and timely intervention, is a testament to the impact that consistent care, compassion, and action can have on a vulnerable child’s life. With his spirit rekindled and his future back on course, Vijay is finally walking toward a life filled with dignity, learning, and hope.

ANJALI’S DETOUR: A BRAVE DECISION, A RISKY JOURNEY, AND A TIMELY RESCUE

As the November sun dipped below the horizon, 14-year-old Anjali (name changed) stood at Madhubani Railway Station, waiting for her train back home after a short trip to Jayanagar. Just as the train’s headlights flickered in the distance, she noticed two familiar faces in the crowd—her close friends, Pooja and Nisha. Something wasn’t right. The girls looked distressed, and when Anjali asked what was wrong, they shared their personal struggles.

Moved by their stories and concerned for their safety, Anjali made a spontaneous yet risky decision—she would accompany them to Delhi. Her father had already booked her train ticket to Delhi for two days later, but Anjali chose to leave earlier with her friends, wanting to support them through their crisis.

Anjali comes from a humble family. Her father, Rajesh Verma, works as a mason in Delhi, while her mother, Sunita Devi, is employed in a switch manufacturing factory. Anjali is the eldest of three siblings. Her brother Rakesh, 16, dropped out of school after Class 8, and her younger brother Rohit, 12, is in Class 5. Despite their limited means, Anjali has always been a bright student. Studying at Government School, Sarela, she recently secured an impressive 81% in her exams—testament to her determination and dreams for a better future.

Dressed in a blue suit, Anjali and her friends boarded the train, unaware of the challenges that lay ahead. When they arrived at the Delhi station, railway authorities quickly noticed something was off. The girls were alone, looked unsure, and didn’t have a clear plan. Recognizing the potential risk, the Government Railway Police (GRP) intervened and brought the girls to the Child Help Desk, where the Railway Children India (RCI) team ensured their safety and met their immediate needs.

Anjali’s family was contacted without delay. As per protocol, the GRP and Child Welfare Committee (CWC) conducted a thorough verification. Her father soon arrived in Delhi, visibly relieved, and Anjali was safely reunited with her family.

Though her decision to leave was driven by compassion, Anjali’s experience became an important lesson in responsibility. She realized how critical it is to

communicate with family and to think through the risks involved—even when acting from a place of care. Now back home, Anjali is more focused than ever on her education and future. Her journey, though unplanned, became a moment of growth—and thanks to the quick response of the GRP and RCI, a potentially dangerous situation was averted.

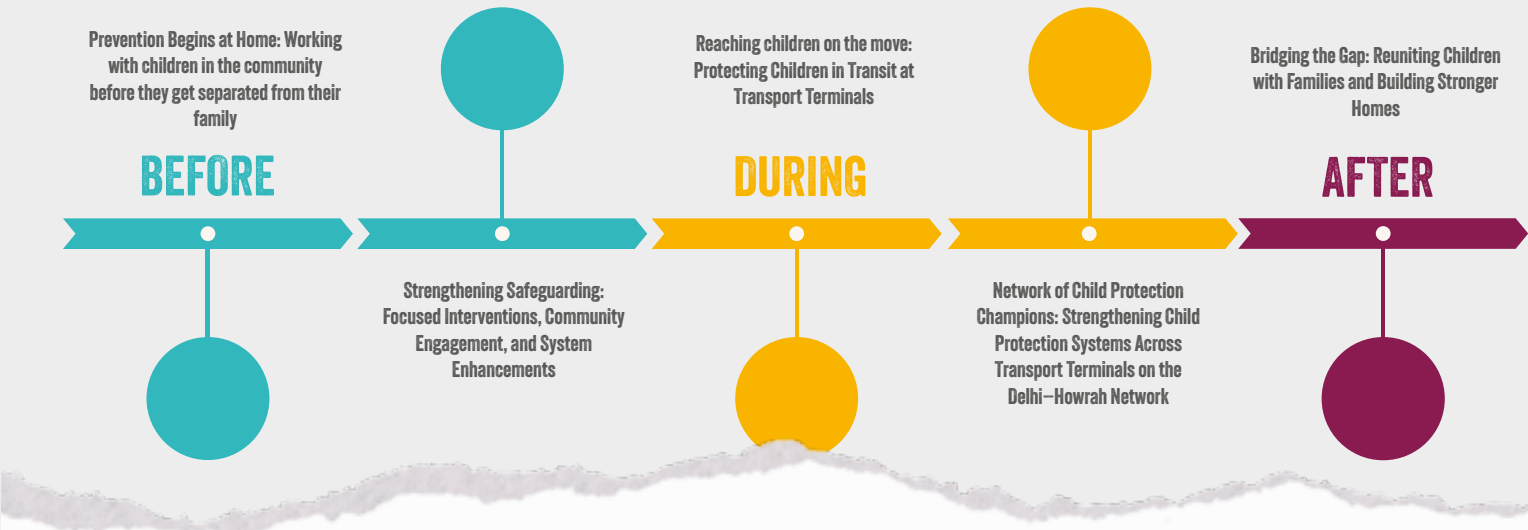
LAXMI’S JOURNEY: FROM EMOTIONAL TURMOIL TO RENEWED HOPE

When Railway Children India first met 17-year-old Laxmi (name changed), she had been found at a railway station, attempting to meet a boy she had formed a deep emotional attachment with. This was not her first such attempt; emotional distress and a sense of isolation had led her to run away from home twice before. During the initial intervention, the team recognised signs of emotional vulnerability and ensured she was safely restored to her family. But they also knew her struggles needed deeper attention. The Family Reintegration team took over her case for a more comprehensive assessment.

As the team engaged with Laxmi, a fuller picture of her distress emerged. She had faced emotional rejection when the boy suddenly cut off contact with her—leaving her devastated and triggering self-harming behaviour. This emotional setback, compounded by her fragile physical health—she had been diagnosed with anaemia—left her feeling weak, misunderstood, and disconnected from her family. Anger had become her shield, often leading to conflict at home. It was clear that Laxmi needed sustained emotional, physical, and familial support to begin healing.

The Family Reintegration team began working intensively with Laxmi, creating a safe space where she could explore her feelings and process her pain. Activities like the “Tree of Life” exercise helped her reflect on her journey, recognise her strengths, and understand the roots of her anger. With consistent guidance, she learned techniques to manage emotional triggers, including relaxation, journaling, and creative expression through art. Her parents, too, were counselled and encouraged to seek medical treatment for her anaemia—an important step that led to improved physical health, which in turn supported her emotional stability.

Education soon became a turning point in Laxmi’s journey. With encouragement from the team, she enrolled in the National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) and proudly passed her first-term exams. Receiving her NIOS ID card was a moment of transformation—marking a fresh start and a vision for a better future. She began computer classes, learned to create bar graphs, and found joy in drawing and painting—now powerful outlets for her emotions. Today, Laxmi continues to grow stronger, more confident, and hopeful. Her journey reminds us that with the right support, every child has the potential to heal, thrive, and dream again.



TURNING POINTS IN OUR MISSION

Key milestones & achievements for 2024-2025



BEFORE

Prevention Begins at Home: Working with children in the community before they get separated from their family

At Railway Children India, our community work focuses on adopting preventive measures to protect the children—through school enrolment, vocational training, access to scholarships and addressing child safeguarding concerns. Our community-based interventions are designed to stop vulnerability before it begins. By ensuring children and adolescents also receive their basic rights and entitlements, we strengthen families from within. We intervene early in cases of child marriage, substance abuse, and other safeguarding concerns, recognising that prevention starts at home. Because we believe that home and family are the safest spaces for children to grow, thrive, and stay protected.

This year, we enrolled and re-enrolled 212 children in schools and supported 69 adolescents through vocational training—ensuring education acts as the first line of protection.

To make rights more accessible, 230 children and adolescents were linked to critical government schemes and entitlements, including 11 under the Government’s Preventive Sponsorship Scheme—providing families the support they need to keep children safe at home.323 parents were linked with government schemes and services.

We also successfully addressed 12 safeguarding concerns, including cases of child marriage, substance abuse, and sexual abuse—with growing community ownership and reporting playing a key role.

Because keeping children safe means reaching them and protecting them—in the very communities they live in.



We have successfully tracked 1,695 highly vulnerable children, ensuring they do not fall into a cycle of to abuse or harm. By keeping them within the safety net of their families, we prevent their exposure to the negative influences around them.



EMPOWERING ADOLESCENTS THROUGH
PEER GROUPS: BUILDING CONFIDENCE,
SKILLS, AND RESILIENCE

We successfully established **12 adolescent groups** focused on empowering both girls and boys across 6 communities. These groups provide a safe and supportive space where young people can openly discuss the challenges they face, including peer pressure, academic stress, gender norms, and family conflicts. Through **participatory sessions**, the groups build **life skills, boost self-confidence, and encourage positive decision-making, enabling adolescents to navigate the complexities of growing up with greater resilience and awareness.**

Our adolescent groups also specifically address issues related to gender equality, health education, and personal safety, creating an inclusive environment that fosters mutual respect and understanding between girls and boys. By actively involving adolescents in these discussions, we aim to **nurture leadership, promote mental well-being, and strengthen their ability to advocate for their rights and futures.** This holistic approach to adolescent empowerment lays a vital foundation for healthier communities and a safer environment for all children.



STRENGTHENING SAFEGUARDING: FOCUSED
INTERVENTIONS, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT,
AND SYSTEM ENHANCEMENTS

Training sessions were conducted for program teams to enhance understanding of safeguarding protocols and strengthen incident response mechanisms. The final draft of our revised Child Safeguarding Policy has been completed and will soon be presented to the Board for approval. A structured Risk and Mitigation Plan has been rolled out across all program locations, enabling teams to identify potential safeguarding risks early and apply preventive actions effectively.

In parallel, we strengthened community engagement efforts by conducting **seven workshops with parent groups**, aimed at building awareness around key safeguarding principles and equipping parents with the knowledge to actively contribute to child protection. These sessions fostered open dialogue, encouraged family-level vigilance, and reinforced the critical role that parents and caregivers play in ensuring a safe environment for children.

Additionally, **five sessions were held with adolescents** to help them understand their rights, recognize unsafe situations, and learn how to seek support when needed—placing them at the center of their own safety.



SNAPSHOTS FROM THE COMMUNITY





DURING

Reaching children on the move:
Protecting Children in Transit at
Transport Terminals

At transport terminals across India, our on-ground teams **work closely with transport officials** to quickly identify and reach children who arrive alone and are at high risk. By intervening early—often as soon as they step off the train—we bring them to **safety at our Child Help Desks**, where we address immediate needs, build trust, and assess their vulnerability. From that first point of contact, **we provide protection, temporary care, and begin the process of reintegration** in coordination with child protection authorities, ensuring each child receives the support they need for a safer future.



Out of the 1,898 children we protected, the majority—**75%—were boys, while 25% were girls**. Many of these children were identified early thanks to strong partnerships, with **37% referred by alert and engaged stakeholders at transport terminals**.

Through **68 Child Help Group (CHG) meetings attended by 201 stakeholders**, we strengthened our collaborative efforts to protect vulnerable children. As part of our proactive approach, we identified 353 children with low vulnerabilities and 237 with no immediate risk. With timely intervention and support, 279 of these cases were successfully resolved, allowing these children to return to safety and stability.

Our goals remains to create safe spaces at transport terminals where vulnerable children can find protection, hope, and a path to a safer future.



We protected 1,898 children across six transport terminals, with 93% successfully reunited with their families. Notably, 34% of these children were identified and referred by stakeholders based at the terminals.

COORDINATION PROTOCOL: LAUNCHED IN MUMBAI & PATNA

A significant milestone was achieved with the launch of the Coordination Protocol model—an initiative rooted in strong government-NGO collaboration. In Mumbai, RCI, in partnership with the Department of Women and Child Development (DWCD) and in coordination with the Child Helpline services, initiated a dedicated intervention at Dadar railway station. Similarly, in Patna, interventions were launched across three railway stations in collaboration with the District Child Protection Unit (DCPU), marking a powerful step forward in coordinated child protection efforts at transport hubs.



NETWORK OF CHILD PROTECTION CHAMPIONS: STRENGTHENING CHILD PROTECTION SYSTEMS ACROSS TRANSPORT TERMINALS ON THE DELHI- HOWRAH NETWORK

In our goal to build a broad-based movement for child protection—bringing together policymakers, government officials, and civil society, to collectively strengthen and resource systems so that no child is left behind, our efforts focus on training railway officials, fostering dialogue, collaboration, and action to create lasting impact.



A key highlight of this journey has been our partnership with the Indian Railways, through which we co-developed Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and a Guidebook on child rights and protection. Each year, we build this relationship, by refining our training modules and reaching more railway officials, making them ready to protect at risk children. By training railway staff across the Delhi–Howrah rail network, we're working to embed a self-sustaining model where railway personnel are equipped to proactively identify and protect at-risk children—transforming stations into safe and child-friendly spaces across the country.



4201 railway stakeholders and government child protection functionaries were trained where they protected 2287 children, including 161 children in moving trains.

CHILD HELP GROUPS: A SCALABLE MODEL FOR SYSTEMIC CHILD PROTECTION AT RAILWAY STATIONS

Child Help Groups (CHGs) serve as a powerful convergence model at the station level, bringing together railway authorities and the government child protection system to ensure accountability and action for vulnerable children. By activating 13 CHGs, we've strengthened coordination and compliance with the Railways' Standard Operating Procedures (SoPs), enabling a seamless partnership between station-level operations and district child protection mechanisms.

This model has proven to be a critical tool in our mission—one that not only reinforces system-level responsibility but also holds immense potential for scale. CHGs offer a replicable, effective framework to expand our reach and ensure that no child in need slips through the cracks. Their success reflects the strength of our collaborative approach and our growing ability to protect every child who comes into contact with the railways.



ABHINANDAN – We organised five felicitation ceremonies to honour not only dedicated railway officials but also resilient children and their families. These families had successfully reunited with their children and, through our family strengthening initiatives, were empowered to build secure and nurturing environments. The recognition celebrated their commitment to keeping children safe and within the care of their families.



DIGITAL TRAINING MODULE – In partnership with Tech Mahindra Foundation, Railway Children India developed a comprehensive digital training module focused on child protection. This module has been officially adopted by the JR RPF Academy and is now being used to train railway personnel—including RPF and GRP—across all Zonal and Divisional levels, helping build a child-sensitive, proactive workforce across the railway network.

STRENGTHENING CHILD PROTECTION: COMPREHENSIVE TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING

In 2024–25, Railway Children India (RCI) undertook a comprehensive training initiative to strengthen our child protection ecosystem and enhance the skills of our teams working with vulnerable children and families. A major milestone was the completion of a six-month Comprehensive Training Course, with the first batch of 14 staff completing all 16 modules covering child rights, safeguarding, mental health, and leadership, while a second batch of 18 participants progressed through 9 modules by March 2025. In partnership with Mpower Minds, 19 team members became certified Mental Health First Aid Providers, boosting our capacity to respond to psychological distress effectively. Additionally, multiple case management trainings were held across Delhi NCR, Patna, and Dadar, ensuring consistent, high-quality case documentation and intervention practices.

Further strengthening our approach, focused training on trauma-informed care and attachment theory was delivered to caseworkers and child welfare officers, reinforcing compassionate responses to children's needs. A specialized session on Railway SOP and Child Protection gathered 30 staff from six transport terminals, enhancing coordination and implementation of child protection protocols. At the community level, three Life Skills sessions engaged 35 peer leaders, adolescent group members, community mobilizers, and volunteers, promoting confidence, emotional regulation, and self-awareness—key elements in empowering the children and communities we serve.



SNAPSHOTS FROM THE COMMUNITY





AFTER

Bridging the Gap: Reuniting Children with Families and Building Stronger Homes

Railway Children India's transport terminal teams safeguarded 1,363 children in high-risk and vulnerable situations across four major transit hubs in the Delhi/ NCR region: Anand Vihar Bus Terminal (466), Ghaziabad Railway Station (373), Delhi Sarai Rohilla (303), and Delhi Cantonment (221). Of these children, 77.2% were boys and 22.8% girls, with **adolescents aged 13–18 years representing the largest group**. Key vulnerabilities identified included peer pressure, family conflict, financial strain, and, among girls, issues such as fleeing early marriage or unsafe domestic environments. Younger children, especially those aged 0–6, were often lost or abandoned. Importantly, **93% (1,267) of these children were successfully reunited with their families through coordinated efforts**, while 17 children were referred for long-term care in Child Care Institutions (CCIs). **Overall, 94.2% of children were secured in either family-based or alternative care settings.**

The Family Reintegration Team worked intensively with **470 children** during this period, identifying 160 with high vulnerabilities and 310 with moderate vulnerabilities. Girls accounted for 27.2% (128) of these cases. Adolescents (13–18 years) made up the majority of both vulnerability categories, though younger children (0–12 years) showed a higher proportion of high vulnerability (38% vs. 32% for adolescents). The team's approach included in-person, direct case management for 193 children within a three-hour radius of Delhi/NCR, involving regular home visits and follow-ups.

For 277 children from more distant states such as Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, and Punjab, the team coordinated with Child Welfare Committees (CWCs), District Child Protection Units (DCPUs), and local NGOs to ensure safe and sustainable reintegration.



Throughout the year, 595 children initially placed in CCIs for short-term care were supported, with 84% (499) successfully restored to their families within the mandated timeframe. Continuous follow-up led to the re-referral of 21 children from previous years, **demonstrating the team's long-term commitment to every child's safety, stability, and well-being.**



We have comprehensively assessed the needs and vulnerabilities of 4,820 children protected at transport terminals. Through our focused efforts, 1,260 children have been safely reintegrated with their families—positively impacting not only their lives but also those of 3,150 siblings.



RESIDENTIAL FAMILY CAMP: HEALING, RECONNECTION, AND LASTING CHANGE FOR CHILDREN WITH RUNAWAY HISTORIES

The Residential Family Camp is a transformative, three-day program designed to support children with repeated runaway histories and their families in a safe, nurturing, and joyful environment. Through emotionally engaging activities like the Tree of Life and Step into Their Shoes, families are encouraged to reconnect, build empathy, and strengthen communication. Parenting workshops offer caregivers new tools to listen and respond with care. For many, this camp provides a rare opportunity to spend meaningful, uninterrupted time together, fostering moments of laughter, understanding, and healing that lay the foundation for lasting trust and emotional stability.



TEAM RCI: CHAMPIONS FOR EVERY CHILD

At Railway Children India, we foster a culture of openness and transparency, deeply rooted in our core values that always place the child at the center of everything we do. This year, to further celebrate and motivate our dedicated team, we introduced the “Employee of the Quarter” initiative—an opportunity to recognize the hard work, passion, and commitment of our staff. This platform not only honours their contributions but also reinforces our collective mission to create a safe and nurturing environment for every child we support.



Sanjay Kumar Gupta
Chairperson



Harbhajan Singh
Director RCI



Megha Jain
Director RCI



Priya Varadarajan
Director RCI



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& Communications

NITIN AGGARWAL
Head of Finance and Operations

PAWAN KUMAR
Project Coordinator

SHUBHAM CHAKRABORTY
Project Coordinator

TAWAKKUL KHAN
Programme Officer, Community
Interventions

TARANNUM PRAVEEN
Donor Care Executive

VIJAY KUMAR
Backend & Face to Face Officer



TOGETHER FOR EVERY CHILD: THANK YOU TO OUR SUPPORTERS

With heartfelt gratitude, we thank each of our partners and donors for standing with us in our mission to reach every child in need. Your unwavering support has brought us one step closer to our shared goal—creating a world where no child is alone, unsafe, or unheard. Whether through resources, collaboration, or trust in our work, your commitment has helped protect vulnerable children, strengthen families, and build safer systems. Each life changed is a reflection of your belief in the power of collective action, and we are deeply grateful to walk this journey with you.

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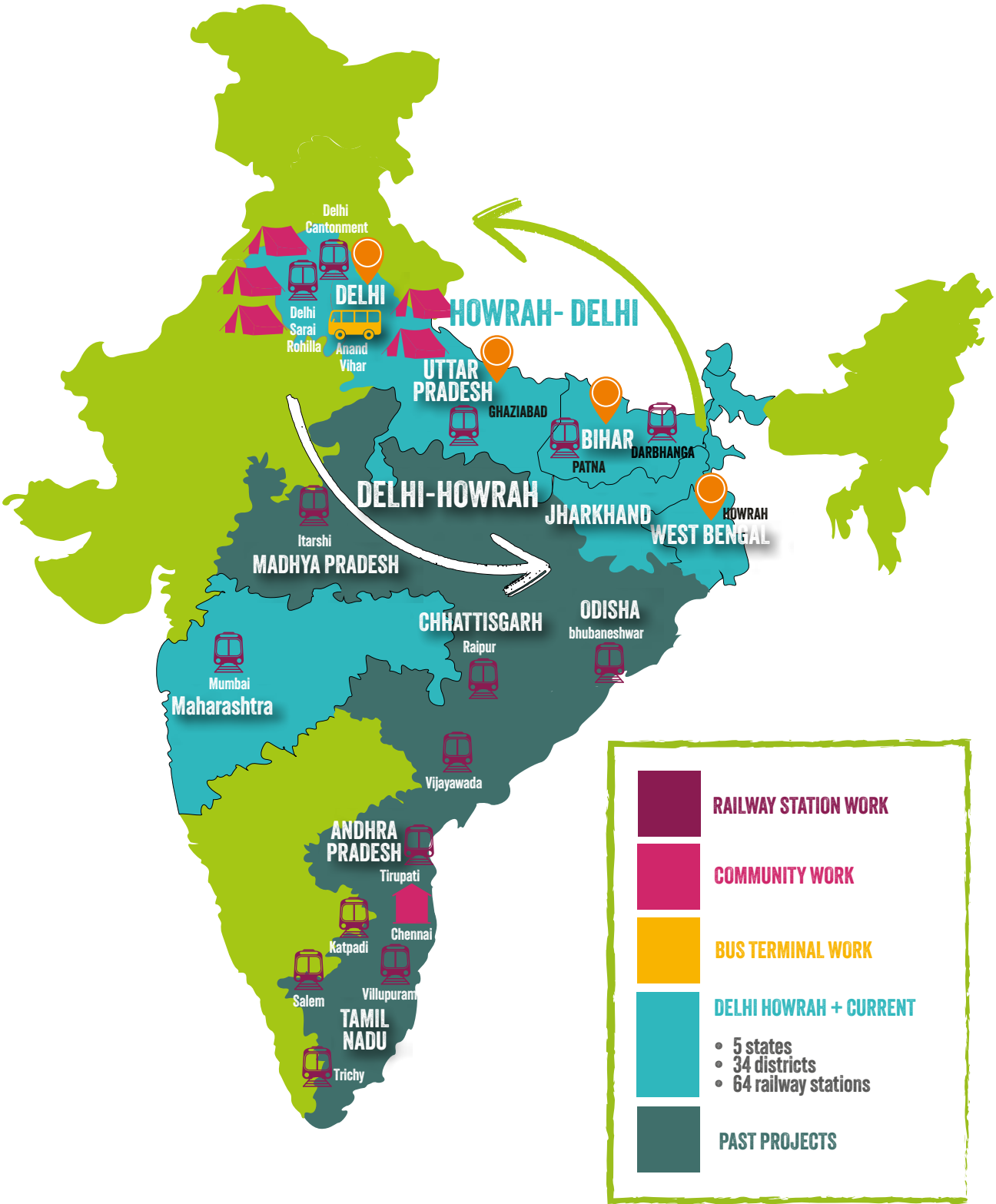
Our Vision

We believe in a world where no child ever has to live on the streets.



Our Mission

Create and enable sustainable change for children living alone and at risk on the street.



FINANCIALS

Railway Children India
Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2025
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	Particulars	Note	As at March 31, 2025 (Rs. in Lakhs)	As at March 31, 2024 (Rs. in Lakhs)
I. EQUITY AND LIABILITIES				
1. Shareholders' Funds				
(a) Share Capital	2		-	-
(b) Reserves and Surplus	3		81.23	116.49
2. Non Current Liabilities				
(a) Long-Term Provisions	4		21.87	14.50
3. Current Liabilities				
(a) Trade Payables	5			
i) Total outstanding dues of micro enterprises and small enterprises; and				
ii) Total outstanding dues of creditors other than micro enterprises and small enterprises			1.28	1.84
(b) Other Current Liabilities	6		8.37	11.07
(c) Short Term Provisions	7		0.95	0.63
			113.70	144.53
II. ASSETS				
1. Non Current Assets				
(a) Property, Plant and Equipment and Intangible Assets	8			
i) Tangible Assets			16.48	7.97
ii) Intangible Assets			0.24	0.24
(b) Long term Loans and Advances	9		0.46	0.46
2. Current assets				
(a) Cash and Cash Equivalents	10		74.73	112.26
(b) Short Term Loans & Advances	11		21.79	23.60
			113.70	144.53

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Railway Children India (A Company Licensed under Section 8 of the companies Act, 2013) CIN: U85100DL2013NPL260371, e-mail: contact@railwaychildren.org.in Statement of Income & Expenditure for the year ending 31st March, 2025				
	Particulars	Note	For year ended March 31, 2025 (Rs. in Lakhs)	For year ended March 31, 2024 (Rs. in Lakhs)
I.	Revenue from operations	12	789.33	658.15
II.	Donations and Grant received	13	3.13	4.20
III.	Other incomes			
IV.	Total Income (I+II)		792.50	662.35
V.	Expenses:			
	Program Expenses	14	507.40	416.49
	Enabling Function Expenses	15	289.40	263.52
	Depreciation & Amortization Expenses	8	2.75	3.15
	Other Expenses	16	18.23	18.09
	Total expenses		827.78	701.25
VI.	Surplus / (Deficit) for the year (IV-V)		(35.28)	(39.90)
VII.	Tax expense:			
	(I) Current income tax		-	-
	(II) Deferred Tax		-	-
	Total Tax expenses		-	-
VIII.	Surplus / (Deficit) after tax		(35.28)	(39.90)

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