



**National Council for Child and Youth Development
under the Royal Patronage of HRH Princess Mahachakri Sirindhorn**

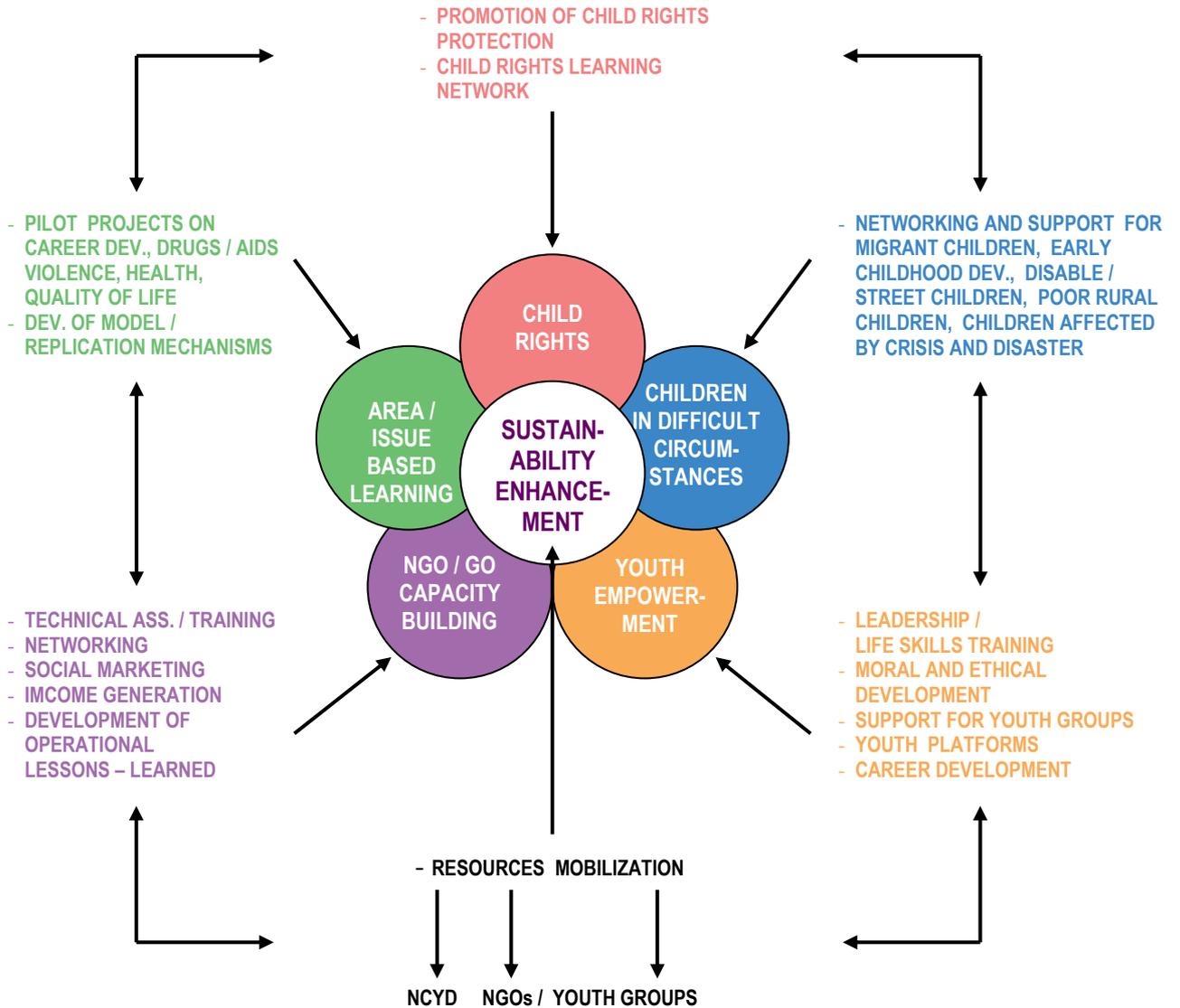
ORGANIZATION STATUS

- * Established in March 1984 by resolution of National Child and Youth Development Assembly attended by 350 high – level representatives of NGOs
- * Legally registered in the category of Association on 25 April 1985
- * Approved by Cabinet as official national level coordinating body for child and youth development in the private sector on 3 June 1986
- * Accepted under the Royal Patronage of HRH Princess Mahachakri Sirindhorn on 16 May 2000
- * Registered as public organization with tax –exempt status on July 20, 2008
- * Received ASEAN Tayo Award on December 2, 2008

NCYD NETWORK

- * 79 member organizations : national and local NGOs
- * 600 youth groups / youth networks / local organizations
- * 200 schools : in the North, the South, the Northeast and the East
- * 9 sub – regional and 50 provincial catalyts
- * Extensive coordination with ministries and government departments responsible for child and youth affairs : 5 ministries / 12 departments
- * Cooperation with 16 UN / international agencies
- * Member of 5 global / regional youth networks
- * Partnership with 40 corporations

NCYD POLICY AND STRATEGIES



WORK PRINCIPLES

1. INITIATION → STIMULATION → COORDINATION → FACILITATION → ADVOCACY
2. NETWORKING FOR MAXIMUM RESULTS
3. CATALYTIC / PARTICIPATORY APPROACH → SUSTAINABILITY
4. YOUTH PARTICIPATION
5. IMPACT AT NATIONAL / REGIONAL LEVELS

MAJOR NCYD PROGRAMS

In line with organization strategies, NCYD implements programs with support from government agency, business sector, international organizations and UN agencies. There are 2 types of programs : long – term and special ones. The long – term programs are planned according to major strategies with several projects which normally cover 2 – 3 years of implementation, while special activities are implemented on specific occasions or yearly basis. During 2008-2010, NCYD has 12 projects in long – term programs and 4 special activities.

Long – Term Programs

There are 3 long – term programs : child rights promotion and protection, assistance and development of children in difficult circumstances and youth empowerment.

1. Child Rights Promotion and Protection

Two projects are in this program :

- * Project for Protection of Rights of Children Affected by Tsunami
Supported by Save the Children Sweden, this project aimed to develop capacity and participation of children in revival and development of Tsunami affected communities, as well as to enhance child protection mechanisms in Tsunami affected areas. Implementation of the project covered 4 provinces in Andaman coastal area : Ranong, Phuket, Krabi and Pang – nga, and involved 350 youth catalysts, 8 youth groups, 240 volunteers and 1,800 related children and adults. The timeframe was 3 years beginning in 2006.
- * Development of Network for Campaign on Migrant Children in Thailand and Maekhong Sub Region
This project is a 3 – year endeavour which began in 2007 and involves several partners from GOs, NGOs, local authorities and business sector with the aims to set up information system concerning migrant children, build capacity of related organizations in prevention and solution of problems as well as protection of migrant children rights, and finally to create a Maekhong sub – region network for migrant children. Target groups include 200 migrant children workers, 100 related organizations, and 1,000 migrant children from neighboring countries. Project areas cover Thailand, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam and China, as well as 7 border provinces of Thailand. ILO/IPEC is the donor of this project.



2. Assistance and Development of Children in Difficult Circumstances

Current program emphasizes children and youth in Tsunami affected area, slum area and industrial sites with 4 projects :

- * Career Development for Youth Affected by Tsunami and Community – Based Capacity Building Project
NOKIA provided support for this project which began in 2005 and ended in 2009. 4 provinces in Andaman area were covered with target groups of 285 out – of – school youth and 300 community leaders and youth leaders. Project implementation emphasized mobilization of participation from all social sectors at both local and national levels, as well as career development for affected out – of – school youth in fiberglass boat construction and repair, motorcycle repair and eco – tourism.
- * Development of Self – Employment Skills for Youth in Tsunami Affected Areas Project
Supported by Dow Chemical Thailand, this project aimed at the development of 2 models for self – employment skills enhancement of youth in formal education system, as well as support self – employment schemes of youth who participate in training process. The project area covered 2 provinces : Pang – nga and Phuket with 8 schools, 4 in each of the 2 provinces. Target groups included 48 teachers, 600 students, 600 families, and 120 community leaders.
- * Enhancement of Quality of Life of Slum Children and Youth
This project aims at providing slum children and youth with life skills, social consciousness and education opportunity as well as establishing community – based learning center for child and youth development. The location is a Bangkok slum with 100 children and youth as main target group and involves parents and community leaders. Combine International Inc. supports this project while partner organization is YMCA Bangkok Foundation.
- * Career Experiences of Children of Industrial Workers
Marsun Company Ltd. provides on – going financial support for vocational activities for poor children attending 2 primary schools in one of the industrial areas near Bangkok. 100 children aged 9 -12 per year participate in career development activities with emphasis on cooking and food preservation, arts and handicrafts, and service provision e.g. traditional massage and hair dressing.



3. Youth Empowerment

Six projects in this program have been designed to build capacity of youth to possess life skills / entrepreneurial skills, and prepare to become self – sufficient and engage in social development process.

- * Development of Local Economy in Response to Youth Self – Employment Activities
This project aimed at the creation of local economic network to support youth self – employment activities, and the development of model for replication and scale in other areas. The timeframe was 3 years and the area is Chiangrai Province. Target groups were 8 schools with 48 teachers, 600 students, 600 families and 120 community leaders. Project partners consisted of provincial – level GOs, NGOs, and business sector. Project process included capacity building of teachers in organizing youth self – employment skills enhancement activities, enhancement of self – employment skills and entrepreneurial skills of students, support for student’s self – employment schemes and establishment of youth career development fund to provide non – interest loans to trained students. The project was jointly supported by Lucent Technologies, ILO / IPEC and 8 national–level corporations.
- * Enhancement of Life Skills Development Process for Disadvantage Children and Youth within the Siphuhorm Gas Project Area
Supported by Siphuhorm Gas Project, this project was implemented in 2 northeastern provinces : Udonthani and Khon Kaen. The target areas / groups covered 12 communities with 12 schools, and included 43 teachers, 105 students, 120 community leaders and parents. The project timeframe was 2 years beginning in 2007 and aimed at providing disadvantage children and youth with life skills as well as opportunity to participate in child and youth development, school facility improvement and community livelihood enhancement in their own localities.
- * Burirum Youth Life Skills Enhancement and Career Development
This project began in 2007 and was completed in 2009. CCF Foundation in Thailand collaborated with NCYD in project implementation which enabled disadvantage students in 7 schools in Burirum Province to enhance their life skills, career perspective and participation ability. The target groups were 28 teachers, 210 students, 210 families and 70 community leaders.
- * Career Enhancement for Northern Children and Youth at Risk of Migration and Trafficking
The Tiger Woods Foundation grants support for this project which focus on children and youth in 3 provinces in the northern region who are at risk of migration and trafficking. This includes both Thai children and children from neighbouring countries. The project is a 3 year endeavour beginning in 2007 and aims at protection and prevention of migration and trafficking of these children and youth enhancement of their life skills and career opportunity, and support for their self – employment activities. The target groups include 12 schools, 36 teachers, 600 students, and 120 parents and community leaders.



- * Moral and Ethical Enhancement of Children and Youth
With support from the National Anti – Corruption Commission, NCYD has implemented a project to enhance moral and ethical qualities of children and youth since 2009. The project mobilizes 70 NGOs and youth groups to collaborate in the development and implementation of effective process for moral and ethical enhancement for 5 groups of children and youth : early-age children, school-age children, university students, vocational students, and children and youth in difficult circumstances. At present, 35 projects have been initiated and implemented involving approximately 1,000 children and youth.

- * Developmental Assets of Disadvantage Youth
This project is a collaborative efforts of NCYD and 8 NGOs working with disadvantage youth. It aims at strengthening of their developmental assets in the areas of self esteem, interpersonal relationship and social connection. During 2008 and 2009 , 785 disadvantage youth were involved in developmental assets survey, and 25 of them were trained and became catalysts in implementing 13 life skills activities in their own communities



SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

1. Children's Hour

Realizing that business sector can play an important role in child and youth development process, NCYD launched a project called "Children's Hour" in 2006 in order to mobilize business sector participation and raise funds for child and youth development activities of NCYD and its network. The fundraising activity is carried out on an annual basis every year in September, when September 20 is designated as the National Youth Day. As of December 2007, there are 30 partner companies and the fund raised is approximately US\$ 250,000. This enables NCYD to collaborate with 10 NGOs, 34 youth groups and 56 schools in providing various activities in 5 main categories : self – employment skills enhancement, energy and environment conservation, development of creative media, life skills enhancement and NCYD partner networking. Direct beneficiaries include 1,255 children and youth and 410 adults with 18,000 youth and 1,000 adults benefiting indirectly from the activities.

2. Young Activists for Social Development

To commemorate H.M. the King's 80 birthday and occasion of his being honoured by the United Nations for his invaluable development work, NCYD has initiated this project to give recognition and honour to youth who are involved in social development work. Every 2 years, at least 80 of them are identified and carefully selected from each of the 76 provinces in order to be honoured as "Young Activists for Social Development". They receive awards from HRH Princess Mahachakri Sirindhorn and empowerment to continue their work in line with H.M. the King's development principles, as well as participate in NCYD's programs.

3. Social Participation of Thai Youth

NCYD collaborates with the government agency responsible for youth development and 14 youth networks in launching a project to support social activities initiated and carried out by young people aged 15 – 22 years. In 2008 , there were 300 – 500 grants as well as capacity building, networking and exchange processes provided by the project to empower these young people and enable them to take social actions according to their interests. The target groups were 300 – 500 youth groups with 900 – 1,500 young people.

4. Outstanding Young Thai Women

With cooperation from National Council of Women of Thailand, the Ministry of Social Development and Human Security, and Ministry of Justice, NCYD selects 100 young Thai women who possess outstanding capacities and participate in social development activities from all 76 provinces per year. They are trained to become peer educators for the prevention of domestic violence in their own communities.

