CASE STUDY

NAME : NAYAN MONDAL

SEX : Female

AGE : 8 Years

FATHER'S NAME : RABI MONDAL

MOTHER'S NAME : GOURI MONDAL

MOTHER'S OCCUPATION: Housewife

SIBLINGS : 1 brother – Babai Mondal

1 sister – Moni Mondal

Background

The condition of Nayan's family is not very good. His mother works as a domestic help in other people's homes. His father is an alcoholic. Most of what his father earns goes into his addiction and very little is left for the sustenance of the family.

Intervention

The teacher at Mitra Sangha (NFE Centre operated by Mass Welfare Society in the slums of Peyarabagan, Kolkata) had spotted Nayan near the Centre, 2 years ago. She contacted Nayan's mother who said that even though they had the will to educate her, they did not have the means to do so. For them, to send her to school was an expensive affair and they could not even afford a private tutor for her. On top of that, since both she and her husband were illiterate, they would not be able to guide her in his studies.

The teacher consoled Nayan's mother and assured her that she would take responsibility of her child's education. She informed her about the services provided by Mass Welfare Society – providing basic education and nutrition till the time the child was capable enough, and then admitting him/her into a formal school for the continuation of his/her education and subsequently providing tuition help for school-going children – all free of cost. After hearing this, Nayan's mother became willing to send her to the Centre. Following this, for 2 years, Nayan regularly came to the Centre and received non-formal education. In January 2013, he was admitted into Puddapukur Institute, a government school in Class I.