Girl Child Education & Empowerment Program

A Collaborative Initiative of…

Coromandel International Limited, Visakhapatnam
Padala Charitable Trust, Kakinada

Project Implementation Area:
Mulagada & Pedagantyada Mandals in Visakhapatnam

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Program Highlights

Key Highlights:

- **103 meritorious girl students** supported under the **Girl Child Education & Empowerment Program Initiative (2024–25)**.
- **5 schools/educational institutions** covered across **Mulagada and Pedagantyada Mandals, Visakhapatnam**.
- 103 girl students received bicycles, medals, certificates, and educational publications.
- 22 students pursuing higher education at college level received college trolleys.
- 61 students received college bags.
- **285 Students Covered Life Skills & Career Guidance** delivered through **SET & SETHU programs**.
- **242 Students covered Adolescent Health, Menstrual Hygiene & Personal Safety** addressed through **Swechha & SFLB programs**.
- **Pre- and post-assessments** demonstrated improved **knowledge, awareness and confidence** among participating students.
- The intervention adopted a **holistic approach to girl child empowerment**, combining **education, life skills, career readiness, health and safety awareness**.
- The initiative culminated in a **felicitation and support distribution event**, with the **Collector & District Magistrate, Visakhapatnam, as Chief Guest**, reinforcing the importance of girl child education and empowerment.

Program Summary

Executive Summary:

Coromandel International Limited, in collaboration with Padala Charitable Trust (PCT), implemented the Girl Child Education & Empowerment (GCE) Program to support girls' education, recognize academic achievement, and strengthen students' life skills, career awareness, adolescent health knowledge, and personal safety awareness.

As part of the educational support initiative for the 2024–25 academic year, 103 meritorious girl students were identified in coordination with the respective school management teams and provided educational support based on their eligibility and identified needs, including bicycles, college trolleys, college bags, medals, certificates and educational publications

Complementing this educational support, structured life skills and career guidance sessions were conducted through the SET and SETHU Programs, while adolescent health, menstrual hygiene, and personal safety education were delivered through the Swechha and SFLB Programs.

The initiatives covered five educational institutions across the Mulagada and Pedagantyada mandals of Visakhapatnam, reaching 285 students through SET and SETHU and 242 students through Swechha and SFLB.

Pre- and post-session assessments indicated improvements in students' reported knowledge and awareness across several learning areas. Beneficiary feedback also highlighted the relevance of the sessions in strengthening confidence, self-awareness, career understanding, and personal safety awareness.

The program reflects a holistic approach to girl child empowerment by combining educational assistance with life skills, career guidance, health education, and personal safety awareness. Continued engagement and follow-up assessments can help track the sustainability of these outcomes and inform future program planning.

Program Event & Leadership Participation

The Girl Child Education & Empowerment program was conducted with the participation of Coromandel International Limited's leadership and representatives.

The program was attended by:

- **Sri M. Abhishikth Kishore, IAS Visakhapatnam Collector & District Magistrate**
- **Mr. Shanmugam – Unit Head**
- **Mr. Jaya Gopal Chatur – CSR Head**
- **Mr. KVVYS Narayana – AVP - HR**
- **Mr. S. V. Ramana – Manager- CSR**

The Chief Guest appreciated Coromandel International Limited's commitment towards girl child education and empowerment and highlighted the significance of supporting girls' education and enabling them to progress towards their career aspirations.

The distribution of **Bicycles, Trolleys, college bags, medals and educational publications** provided a meaningful opportunity to recognise students' achievements and encourage them to continue their educational journey.

Role of Padala Charitable Trust

Padala Charitable Trust, as the Implementing Agency, supported the planning and execution of the program in coordination with Coromandel International Limited and the concerned educational institutions.

Key responsibilities included:

- Student and parent coordination
- Planning and conducting awareness sessions
- Facilitation of Life Skills and Adolescent Health Education programs
- Coordination of educational support distribution
- Event management and implementation
- Collection of beneficiary feedback
- Documentation of program outcomes

Chief Guest Address

It gives me immense pleasure to be here today, on the auspicious occasion of **Raksha Bandhan**, and to meet the students participating in this meaningful **Girl Child Education & Empowerment (GCE) Program**.

I sincerely appreciate **Coromandel International Limited, Visakhapatnam**, for its longstanding contribution to the community and society. For several decades, Coromandel has been creating a meaningful impact through its commitment to community development and social responsibility. My appreciation to the **Murugappa Group** for its continued support in this regard.

I extend my warm greetings to the Coromandel team, the students, and their parents.

Promoting **girl child education and empowerment** is an important step towards building a stronger and progressive society. When we educate and empower girls, we empower families and communities and create a better future for society.

I am very happy to be associated with this initiative and thank Coromandel for involving me in this program. I encourage all the students to study well, pursue higher education, dream big, and work confidently towards achieving their goals.

I once again appreciate Coromandel International Limited for its continued commitment to **education, empowerment, and community development**.

My best wishes to all the students for a bright and successful future.



Sri M. Abhishikth Kishore, IAS
Visakhapatnam Collector & District Magistrate.

Program Details

Swechha & SFLB Programs

S.No	School Names Address	Session	Session Date	Number of Students
1	Welfare Girls Hostel – Pedagantyada	Evening	11-03-2026	45
2	GVMC HS - Sriharipuram	Morning	12-03-2026	41
3	GVMC HS – Malkapuram	Afternoon	12-03-2026	52
4	GVMC HS – Gandhigram	Morning	13-03-2026	51
5	GVMC HS - Mindi	Afternoon	13-03-2026	53
	School Count = 5			**Total = 242**

SET & SETHU Programs

S.No	School Names Address	Session	Session Date	Number of Students
1	GVMC HS - Malkapuram	Morning	12-03-2026	90
2	GVMC HS - Sriharipuram	Afternoon	12-03-2026	54
3	Welfare Girls Hostel – Pedagantyada	Evening	12-03-2026	33
4	GVMC HS - Mindi	Morning	13-03-2026	56
5	GVMC HS – Gandhigram	Afternoon	13-03-2026	52
	School Count = 5			**Total = 285**

Program Covered Topics

- **Swechha & SFLB Program**

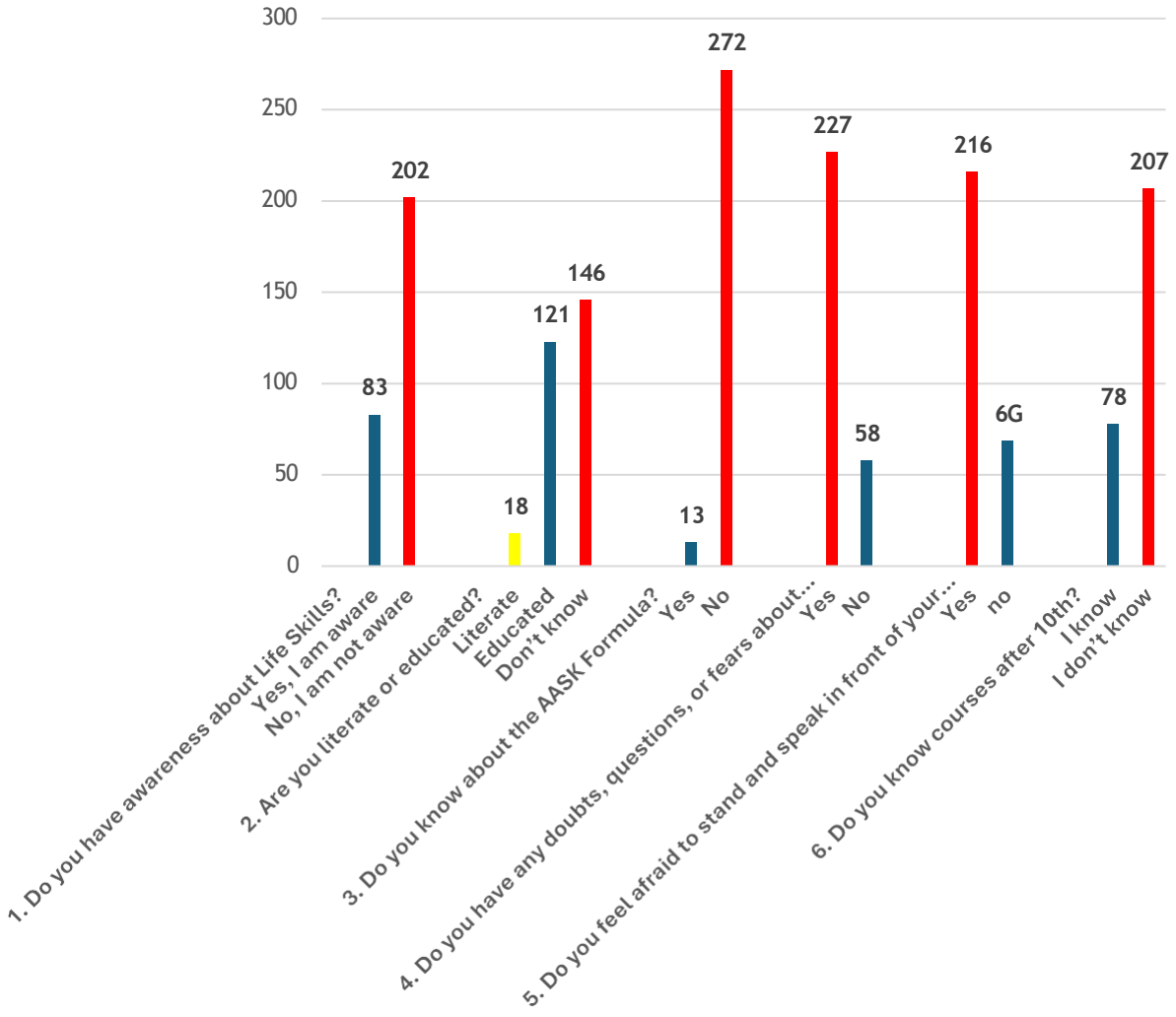
1. Adolescent Physical Changes
2. Menstruation & Menstrual Hygiene
3. Child Sexual Abuse & Child Marriage
4. Nutrition
5. Private parts & Bullying
6. Safe Touch & Unsafe Touch
7. Exploitation & It's not my fault
8. Safety Rules & Internet Safety

- **SET & SETHU Program**

1. Literacy Vs Education
2. AASK Formula
3. Leadership Skill
4. Self - Awareness
5. Courses after class 10.
6. Goal Setting

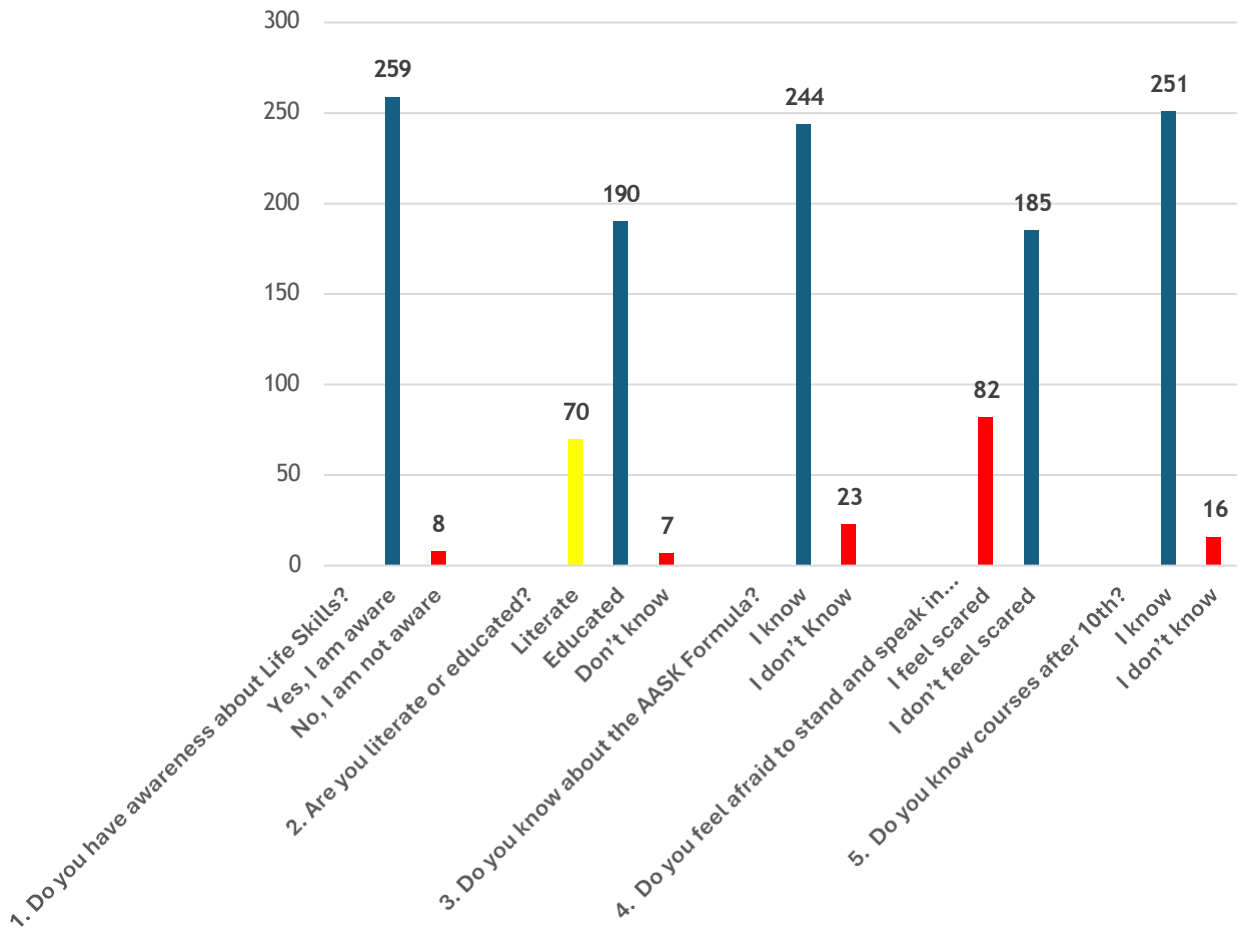
SET & Sethu Pre Survey Key Findings

Pre Survey



- Out of 285 Students, 202 Students are not aware of Life Skills (only 83 aware)
- 146 Students don't know and 139 students are confused about Literacy vs Education
- 272 Students don't know AASK Formula (13 know)
- 227 Students do not ask doubts/questions, 58 students Ask Questions For Career Courses & Jobs
- 216 students lack confidence to speak in front of others (only 69 confident) 207 Students don't know Courses after 10th (78 Students Know)

SET & Sethu Post Survey Key Findings

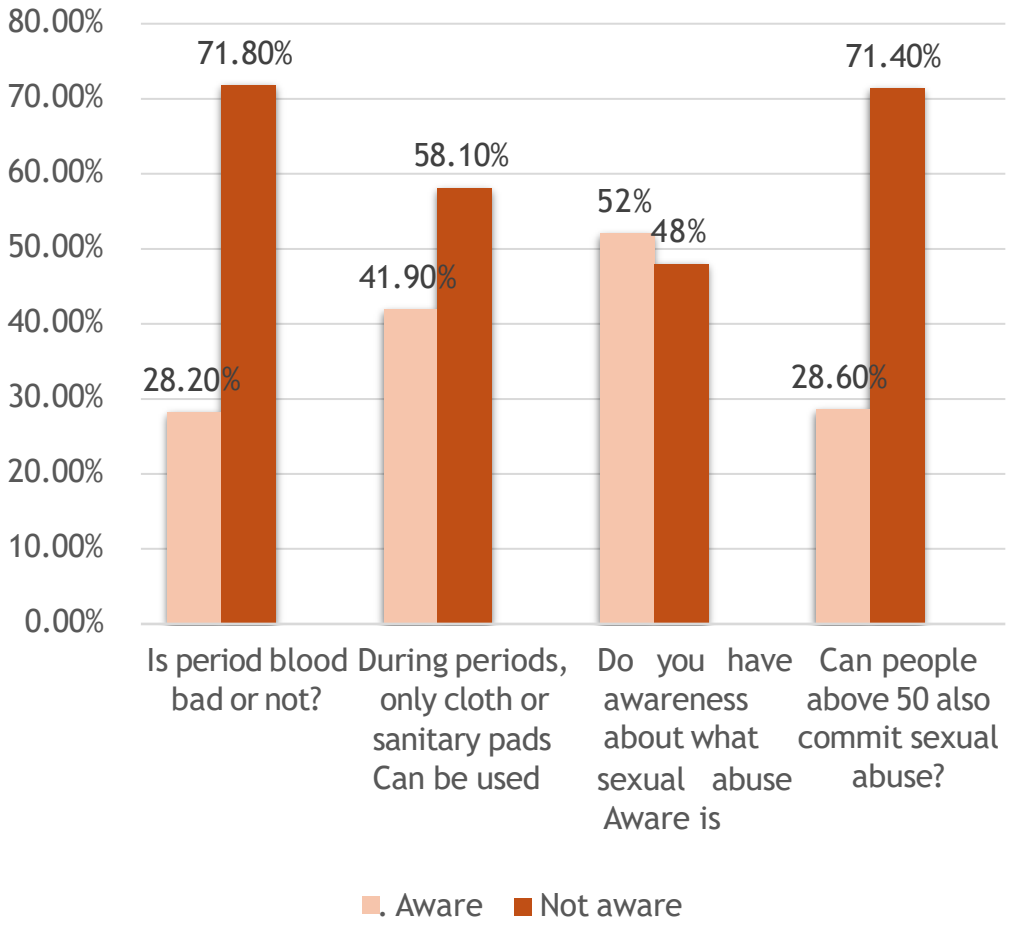


Pre-survey: **285 students**; Post-survey: **267 students** (The difference was due to some students being called away for other school -related activities)

- Life Skills awareness high (259 students)
- Students gained clarity between literacy and education (190 educated, 70 literate, Don't Know - 7)
- AASK Formula awareness strong (244 students)
- Confidence improved (185 students reported greater confidence in speaking in front of others)
- Career awareness improved, with 251 students demonstrating awareness of courses available after Class 10. (251 know courses after 10th)
- Overall, positive impact on students' knowledge and confidence

Swechha & SFLB Pre Survey Key Findings

Pre Survey

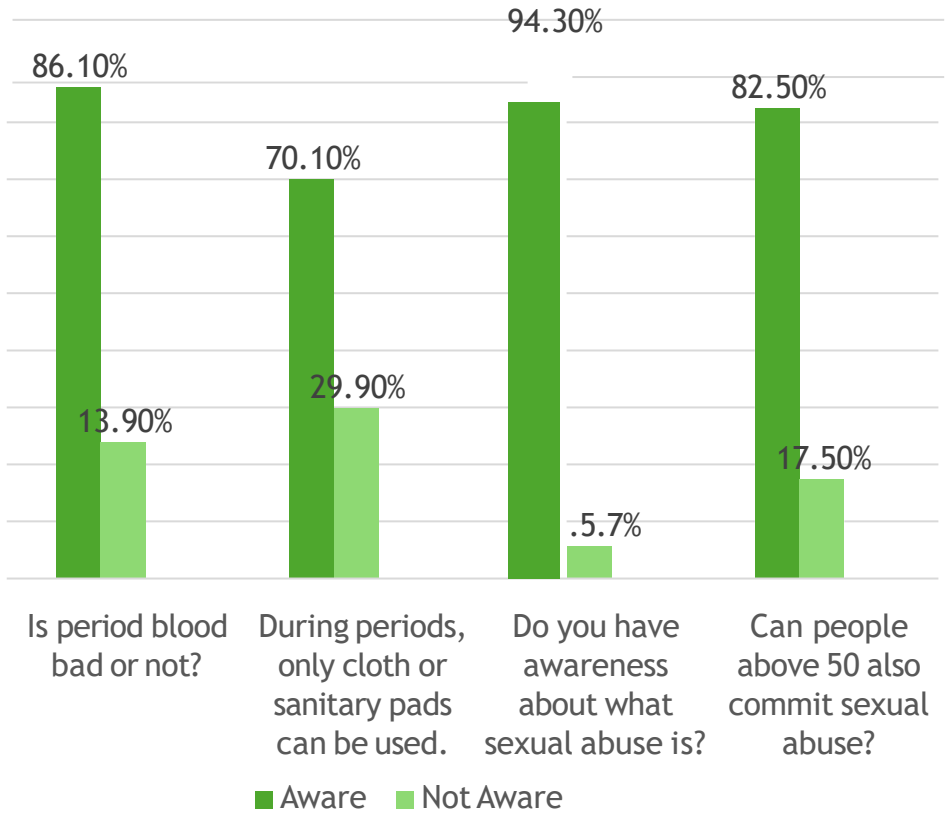


- Only 28.2% students know that period blood is not bad; most are unaware.
- 58.1% students lack knowledge about using cloth or sanitary pads.
- About 52% students are aware of sexual abuse, but awareness is still limited.
- Only 28.6% know that people above 50 can also commit abuse.

Overall, majority of students are not aware in most topics.

Swechha & SFLB Post Survey Key Findings

Post Survey



- 86.1% students are aware that period blood is not bad.
- 70.1% students know that both cloth and sanitary pads can be used.
- 94.3% students are aware of what sexual abuse is.
- 82.5% students know that people above 50 can also commit abuse.

Overall, awareness has significantly improved in all topics.

Student Voices – Sessions Feedback

The program generated positive feedback from participating students, particularly regarding confidence, self-awareness, career guidance, menstrual hygiene and personal safety.

Life Skills & Career Guidance

“The session motivated us to stay confident, ignore negativity and move forward towards our goals.”

— Class 9 Student, GVMC HS, Sriharipuram

“The AASK Formula was explained in a very simple and clear way. This session helped me understand how to use life skills in my daily life.”

— Class 9 Student, GVMC HS, Malkapuram

“I learned confidence for real-life situations… The goal-setting part was very helpful. I would like to attend more such sessions.”

— Intermediate 1st Year, Social Welfare Hostel

Adolescent Health & Personal Safety

“The session was useful. I learned about menstrual hygiene and Nutrition, safe and unsafe touch, healthy habits and Childline number 1098.”

— Class 7 Student, GVMC HS, Gandhigram

“This session gave me confidence to protect myself.”

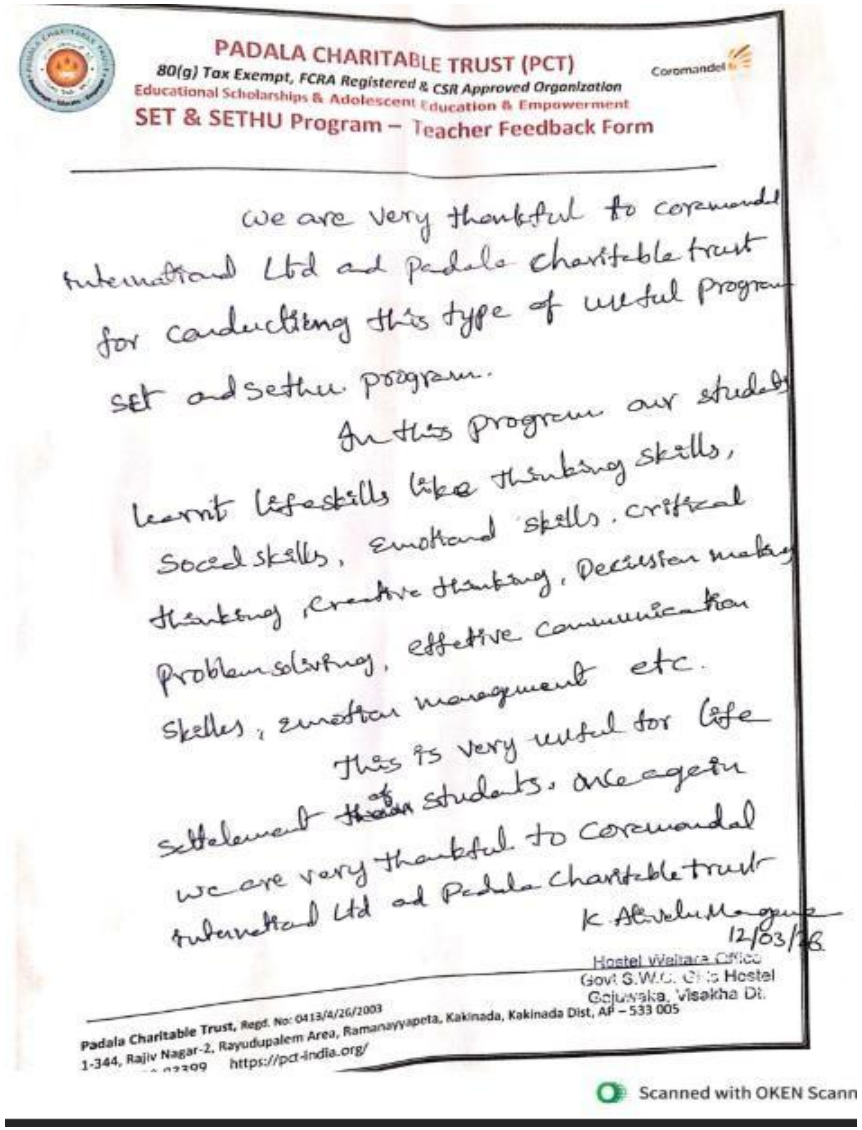
— Class 9 Student, GVMC HS, Mindi

“We learned about personal safety and how to protect ourselves in difficult situations… Thank You Coromandel.”

— Intermediate 1st Year, Social Welfare Hostel

These voices provide a direct indication of how the sessions were perceived by the beneficiaries and demonstrate the relevance of continued life skills, health and safety education.

Teacher's Feedback



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SET & SETHU Program – Teacher Feedback Form

We are very thankful to coromandel International Ltd and Padala charitable trust for conducting this type of useful program set and sethu program.

In this program our students learnt lifeskills like thinking skills, Social skills, Emotional skills, critical thinking, Creative thinking, Decission making Problem solving, effective communication skelles, emotion management etc.

This is very useful for Life Settelement of students, once again we are very thankful to coromandal International Ltd and Padala charitable trust

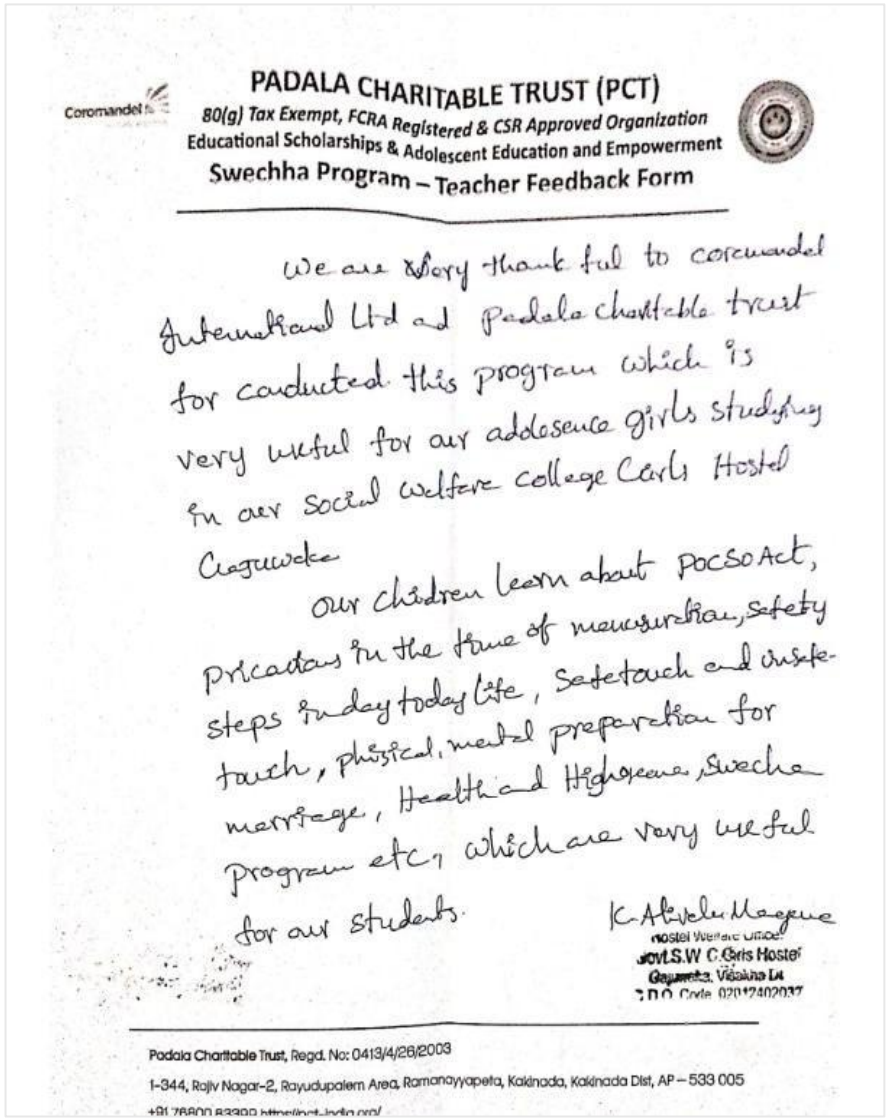
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Swechha Program – Teacher Feedback Form

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our children learn about Pocso Act, pricautes in the time of menustration, Safety steps in day today life, Safetouch and unsafe touch, physical, mental preparation for marriage, Health and Hygiene, Swechha Program etc, which are very useful for our students.

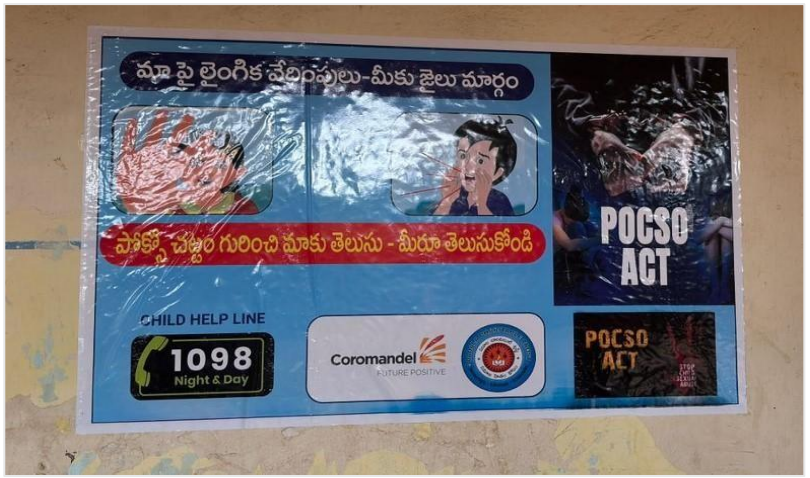
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Session Glimpses













Impact Through Student Voices

I am very grateful to **Coromandel International** for supporting my education through the **GCE Scholarship Program**. I have received the scholarship four times, and this financial support has been very helpful to me and my family in managing my educational expenses.
I am truly happy and thankful for this support and encouragement. **Thank you, Coromandel International, for helping me continue my education and pursue my goals.**

– D. Jyothirmayee, Beneficiary

I am very happy and grateful to be a part of the **Girl Child Education (GCE) Program**. I sincerely appreciate **Coromandel International** for its continued support and encouragement in many ways. I look forward to receiving their support and guidance in the future as well. Thank you, Coromandel International, for empowering students like me..

- B. Gowri, Beneficiary

Promoting girls' education and ensuring that their education continues without interruption can make a significant difference in the lives of many girls like me. I am truly grateful to have received this support through the **Girl Child Education & Empowerment (GCE) Program**. I sincerely thank **Coromandel International Limited** for encouraging and supporting us in pursuing our education and aspirations.

– M. Sulochana, Beneficiary

I have received the **Coromandel GCE Scholarship four times**, and I am truly grateful for their continued support. I have also received a **bicycle and educational bags**, which will be very useful for my education and daily travel.
Coromandel International believed in my potential and encouraged me to continue my studies, even when I lacked confidence in myself. Their support has motivated me to work harder and believe in my abilities.
I sincerely thank Coromandel International for believing in me, supporting my education, and encouraging me to achieve my goals.

-T. Chandrakala, Beneficiary

Impact Through Student Voices

The **Coromandel International Girl Child Education (GCE) Program** is a wonderful initiative that encourages girls to pursue education and achieve their goals. It motivates us to become **stronger, more independent, and more confident** in life. I believe that educating a girl can empower women and bring positive change to society. Through the GCE Program, I have discovered my potential and gained greater confidence in myself. I feel very happy and proud to be a part of this meaningful initiative.
I sincerely thank **Coromandel International and Padala Charitable Trust** for giving us this opportunity, believing in our potential, and supporting us in building a better future.

- D. Deepika, Beneficiary

I have been receiving scholarship support for the past three years as part of the Girl Child Education & Empowerment Program. This year, I was also provided with a bicycle and educational bags, which will be very useful for my daily travel and school-related needs.
In addition to scholarship support, Coromandel International conducts several initiatives that encourage and support girls in continuing their education and achieving their goals. I am very grateful to be a part of this meaningful program.
My sincere thanks to Coromandel International and Padala Charitable Trust for their continued support and encouragement

- B. Swathi, Beneficiary

I have received the Coromandel International Limited Girl Child Education Scholarship twice, and I am truly grateful for this support.
I am very happy that Coromandel has introduced this initiative with the belief that when a boy is educated, an individual benefits, but when a girl is educated, an entire family and community can benefit. I feel proud and fortunate to have been selected among so many students for this scholarship. This support has encouraged me to continue my education with greater confidence and determination. My sincere thanks to Coromandel International Limited for believing in and empowering girls through education.

- N. Sandhya Rani, Beneficiary

Key Learnings & Way Forward

Key Learnings:

- Students demonstrated strong interest in practical life skills and career guidance.
- Baseline assessments highlighted gaps in awareness related to life skills, career pathways, menstrual hygiene and personal safety.
- Interactive and contextual sessions helped improve student understanding and self-reported confidence.
- Continued reinforcement is important to sustain learning and awareness.

Way Forward:

- Continue periodic life skills and career guidance sessions.
- Reinforce adolescent health and menstrual hygiene education through follow-up sessions.
- Strengthen personal safety education with practical response mechanisms and referral information.

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Program Glimpses

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