Our Work in Asia





Vision



Children can flourish in a world free of all forms of exploitation.

Mission



Protect children by preventing and stopping child exploitation. And by empowering children to make their voices count. 31904 Children 480
Civil Society
Organisations

1016
Law Enforcement
Officials

21985
Family and Community Members

1977
Government
Officials

944
Private Sector
Officials

66

A catalyst for systemic change to stop child exploitation in Asia.



Worst Forms of Child Labour

We tackle the worst forms of child labour in the Visayas region of the Philippines, and within mica mines, urban slums, and waste collection communities in India. Through partnerships with local governments, the private sector, and law enforcement agencies, we work to strengthen laws, institutions, and policies, and empower children and communities through clubs, watch groups, and livelihood initiatives.



Sexual Exploitation of Children

We protect children from sexual exploitation—both online and offline —in Bangladesh's garment factory communities, among early married girls and Devadasi communities in India, and across diverse gender identities in digital spaces in Asia. We advocate for stronger child protection systems, support survivors in their recovery, and empower children to speak up through awareness and advocacy campaigns.

Key Achievements of Systemic Change



3 technology companies in Cambodia have adopted our Code of Conduct on Child Online Protection into their policies.



Online safety literacy is now integrated into the computer science curriculum of grade 9 in Nepal after advocacy efforts with the Curriculum Development Centre (CDC).



In the Philippines, we influenced the passage of 10 community and municipal-level ordinances focused on addressing the worst forms of child labour.



Our advocacy in Andhra Pradesh, India, contributed to the introduction of the Social Media Abuse Protection Bill in the state assembly for discussion.



The Bangladesh Telecommunication Regulation Commission and the Internet Service Provider Association of Bangladesh committed to adopting a Code of Conduct for the private sector.



Through improved multistakeholder coordination in Thailand, the average processing time per case of sexual exploitation against children has significantly reduced.

Read our



This [ordinance] will ensure that every child in our barangay can grow up in a safe, nurturing environment.

Alfie Duran

A barangay (village) councilor in Visayas, Philippines speaks of an ordinance his local government was able to draft with support from us and the Children's Legal Bureau to establish a Barangay Council Against Child Trafficking.

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About Terre des Hommes Netherlands

We are a global child rights organisation that works in Asia, Africa, the Middle East and Europe. We prevent and stop child exploitation, and empower children to make their voices count. We catalyse systemic change with support from our implementing partners.

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