

# CHILD FRIENDLY SPACES

Creating positive impact for migrant parent workers, their children and businesses

## WHAT ARE CHILD FRIENDLY SPACES?

Child Friendly Spaces (CFS) are factory-based facilities that provide a safe environment for the children of workers to play, access learning opportunities, develop social skills through interactions with other kids and participate in joint activities with their parents.

## CHILD FRIENDLY SPACES: WHY FACTORIES NEED THEM

- Busy parent workers and left-behind children, often lack access to adequate childcare facilities.
- Children are brought to their workplace, increasing the risks of children entering production areas and participating in work.
- During the summer months, children are often out of school, and at home without caregivers.
- It is during those times that child labour risks are highest.

CFS serve the important function of keeping children away from production areas or unsupervised dorms,

- Allow parents to put their minds at ease during shifts, and increase efficiency at work
- Strengthen parent-child relationships
- Strengthen workers-management relationships

## CHILD FRIENDLY SPACES IN NUMBERS



**102**

NEW CFS established by 2023



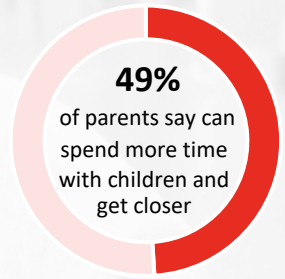
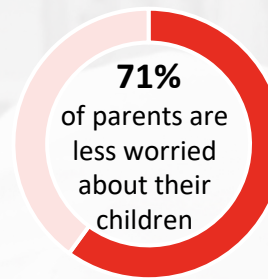
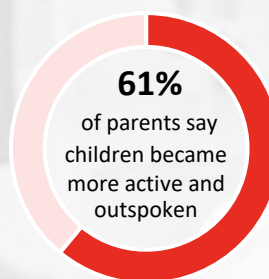
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children have attended CFS by 2023

## IMPACT OF CHILD FRIENDLY SPACES

The Centre for Child Rights and Business (The Centre) has measured the impact of each CFS project through pre-assessment and post-evaluation surveys. According to an assessment of 18 factories in China in 2021 & 2022, we found that the project brought long-term benefits to parent workers, their children and factories. Below are some key achievements:

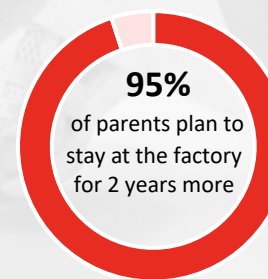
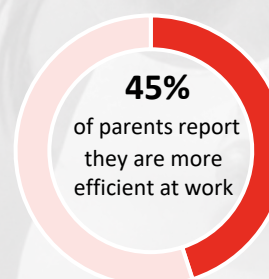
### IMPACT ON CHILDREN



### IMPACT ON PARENTS AS WORKERS



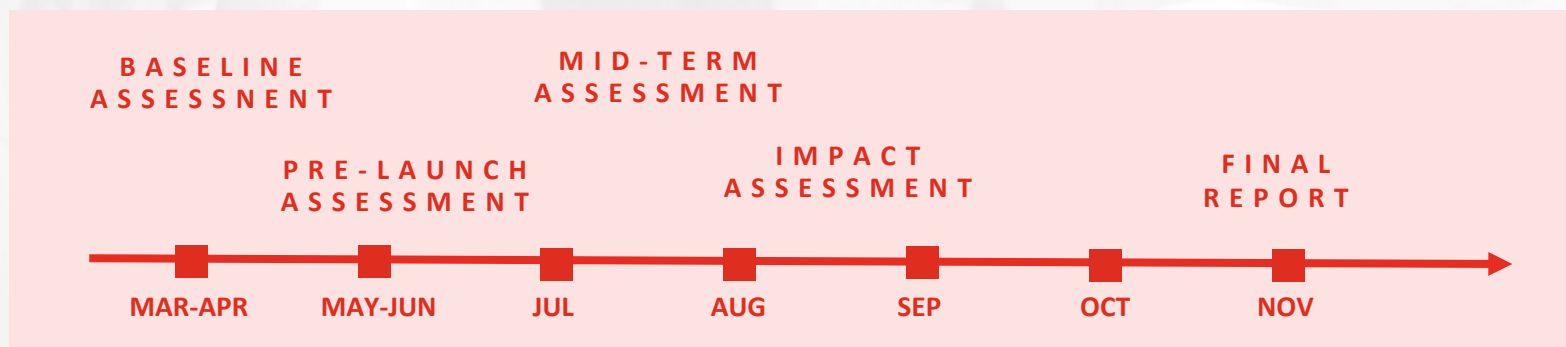
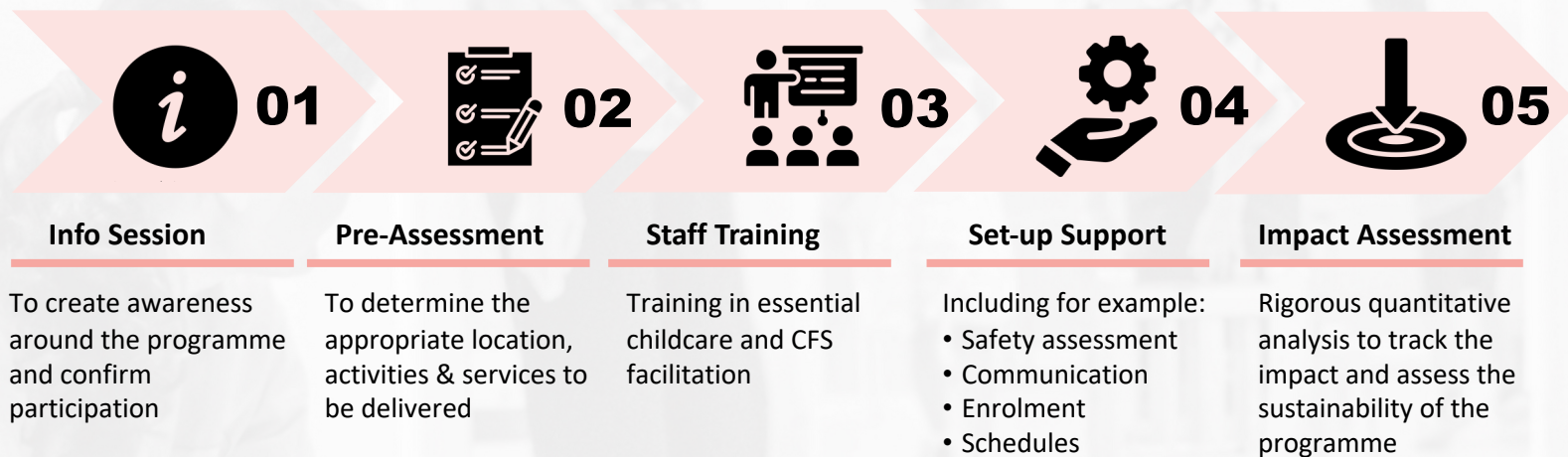
### IMPACT ON FACTORIES



## WHAT'S INCLUDED IN THE CHILD FRIENDLY SPACE PROGRAMME?

- ☑ Visit the factory to identify the right space and set up modalities
- ☑ Three-day face-to-face training and detailed guidelines on all the elements concerning CFS (legal, safety, child protection, curriculum, etc.)
- ☑ Hands on implementation support including CFS safety assessment
- ☑ On-site visit for impact assessment
- ☑ Report card

## HOW DOES IT WORK?



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We really did not expect that we could have a place like this to **save money** and effort. It is also good that we could directly pick our children up here after work. Our boss also hired **professional teachers** to teach our children and two nannies to take care of them.

- Ms. Bian, talking about CFS in her factory

Click [here](#) to watch a short film about a boy's happy summer at a CFS in China.

