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# Khel Kona: A Child's Playful World at Home







A "**Khel Kona**" is a designated play area in a home created by a parent for children aged 0-6.

Khel Kona's were conceived as a response to the need for sustainable play and learning engagement at home.

All play and learning material is made from waste.

Its goal is to foster role play, social interaction, language and communication to enable caregivers to provide responsive caregiving and early learning opportunities at home.



# Components of Khel Kona:

- Place to Play at home easy to access, and safe to play in.
- Dolls, Puppets, Toys, Games with eco-friendly (corn cobs, clay, thread reel etc.)
- Interactive Storytelling
- Opportunities for Pretend, Guided, and Free Play
- Early stimulation for children 0-3 years (sensory and motor skill development, language and communication).
- Early language and numeracy concepts for children 3-6 years through picture-sound association.





# Steps to set up a Khel Kona:

- Step 1 Identification of the household with children aged 0-6 years.
- Step 2 Formation of caregiver's groups with mothers, fathers, and grandparents.
- Step 3 Demonstration of setting up the Khel Kona and participation in play activities with children.
- Step 4 Capacity building of caregivers on making toys and using the play and learning material.
- Step 5 Regularization and innovation in play activities
- Step 6 Follow-up and onsite support, sharing of best practices through WhatsApp groups and caregiver meetings.