

Take steps to save children like Roma and others from child marriage

Become a responsible citizen. Stop a child marriage from taking place and report it to:



Local Police Station



Child Marriage
Prevention Officer



District Child Protection Unit



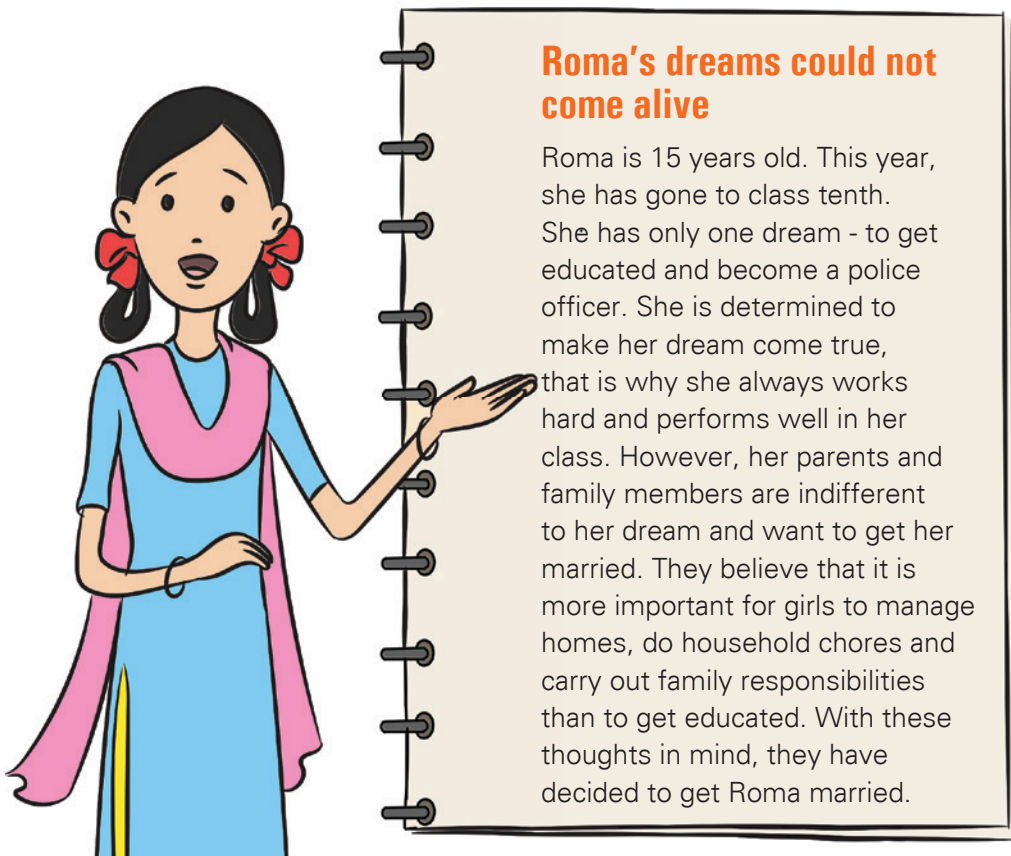
Childline 1098

When they want to spread their wings

*Do not let the dreams of children remain unfulfilled by getting them married early
Educate them and let them reach for the skies*



In case of any emergency, dial 100 and register your complaint

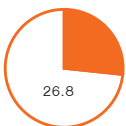


Roma's dreams were shattered

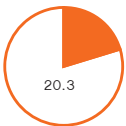
Child Marriage related Statistics

India

26.8 percent girls in our country get married below 18 years of age



20.3 percent boys get married below 21 years of age



(Source: NFHS-4, 2015-16)



Who is responsible for Roma's marriage?

Child marriage – A crime



Marrying a girl below 18 years and a boy below 21 years of age is a punishable offence. As per the Child Marriage Prevention Act 2006, any one pressurising a child to get married at an early age is liable for punishment. Additionally, all those will also be liable for punishment who:

- Encourage or help to get children married
- Do not take measures to stop a child marriage from taking place
- Participate in a child marriage

Punishment if found guilty:

Any one found guilty of associating with a child marriage can be put behind bars for up to 2 years.

The person is also liable to pay a fine of up to Rs 1 lakh in addition to imprisonment.

