



QUARTERLY IMPACT REPORT

1 OCT TO 31 DECEMBER 2024

Empower Community Education
for the Safety of Children.



Names of all girls in this report have been changed to protect their privacy.

Goal of the quarter
**SAFE
COMMUNITIES**



355

Safety Visits



135*

Social Work Interventions



34

Girls Passed the Year 12 Exam



20*

New Girls Enrolled



25

Packets of Vegetable Seeds Provided



4

Students Continuing on to Vocational Training



264*

Adults Attended Community Training

THE NUMBERS THIS QUARTER

*Revised on 18.05.2026. Following an internal review, corrections have been made to the following indicators to ensure data integrity and transparency; 'New Girls Enrolled' from 12 to 20, 'Social Work Interventions' from 123 to 135, 'Adults Attended Community Training' from 313 to 264.

EDUCATION AS A SUSTAINABLE SOLUTION

The power of education can be transformative in creating sustainable change and can help in protecting individuals from trafficking and exploitation. Like the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 4, which focuses on quality education, we aim to build a foundation for lifelong learning and community resilience.

Our approach goes beyond working solely with the girls in our program. We actively engage with their families, local authorities, and entire communities to create robust safety nets and ensure a lasting impact. A key component of this strategy is our community training initiative, which combines education empowerment with community engagement to build safer environments for children.



COMMUNITY TRAINING IN REMOTE AREAS

This year, Free To Shine continues its collaboration with district-level local authorities to implement community training in remote areas. Together, we identified critical topics and targeted villages in need of this training. Together, we planned 15 community training sessions across ten communes, encompassing approximately 30 villages. The training focuses on three essential topics:

- 1. Domestic Violence**
- 2. Human Trafficking and Exploitation**
- 3. Safe Migration**

Community trainings are typically held at accessible locations such as community centers or village leaders' houses, ensuring participants feel comfortable and welcomed. These venues also foster an environment of trust and encourage open discussions, making the sessions more impactful.

COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS AND SUSTAINABLE IMPACT

In this partnership, Free To Shine provides the necessary training resources and facilitation assistance, while the local authorities facilitate the sessions. This collaborative model has proven effective in fostering a sustainable impact. Local authorities actively engage with the community, address their concerns, and share updated regulations and plans. They also answer challenging questions, offering legal solutions tailored to community needs.

The involvement of local authorities enhances the training's relevance and effectiveness. Their role as facilitators helps establish trust, encourages open dialogue, and ensures that community members feel heard and supported.



PROGRESS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

In the last quarter, we conducted six community training sessions attended by:

264* adults
(80%* women | 20%* men)

65 children

In the post-workshop survey, participants overwhelmingly expressed that they gained valuable insights from the sessions and were committed to applying and sharing this knowledge within their families and communities.



OBSERVATIONS FROM THE FIELD

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TRAINING

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We had eleven men participating in this workshop, which was a remarkable achievement as male attendance is usually limited. Participants actively engaged, shared ideas, and exchanged personal experiences. The interactive facilitation style, coupled with clear real-life examples, made it easier for participants to understand and contribute to the discussion. Both men and women engaged in meaningful dialogue and advocated for each other.

Kongkea, Social Worker and the Child Protection Officer.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND EXPLOITATION TRAINING

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The facilitator provided clear explanations, and participants showed great enthusiasm, asking many insightful questions. While children's attendance highlighted the community's interest, managing them alongside adult participants presented some challenges. However, their presence underlines the need for inclusive, age-appropriate learning opportunities

Chanda, Education Officer

MOVING FORWARD

With the continued support of local authorities and communities, we are confident that the remaining nine community training sessions will further strengthen the impact of our work. The collaborative approach ensures that knowledge is not only shared but also retained and utilised effectively at the grassroots level.

Through these efforts, Free To Shine reaffirms its commitment to creating a safer, more educated, and empowered community for all.

If you would like to contribute towards bringing more of these trainings to more communities you can do that here: www.freetoshine.org/donate