



**Monthly updates
/January 2024/**

What were the top highlights?



- We launched our new vertical: **Common Mashaqqat** (more on that later)
- **Two past donors were retained** this year (Forbes and Dinesh Kantilal)
- **Selected the final 12 fellows** invited to the Selection Conference in Delhi.
- **Ran the Coldplay campaign** and rejuvenated in the energy and warmth felt by everyone, especially at **“Not A Bystander”**, our immersive **workshop for children in Ahmedabad** on understanding privilege, empathy, and justice through body-mind engagement.
- **Participated with a research poster** titled **“CURIOUS DISTANCING AS A TOOL TO THRIVE IN THE NEVER NORMAL: Insights from Teach to ELICIT fellowship’s pilot cohort in schools of South Kashmir”** at the IIT Gandhinagar Curiosity conference

How is the school climate?

We launched our paid **Extended Learning Model (ELM)** for educators working in conflict-impacted zones. This aims to create a space for teachers to hone their capacity to work with children in these contexts.



ELM includes residential and online training across the year.

We have 4 teachers joining us for the induction training in Feb.

Where is the conversation on well-being going?

- We launched our vertical **Common Mashaqqat to co-build** with students, teachers and schools across India **knowledge on the impact of conflict and how to create cultures of empathy.**
- Did a **theatre workshop with 25 students of affluent backgrounds** to engage them in conversations of privilege and resilience in Ahmedabad. We witnessed openness and powerful insights in them!
- As part of this knowledge building, we presented a **research poster in the curiosity labs on “Curious distancing”**, as a tool to build resilience. This practice is what we as an organisation are building the muscle for.



What are we celebrating?



- We **retained two of our past donors** – Forbes Marshall and Dinesh Kantilal Charitable Trust for the year 2025-26.
- For the first time in a long time, **our entire core team got together** in-person to build knowledge, ideate and create!
- **We raised 69k from the Coldplay Campaign**, got featured in their stories and the concert in Ahmedabad *fixed us* and many of our well-wishers collectively!
- We are proud of our team which recognises opportunities constantly. **Launching *ELM* and *Common Mashaqqat*** is born out of our collective curiosities to engage people in dialogue and create shared spaces!

What are we working on improving?

Recruitment for the fellowship has been a struggle for us. This year, we were more prepared than before, yet we found it challenging to ensure that the opportunity reached the right people. We saw applicants drop out of the selection process in between.

We learnt that we need to push this in more colleges, job listings etc for next time.



As we are on our journey to scale, we are **struggling with the expectations to find a “scalable”** model and meet partners who share our vision.

This month was about finding confidence and clarity in us and choosing when to say no.

What help do we need?

We have started (fun)draising for the year 2025-26. Please connect us to **two potential funders like you** from your network who would be interested to share in our visions and donate to us recurrently.

If there are any events, conferences, workshops that you think will benefit us, or from our participation, please refer them to us by forwarding their information.

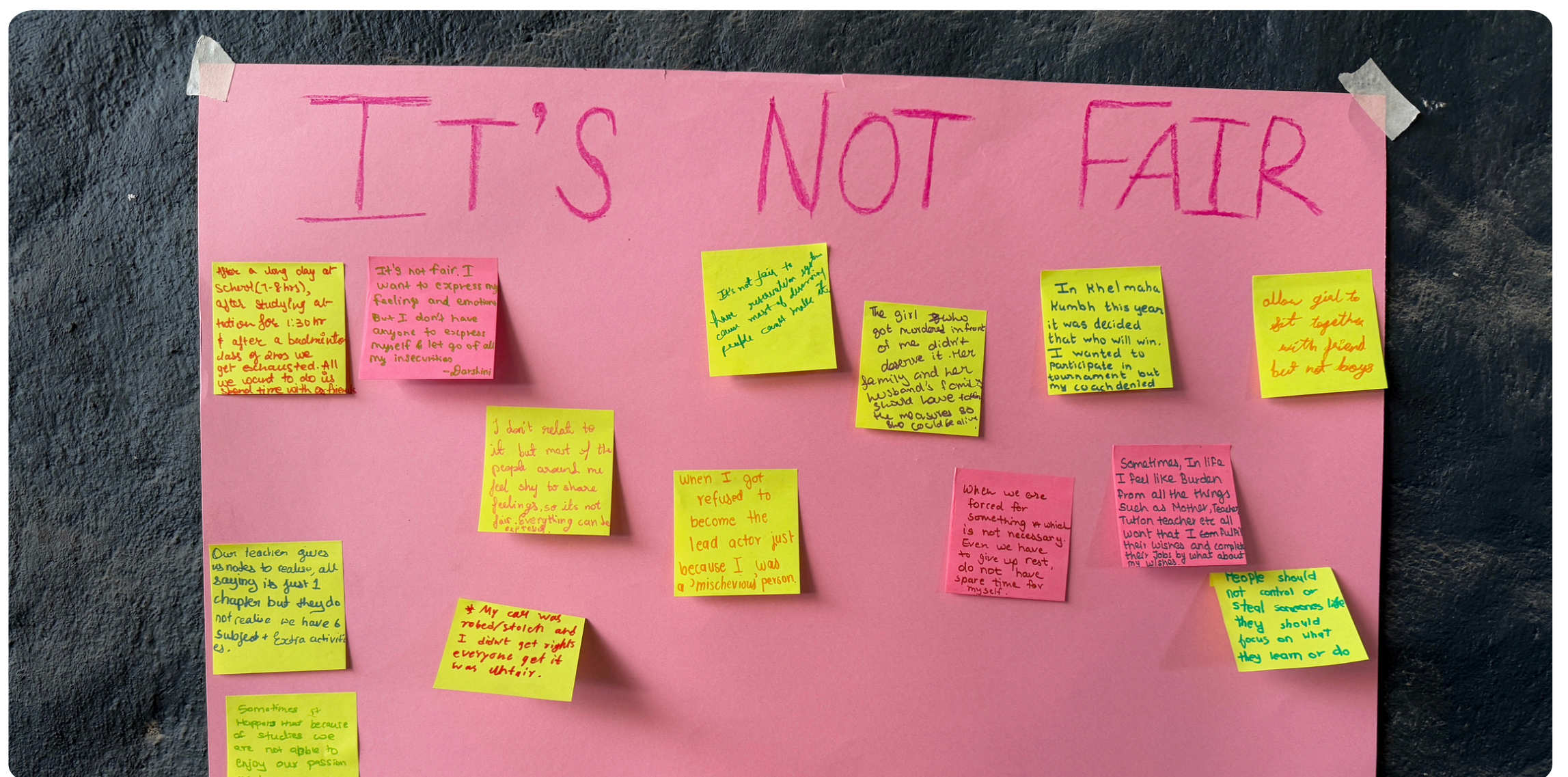
My email is : manasvi@elicitfoundation.com
Phone no.: +91 9512190291



Postcards from ELICIT



Our wonderful logo for common mashaaqqat!



Instances, experiences where the kids felt "unfair" documented.



A big pinch us moment!



Our team from Kashmir, Bangalore, Delhi and Ahmedabad in one place!



Thanks for the solidarity in our
common mashaqqats (struggles)