

## **Cultural Colloquium**

**What does it mean to be a teenage girl in India today?**

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The TAG Survey or the Teen Age Girls Survey is the first ever attempt to listen to the voice of the teenage girl in India. Conducted by Naandi Foundation in 2016-17, an all-women team of close to 1000 trained surveyors visited a representative sample of 74,000 teenage girls in their homes in over 600 districts across all 30 states of India. Armed with digital tablets, they conducted interviews, took height and weight measurements, checked haemoglobin levels and organized all their findings in record time to generate the TAG Report.

This talk is about the making of the survey, and its key findings.

### **About the Speaker:**

Rohini, with an MSW from Delhi University, has been active in a range of critical roles within Naandi Foundation over the last 13 years. She heads the 160,000 girls-strong Project Nanhi Kali operations currently, in addition to leading the Policy and Strategy Cell. Two large scale surveys undertaken by Naandi in recent years were led by Rohini. The first was the HUNGaMA (Hunger and Malnutrition) Survey that measured nutrition status of over 100,000 children in 112 districts. The second is the TAG (Teen Age Girls) Survey which went to every state of India to understand what it means to be a teen age girl in India today. Before Naandi, Rohini worked in rural West Bengal for 14 years, as founding member of a grassroots community group. Rohini graduated from St Stephens College, Delhi and did her Masters in Social Work from Delhi University.

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***4:00 PM (Tea/Coffee at 3:30 PM)***

***Auditorium, TIFR-H***