



2023 ANNUAL REPORT







"I am not concerned with
what has been done.
I am interested in
what needs to be done."

Marie Curie



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Thanks, imprint, team



Dr. Martin Kasper
Honorary President

Dear friends, partners and supporters of Childaid Network

despite all the challenges, we mastered 2023 well. We are delighted to present to you our report on this exciting year.

State of emergency in education

Good basic education is a fundamental human right. Yet the UNESCO World Education Report 2022 documents that still only one in five children in South Asia learns to read and do arithmetic properly. This is a declaration of incompetency in respect of the global community. Inadequate teacher qualification, the multilingual learning groups and the lack of good learning materials – all contribute to this appalling result. In view of this need, our mission to give all boys and girls access to quality education remains of utmost importance.

Another year of crisis

Inflationary prices for food and basic supplies put a strain on our target groups. The positive economic development in the metropolitan areas further improved the opportunities of the wealthy. However, the poor people in our project areas often suffered from flooding and crop failures because of climate change. In addition, we experienced that the Indian government's efforts to regulate civil society activities more strictly gave us and our partners an opportunity to learn and adopt quickly to the demands of the time.

Proven project concepts

We can now look back on 17 years of successful project work. In-depth experience, established partnerships and consolidated networks help us to successfully tackle the difficulties in our project areas. We are pleased that there is now more local support which we can integrate into our work. Increasingly, we are also succeeding in using innovative digital technologies to bring expertise and learning support to remote areas at low cost. Overall, the efficiency and reach of our programs continue to grow. Read more about our project work on pages 16 to 31.

Difficulties spur us on

The situation in India in 2023 meant that we were unable to access some of the funding we had been promised and some contributions from our network were lost. In addition, wars and inflation reduced the volume of donations available for our purposes. As a result, both our income and project funds invested fell in 2023 compared to the previous year. However, we do not get discouraged. We are positioning ourselves in a way that we can continue to give a growing number of young people better prospects for their lives. Read more about our strategy and our figures on pages 34 to 47.

We would like to thank you for your sponsorship and reliable support. We would also like to thank our network for the loyalty and the energetic, imaginative, and effective contributions.

On behalf of the Management Board and the team



Childaid Network - let's unite for the children's right to education



Our vision - education for all

In recent years, we have helped more than 500,000 young people to receive a good basic education. We are currently supporting the education of more than 200,000 children in our projects in South Asia.



Reliable partners on site

We work at eye level with competent and proven partners to implement our vision. Only with them and the involvement of local communities can we bring about change.



Personal and engaged

We are on site with experts and help. Our team is personally committed and close to the people. We provide financial support, expert advice, and motivation in the event of difficulties.



Network for children

We live partnership in Germany and on site in the projects. We ally ourselves with people who share our vision. Our networks are our strength.



Effective and sustainable

We do not give charity but help people to help themselves. We constantly measure and improve the results of our work and thus enable sustainable, structural changes.



Cost-effective and transparent

As confirmed by the DZI, we continued to be very economical in our administration and public relations work in 2023. We attach great importance to transparency, which you can also rely on in the future.

Organization Childaid Network 2023

Ambassadors



Daniel Fischer



Nicolai Friedrich



Mitri Sirin

promote
Childaid
Network
in their
networks

Foundation Council

Dr. Brigitta Cladders, Prof. Dr. Ursula Fasselt,
Dr. Dietrich Garlichs, Hermann-Henrich Holtermann,
Jan-Berend Holzapfel, Dr. Thomas Kreuzer,
Dr. Claudia Lücking-Michel, Cornelia Richter (Chair),
Frank Riemensperger, Prof. Dr. Joachim Valentin



Controls and advises the foundation on a volunteer basis

Management Board

Dr. Martin Kasper
Michael Legeland
Nicola Schaefer (until 31.3.2023)
Sandra Hörbelt (from 1.4.2023)



Manages day-to-day business on a volunteer basis

Core Team

9 salaried employees, mostly part-time
50 volunteers, mostly part-time



Project support, public relations, support,
donation administration

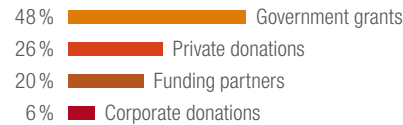
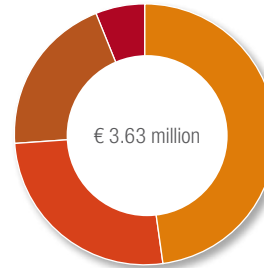
Project partners

about 35 project and cooperation partners abroad
about 40 project funding partners

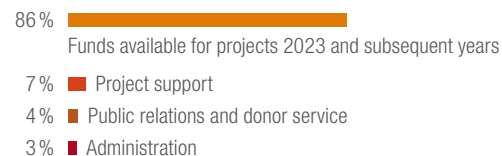
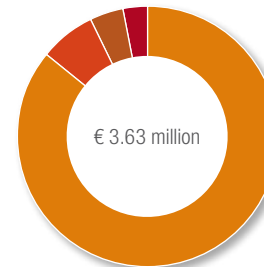


Project realization in close cooperation
with the Childaid Network team

Sources of funds 2023



Uses of funds 2023



200,000

We directly supported more than 200,000 boys and girls with our projects in 2023

1,000

At almost 1,000 project locations in four countries, we supported more than 50 education projects in 2023

15,000

More than 15,000 donors and friends supported our activities

220

Sponsors, photographers, reporters, volunteers and other multipliers have visited and reported on our projects since 2006



For children to develop well, they need protection from physical and psychological violence, exploitation, and malnutrition.

In need of protection

Children are vulnerable and need special protection. The team of Childaid Network develops a detailed policy in 2023 to ensure the best possible protection for children in all activities in Germany and in the project areas.

Enthusiastic

The project region of Nepal is a particular focus in 2023 and for the next years. Norbert Grobbel, an experienced development aid worker and expert on Nepal, has been supporting our activities on a voluntary basis for many years, including many trips to the country.



We support the children in their family environment.



Norbert Grobbel fulfills his supervisory role at the management meeting in Kathmandu.

Rooted

Children's homes should only be a temporary emergency solution. That is why we carefully support the reintegration of children from institutional care into their extended families and village communities or find foster families for them – but continue to promote their school qualifications.

January

February

March

Strengthened

Our programs to close the educational gaps caused by the Corona-Pandemic are having a positive impact in India and Nepal. Tutoring, child-centered learning activities and dedicated teachers are helping to make up for the lost time.



At Festival4Family, our raffle tickets are in high demand.

Supported

We are supporting the education of disadvantaged young people in the northern border regions of Bangladesh with ambitious new programs. The minorities there are not yet sufficiently reached by government educational programs.

In Muslim Bangladesh, our support is particularly well received by the girls - they are eager and committed to learn.



Group interaction, games and tutoring bring the children back up to a good educational level.

Rewarded

Thousands of young families from the Rhine-Main region enjoy the day on the magnificent grounds of the Jahrhunderthalle in Frankfurt. We inform interested people about our work and delight the little ones with prizes from a raffle richly stocked by sponsors.



April

May

June

The UNESCO group has been part of the special culture of the Helene Lange School in Wiesbaden for decades.



Creative

In perfect weather, the pupils of the Helene Lange School in Wiesbaden once again show how important their Nepal project is to them. With sketches, musical presentations, and a lot of dedication, they raise funds at the summer festival.

July



As always, superb organization, a varied scenery and a cheerful community characterize the Karmariders charity tour.

Unflagging

It rains heavily, but this does not deter the Karmariders from pedaling in as large a group as usual for the 16th time on their Ruhrpott Tour. The picture shows – it's a lot of fun.

August



Networked

Connected with good partners, on the road with proven concepts, personally involved in project visits – this is how we manage to keep our programs in Northeast India successful even in a difficult context.



Visitors are immersed in the reality of life and local projects.

September

Encouraged

Democracy in danger? In her lecture at the Königsteiner Salon, Dr. Anna Lührmann, Minister of State, Federal Foreign Office, shows what it takes to strengthen civil society and curb nationalist populists.



Learning with joy is the most effective.

Inspired

Above all, education success requires enjoyment while learning. Modern technology increases fun and facilitates learning. We are increasingly succeeding in integrating digital methods into teaching and learning, even in remote areas.



Minister of State Dr. Anna Lührmann convinces the audience with a well-founded analysis.



The circus tent of Circus Project Waldoni in Darmstadt enchants with its special atmosphere at the Childaid Night.

Our ambassador Mitri Sirin before his appearance at the ZDF's gala TV show Ein Herz für Kinder.



Committed

As every year, many people get involved around the festive season to collect donations for Childaid Network. In 2023, we again presented ourselves at a fundraising gala on television.

October

November

December

Honorary Foundation Council



Prof. Dr. Ursula Fasselt

Professor of Social Work and Human Rights at the Frankfurt University of Applied Sciences. Dean of the Department of Social Work and Health for six years. Initiator of the partnership with Assam Don Bosco University in Guwahati with student exchange and guest lectureship. Supports Childaid Network especially on issues of children's rights.

"All children worldwide should know and be able to realize their rights. I want to contribute to this. Childaid Network focuses on protection and development of children with a lot of personal commitment. Broad networks of partners and supporters as well as continuous critical evaluation characterize their success. The future challenge lies in stabilizing the structures."



Dr. Dietrich Garlichs

Long-standing Managing Director of the German Diabetes Association (DDG) and UNICEF Germany. Expert in fundraising and communication. First speaker at the Königsteiner Salon 2006. Has advised Childaid Network since its founding phase on organizational issues, network development and public relations.

"The special thing about Childaid Network is the small but powerful and professional organization. The visionary founder and his great team motivate me. Education is the core of every development and focusing on it makes the work successful. In the future, the Childaid Network team should continue with the proven concepts but remain curious and open to new approaches."



Jan-Berend Holzapfel

Managing Partner of J.T. Ronnefeldt KG. Together with Childaid Network, he has been personally involved for the education of children in the Assam tea region for more than 13 years. Ronnefeldt also supports Childaid Network with marketing campaigns in Germany, such as the sales of Assam tea with the Childaid Network label.

"Childaid Network manages to successfully implement effective projects in the project areas with many volunteers and a high level of commitment! Concepts are tested with a high degree of professionalism, then scaled up and rolled out even across national borders. A great vision, a great team and great ambassadors work hand in hand for the children in the remote regions."



Dr. Thomas Kreuzer

Founder, Managing Director, and Head of Fundraising Akademie GmbH. Theologian. Editor of the handbook on fundraising basics, strategies and methods and many relevant specialist publications. He has helped to develop Childaid Network's fundraising activities for more than 10 years. Chairman of the Foundation Council from 2014 to 2018.

"Childaid Network is a young, dynamic organization that carries out its work with passion, a great deal of voluntary commitment and a high level of expertise. Their excellence comes from the close connection to the supported projects. The organization is characterized by a broad supporter base, exemplary transparency in the use of funds and the interaction within a large network."



Dr. Claudia Lücking-Michel

Member of the German Bundestag until 2017, long-standing Vice President of the Central Committee of German Catholics and Chair of the Board of Trustees of the German Society for International Cooperation. Theologian. Managing Director of AGIAMONDO e.V.. Supports Childaid Network in the selection, support, and financing of development workers.

"Solidarity and specific support for children is dearly needed and should be our top priority worldwide. The success of Childaid Network stems from the focus on key projects, the creativity and power of the people in charge. In the future, we need even more support for the sustainable protection of the climate and resources for the future of children."



Cornelia Richter

Former Managing Director of Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) and Vice President of the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), economist. Deep knowledge of South Asia from her work. Advises Childaid Network on the strategic direction of projects. 2020 to 2023 Chairwoman of the Foundation Council.

"Improving the future prospects of children and young people in poor regions remains one of the greatest challenges of our time. Childaid Network makes an important contribution to this with its educational projects in South Asia. Right from the start, I was convinced and impressed by the professional management, pronounced cost efficiency, focus on quality, impact and transparency as well as the lively intergenerational commitment."



Frank Riemensperger

Member of the Executive Committee of Acatech. Multi-supervisory board member and former Senior Managing Director of Accenture. Chairman of the Accenture Foundation in Germany for many years. Computer scientist. Digital transformation expert and book author. Organized effective fundraising campaigns for Childaid Network with Accenture. Chairman of the Foundation Council since 2024.

"For many years, the work of Childaid Network has been preparing thousands of children and young people for a better and self-determined future through effective education. The opportunity for many supporters from Germany to actively participate on site in the supported regions has always fascinated me and motivated me to support Childaid Network even more intensively."



Prof. Dr. Joachim Valentin

Founding Director of the Catholic Center "Haus am Dom", Frankfurt, Co-Chairman of the Frankfurt Council of Religions. Advisor to the Publicity Commission of the German Bishops' Conference. Together with Childaid Network, organizes a series of lectures on the topics of globalization, combating poverty and worldwide justice.

"Defining educational standards under extremely difficult conditions and implementing them for tens of thousands of young people – Childaid Network has my utmost respect. The quality of the work motivates many thousands of donors. It would often be easier to give up. But Childaid Network continues and increases the quality and quantity of its work. Wonderful!"

Bildquelle: Martin Joppen





"The most important art of the teacher is to awaken the joy of creating and recognizing."

Albert Einstein



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Education is the key to life

On the following pages, we present six selected projects. They are representative of 50 Childaid Network projects in particularly poor and disadvantaged regions.

We are currently working for around 200,000 young people in four countries and four project categories: school programs, vocational training, projects in support of children's rights and programs for health promotion.

Geographical focus for higher effectiveness

Our project work is focused on rural regions of South Asia: isolated Northeast India, disaster-prone northern Bangladesh and

remote mountainous regions in Nepal. We are also supporting the first small projects in Myanmar. Focus is important. Only then will it be possible to understand local conditions, develop sustainable partnerships and act effectively.

Emphasis on education

Content-wise, we also have a clear focus: We want to provide young people with access to education and training. That is the best investment in their future. We concentrate on disadvantaged marginalized groups like minorities, street children, refugees and rural youth in areas without infrastructure, the poorest of the poor, who would otherwise have no opportunities.

Our role as change agent

We do not create parallel structures and do not take on any tasks the state should fulfill. We see our role as initiating and accelerating change processes. Therefore, we offer bridging courses, exam support and tutoring for needy children, and accompany government schools in the often necessary improvement of teaching quality.

Sustainable and effective

What distinguishes our projects: careful planning and piloting, creative concepts, implementation with local partners involving civil society, effectiveness monitoring and intensive personal supervision by experts.

Project principles:



cooperative and at eye level



focused



proven to be effective



professional



sustainable



transparent

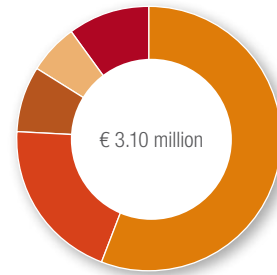
Criteria for project success



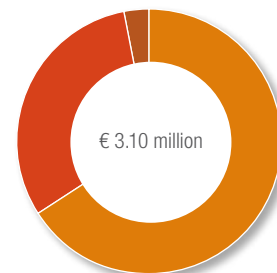
Dr. Regina Krause
Volunteer
Childaid Network

"Living child protection everywhere is central to Childaid Network. When I took over the coordination of the development of a new child protection policy for Childaid Network as a volunteer, I knew that the topic would be challenging in terms of scope and emotions. This has more than proved to be the case! The core of our child protection strategy is now a commitment by everyone at Childaid Network to protect children from all forms of violence – an important contribution to our vision of giving children a good future."

Funds spent in 2023



Projects



Regions



€ 24 million

Childaid Network has invested a total of approximately € 24 million in projects so far

60 %

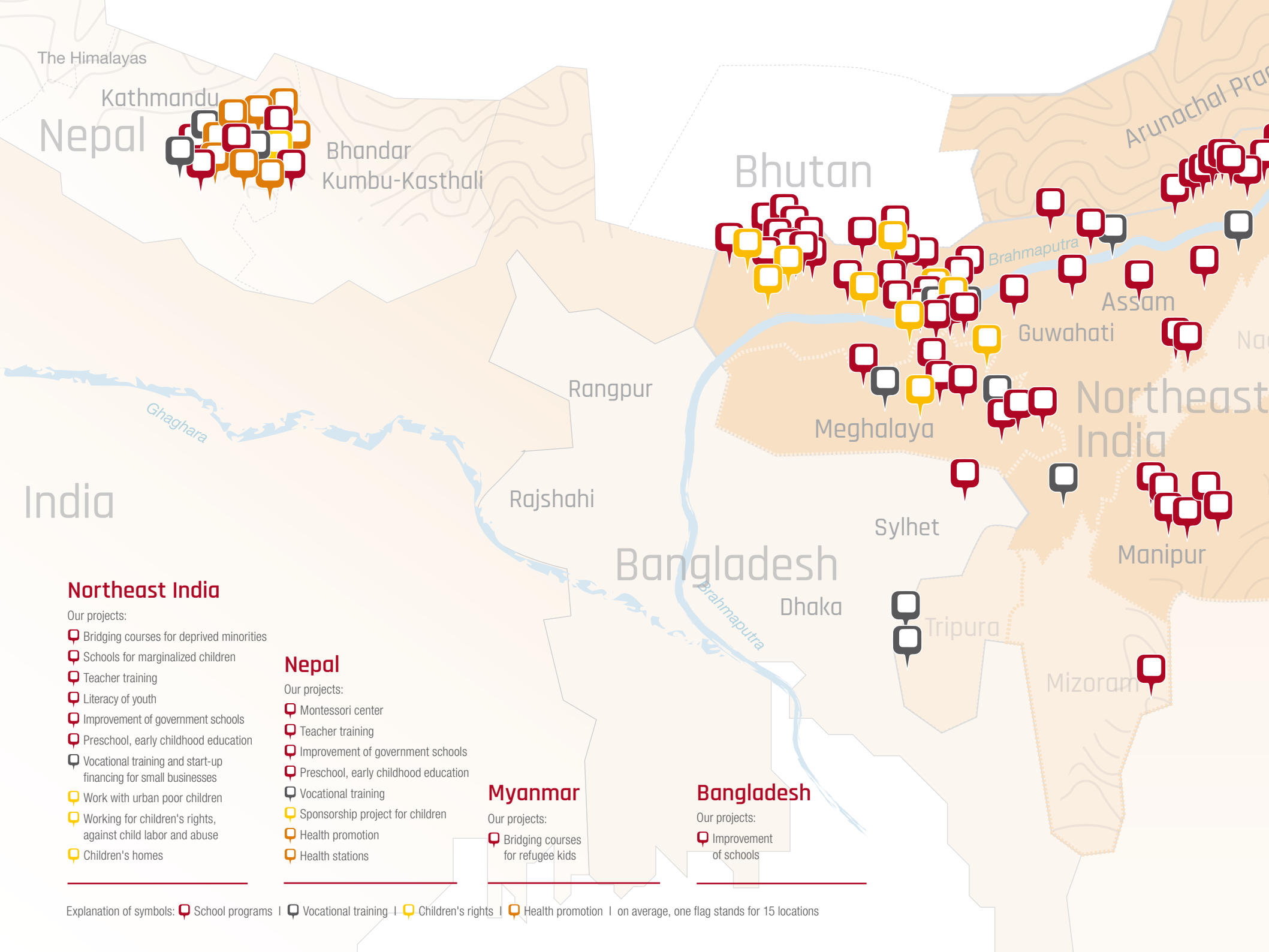
More than 60 % of the beneficiaries in the projects are girls and women

500,000

More than 500,000 children and youths have been directly supported in projects

2,000,000

More than two million family members have indirectly benefited from these activities



The Himalayas

Kathmandu
Nepal

Bhandar
Kumbu-Kasthali

Bhutan

Arunachal Pradesh

Brahmaputra

Assam

Guwahati

Ghaghara

Rangpur

Meghalaya

Northeast India

India

Rajshahi

Bangladesh

Sylhet

Manipur

Dhaka

Tripura

Mizoram

Brahmaputra

Northeast India

Our projects:

- Bridging courses for deprived minorities
- Schools for marginalized children
- Teacher training
- Literacy of youth
- Improvement of government schools
- Preschool, early childhood education
- Vocational training and start-up financing for small businesses
- Work with urban poor children
- Working for children's rights, against child labor and abuse
- Children's homes

Nepal

Our projects:

- Montessori center
- Teacher training
- Improvement of government schools
- Preschool, early childhood education
- Vocational training
- Sponsorship project for children
- Health promotion
- Health stations

Myanmar

Our projects:

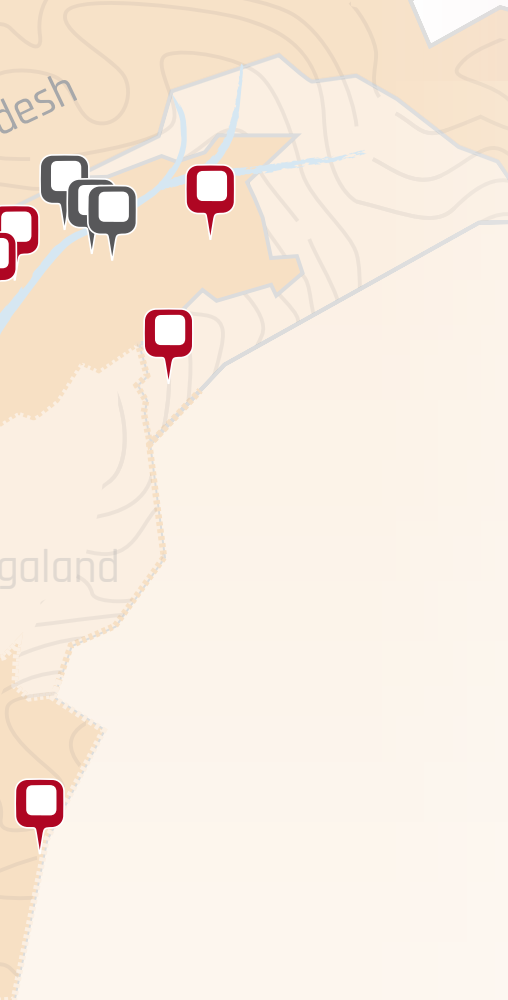
- Bridging courses for refugee kids

Bangladesh

Our projects:

- Improvement of schools

Explanation of symbols: School programs | Vocational training | Children's rights | Health promotion | on average, one flag stands for 15 locations



200,000 young people supported in 50 projects in more than 1,000 locations

📍 School programs

Good education is the key to sustainable change. Education prolongs life, reduces child mortality and significantly increases lifetime income. But every second child worldwide still does not learn to read, write and do arithmetic. Childaid Network supports bridge courses and evening schools so that young people can catch up on the basic education they have missed. We accompany government schools in getting better. Since 2021, we have been working to close the learning gaps created by COVID-19.

📍 Vocational training

In our project areas, many families are self-sufficient, but agriculture no longer provides enough food for the growing population. Young people are therefore attracted to relatively well-paid jobs as unskilled workers in the large southern cities or abroad. Childaid Network wants to slow down this exodus and therefore promotes the vocational qualification of young people in crafts or other professions that are in demand locally.

📍 Children's rights

COVID-19 has set us back massively in our efforts to realize children's rights for all. Almost all children in our project areas missed 18 months of school. Child labor, child trafficking and child marriages are on the rise again. Childaid Network supports projects that help children to obtain their rights in cooperation with civil society. We help to reduce child labor as well as early child marriage and aim to integrate children with disabilities as much as possible. We support children in homes or foster families if the family of origin cannot enable them to develop well.

📍 Health promotion

Life expectancy in our project areas is about 20 years below the average in Germany. Children die of preventable diseases, people suffer from malnutrition at an early age. Children who are ill or hungry cannot study well either. Our projects promote children's health through better hygiene, better nutrition and other preventive measures.

Northeast India

- as large as Western Germany
- 45 million inhabitants, 200 languages
- Position 111 (of 125) Global Hunger Index
- more than 50 % below the poverty line

Nepal

- twice the size of Bavaria
- 30 million inhabitants, 120 languages
- Position 69 (of 125) Global Hunger Index
- 20 % live below the poverty line

Bangladesh

- twice the size of Bavaria
- 169 million inhabitants
- Position 81 (of 125) Global Hunger Index
- 18.7 % live below the poverty line

Myanmar

- almost twice the size of Germany
- 57 million inhabitants, 135 ethnic groups
- Position 72 (of 125) Global Hunger Index
- 40 % live below the poverty line

Myanmar





Support for preschool children

Early practice

We all know: Children learn from birth. A safe, stimulating environment is important for good development. Science confirms the importance of early stimulation of all senses: if young children are encouraged to explore and understand their environment, learning processes are much easier later on.

Realities of life

The hard life in the village communities in our project regions leaves little room for people to look after the young children. The children in the village are left to fend for themselves when their parents work, often far away. Illnesses are overlooked, nutrition is inadequate and intellectual development is hardly encouraged.

Family is important

To help their children, parents are often tempted to place them in a home or boarding school, especially when there is economic hardship at home. However, integration into family life is irreplaceable, which is why we advise and support the families. We help the village communities to organize qualified early childhood support through preschools, kindergartens, and Montessori centers on a decentralized basis.

What happens next

We now support several hundred preschools and children's centers in rural regions of South Asia – in close cooperation with the local government – and will continue to expand these projects.



Pujan

Pujan started pre-school at the age of four. He found it difficult to socialize. He often cried and was very quiet. He rarely played with his classmates. His parents hardly looked after him.

Our partner has been supporting Pujan's school since 2019, providing support and training for teachers and parents. In the beginning, his teacher had little access to Pujan. With guidance, she encouraged him to communicate more with his classmates and express his feelings. The regular meetings also improved the support from the parents – Pujan soon came to school well cared for and well looked after.

Pujan developed into an outgoing, happy boy who enjoys playing with his friends. Pujan's mother is surprised at how well Pujan now communicates. She is very grateful that she has been helped to be a supportive mother to her son.

In 2023 we supported



104 facilities for preschool children



more than 3,000 preschool children



over 350 preschool teachers and social workers



with project funds of about € 190,000



Subana Shrestha
Project coordinator
Childaid Network Nepal

"I was touched by the incredible impact of the early childhood education project in collaboration with Seto Guran's National Child Development Services in the Ramechhap district. We have seen significant changes in many children. Now that the local government is allocating funds for early childhood education and increasingly prioritizing the issue, the lives of children in the region are improving dramatically."



After the pandemic - closing learning gaps

Educational crisis

We are still dealing with the consequences of the pandemic. Hard-won educational progress has been destroyed. The children in our project areas have missed more than a whole year of education due to long school closures. Many have been completely lost to the education system and have not returned to school.

100,000 pupils benefited

In our projects, we were able to compensate for the worst consequences of the pandemic thanks to the hard work of our project staff. In addition, we have been providing support for many pupils at state schools since 2021. In collaboration with experienced partners and local governments, we were active for over 100,000 pupils in 2023 – a mammoth task.

Innovation

There were no role models, but our teams are highly committed and innovative. We were able to mobilize many local volunteers for tutoring courses. Teachers can achieve more with child-centered learning methods that take into account the different learning levels. Overall, we measure good learning progress.

What happens next

The program is now gradually transforming into a school quality program. We have also launched similar activities in Nepal, which we are expanding.



Amyra lives with her five siblings and her parents and is one of the few children in the village to attend 4th grade at elementary school. Due to school closures during the pandemic, she had difficulty following lessons and her performance continued to deteriorate.

Our project partner worked at Amyra's school to close the educational gaps caused by the pandemic. Using special learning materials, educational games and outdoor learning techniques, the staff helped Amyra to overcome her shyness, ask questions and catch up. Amyra now participated more in lessons, improved her reading skills, and quickly learned basic arithmetic.

Today, Amyra is motivated and enthusiastic. She helps her classmates with reading and writing and is happy that this is easier for her today. She says that the patience, understanding, and methods of the project partner have helped her a lot.

Our large-scale project to close learning gaps



330 education mobilizers and **2,500** volunteers



from **1,000** schools



74,000 kids up to middle school close their learning gaps resulting from COVID-lockdowns



43,000 high school youths receive tutoring and career counseling



100 groups of girls meet regularly to program computers



3,400 state teachers receive training in child-friendly pedagogy



In 2023, we have invested about 820,000 € in this project. In total, this project will cost approximately two million Euro over three years.



Promote, enable, encourage

Right to education

The right to a good, free education is enshrined in law for all children in our project areas. Official statistics show an impressive school enrolment rate of 97 %. Does this make our work superfluous?

Learning success staggering

This seemingly good news masks other figures: Around 50 % of sixth graders are still unable to read simple texts. The main reasons for this are poorly trained teachers and inadequate equipment. Teachers are often absent altogether.

Catalyst

Childaid Network cannot and does not want to relieve the state of its responsibility to provide all children with a good education and will not set up parallel systems. We have a catalytic effect, with proven success. We now support over 1,400 state schools in four countries. In this way, we are improving the quality of education in the long term and ensuring greater educational equality.

Mobilizing communities

In addition, we strengthen the social environment: we finance social workers, support the parents, and ensure that the children attend school regularly. We organize tutoring and motivating leisure programs. Teachers are supported with further training and better teaching materials. Civil society recognizes that education is important. Our lobbying work leads to the government providing more resources.



The youngest of three siblings, eleven-year-old Nasima lives with her poor family in a small village in Bangladesh. She attended the 5th grade in the neighboring village. Her parents had run up huge debts to pay for her disabled brother's therapy. Due to her father's serious illness, Nasima had to work and drop out of school.

Our partner's social workers tried to find a solution for the family. They provided information about possible help. The parents received advice on how they could better manage family work to enable Nasima to attend school. The school committee also approached the local school authorities with a request for support for the family.

As a result, the authorities gave Nasima a bicycle. This enables her to travel to school faster and still run errands for the family. Nasima is overjoyed: "The bike gave me my books and my friends back. The bike gets me everywhere quickly, like a butterfly."

In 2023 we supported



over **1,400** government schools



reached more than **140,000** students



about **3,600** teachers were trained



and mobilized nearly **50,000** village council members and parents



with about **€ 1,650,000** of project funds



Sudipta Chowdhury
Project coordinator

"Our quality education projects in the tea garden schools in north-eastern Bangladesh are working to improve the quality of education. We are improving teachers' skills, modernizing curricula, and involving all stakeholders. I am very proud and happy to be involved in these projects. We support the children so that they acquire the prerequisites for a good future."



Protect children's rights

Children in crisis

Millions of children around the world are suffering from the consequences of war and environmental disasters. In 2023, floods destroyed large parts of the harvests in South Asia. Poor families, who were already living on the breadline, lacked basic necessities, especially money for food and medical treatment. Education was not a priority for many.

Emergency situation

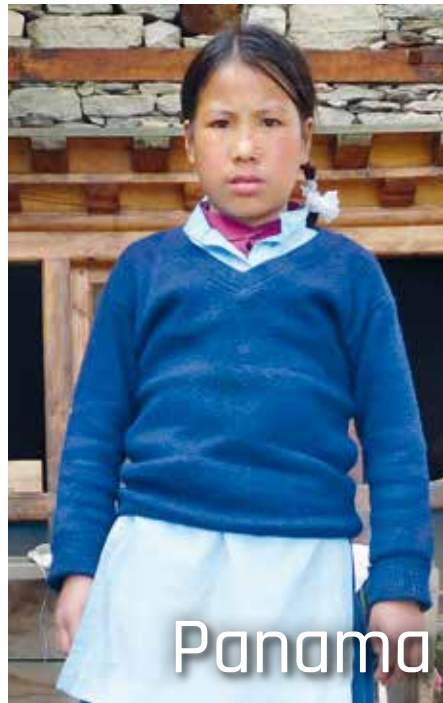
In existential emergencies, children are sometimes abandoned, sold, or enslaved. Some parents are helpless and themselves become victims of criminals who profit from their hardship. We know many harrowing examples from our own surveys: Most girls are married off underage and have to work. 95 % of children with disabilities do not go to school.

Changing structures

Our partners identify the problems, look for allies, educate and work towards sustainable structural change. The state is interested in improvements, but often lacks the expertise and budget.

How to continue

Our work: securing children's rights, abolishing child labor, integrating young people with disabilities, preventing abduction and child marriage is more important than ever. We have planned a major project for Assam and hope that we can implement it.



Panama lived with her family in a small village in mountainous Nepal. The family could not feed themselves from their own harvest. The parents therefore sent the siblings to a children's home in Kathmandu. Panama was taken to her grandmother.

In orphanages, children are often exposed to physical and psychological violence. They suffer from being separated from their home, including Panama's siblings. Our project partner tried to provide practical help for the family. The aim was to enable the children to return home and attend school. Intensive discussions convinced the family to bring the children back. At the same time, the partner organized the necessary school materials and other assistance.

Panama is now successfully attending the 2nd grade of elementary school. She is very happy that they are back together as a family. Her situation serves as an inspiration for others in the village to also support their children in a family context.

In 2023 we supported



about **250** children in seven homes



65 young people on their way to independence



over **8,000** children in **90** locations



with about **€ 160,000** project funds



Prsansha Rai
Junior project coordinator
Childaid Network Nepal

"The program to support the children of our partner Himalayan Innovative Society in the bitterly poor high Himalayan district of Humla in Nepal achieved great success. Unstable families were helped to find solutions to prevent the children from being separated from their families. Through child rights committees and essential support, this initiative has truly made a significant difference in their lives."



Qualification and income for a better future

Vocational training

Faster processes of change endanger livelihoods. In our project areas, for example, agriculture no longer feeds everyone. Without special qualifications, young people are often left with only odd jobs or labor migration. To improve life chances, we invest in vocational training.

Demand-driven

Our courses are geared towards the wishes of young people and the needs of the region. Our decentralized training approach is successful: we go to the villages with mobile teams and equipment. This saves costs, and creates new opportunities locally.

Self-employed

Some work as employees after qualifying, but jobs are few and far between. That is why many of our graduates try their hand at small-scale entrepreneurship. We promote this with start-up funding, encourage the formation of cooperatives and offer support with business planning and start-ups.

What is next

We are constantly improving the quality of training through digital teaching materials, films, and lots of practical exercises. We successfully integrate local employers: they contribute their practical knowledge and even teachers to our training courses free of charge. We are expanding these programs further in 2024.



Lalita and her family lived mainly from seasonal agricultural work. The family income was barely enough. That's why Lalita was looking for additional income.

Lalita signed up for training provided by our partner Aide & Action. There she learned how to make products from bamboo and sugar cane, how to package them attractively, and how to market them.

Lalita invested a small amount of money to start production. She developed designs that were in high demand. The establishment of her small business was closely monitored and supported by our project staff.

In the meantime, Lalita has founded her own company with two other women and is working on expanding her product range. Lalita is very satisfied: "Thanks to the help and support I received I was able to set up my own business. I want to expand it so that I can provide for myself and my family."

In 2023 we supported



almost **16,000** young people in more than **20** vocational trades



over **3,000** young people starting a business



approximately **50,000** family members indirectly benefited as a result



with over **€ 710,000** in project funding



Sunita Bez
Project employee, Assam

"As a project employee, I was able to reach women from economically disadvantaged backgrounds and observe how they were able to change their lives through the training offered by the project. Women who previously had little income of their own or were dependent on the breadwinners in their families are now often able to feed their families themselves."



Health promotion

Medicine is a luxury

In Germany, we offer medical care, health check-ups, support during childbirth, vaccinations and dentistry across the board. For the children in our project areas, this is a luxury. Medical professionals and hospitals are difficult to reach in an emergency due to the distances involved. Local health stations are poorly equipped.

Improving basic care

Our expert analysis of the situation in Ramechhap (Nepal) in 2019 revealed the malnutrition of many children and the widespread prevalence of preventable diseases. Our project concept to fundamentally improve the health situation was quickly implemented and was very important during the pandemic.

Focus on prevention

Even after the pandemic, our local teams are in high demand and are committed to educating people about the risks and prevention of infections. At the request of the government, we are helping health centers throughout Ramechhap to improve their daily work. Preventive healthcare programs are being systematically set up in schools.

What happens next

The BMZ and reliable funding partners are helping us with funds and expertise to continue the programs in 2024. Our mobile teams are active in more than 170 schools and are bringing about sustainable changes in behavior.



Rita (47) lives with her family in a remote village in Nepal. She had her first child when she was 18. After the home birth of her third child, she suffered from unexplained complaints, yet she did not seek medical help.

Rita became part of our project partner's mothers' group. The women there also discuss health issues. Rita realized that many women have similar complaints to her own. Her uterine prolapse was diagnosed and the project partner's staff encouraged her to seek professional help. After three months, her symptoms had disappeared.

Rita is very grateful to the project partner's staff that the condition was diagnosed with their help and was therefore treatable. Rita now tells other women about her experience and hopes to encourage women in her community to have regular health check-ups.

In 2023 we supported



about **24,000** young people with awareness programs



about **10,000** children received health check-ups



over **8,500** mothers organized in health groups



preventative health care at **172** schools



with about **€ 320,000** project funds



Sattish Chandra Aryal
Monitoring and Evaluation coordinator
Childaid Network Nepal

"The project's holistic approach, which focuses on raising awareness, improving local health facilities and involving the local government, has achieved good results. People are more aware of their health and schools have made great efforts to promote children's health and nutrition. I feel proud to be a part of this transformation."





"You can do a lot
if you dare to do a lot."

Wilhelm von Humboldt

Network with competent partners



Alliances with like-minded people in Germany

In Germany, we ally ourselves with qualified and experienced organizations to make our projects even more effective. These partners support us with their experience and in project monitoring, send staff or cooperate in the conceptual design of the programs. Ultimately, this benefits the people on the ground. In 2023, the Accenture Foundation, People in Need – Gerhard Baumgard Stiftung, AGIAMONDO e.V., NETZ Partnerschaft für Entwicklung und Gerechtigkeit e.V., Lipoid Stiftung, Sonnenstrahl Kinderfonds Stiftung and Schöck-Familien-Stiftung gGmbH, among others, supported us with expertise and, in some cases, also contributed budgets.



Dr. Martin Kämpchen
Researcher on
Indian culture, journalist,
and author

"India is sending a spaceship to the moon and building the world's largest statue, so why donate money? The statistics provide the answer. The country is investing too little in the education sector. The future of the country is at stake, and with it the future of us all. Childaid Network has understood this and is strengthening the education system of entire regions in India. As someone who works in development cooperation in India, I congratulate them because I know how much endless effort goes into this work."

Funding partners

Some organizations have the financial means, but not the organizational resources, to spend them effectively abroad in line with their vision. Increasingly, foundations, corporate trusts and other non-profit organizations choose Childaid Network to efficiently help realize their vision for needy children abroad. We are grateful for the trust and additional expertise we gain from these collaborations. In 2023, we received earmarked project budgets from approximately 40 funding partners.



Kirsten Meesmann
Advisor to the Board
of Management
Lipoid Foundation

"The Lipoid Foundation has been working with Childaid Network since 2019. In 2023, I was able to gain a direct impression of the work in the field during a project visit to Nepal. The team works highly professionally, efficiently and with a lot of passion to improve the local living conditions for the children. The cultural sensitivity of the international team in dealing with all stakeholders was particularly impressive."



Strong Partners abroad

In our project areas, we team up with reliable partners from the respective local areas. They know the needs of the people, speak their language, and know what is missing. Because they are rooted there and share our visions, our projects can be implemented effectively and quickly in close cooperation with the local people. In 2023, we had 35 such partnerships with active projects and four other partners with whom we work together on conceptual designs.



Sumeera Shrestha
Deputy Country
Director
Childaid Network Nepal

"I feel privileged to be a member of the Childaid Network Nepal team. We work closely with local partners to provide quality education, vocational training and advocacy for children's rights to children and youth in remote, underserved areas. Through effective networking, we have been able to expand our expertise and increase our impact, which has earned us recognition from local authorities and the community. We are relentlessly committed to expanding our reach through innovative and sustainable approaches with the primary goal of improving the well-being of Nepalese children and youth."

Our criteria for selecting project partners

In the past, we have named all our project partners here.

In the context of the developments in India, some partners have asked us to refrain from publication.

We regret this loss of transparency but respect the wishes of our partners.

Childaid Network's projects are successful because we have competent local partners and motivate and support them personally.

We select partners based on

Competence

We select new partners based on the fact that their team has successfully implemented comparable projects.

Transparency

Nobody is perfect, we all make mistakes. But we demand open books, reliable audits, and honest analyses from our partners.

Culture

We look for partners who share our values, who subscribe to our vision, who are ideologically neutral and who help the poorest to receive good education.

Communication

Our strength is that we are on the ground. We interact personally with our partners. We work together as partners, often on a friendship basis, to achieve success.

Charity activities with partners



Iron Summit for better education in Nepal

Five athletes attracted a lot of attention in social media in the summer of 2023 with their YouTube challenge. In just a few days, they conquered 4,000 meters of altitude on the way to Anapurna Base Camp and even carried additional loads. The poverty in the mountain villages of Nepal moved the group so much that they launched their own fundraising campaign. With their efforts, they helped needy children in the region to get a better education in the Childaid Network project.



Marc Bächtold
Content creator and
photographer

"The Iron Summit brought us closer to the country and the people of Nepal. We were able to enjoy the beautiful landscape but were also confronted with the plight of the local population. Not enough is done for the children, especially in the poor and remote mountain regions. They have little access to good education and have to work at an early age. With our fundraising campaign, we want to help these children and are committed to improving their educational opportunities."



Companies get involved

At the invitation of Taunus Sparkasse and Childaid Network, committed company representatives presented insights into their project partnerships with Childaid Network. With personal commitment, donations or contributions in kind, the companies and their employees support our programs in the long term and thus contribute to the success of the projects. This also strengthens the cohesion within the company and develops values that benefit the corporate culture. For the guests present, the evening offered plenty of inspiration on how to help effectively as a project sponsor, pro bono consultant or funding partner.



Carsten Kracht
Founder AdEx Partners

"Our commitment to Childaid Network has long been an integral part of our corporate culture. Supporting a social project creates a sense of identity and our employees gladly accept the opportunity to do good. In Childaid Network, we have found an organization that responds flexibly and with which we can get involved in various ways, e.g. with knowledge sharing, pro bono consulting services or sponsoring events, which we are happy to support."

We would like to thank more than 40 event partners, funding partners and sponsors



Circus makes you strong

Once again, four young trainers from Circus Waldoni created unique experiences for children in a Childaid Network project in western Assam. At the school in Amguri, they trained acrobatics and artistry with the boarding school pupils for more than two weeks. More than 100 children then presented their new skills in the final performance in front of around 2,000 guests. By training together, the children learned to trust and support each other. This experience made them proud and self-confident and inspired them for the future.



Vera Schuck
Trainer Circus Waldoni

"In September, we, four trainers from Circus Waldoni, set off for Amguri. Through our playful and creative circus training, the children not only learned how to juggle and build human pyramids. They also experienced real teamwork and learned how strong and courageous they can be. Many of them surpassed themselves! The grand finale performance left the children with beaming faces and boosted self-esteem. We set off on our journey home with lots of great experiences in our luggage."



Due to space limitations, unfortunately, not all logos can be listed here

How to create perspectives

Wie man Perspektiven schaffen kann



Das Ziel: Perspektiven schaffen. Wie man Perspektiven schaffen kann, ist ein Thema, das in der heutigen Zeit immer wichtiger wird. In der Taunus Zeitung vom 03.01.2023 wird über die Möglichkeiten, Perspektiven zu schaffen, berichtet. Ein zentraler Punkt ist die Förderung von Kindern durch Bildung. Ein weiterer Aspekt ist die Unterstützung von Frauen in der Wirtschaft. Die Taunus Sparkasse engagiert sich in verschiedenen Projekten, um diese Ziele zu erreichen.

11 Millionen Euro für 100000 Schulfächer

Das Engagement der Taunus Sparkasse ist ein Beispiel für soziale Verantwortung. Durch die Unterstützung von Bildung und Wirtschaft können Perspektiven geschaffen werden, die für die Zukunft der Region von Bedeutung sind.

Giving children a future through education

Kindern durch Bildung eine Zukunft schenken



Tiefen Begrenzungen, beständige Erlebnisse, unregelmäßige Augenblicke: Solchen Projektionen und -gängen aus dem Tecis-Vereins raum im Oktober 2022 gemeinsam mit Vereinstreibern und Vertretern der Stiftung Childaid Network zur Einweihung des durch Teis-Spenden finanzierten neuen Schulfächers ins westliche Assen.

Die Regeln im Projekt sind: In den Jahren 2022 bis 2024 werden jährlich 1000 Schulfächer in der Region Westfalen und Ostfalen errichtet. Diese Fächer werden von der Stiftung Childaid Network finanziert. Die Taunus Sparkasse unterstützt dieses Projekt durch Spenden.

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Social commitment transports corporate values

Soziales Engagement transportiert Firmenwerte



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Resilience is needed in times of crisis

Resilienz und Aufbau



In der Krise braucht es Resilienz. Resilienz ist die Fähigkeit, sich von Schwierigkeiten zu erholen und sich an neue Situationen anzupassen. In der Taunus Zeitung vom 24.06.2023 wird über die Bedeutung von Resilienz in Krisenzeiten berichtet. Ein zentraler Punkt ist die Förderung von Kindern durch Bildung. Ein weiterer Aspekt ist die Unterstützung von Frauen in der Wirtschaft. Die Taunus Sparkasse engagiert sich in verschiedenen Projekten, um diese Ziele zu erreichen.

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Growing and filling learning gaps in times of crisis

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Do good in the company and talk about it

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Life Heroes Award



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Their commitment to the poorest of the poor
Childaid informs about current work and new plans at project evening

Grashüpfer 12.2023
Giving children a future



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You can find further interesting articles at:
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Complex challenges



Childaid Network Foundation
The Childaid Network Foundation is a non-profit organization that provides education and support to children in need. It is committed to creating a better future for these children through various programs and initiatives.

„Demokratie ist erstaunlich resilient“ –
Staatsministerin Lührmann zu Gast im Königsteiner Salon



Königsteiner Woche 19.10.2022
Democracy is amazingly resilient
Minister of State Lührmann as a guest in the Königsteiner Salon

9.12.2023
ZDF Gala Ein Herz für Kinder
Childaid Ambassador Mitri Sirin reports on the children of Guwahati



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"Three things have remained to us from paradise:
the stars of the night, the flowers of the day
and the eyes of children."

Dante Alighieri



Maik Käbisch
Member of Management
Board, Circus Waldoni

"From the very first time I met Dr. Martin Kasper, I was completely enthusiastic about the work of the Childaid Network volunteers. The cooperation with Circus Waldoni quickly turned out to be a unique opportunity – for the street children of Guwahati and the young people of the charitable project from Darmstadt. I have great respect for the work of the Childaid Network team, their tireless efforts, and their irrepensible belief that a better and fairer world is possible for the "forgotten" children in South Asia and ultimately for all of us."

€ 3.62 million adjusted income*

Adjusted income fell by around 20 % in 2023 because payments for projects in India were blocked

€ 3.48 million foundation capital and reserves

The equity of the foundation grows to € 3.48 million

€ 3.09 million project investments

Despite challenges, Childaid Network invested more than € 3 million in 2023

7.0 % cost expenditure

According to the DZI definition, Childaid Network is still in the category of particularly frugal organizations



Excerpts from the DZI evaluation of Childaid Network:



Tested + Recommended!

- Fundraising and public relations inform clearly, truthfully, objectively and openly.
- The share of fundraising and administration expenditure in total expenditure is low according to DZI standards ("low" = under 10 %).
- The effectiveness of the use of funds is monitored and the results are documented and published.

The complete report of the German Central Institute for Social Issues (DZI) is available on our webpage.

* Adjusted Income: donations and grants plus net result from taxable business operations and investment management

A difficult year

Consolidation

At € 3.65 million (previous year: € 4.54 million), Childaid Network 2023 reported a reduction in total income of almost 20 %. Due to the political situation in India, promised funding could not be drawn down. Other donation income also suffered in the crisis.

Reliable network

However, the reduced donation result is not a reflection of a decline in trust. New funding partners were also acquired in 2023. Fundraising campaigns were carried out reliably. Most of the BMZ's grant commitments were only postponed.

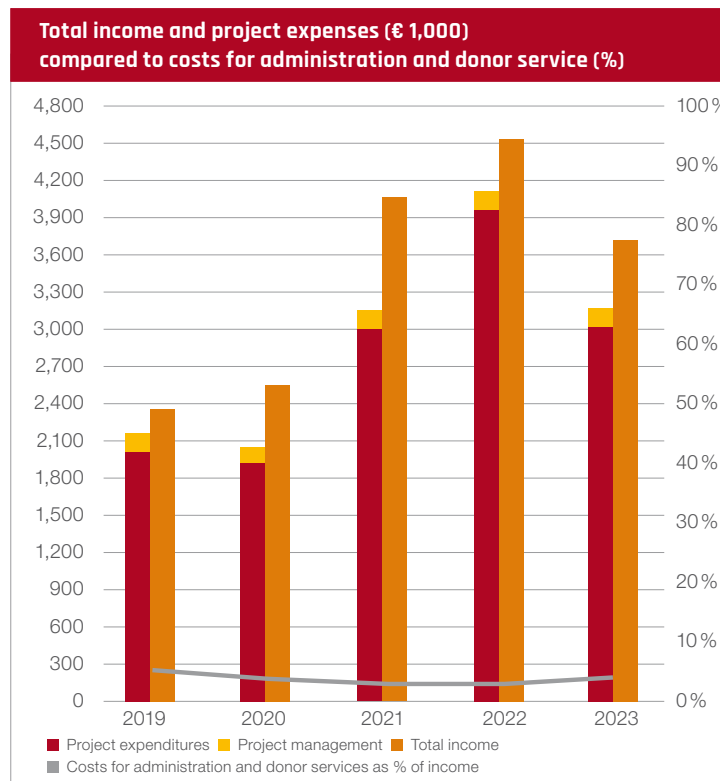
Lean cost structure

The expense ratio increased due to the fall in income and strategic investments (see table on p. 47). This trend will reverse in 2024 as income increases. It was possible to strengthen the investment regrouping reserve through capital gains.

Reduced project investments

Project expenditure in 2023 amounted to € 3.09 million (previous year: € 3.94 million), a reduction of over 20%. In 2023, reliable project transfers to our main project region of Northeast India were hampered. Growth in other regions is progressing as planned but cannot yet compensate for these shortfalls.

Profit and loss statement (EUR)		
	2022	2023
• Ordinary donations	2,372,894.22	1,848,994.39
• Other operating income	2,165,850.86	1,805,008.47
Total income	4,538,745.08	3,654,002.86
• Project expenditures	-3,937,409.42	-3,091,875.77
• Staff costs	-295,959.56	-378,699.07
• Depreciations	-13,146.70	-24,524.67
• Other operating expenses	-162,229.30	-148,401.88
• Investment result	-97,278.04	36,133.53
Net income	32,722.06	46,635.00
• Withdrawals from reserves	361,868.63	471.00
• Allocation to reserves	-610,946.30	-42,723.15
• Carried forward from 2022	246,699.29	30,343.68
Fund balances carried forward	30,343.68	34,726.53



€5

per pupil and year is needed to provide good learning materials

€100

are enough to provide an unemployed young person with a job qualification

€60

monthly is the amount for a scholarship to train talented young people in need

€1.50

per day is enough to fully support a street child holistically

€90

monthly to support a former children's home child on the way to independence

€50

is what we need to prepare and equip a child from the slums for school



Christian P. Roos
Partner
Auditor
Baker Tilly GmbH & Co KG,
Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft



Markus Grötecke
Director
Auditor
Baker Tilly GmbH & Co. KG,
Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft

"We have been auditing the Foundation's financial statements for years without any objections. Childaid Network has developed impressively. This success is not accidental – it is based on a clear strategy, transparency and strong leadership."

Strengthened substance

Balance sheet (EUR)		
Assets	31.12.2022	31.12.2023
Fixed assets		
• Intangible assets	77,376.07	60,181.39
• Tangible assets	1,819.34	890.68
• Investments	1,531,669.84	2,478,303.19
	1,610,865.25	2,539,375.26
Current assets		
• Receivables and other assets	338,871.39	344,020.82
• Cash at bank and in hand	1,990,684.77	1,565,876.60
	2,329,556.16	1,909,897.42
Accruals	0.00	0.00
Balance sheet total	3,940,421.41	4,449,272.68
Assets held in trust	673,191.07	606,312.91
Liabilities	31.12.2022	31.12.2023
Equity		
• Endowment funds and supplementary endowments	865,500.00	865,500.00
• Reserves	2,538,672.95	2,580,925.10
• Fund balances carried forward	30,343.68	34,726.53
	3,434,516.63	3,481,151.63
Provisions	6,277.16	6,363.85
Liabilities	499,627.62	961,757.20
Balance sheet total	3,940,421.41	4,449,272.68

Growing substance

At € 4,449,272.68 (previous year: € 3,940,421.41), Childaid Network once again reported an increase in total assets for December 31, 2023. The foundation's substance was strengthened in 2023 primarily through high liquid reserves, as funds could not be transferred into the projects as planned.

High project liabilities

The liabilities are mainly BMZ grants received in 2023, where investment can only be implemented in 2024.

Foundation capital

The endowment capital remained unchanged.

Supervision and non-profit status

Childaid Network was recognized as a foundation with legal capacity by the Darmstadt State of Hesse Administration Office on April 27, 2007 with AZ I 13-25d 04/11(4)-146. The Bad Homburg tax office regularly confirms the foundation's charitable status, most recently on December 12, 2023.

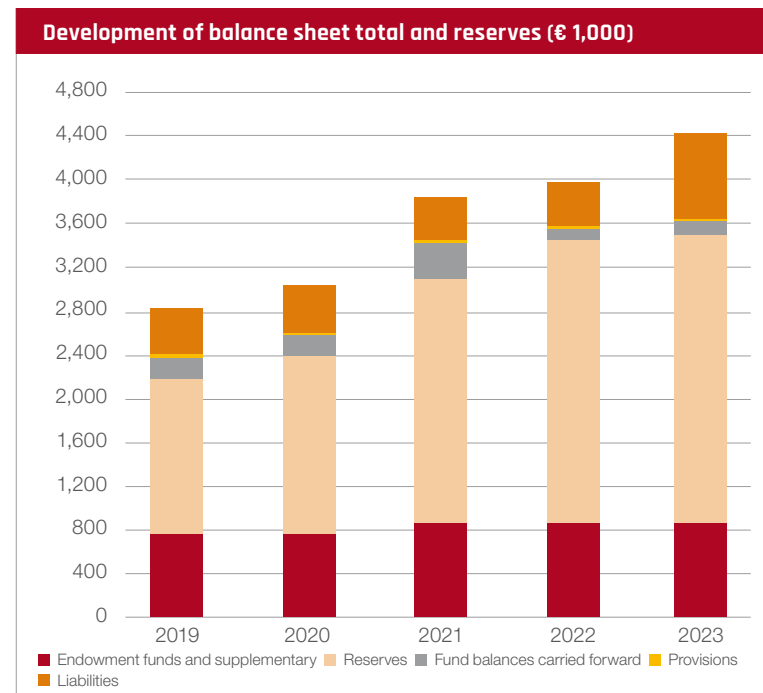
Bylaws

Childaid Network revised its bylaws in 2022. The new version was approved by the Darmstadt State of Hesse Administration Office in March of 2023. The changes mainly concern a strengthening of the division of powers between the Foundation Council and the Management Board and certain adaptations to the new foundation law. The new bylaws are available on the website.

Audit of the annual accounts

Childaid Network voluntarily submits to various external audits. The annual financial statement of the Childaid Network Foundation for the financial year was again audited by Baker Tilly GmbH & Co KG, Frankfurt. On March 28, 2024, they issued an unqualified audit opinion. The DZI audits processes and expenditures according to transparent criteria.

Upon request, we shall be happy to send interested parties the auditor's report, the annual financial statements, or the expert opinion of the German Central Institute for Social Matters (DZI). The documents are also available on our website.



Our employees and partners are asked to agree on the following principles:

- compliance with child rights
- corruption-free use of funds
- economical use of resources
- high data security
- honest and transparent reporting

We are happy to send you details on request.

Key figures and analysis

Extended project work

Despite investing reduced funds, the scope of the projects was significantly increased in 2023. In particular, the projects for basic education and vocational training in Northeast India and Nepal were further expanded with the help of local contributions.

Wide reach for marginalized groups

With the four main project pillars (school programs, children's rights, vocational training, and health promotion), more than 200,000 young people are now directly supported, a fourfold increase compared to 2020. We focus particularly on children and young people from disadvantaged marginalized groups such as ethnic minorities, internally displaced persons and people in rural regions and areas affected by natural disasters.

Principles for use of funds

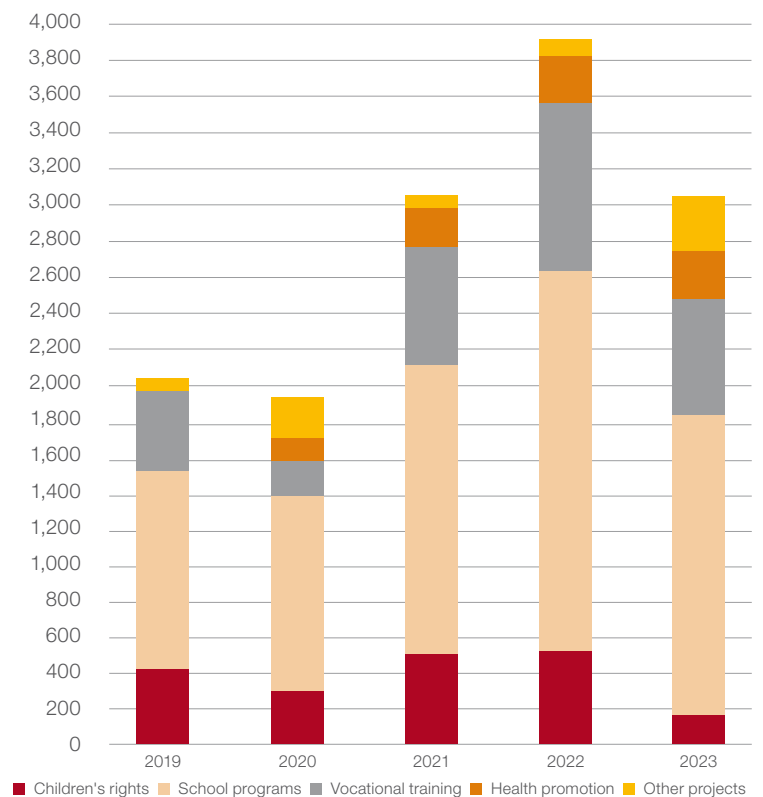
Most of our funds are used to pay teachers and social workers and provide them with further training. 2023, we also passed on smaller budgets for organizations from our network, such as for the earthquake victims in Turkey.



Burkhard Leffers
Former president
Association of Catholic
Entrepreneurs (BKU)
in the region Rhein-Main

"I have known Childaid well for 15 years. I have always been fascinated by the clear entrepreneurial organization of the work: not just doing good, but doing it well, defining milestones for monitoring success, careful, critical selection of partners, applying strict professional and social criteria. The second thing that appeals to me is the consistent focus: target group children, region of Northeast India, topic of education. Finally, I am impressed by the efficiency: a ratio of just a few percent for administration, donor support and public relations is exemplary. That is why I am very, very happy to support Childaid Network."

Development of project expenditure by project category (€ 1,000)



Continued – a lean cost structure

Our administrative costs amounted to around € 111,000 in the reporting year, or 3 % (previous year: 1.9 %), while the costs for donor support including public relations amounted to around € 144,000, or 4% (previous year: 2.3 %) of total income. Overall, we spent 7 % of total income on the proper administrative handling and monitoring of our activities in accordance with DZI accounting standards last year (previous year: 4.2 %) due to lower income and structural investments, but this still puts us amongst the best organizations monitored by DZI.

Great honorary commitment

Our administration cost is low because our foundation work is mainly carried out by volunteers. Management Board, Foundation Council, editorial staff, graphic designers, part of the project coordination work, web design and many other tasks are carried out by unpaid experts. A benevolent company provides us with office space free of charge. Auditors, banks, and suppliers grant us preferential conditions.

€30

are sufficient for a pupil to receive quality education

€100

monthly are needed to train 40 to 50 young people in an evening school

€150

per month is sufficient to maintain a pre-school class with three professionals and to additionally offer the children one healthy meal per day

Overview of income and expenditure in the past 5 years (EUR)

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Donations	1,764,878.85	1,842,447.97	2,940,487.24	2,372,894.22	1,843,529.85
Grants BMZ	536,292.00	621,363.78	1,090,791.04	2,106,230.46	1,729,297.86
Other operating income	62,253.07	47,050.53	40,026.67	59,620.40	47,820.50
Total income	2,363,423.92	2,510,862.28	4,071,304.95	4,538,745.08	3,654,002.86
Adjusted Income*	2,329,941.85	2,489,089.96	4,062,074.92	4,519,200.86	3,620,648.21
Project expenditure	2,053,920.18	1,926,925.10	3,019,649.69	3,937,409.42	3,091,875.77
Project management costs	117,862.81	112,302.62	130,280.45	245,096.92	269,903.82
Project management costs in %	5.06 %	4.51 %	3.21 %	5.42 %	7.43 %
Donor services expenses	127,124.75	117,334.37	104,296.25	104,517.62	144,192.67
General administration expenses	63,901.73	63,937.54	65,634.74	85,327.15	110,796.89
Total expenses in %	8.20 %	7.28 %	4.18 %	4.20 %	7.0 %

* Adjusted Income: donations and grants plus net result from taxable business operations and investment management



Not included in the figures:

- several hundred thousand Euros from our project partners in Germany which are directly transferred to our projects
- Local contributions from the target groups, funds from the project partners and a share of the local management
- about € 70,000 of benefits in kind such as office rent, travel costs, catering, office supplies and postage
- about ten years effort annually of voluntary work by the core team for the foundation
- the involvement of thousands of friends and partners in Germany at events

We want to express a heartfelt thank you for this contribution to our lean cost structure.





Our vision

Every girl and every boy attends school.



Our goal for 2024

With our help, at least 200,000 children will receive a good school education.



Our promise

We invest your support effectively and sustainably in the education of deprived children.

What comes next? A brief outlook for 2024

Our work is not getting any easier. We are too small to change global trends. But we are big enough to be agile and innovative in finding good solutions for our target groups. We will not be discouraged. A strong network, long-term funding commitments from strong partners and our proven local structures continue to provide a reliable basis for good projects.

Changed country focus

India's economy is growing dynamically, and the country has more of its own resources for development. We are trying to integrate these resources but continue to support the projects in an advisory capacity. Our aim there is to help local partners implement changes and improvements with reduced financial support from us. On the other hand, we want to further expand programs for needy regions in rural Nepal and northern Bangladesh. Unfortunately, the civil war in Myanmar is preventing us from implementing the urgently needed projects there.

Quality education

Our corona learning gap projects are transforming into programs for school quality. With the support of parents, innovative teaching methods and good materials, lots of teacher training and advocacy work, we are seeing success. We continue to scale this up and achieve sustainable improvements with strong partners and committed local governments. We are delighted to have received new long-term funding commitments for this, but still need support with our own contributions.

Vocational training

For 15 years, we have been helping young people to acquire vocational qualifications, e.g. in the construction or hairdressing trades or in the catering industry. In 2024, we are particularly strengthening projects in which young people can generate local income, e.g. through improved agricultural practices. This helps them to become better rooted in the region, reducing migration. We are also asking for further support for this.

Making children's rights a reality

Realizing children's rights, preventing child labor and child marriages, integrating people with disabilities, strengthening girls in their self-confidence and preparing them for a self-determined life – these remain the core topics of our work. We promote the empowerment of local communities and disadvantaged groups. For the protection of those affected, we cannot report in detail on all programs.

Your donation helps

For 17 years now, we have been working with you to ensure that disadvantaged young people are granted their right to education. We are very grateful for the wide range of voluntary work, the advice from experts, for new contacts and donations in kind. With your support, we want to continue to grow in the coming years so that as many young people as possible have the best prospects for a life in dignity.

We would like to thank you very much for your support and assistance.

We say thank you to all the donors, partners and well wishers who supported us and make our projects possible!

This is how you can help children to a good future:



Donation

Every help counts and reaches the poor. Donating online is the easiest way. If you need a donation receipt, please remember to provide us with your address details.



Sponsorship

A commitment to donate regularly by SEPA-Direct-Debit allows us to plan reliably and minimize administrative costs. Kindly send us your commitment, an informal note will do.



Action

You want to organize a charity run? Mobilize your colleagues? Combine the Christmas raffle with a good cause? This is meaningful and creates success. We happily help.



Celebrating for the benefit of children

Donations instead of presents – to ask for donations on festive occasions, such as weddings, jubilees or birthdays, brings lasting joy.



Last will donation

This is how you can have a lasting effect and help beyond your lifetime – leave a legacy to Childaid Network in your will.



Supplementary endowments or trust foundation

You can increase the capital stock of the Childaid Network Foundation with a supplementary endowment. With a charitable trust foundation under the umbrella and trusteeship of Childaid Network you will help sustainably – and stay in touch.



Bettina Dilger

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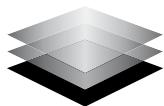
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