

Reducing Sexual Exploitation of Children (SEC) among Girls in Bahir Dar, Ethiopia

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BACKGROUND

Reducing Sexual Exploitation of Girls in Bahir Dar, Ethiopia, is a project that was implemented by Terre des Hommes Netherlands (TdH NL) and its partners from Jan 2018 - Dec 2020.

OBJECTIVES

- Support girls at risk of or who have experienced sexual exploitation of children (SEC);
- Create awareness and empower families and communities to protect children from SEC;
- Support local government and police to implement plans and policies to combat SEC;
- Establish Civil Society Organizations (CSO's) network and strengthen partnerships to respond to cases of SE;
- Engage the private sector to prevent SEC and respond to the needs of SEC victims/survivors.

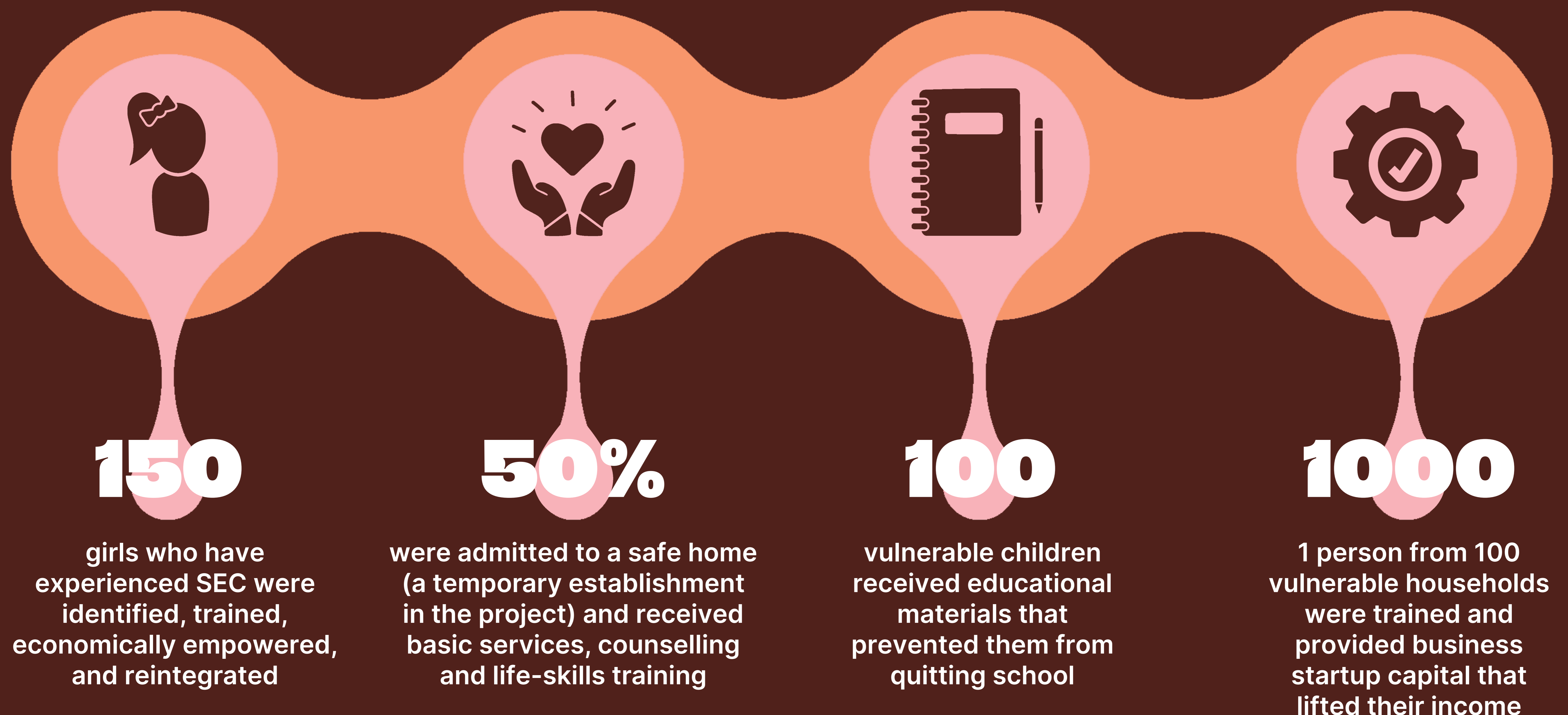
ANALYSIS

- 239 people (153 adults and 86 children) responded to the survey, 6 FGDs (38 participants) and 27 KIs
- Data analysis was done by using KoBoCollect was used to collect and analyse survey data
- Advanced excel statistical data analysis
- SPSS v.23 software were used

METHODOLOGY

- Survey questions administered to randomly selected representatives of both the child and adult project beneficiaries to obtain their views on the project performance
- Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) held with selected group of children exposed to sexual exploitation
- Key Informant Interviews (KIs) held with stakeholders
- Case (success) stories developed
- Project progress reports and plans reviewed

Results



LESSONS LEARNT

- Provide legal literacy, law enforcement, specific capacity development supports to law enforcing actors
- Focusing on prevention activities, such as by investing on community awareness and enhancing the social and economic capacities of the poor and vulnerable households and schools
- Strengthen stakeholders' partnership and referral service
- Continue providing life skill and psychosocial support to victims of sexual exploitation
- Design long-term project for greater impact

CONCLUSIONS

- The project was highly relevant to the project beneficiaries, government laws, social and economic development directions and strategies
- The project was participatory, transparent and accountable to the target groups it served
- Sustainability was ensured through continuous awareness raising and livelihood support
- Very effective and efficient project in terms of resource utilization vis-a-vis number of beneficiaries supported



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