

<b>Name of the Gram Panchayat</b>	<b>Kiltan</b>
<b>UTs</b>	<b>Lakshadweep</b>
<b>Theme</b>	<b>Health and Sanitation,Child Friendly</b>

The gram panchayats of Union Territory Lakshadweep are much progressive for their inclusive development and growth. Gram Panchayat Kiltan is one of those who has not only made remarkable efforts for social and infrastructural development of the panchayat but also set an example in ensuring better child development.

GP Kiltan is located in Kiltan Tehsil of Lakshadweep district. It is situated 115km away from district headquarter. The total geographical area of GP Kiltan is 220 sq. km. It comprises of 7 wards and 8 elected representatives. There are total 778 households and 3946 persons in Kiltan panchayat. It has total 1352 child population. The GP has 8 anganwari centers, 6 govt, schools and 1-degree college with efficient staff members.



Initially, GP Kiltan has many issues related infrastructure, sanitation, malnutrition, anaemia in adolescent girls; crimes related to children in their area. The elected representatives activated their gram sabha and proactively discussed all such issues in each gram sabha meeting. The GP has prepared an effective development plan by involving all stakeholders to resolve the issues of the panchayat effectively. GP Kiltan constituted a village level child protection committee by including PRI members, Anganwady workers and other key persons of the panchayat. This committee is functional and give their report in each gram sabha meeting.

GP Kiltan is facilitating the schools and anganwaris to serve the nutritious mid-day meals in the schools regularly and monitored by the school management committee (SMC) members. All the schools have play grounds sufficient to conduct sports and various other games. 100 percent children are retaining in the schools. There are zero dropouts in these schools. All the children below 5 years are fully immunized with the support of health department.

GP Kiltan has got the Open Defecation Free (ODF) panchayat status during the year 2019 along with other islands of Lakshadweep. The sanitation, cleanliness and hygiene are maintained in the schools and anganwadies on regular basis. Separate toilets for boys and girls are available

in the schools. Awareness generation camps are organized in the schools by involving the department of women and child development, health and education department.

GP Kiltan has strategized to collaborate with other agencies for working on child issues like adolescent health, labour, crime effectively.