

### Product Design Workshop



#### Powai, India

#### Project Focus : Kirana Stores



#### Problem : Multiple and Cryptic Record Keeping



Heavily credit based buying and informal payback systems lead to inconsistency in sales records of both grocer and buyer.

#### Concept : Hisaab Kitaab



Record keeping practices are meticulous but encoded and highly informal; thereby limiting financing options for the shopkeeper.

### Concept : Mobile Hisaab



Mobile based application allows for the shop keeper to keep his records in order and facilitates greater access to finance from banks etc.

#### Concept : Mobile Hisaab



#### Time frame : 1 week Results : Still Pending

#### Validation : Prototype and Scenario

# Using design to foster social networks in slums of Powai

#### [IPRO 305] PRODUCT WORKSHOP

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### THE BALWADI - play school - preschool - remedial classes - coaching centre



### THE BALWADI : tailoring and screen printing business





- -Combination of women and children

- -Money doesn't flow between the two
- -Dependent on external funding
- -Does not support learning new skills

PROPOSED STRUCTURE : For profit and not for profit hybrid with an incubator for learning experience



- -Combination of women and children

- -Shared space and resources
- -Supports sharing and learning new skills



Trainees get experience in teaching / helping in the Balwadi

Kids learn by making and participating + Both imbibe the core values of the organization from the start





#### RELATIONSHIP : Between the Incubator and the For profit enterprise





### Learning by teaching + Learning by participation

Trainees get experience by helping in the for profit business + Experts train and teach the others in

order to become independent



#### RELATIONSHIP : Between the For profit enterprise and the Balwadi



Channelizing profits + Channelizing expertise back into the organization

A percentage of profits from the For profit has to go to the Balwadi

Knowledge and products made by the For profit can be utilized in the Balwadi



RELATIONSHIP : Between the For profit enterprise and the satellite workers



expertise he can choose to:

Work from home / Join any part of the organization/ Take his share and split with others to form a new Balwadi



#### POTENTIAL CLIENTS - CUSTOMERS - PARTNERS - ALLIES





#### **SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURS**

Expertise exchange, children and community involvement

### NETWORK : sharing resources between balwadis



## Home based assembly businesses

#### IPRO 305 – Design Workshop

Soham Patel Bhumi Gajjar Anshul Maheshwari Design Principle

Enhance the social networking aspect of working and sharing responsibilities of women workers in slums in order to:

Boost productivity
Provide entertainment
Improve health and well-being
Increase financial gain









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### Kitty Party Model: Upper and Middle class housewives



#### Kitty Party:

- Create a network amongst themselves
- Come together at a venue
- Socialize, play games and earn money

Stay at home wives have idle time and money



### Enhanced model for women workers in slums



Kitty Co-operative addresses all needs for women workers in slums



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#### **Current Ecosystem**











#### **Concept Model**



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#### **Product Concept:** Color Coded Bins





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#### **Concept Model**



#### **Product Concept:** Bulletin board to display market prices of scrap



#### **Concept Model**





#### **Product Concept:** Scrap Grinder



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