MANZIL

Manzil enables access to quality skill education & economic opportunities to empower young girls aged 14-21 years to act independently and make their own choice, thereby preventing early marriage and delaying the age at first pregnancy in select six districts of Rajasthan, India. The project focuses on mapping aspirations of girls and linking them with skilling opportunities and improving quality of skill-based trainings. The project also provides right information to girls and helps them access decent work opportunities to address regressive social norms at community level that hinder women's participation in the workforce.

Components of Manzil

In School: Manzil, through an MoU with the Department of Education, the Government of Rajasthan works with girls enrolled in schools. Manzil engages with schools to operationalize vocational education, and on-the-job training, to enable a smooth transition to higher education/jobs for girls.

Out-of-school: Manzil works with girls not enrolled in schools or regular courses in any educational institute. Manzil identifies such girls, counsels them and their parents, links them to Skill Development Centres (SDCs), and ensures job placement.

Geographical Reach

Jaipur, Tonk, Ajmer, Bhilwara, Udaipur and Dungarpur.

Strategic Interventions

- Reaching marginalized and vulnerable girls who are in-school and who have dropped out of school.
- Helping girls identify relevant skill courses to meet their aspirations.
- Counselling young girls, their families & other key stakeholders to address social barriers and raise awareness about need for skill development to become financially independent.
- Facilitating admission of eligible and aspiring girls to public and private skill centers.
- Training girls for the various employment avenues and motivating them to complete their courses.
- Linking girls to relevant job opportunities and facilitating self-employment.

Targets (2019-2024)

- **1. In-School:** 69,000 girls facilitated with vocational education; of these, 15,000 will get on-the-job training/apprenticeships and 8,000 girls will earn incomes or transition to higher education.
- **2. Out-of-School:** 26,000 girls from 1000 villages will be facilitated with skill training; of these, 12,000 girls will earn incomes or transition to higher education.

Achievements

- Manzil has reached 30000+ households,
- Facilitated skill training for 28,000 girls in schools and 6,000 drop out girls
- Initiated On-the-job training for 5500 in-school girls
- Placed more than 2000 girls some of country's top employers