PRESENTATION

Title of presentation	The Play-able Project	
Which theme is your presentation linked to?	1. Diversity and inclusion in toy libraries	X
	2. Toy libraries a solution for …	
	3. Sustainability of toy libraries	
	4. Toy libraries of the future	
What is the main objective with this presentation?	Sharing experiences on incorporating an inclusive programme at rural TLs.	

Summary of presentation (Max. 200 words)

Include the following headings in your presentation a. **Title** b. **Context/background** c. **Literature review** d. **Methodology** e. **Findings** f. **Recommendations** g. **Conclusions**	LETCEE has seen that most children with disabilities in rural areas are isolated inside their homes - never playing with other children. IWe've seen a lot of stigma related to disabilities and children with special needs. These kids, and to a large extent their families, don't have the privilege to be active members of their communities and are often isolated and rejected. We created a mobile Toy library specifically geared towards children with disabilities. The toy librarian drives to the homes of children with disabilities and runs individual play sessions for these kids. He also takes them to the community toy library closest to their home where they participate in the come-and-play sessions with all the other children. By offering the children with disabilities the opportunity to play at local Toy Libraries, we have seen that other children slowly start to accept the children with disabilties and are definitely less frightened of these kids. We've seen the toy libraries become a bridge to building strong relationships and to breaking down stigma and barriers for these children. For kids with disabilities and their parents, socialisation at toy libraries adds quality to their lives and for the others it is the start of non-bias and acceptance.

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