

Surati Children Decode their Daily Life Happiness & Some Struggle Areas for Happiness

(Narratives by 10 children - from one of the CFSCKC workshops)

"Surat is developed city. Development means it has good roads and cleanliness maintained."

"Suratis help each other and have mutual comfort. Different communities show oneness."



"Crossing roads for pedestrians, especially for elderly and children is a challenge... a lot of rash driving happens... Noise pollution is also the matter of worry."

"We feel that playgrounds and open spaces are missing in city. We aspire for GREEN SURAT"

"My parents (a girl living in city outskirts shares) don't send me alone in evening to buy something from a nearby shop as it's unsafe."

- Cycling and independent walking in neighborhood was reported very low.
- Children reported their ease with using smart phones like downloading the apps.
- Some children specified their time investment in extra-curricular activities, but they hadn't thought of using it in routine studies.
- Out of 10, two children (those from relatively upper socio-economic class) knew about child-helpline. Others didn't know.
- Children shared examples of bullying in schools like teasing due to spectacles, name, body characteristics etc.
- Some children opined that they are considered in decision making at homes and schools.



Child Friendly City must aim to carve the path of happiness for all Children

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