Nayagarh, a small district in Odisha has adopted a unique initiative to eradicate child marriage by recording information on all adolescent girls in the district.

The District administration launched the Aliva programme in January this year.

Under the programme, Anganwadi workers had been asked to identify every adolescent girl in their jurisdiction and keep tabs on them. There are 1,584 registers available in 1,584 Anganwadi centres of the district.

Note: As per Odisha’s child marriage prevention strategy, the State aims to eradicate child marriage by 2030.

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