

# Hello Readers!

Indus Action has had an exciting start to the year 2022! We are excited to announce that we are now a part of EdelGive Foundation's [GROW's 100 Changemakers](#). We've received a grant of INR 80 lakhs that will be used towards building resilience and investing in the future readiness of our team.

Many congratulations to our fellow organisations as well, together we can create impact at scale across the country.



I'm one of  
**GROW's**



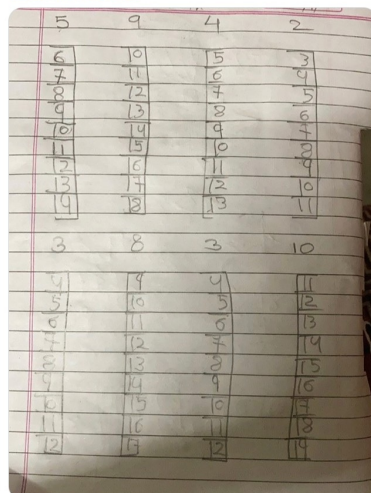
Visit [www.edelgive-growfund.org](http://www.edelgive-growfund.org)  
to know more.

We would also like to extend our gratitude to Dovetail Impact Foundation (Formerly known as David Weekley Family Foundation) for their continued [support and appreciation of our work and mission](#).

## Point Of View



**Achalika Ahuja** @achalika · 1/22/22  
Priyanshi(8) is enrolled in a govt school in Delhi. Her mother is a domestic worker & father is a daily wage earner. 2yrs away from school, she has forgotten everything including her school name. We were learning numbers & surprisingly, she was quick in addition. (1/5)  
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**Achalika Ahuja** @achalika  
How? She picked it up while selling bananas with her sister Deepanshu(9) to support her family in the last 2yrs. Her mother, Poonam Didi cannot afford tuitions, smartphone or work from home setup. The Ed-tech revolution is yet to reach her home. (2/5)  
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**Achalika Ahuja** @achalika · 1/22/22  
Replying to @achalika  
Would you send them to school in a pandemic? It's much better than seeing them work and away from books, Didi said. School closures are catastrophic for lakhs of students like Priyanshi. In the name of safety, we are depriving kids of their right to Education. (3/5)  
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70 % of India's rural population lacks internet access, and 40-70 % students across the country do not have access to a device. Read how learning losses and the digital divide [impact children](#).

The collective voices of students, teachers, parents, and offline education advocates bore fruit when the Education Ministry released new guidelines to reopen schools. Many states across the country have already [started reopening schools](#), and we hope to see other states following suit in the coming months by adhering to Covid19 safety protocols.



"It is taken for granted that school closures will impact children the least, however their impact will unfold in the years to come. Learning begins from social skills and environmental exposure, unfortunately children don't have that luxury outside of school settings."

**- Chris Kollian, Lead, Indus Action**

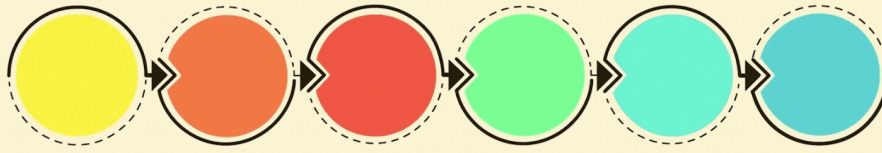


## Samaaj 3.5%

The [Samaaj 3.5% civic champions](#) are the backbone of Indus Action. From leading advocacy efforts to enrolling beneficiaries, our champions have gone miles to ensure that vulnerable families have access to their rights. Take a look at some key highlights from their work in Delhi in December 2021.



## How our Samaaj champions are enabling labourers in Delhi to access social and welfare schemes?



We would also like to take this opportunity to thank our partner [Campaign Bootcamp](#) who have been relentless in their support towards our Samaaj 3.5 Program. They might be ceasing their operations, but we are indebted to their contribution to our efforts.

## Looking Ahead

At Indus Action we're grateful to have had such a great and promising start to the year. With the support from '**YOU**', our team members, Samaaj 3.5% champions, and partners, we are one step closer to our mission 2030 of enabling 2.5 million + vulnerable Indian families access to their legislated rights.

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