



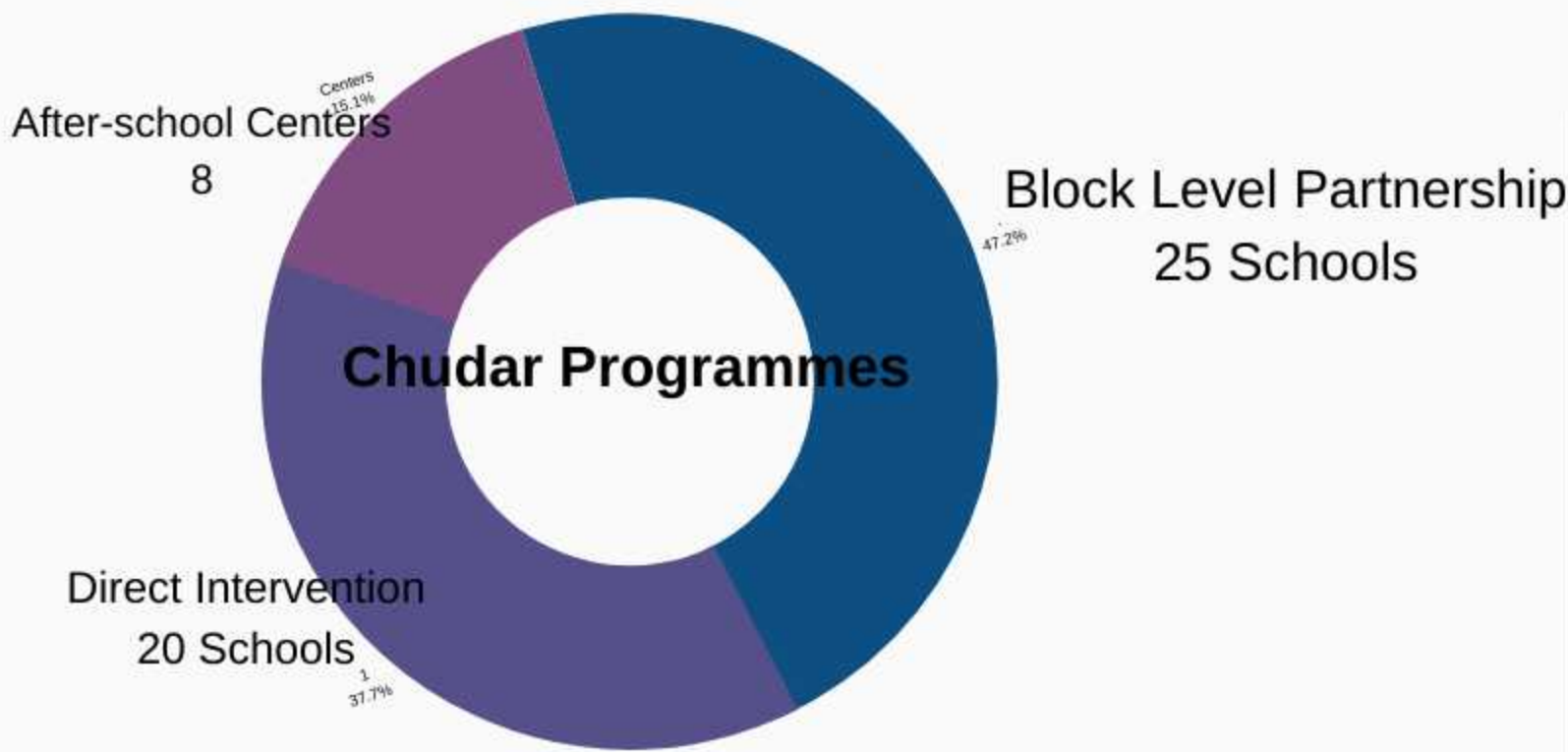
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Annular Eclipse:

On the occasion of annular solar eclipse on 26th December 2019, Chudar organized eclipse viewing and awareness sessions across its different centers in Chennai. More than 800 children, parents and community members participated in this event.

During the viewing session, we used safe certified solar filters so that children could have a safe yet enjoyable experience of the solar eclipse. Children and adults alike were excited to see the sun take the shape of crescent moon gradually.



Around 9.30 AM, when the eclipse was at its maximum and it became slightly darker outside, the excitement was palpable! Two days prior to the eclipse, Chudar had published distributed awareness flyers and pamphlets before the eclipse for safe viewing.

Parents and the community members expressed their heartfelt appreciation to Chudar for bringing this event to their locality instead of their having to go to the planetarium or beach for the occasion. We are happy to share that the event was covered by Adyar Times.

<https://www.adyartimes.in/atepaper/>

Fun Fact : The next total eclipse will come on April 8, 2024. That makes it seem as if eclipses are rare, when, in fact, they're not.

SPECTRUM MATH MELA

Chudar Conducted a Maths Mela at Spectrum Higher Secondary School, Tenkasi for classes 6-8. We wanted to encourage students to explore and showcase their creativity. They created innovative Maths puzzles and problems and asked their teachers to solve them. Around 40 teachers participated in the event. The teachers eagerly solved the puzzles and won prizes too! The moment the kids were informed about the event a week prior, they got super excited and started preparing for it. The outcome exceeded our expectations!

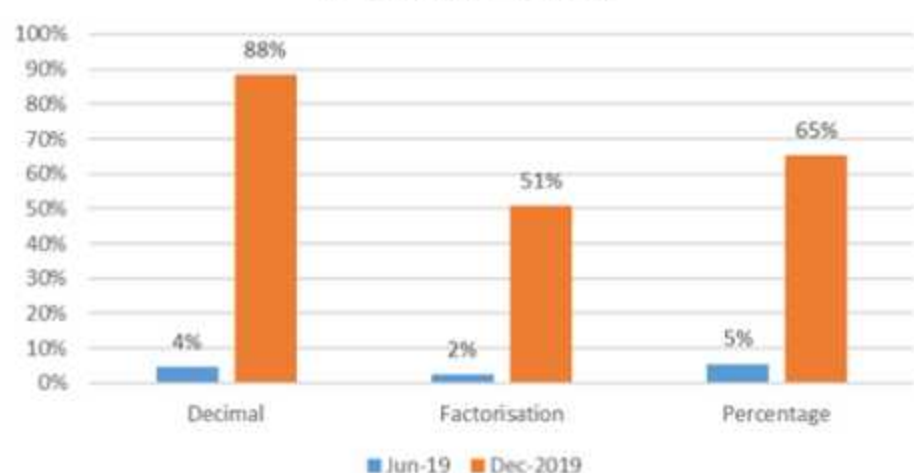
We were all very fascinated by some really innovative ideas that the kids came up with. Teachers felt really excited, they said "We are all surprised that our children have so many hidden talents in them. We are really happy to see their interest and the liking towards Math. Prizes were given to all the winners and participants at the end of the event.



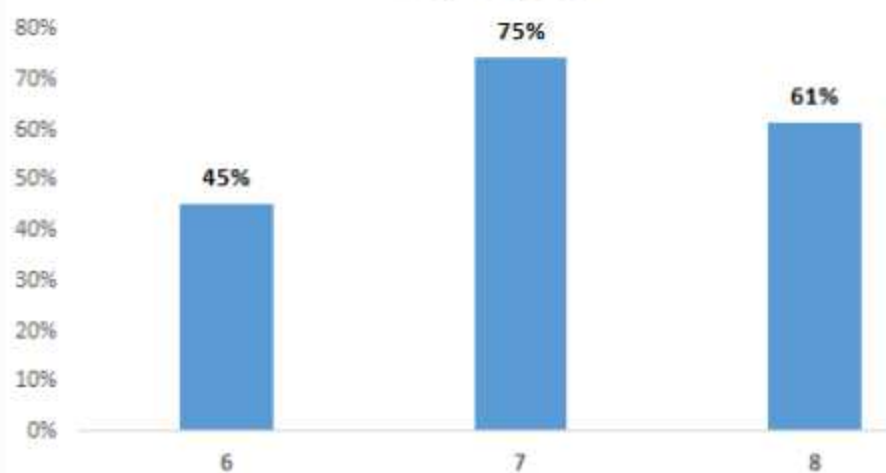
IMPACT:

We are happy to share the evaluation results of Math and English skills for October to December 2019. One enormous change we have observed is that the number of blanks have reduced considerably. We find that most children have attempted all the questions and have written some steps relevant to the question. Overall, in a sample of about 500 students we found only 3 blanks in Math and only 20 in English. The graph below indicates the % of children who have acquired the skills that were focused for each of the standards in Term-2. There has been tremendous improvement in the skills with respect to the initial levels. This clearly demonstrates that with guidance from Chudar's Resource persons and a focused approach from teachers, considerable improvements can be achieved

Math Skills - Term 2



Adjectives



From the Heart..

"Bringing a smile on a child's face gives a deep satisfaction, which cannot be expressed in words, only experienced."

I started working with NGOs from my college days as I love to teach underprivileged kids. When I moved to Chennai and started working as an analyst, I wanted to continue my teaching so I started searching for some NGOs and I came to know about Chudar and the impact it's creating in the field of quality education. Soon I met Dr. Ravishankar and was then introduced to Raghu sir, who directed me to the Kotturpuram centre. It's been a year now since I started teaching English every Saturday for the children there. The children are so full of enthusiasm and love, just meeting them every Saturday fills me with joy and happiness. I know their names and they know mine! I too have learnt a lot from them especially Tamil!

The Chudar team is also very supportive and gives me a feeling of being an important part of the Chudar family. I can't describe in words the happiness, learning and satisfaction I extract from volunteering at Chudar. My journey with Chudar so far is amazing. I indeed feel blessed to be a part of Chudar".-

Tript is a volunteer with Chudar for the past 1 year

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