

Site Visit Report for Safe Schools

Place: Avvai Homes, Adyar, Chennai-20

Date and time: 27 July 2026, 3:00 pm

Observer: Sneha Srinivasan (Asha), Rohit (Safe Schools)

Facilitator: Priya (Safe Schools)

Students: Class IV [19 students]

Facilitation of the Session:

The topic of the day's session was *Friendship and Bullying*. The session began with recalling previous session's topic *Handling Emotions*. The session moved onto how to say sorry, then about who are friends and peers, and lastly about bullying.

The facilitator made the session interactive by engaging the students in many ways like using charts, activities, roleplaying, asking questions, and end-of-session quizzes. One student in particular was sleepy and not involved in any activities. During debriefing, the facilitator mentioned that the student might not be feeling well.

The session was facilitated in both English and Tamil. The reason for mixing languages in facilitating the session was the students are not fully comfortable with English and face difficulties in comprehension. The sessions are provided once in fifteen days. Currently, there are 4 facilitators—two female and two male facilitators for this particular school.

Program Facilitation Across Schools:

At present, the program is facilitated in eight schools in Chennai, eight schools in Cuddalore, and sixteen schools in Bengaluru.

The program is provided in seven sessions of 40 minutes each in addition to two assessments at the beginning and at the end. The assessments are one-on-one.

The success of the program is gauged by the two one-on-one assessments, one at the beginning and one at the end. Further, the quizzes at the end of each session also provide how much the students have learnt from each session. Moreover, from debriefing, applying what has been learnt in real life is also one way to gauge success. For instance, in one school in Bengaluru, a teacher was abusive, and after the sessions was reported to the police.

Scaling up:

The scale up plan for the program is to focus on books and teacher training with yearly plan as follows—

Year	Plan
End of Year 1	Publishing all books
End of Year 2	Double no of schools and books
End of Year 3	20,000-30,000 children to receive the program; current facilitators to become program managers; story books for parents

Future goals:

1. The main goal is to provide the sessions to CBSE and ICSE schools and colleges who are willing to pay for the program and use funds raised for low-income schools.
2. Tapping into CSR partnerships, 80G and HNI for the program's financial sustainability

Other sources of funds:

At present, the program receives major funding from NS Education Trust and ASHA for Education. There is also a one-time donation of eight lacs from Change Engine. All the funding received so far are due to word-of-mouth and in the form of small donations.



