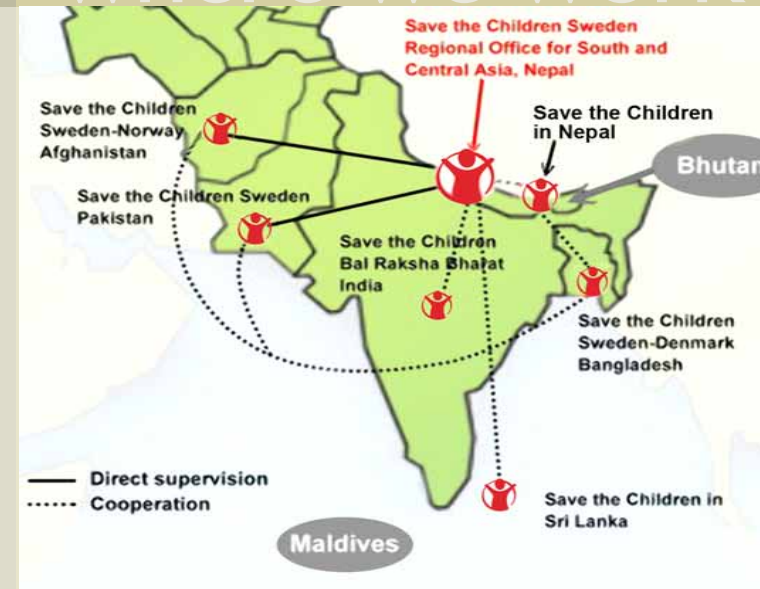


who we are

Save the Children Sweden works in eight regions around the world. It has been over thirty years since we began our work in South and Central Asia, starting with Bangladesh in 1973. At the time, we provided child and maternal health care services to mothers and their children under five years of age, who were affected by devastating floods. In 1983, we began working in Pakistan, sending staff to UNHCR to support Afghan refugees living in camps. During the 1990s, as a child rights organisation, we began actively promoting ratification of the UNCRC. Save the Children Sweden formed partnerships with local organisations committed to working strategically with children in difficult circumstances. In 2000, Save the Children Sweden opened its office in Afghanistan. The Regional Programme for South and Central Asia was established in 2002. In 2006, the Regional Office for South and Central Asia was registered in Nepal.



where we work



Disclaimer: This map is for overview purposes only. It does not intend to represent any legal boundaries or information.

Save the Children Sweden, Regional Office for South and Central Asia is located in Nepal.

We work together with four country offices:

- Save the Children Sweden-Norway in Afghanistan
- Save the Children Sweden-Denmark in Bangladesh
- Save the Children Sweden in Pakistan
- Save the Children in Sri Lanka

We support Save the Children Bal Raksha Bharat. We also support Tsunami Rehabilitation Programme in India.

We intend to support programme development in Bhutan, Kyrgyzstan, Maldives, Nepal and Tajikistan.

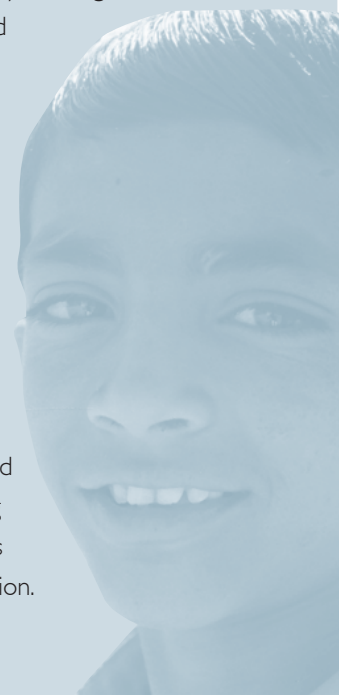
how we work

In South and Central Asia, as in other regions of the world, Save the Children Sweden's objective is to contribute to the development and promotion of children's rights in keeping with the principles contained in the UNCRC. We aim at enabling children, communities, civil society organisations, private sector, media, religious leaders and government to play a stronger role for the realisation of children's rights. We see ourselves as a facilitator, enabler, capacity builder and advocate on child rights issues. In many cases, we also provide both technical and financial support to our partners.

Since 2001, Child Rights Programming (CRP) has become integral to the work of Save the Children Sweden. This approach essentially uses the principles of child rights, expressed by UNCRC, to assess, plan, manage, implement and monitor programmes. Today, CRP forms the basis of all work undertaken by Save the Children Sweden at the regional and country level.

We follow an integrated approach - by means of strategic partnerships, direct support, capacity building, knowledge excellence, research and analysis, review and assessment, advocacy, awareness raising and communication - while keeping the Child Rights Programming principles, participation, accountability and non-discrimination, at the core to realise the rights of children.

Our learnings and experiences of over 30 years of work in South and Central Asia are reflected in a long term regional strategy, which forms the basis of all our work in the region.



The vision

Save the Children works for:

- a world which respects and values each child
- a world which listens to children and learns
- a world where all children have hope and opportunity

The mission

Save the Children fights for children's rights. We deliver immediate and lasting improvements to children's lives worldwide.

our work

Save the Children Sweden's country programmes form the basis of work and collective learning in the region. Advocacy and research are carried out throughout the region and includes support to networking - alliance building, capacity building and partnerships. Work at the regional level aims to add value and increase the potential impact of child rights based work of governments, Save the Children Sweden and partners to benefit children. It strives to exchange ideas, experiences, lessons learned and materials between countries and regions. The regional programme aims to address cross border violations of children's rights and the root causes of these violations. It raises regional awareness of child rights violations that countries have in common. Moreover, it enhances regional cooperation amongst key stakeholders, including other Save the Children members. We also foster discussion and discourse on child rights from a South Asian perspective thereby contributing to the global child rights movement.

Our work is divided under the following areas:

- Children's right to protection from violence
- Children's right to adult support
- Children in armed conflict and disaster
- Children's right to non-discrimination
- Children's right to a good environment and the best possible health
- Children's right to education
- Children's right to be heard and participate
- The human rights of the child and Child Rights Programming
- Good governance in the best interest of the child
- Civil society for the rights of the child

about us



Save the Children was established in 1919 by Eglantyne Jebb, who was the first to press for worldwide safeguards for children. The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), adopted in 1989 and now ratified by nearly all countries worldwide, has its roots in her pioneering work.

Save the Children Sweden is a member of the International Save the Children Alliance, which is one of the world's oldest and largest independent organisation for children, making a difference to children's lives in over 100 countries.

With a mandate based on the UNCRC, Save the Children supports emergency relief to long-term development helping children achieve a happy, healthy and secure childhood. Save the Children listens to children, involves children and ensures their views are taken into account. Save the Children secures and protects children's rights - to food, shelter, health care, education and freedom from violence, abuse and exploitation.



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