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Update on Baina Beach Project



As you may know Magic Bus is committed to developing local community mentors who take children living in poverty on the journey from childhood to livelihood. Over a ten-year period, their mentors work with children and parents through a weekly curriculum of sporting activities, which are used as metaphors to change behavior in the areas of education, health, gender and livelihood. They always access existing community partnerships to ensure that young people move from poverty and develop into young adults with greater control and choice.

Thanks to **NextLink's** support by the end of 2015, these are a few of a great number of outcomes we expect to achieve:

- Increase in the attendance level of 5,000 children in schools
- Increase in the number of children aware of the benefits of personal hygiene and sanitation
- Increase in the number of children aware of the availability of low cost nutritious food.
- Attendance of children at Magic Bus sessions
- Increase in number of safe spaces allocated by the local Government and village council
- Number of children aware of their right to play
- Families allowing girls to take part in Magic Bus sessions



On March 15th a sports day was conducted in Baina Community for their community members. Various events were conducted for the women, men, young people and children in the community as they had mentioned that they never had an opportunity to participate in a day long sports event. The women in the community were initially hesitant to come out and play but after the first round of the game "musical chairs" the women asked us to conduct another round of the game as they enjoyed themselves so much. They also asked us to continue to conduct such events as it gives them the opportunity to participate. The children too were elated and wished to participate in the games organized for the other groups of the community as well.

