# LIGHT HOUSE ANNUAL REPORT 2016 - 2017





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### **LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN WELCOME TO LIGHTHOUSE!**

Dear Friends,

Welcome to LIGHTHOUSE!

As we close another year of "Doing what needs to be done," I would like to thank you all for your dedication and hard work.

Having said this, I am aware that praise and thanks is not what any of you seek.

Even though our financial balance sheet records yet another year of growth, we are not monitoring numbers and bottom lines. Our true growth and success is measured by the kindness and heart that we put into our projects. I am proud to say that in this regard, our growth has been phenomenal.

Knowledge without application is worthless, application without dedication is pointless, dedication without love is indifference.

Wishing you all Love, Peace, Happiness and Kindness.

Chairman.



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# ABOUT

Samarpan Foundation is a charitable, not-for-profit entity, established in September 2006 in New Delhi. We work to provide global support and assistance of any kind where there is humanitarian, ecological, environmental and animal welfare need.

We are a community of outward-focused volunteers, guided by the principle of doing what needs to be done to achieve the greatest good for the greatest number.

**Vision** - shedding light even in the darkest corners

**Mission** - changing universal consciousness by opening minds and hearts

Philosophy - love, peace, happiness, kindness, simplicity, clarity











### Two-footed or four-footed, we care for all!



### **ANIMAL WELFARE**

#### The project offers:

- the rescue of abandoned animals,
- medical treatment of injured and sick animals,
- sterilisation and vaccination of homeless animals,
- the feeding of animals in poor communities.

#### Beneficiaries:

- 33 dogs
- 7 cats
- one calf
- over 40 marooned senior dogs at a flooded settlement

Highlights of the year:

- A donor, in celebrating her birthday in a meaningful way, paid for a meal of chicken and rice for 75 dogs in a large slum settlement, where the animals are much loved but live on scraps and often go hungry. It was an occasion of happiness for all involved.
- Approximately 40 dogs were marooned in a shelter that flooded one stormy night. The dogs were panicky and needed speedy relocation to a safe haven. Two aggressive Rottweilers were muzzled and safely driven 80 kilometres to their destination. After the water receded, volunteers cleaned and fumigated the space before the dogs were returned.

Events of the past year:

• A census of all 90 dogs in the Jai Bheem Nagar settlement was conducted. The resident dogs were profiled to determine what steps needed to be taken for their welfare. A 2-month feeding programme helped volunteers to befriend the dogs and then 12 animals were neutered free of cost at another NGO facility. After this, all the dogs were safely returned to the settlement.











### MEDICAL AID CENTRE: PULAKESHINAGAR

INTERSECTION OF M.M. ROAD AND TANNERY ROAD

The centre offers:

- medical aid in a refurbished single room within the slum,
- availability every Friday,
- treatment for diabetes, high blood pressure, osteoarthritis, fatigue, obesity, coughs and colds, and skin conditions like scabies,
- free medicine,
- regular blood sugar tests,
- diet advice.

Beneficiaries:

• approximately 100, mainly women and children

Highlight of the year:

• the donation of food from sponsors, Hindujas, and the distribution thereof on 6 March 2017.

Events of the year included:

- the distribution of food during Diwali,
- the collection and distribution of clothes to the inhabitants.





### You can't be a scholar on an empty stomach.







### **BENGALURU** PROJECTS

### SCHOOL, EVENING TUITION CENTRE & MEDICAL AID CENTRE: **BAGALUR LAYOUT**

HENNUR ROAD (NEAR HUTCHINS ROAD, 6TH CROSS)

#### The project offers:

- Pre-School
  - daily provision of milk in the morning and at lunch.
- Evening Tuition Centre
  - tuition for mathematics and science,
  - guidance for all other subjects, except
  - languages, - the provision of snacks.
- Medical Aid Centre
  - free medicine,
  - hygiene counselling,
  - the constant monitoring of diabetic and high
  - blood pressure patients,
  - the referral of patients to Sindhi Hospital, Seventh Day Adventist, and Bowring Hospitals.

#### Beneficiaries:

- 45 nursery children
- 60 evening-tuition students
- 176 patients monthly

Highlights of the year:

- the payment of school fees for the last 2 years for a boy so that he could write his 10th board examinations,
- the provision of monthly rations to allow an orphaned student to concentrate on his studies, allowing him to stop working in order to provide food for his younger brother and infirm grandmother.

Events of the year included:

- a Christmas celebration with the children,
- a picnic at Cubbon Park,
- Holi celebrations,
- the celebration of birthdays with donors giving gifts.



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Today's wastage is tomorrow's shortage. There's enough food to go all around.







# **NEW DELHI PROJECTS**

# CELEBRATIONS: PROJECT MAANAA

The project offers:

• the opportunity to share celebrations with those who lack resources.

Beneficiaries:

1700 (children from all projects)

Highlights of the year:

- the meeting of donors with recipients,
- the joy provided by these celebrations.

#### **CHILDREN'S HOMES**

MAHARANI BAGH AND NEW FRIENDS COLONY

Beneficiaries:

- the Samarpan Home for Girls caters for 11 girls between 5-18 years of age
- the Samarpan Home for Boys caters for 11 boys between 5-18 years of age
- the Samarpan Aftercare for Girls caters for 2 girls between 18-21 years of age

The homes offer:

- safe and secure long-term homes,
- health, nutrition and wellness including hygiene, diet, yoga and grooming,
- learning and education including academic, vocational and experiential (via field trips) learning; cultural exposure, fairs and festivals,
- personality development including body science and body smart workshops and personal safety as well as skills and hobby development.

Highlights for the year:

• A court citation initiated and filed by the director, Samarpan Homes. This PIL (Public interest litigation) states that authorized persons of CCIs (Child Care Institutions) have the right to sign a vakalatnama (similar to Power of Attorney) for a child in order to legally represent the child. Before this significant ruling, it was mandated that only parents or blood relatives had the legal right to do so, even in cases of incest. This is a first-of-its-kind judgement which will be guoted for all future cases pertaining to childcare institutions.

• Awards and Recognition: All girls in the Samarpan Home for Girls are receiving mainstream formal education in recognized private English medium schools. And of the 21 children who are studying at these English medium schools, all have received awards and recognition in areas of either

> - the Science, Maths or English Olympiad (a national level aptitude test),

- in sports,
- in Sanskrit recitation competitions,
- or in the performing arts,

boosting their morale and confidence as each child discovers his or her inherent strength and talent.

• Financial Independence for Girls in the Aftercare Samarpan Aftercare for Girls - after completing vocational and literacy training, both girls have found permanent jobs with two other NGOs, thereby ensuring they continue to flourish in a safe and secure environment while having financial independence and continued emotional, mental and medical care from Samarpan Homes. One of the girls was severely diabetic, which affected her eyes. Cataract surgery was performed in both her eyes, enabling her to pursue her vocational training and subsequently obtain a job. Also, her diabetes is now well managed and maintained. The two girls currently still residing at the home are undergoing on-site training and are earning a stipend for the same. The home continues to support them financially, emotionally and mentally, so the stipend they earn is being accumulated in their bank accounts, offering them a financial cushion when they eventually become independent.

Notable events of the past year:

- Outstation overnight trips twice to a yoga retreat centre, which included yoga, active sports, and meditation.
- A visit to historical monuments and a cultural trip to Old Delhi which included a gastronomical treat
- A theatre performance at a popular mall in a premium area of Delhi.
- A theatre group NGO came and performed for the children at the home. It was especially positive because two NGOs mutually supported each other.
- A photography workshop with world-renowned photographer Samar Jodha, better known for his association with National Geographic.









Caring for the innocent victims of our judicial system.





# **NEW DELHI** PROJECTS

- A visit to an equestrian show which included children of another NGO as part teaching inclusivity and the philosophy of 'Vasudev Kutumbam', which translates to 'The world is my family'.
- Body science and body smart workshops are conducted every 2-3 months.
- picnics.
- 'Celebrating Everyday' an annual celebration with families was organized on 16th June 2016. The day was filled with games and entertainment for the children, along with activities, movie screenings and great food. A workshop was also organized for Monthly birthday celebrations by way of treats and the adults while the children were kept busy and entertained with craft activities like card-making and Movie viewing via in-house screen projection and also games such as musical chairs. The workshop involved trips to cinema theatres. the women and men participating and sharing their experiences. It was liberating for all of them to be blind school, serving lunch and sharing stories. They able to express themselves.
- Giving back to society the children volunteered at a also volunteer at a 'Rehan Basera' aka 'Shelter Home', where children less privileged than them reside.
- A German children's channel aired a special episode in Germany on Muskan, her dreams and aspirations, and also a private stage performance by her at the 'Kingdom of Dream', where the likes of Bollywood celebrities have performed.
- Joy of Sharing
  - during Diwali the children hand painted over 500 diyas which they gave away to volunteers of the foundation and to families who were financially impoverished.
  - the children gave away gifts they had received to another NGO, which has a number of primarily child-labour cases, so that those children too could experience the delight of receiving gifts.

### **INJUSTICE OF JUSTICE**

TIHAR JAIL, TIHAR VILLAGE

The project offers:

- nutritional support for families of inmates through the Inmates' communication skills were enhanced using various activities like arts-and-craft, newspaper craft, provision of dry rations and monthly food parcels, medical and educational support for families if waste management, and theatre.
- needed.
- setting up eye camps and events for inmates and their families outside prison,
- vocational classes and activities for the prison inmates.
- the provision of gift packs for the children,
- the provision of living essentials such as sweaters, shoes, school bags, stationery items, thermals and blankets from time to time,
- the celebration of festivals.

Beneficiaries:

• approximately 450, including 110 families and 6 jails in Tihar.

Highlight of the year:

Events of the year:

- Eye Camp at Central Jail No 2 in 2016 in collaboration with Lenskart, a leading online eyewear company which sent a team of 3 certified refractionists to conduct the tests. The event was much appreciated by the inmates and the Tihar authorities as it took care of one of the many concerns of the inmates.
- Quilling courses were offered.
- The inmates were taught the art of creating gifts and decorative cards and envelopes with strips of paper. These products are popular in the handicrafts market.
- There were dance classes.
- The inmates were taught ballet, hip hop, Zumba, and . Bollywood contemporary dance which increased physical activity and helped in the reduction of stress and anxiety.
- Padho Padhao classes were given.
- Inmates were provided with basic literacy and life skills.
- Personality Development classes were held.











There's light for everyone, "age no bar".



# **NEW DELHI** PROJECTS

#### **SCHOOL: AKSHARDHAM**

YAMUNA KHADAR, NEAR YAMUNA BANK METRO STATION

The school offers:

- a crèche,
- a morning school/ tuition centre,
- nutrition: 1 hot meal daily, with jaggery in winter and glucose in summer,
- regular health and awareness camps for better physical and social health,
- enrolling children into mainstream schools once they are ready.

Beneficiaries:

• 100 children

Highlights for the year:

- the opening of the school on remote farmland on 21 September 2016,
- the growth in numbers from 60 to 100 children in 6 months despite harsh weather conditions,
- the exceptional efforts of teachers to run this school smoothly.

Events over the past year included:

- sessions on health and hygiene,
- group activities like debates,
- outdoor and indoor games,
- dance workshops,
- arts-and-crafts,
- summer camp, .
- the celebration of Founder's Day and other festivals.

#### SCHOOL: AYA NAGAR

BLOCK A2, GALI NUMBER 12, AYA NAGAR EXTENSION, PHASE 5

The school offers:

- a morning school/tuition centre,
- nutrition 1 compulsory snack daily,
- extracurricular activities and personality development.

Beneficiaries:

• 50 (2 groups of 25 children)

Highlights for the year:

- the opening of the school on 01 July 2017 with 20 children who came from difficult backgrounds,
- a dramatic improvement in the children's cleanliness,

concentration and behaviour,

an increase in the children's interest in education due • to extracurricular activities.

Events of the last year included:

- the celebration of Founder's Day in October,
- the celebration of Christmas Day,
- medical intervention for a chicken pox outbreak in • the community,
- summer camp,
- regular arts-and-crafts workshops.

### **SCHOOL: HATHI BASTI**

HATHI BASTI, BANK OF YAMUNA RIVER, NEAR ITO

The school offers:

- a crèche,
- a morning school/ tuition centre,
- an afternoon school/tuition centre,
- nutrition: 1 hot meal daily with jaggery in winter and glucose in summer,
- regular health and awareness camps for better physical and social health,
- enrolling children to mainstream schools once they are ready.

Beneficiaries:

- 28 children at the crèche
- 102 students at morning school
- 105 students at afternoon school

Highlights for the year:

- the large number of children enrolled in mainstream government schools (40),
- the acceptance of education by parents and the lessening of resistance to it,
- improved attendance at the Parent-Teacher Meeting.

Events of the past year included:

- sessions on health and hygiene,
- debates on various topics,
- public speaking activities,
- outdoor and indoor games,
- dance workshops,
- activities to develop coping skills,
- yoga workshops,
- a summer camp,
- sessions on personal safety,
- the celebration of Founder's Day and other festivals.















### **NEW DELHI PROJECTS**

#### **SCHOOL: KISHANGARH**

D9/150 KISHANGARH VILLAGE, VASANT KUNJ

The centre offers:

• a crèche, a primary bridge school, tuition centre, adult education, and computer classes.

Beneficiaries:

- crèche: 50
- tuition centre: 420
- primary school: 220
- tuition centre: 420
- adult education: 15

Highlights for the year:

- The Hans Foundation sponsored a beautiful library for the school and tuition centre. Story books in Hindi and English were bought in sets of 5 - 10 so that the entire class can read together, and the children can take turns to read aloud. The library also has reference books for senior children studying in Class 8 - 12 who attend the tuition centre.
- During the summer camp held in May and June 2016, a group of 20 children attended a puppeteering course hosted by the famous Ishara Puppet Theatre. They learnt how to make puppets and enacted a skit on girl marriages and gender equality.
- In April 2016, when new students were admitted, several small children from the rural areas could not speak Hindi. A special class was organized for them, where the emphasis was on spoken Hindi. The experiment was guite successful as, within 3 months, the children were admitted into nursery or kindergarten classes, where they continue to fair well. The special class was then discontinued.

Notable events of the past year:

- In order to enhance teachers' skills, the foundation partners with several NGOs. Two teachers attended a course on motivating children at the YP Foundation. These two in turn shared with the other teachers what they had learnt.
- We partnered with Nayi Udaan in their activity to get children to share their thoughts in the form of drawings, posters, and essays on such topics as widows, boy preference, and domestic violence. The children's drawings and write-ups were put up on Facebook.
- In October 2016, Max Foundation conducted a health camp at the school and stated that they were happy with the health of the children.

- Deworming was carried out for all children in April 2016 and October 2016.
- Field Trips were undertaken to the Doll Museum and Rail Museum. They celebrated Children's Day on 14 November with a picnic at India Gate.
- Street plays, including puppet shows, were conducted every Sunday in January and February 2017 in various parts of the village. Topics included girl marriage, gender equality, visiting government hospitals and avoiding quacks.
- Divya Miglani of NDTV organized several movies for the children in collaboration with the PVR cinema's CSR. They saw M. S. Dhoni, Purna, Dhanak, Everest and I am Kalam.
- School shoes and socks, school bags and sweaters were distributed to all the children in the tuition centre and school. Uniforms were given to the children in the school.

### **SCHOOL: MOTIA KHAN**

RAEN BASERA COMMERCIAL COMPLEX, RAM KUMAR ROAD, MOTIYA KHAN, PAHAR GANJ, NEAR THE POWER GRID

Services offered at the school:

- a morning school/tuition centre,
- an afternoon school/tuition centre,
- nutrition: 1 hot meal daily with jaggery in winter and glucose in summer,
- regular health and awareness camps for better physical and social health,
- enrolling children in mainstream schools once they are ready.

Beneficiaries:

- 75 students at morning school
- 25 students at afternoon school

Highlights for the year:

- the improvement in student confidence after a move to better premises,
- the general improvement in academic performance.

Events over the past year included:

- a dental check-up camp,
- arts-and-crafts activities,
- dance activities.
- outdoor and indoor games,
- a summer camp,
- the celebration of Founder's Day and other festivals.







### Agile minds and agile bodies.









# **NEW DELHI** PROJECTS

#### **SCHOOL: SHASTRI PARK**

YAMUNA KHADAR, UNDER ISBT FLYOVER, NEAR METRO VI-HAR. SHASTRI PARK. SHAHDARA

#### The school offers:

- a crèche,
- a morning school/tuition centre,
- an afternoon school/tuition centre,
- nutrition: morning breakfast and a hot lunch, with jaggery in winter and glucose in summer,
- regular health and awareness camps for better physical and social health,
- enrolling children in mainstream schools once they are ready.

#### Beneficiaries:

- 30 children at the crèche
- 250 students at morning school
- 40 students at afternoon school

Highlights of the year:

- increased willingness from the parents to allow their children to participate in extracurricular activities like dancing,
- much improved attendance at the Parent-Teacher Meeting.

Events over the past year included:

- sessions on health and hygiene,
- story telling sessions,
- outdoor and indoor games,
- arts-and-crafts sessions,
- a summer camp,
- the celebration of Founder's Day and other festivals.

#### **TUITION CENTRE: KOTLA**

KOTLA, PREMNAGAR, KOTLA MUBARAKPUR

- The tuition centre offers:
- afternoon kindergarten and tuition centre
- regular health and awareness camps for better physical and social health
- enrolling children into mainstream schools once they are ready

Beneficiaries:

120 children

Highlights for the year:

• the enrolment at college of the very first children

toattend Kotla School 9 years ago,

• the involvement in the work place of others from this group not attending college.

Events over the past year included:

- sessions on health and hygiene,
- dance workshops,
- music workshops, •
- arts-and-crafts,
- summer camp,
- the celebration of Founder's Day and other festivals.

#### **TUITION CENTRE: YAMUNA** PUSHTA

YAMUNA PUSHTA, BANKS OF THE YAMUNA RIVER, NEAR BELA GAON, BEHIND RAJ GHAT

The tuition centre offers:

- afternoon tuition centre,
- nutrition: 1 hot meal daily, with jaggery in winter and glucose in summer,
- regular health and awareness camps for better physical and social health,
- enrolling children into mainstream schools once they are ready to bridge the lapse they faced earlier. Beneficiaries:
- 125 children

Highlights for the year:

- All children in this community have been placed in mainstream education and the enthusiasm of the children for learning is ever-increasing.
- The area is prone to the frequent demolition of the slum dwellings; in spite of this, the children keep up with their studies and are very hard-working.

Notable events of the past year included:

- sessions on health and hygiene,
- debates on various topics,
- public speaking activities, •
- outdoor and indoor games,
- dance workshops,
- yoga workshops, •
- sessions on safety, and concepts like good touch and bad touch,
- summer camp, •
- storytelling,
- the celebration of Founder's Day and other festivals.

### Strength through independence.







### Keen eyes and **nimble** fingers.





# **NEW DELHI** PROJECTS

#### **WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT:** JAMA MASJID

MAHILA EVAM BAL GRAH, 100 QUARTER CHOWK, JAG JIVAN H. NO. 857. STREET TANRAS, CHANDANI MAHAL, DARYA GANJ NIWAS, GALI NO. 3. REGARPURA, KAROL BAGH

The project offers:

- training in stitching with certification,
- consumables for the programme, such as fabric and tailoring stationery,
- regular medical intervention and welfare activities like as health check-ups, sensitization camps, sex education classes and awareness camps,
- adult education classes held at the centre for women who are unable to read and write.

Beneficiaries:

• 300 women

Highlights for the year:

• 240 beneficiaries were awarded tailoring certificates from Singer India.

Notable events of the past year:

- Sessions on menstrual hygiene were conducted to introduce the use of menstrual cups. The concept was well received by the women, with 30 women signing up to use the cups, recognizing the cup to be a viable option in terms of hygiene, convenience, health and money. The benefits of the cup in terms of environmental impact was also highlighted.
- Two trips were organized for the beneficiaries. Exposure activities are an important part of the programme - they offer the beneficiaries supplementary skills training in areas such as creativity and costing, and provide them with an opportunity to see the tangible possibilities of their work. They were taken to Manan Design and Dee Man, which are Delhi-based, women's clothing houses that ship their garments internationally, to boutiques and retailers in countries such as Spain, Australia, South Africa, the US, and the UK.

### WOMEN'S SHELTER: REGARPURA

The tuition centre offers:

- tuition,
- medical assistance if required,
- academic and nutritional advice.

Beneficiaries:

- 30 women
- 9 children

Highlights for the year:

- Noorie coming third in her 6th class.
- Pinkie receiving 68% in her 10th NIOS class (National Institute of Open Schooling).
- Pinkie's subsequent enrolment in the 11th class at a regular school.
- Kulwant and Gigan's participation in a band.

Events of the past year included:

- an exposure trip to Lucknow where the children played frisbee,
- participation in the Peace Games,
- Keertan on 12 April 2016,
- the distribution of shawls and sweaters on 14 November 2016,
- the celebration of festivals.
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### No matter how hard it rains, we have an **umbrella for** vou.









# **NEW DELHI** PROJECTS

### **WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT: MALVIYA NAGAR**

MALVIYA NAGAR AND BHOGAL

The project offers:

• training in stitching with certification

#### Beneficiaries:

• 30 women

Highlights for the year:

- Producing beautiful handmade crochet-bag packaging for other projects.
- Enjoying the handiwork of beneficiaries being showcased at the Wills Fashion Week for designer Aneeth Arora.
- Having products from Aria finding a place with wellknown Indian brands like Fab India and Bridal Asia as well as some event companies.

Notable events of the past year:

• The women of the Aria empowerment project were invited to display their handiwork at Tamana Winter Carnival at the British High Commissioner's residence in New Delhi.

#### **WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT: MOTIA KHAN**

RAEN BASERA COMMERCIAL COMPLEX, RAM KUMAR ROAD, MOTIYA KHAN, PAHAR GANJ, NEAR THE POWER GRID

The project offers:

- training in stitching with certification,
- consumables, such as fabric and tailoring stationery,
- regular welfare activities, such as health camps, talks on reproductive health, contraception, hygiene and nutrition.
- adult education classes for women who are unable to read and write.
- a crèche to assist the women with children.
- social and economic assistance for women with special needs, such as widowed, destitute or abandoned women.

Beneficiaries:

30 women

Highlights for the year:

• Beneficiaries were awarded tailoring certificates from Singer India.

Notable events of the past year: A volunteer from America conducted a workshop and taught the women how to make bags.

### WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT: **NOIDA YAKUBPUR**

UNNAMED ROAD, SECTOR 86, NOIDA, UTTAR PRADESH

The project offers:

- training in stitching with certification,
- consumables for the programme, like fabric and tailoring stationery for stitching,
- 10 sewing machines and 1 interlock machine for training.
- counselling sessions, motivational talks and creativity workshops,
- a crèche for the children of the beneficiaries is • currently being built.

Beneficiaries:

• 30 women

### WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT: **SHASTRI PARK**

YAMUNA KHADAR, UNDER ISBT FLYOVER, NEAR METRO VI-HAR, SHASTRI PARK, SHAHDARA

The project offers:

- training in stitching with certification,
- consumables for the programme, like note books, needles, threads, and frames for embroidery,
- further services, like adult education, creativity workshops, costing workshops, medical intervention and welfare activities like health check-ups, sensitization camps, awareness camps, and winter crisis intervention where clothes and blankets are distributed.

Beneficiaries:

• 80 women

Notable events of the past year:

• Beneficiaries were gifted salwaar suits by the trustees.









### Keen eyes and nimble fingers.



# **NEW DELHI** PROJECTS

#### **WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT: KISHANGARH**

D9/150 KISHANGARH VILLAGE. VASANT KUNJ

The project offers:

- skills training,
- nutrition,
- nursery and crèche support,
- adult education.
- Beneficiaries:
- 150 women

Highlights for the year:

• Beneficiaries were awarded tailoring certificates from Singer India.

Notable events of the past year:

- Guests from different walks of life were invited to interact with the women, motivating them, giving them exposure to their personal experiences and giving them the opportunity to believe in the possibilities of realizing their dreams. These guests included personalities like Ms Madhavi Ganeriwala, the founder of the label Manan; Ms Swati, a designer working in the industry; Ms Lavanya A Verma, who does extensive work for the betterment of orphans and street children; Ms Bina Ramani, a successful entrepreneur; Ms Meera, co-founder of the label Gaurav and Ritika. Ms Meera, who came to take the workshop on creativity, ended up joining the organization.
- The women also participated in various other exposure activities like celebrations and a field trip to the Blind School.
- Training under this centre was concluded in 2016 and the centre has been converted into a Production Unit under ILCA. The beneficiaries were free to join the production centre; some did; some chose to become entrepreneurs while others joined export houses with regular salaries.



# Giving more spring to the springboard of education.











# **GOA** PROJECTS

#### SUPPORT FOR ORPHANAGES AND CHILDREN'S HOMES

TUITION CENTRE: CHIMBEL INDIRA NAGAR, CHIMBEL, TISWADI

The homes offer:

- free books to under-privileged children from 23 institutions: orphanages, shelter homes, boarding houses, schools, and slums.
- assistance with admission procedures and paper work in admitting special children from the slums into the best schools for Special Children in Goa.
- support for children interested in further education or vocational training.

#### Beneficiaries:

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• 689 children from orphanages, shelter homes, and slums.

Highlights for the year included:

• the provision of a total of 22,280 free books to beneficiaries.

Notable events of the past year:

 All beneficiaries come together once every year at the founder's birthday celebration - a day of fun and entertainment, including a wide range of games, innovative art and crafts, a DJ, a clown to amuse and entertain the children, mouth-watering snacks and soft drinks, a bouncy castle, and lots of prizes and gifts.

### **TUITION CENTRE: CHIMBEL**

INDIRA NAGAR, CHIMBEL, TISWADI

The tuition centre offers:

 3 hours of contact time, from 15:00 to 18:00:
 - assistance in completing school work between 15:00 - 16:00,

> - an hour of instruction between 16:00 – 17:00 on contemporary subjects after their traditional lessons to ensure their inclusivity in society as well as providing them with better chances of a quality livelihood in the future,

- half an hour interactive study time between 17:00 – 17:30 for developing their interest in educational activities as well as confidence building,

- a nutritious meal at the end of the session,

- free books and stationery that is needed by the children for school, counselling sessions with parents, legal help, and special care for children with special needs,
- medical assistance and healing sessions.

Beneficiaries:

• 32 children from the Indra Nagar slum in Chimbel

Highlights for the year:

- Education is not a priority in the slum area the children come from and English speaking individuals are very rare. The children, through exposure to the language through the volunteers, are learning to speak English.
- Their academic progress has also improved tremendously in the years they have been at the tuition centre. This change in the children is noticed and appreciated by their teachers at school. They are also trained in hygiene and etiquette.
- The meal and medical assistance provided is also evident in the good physical stature of most of the children.
- The infrastructure of the centre has been upgraded with materials for the classroom like blackboards, a rack for books and study materials, fans, a table and chairs, mats, and, for the kitchen, a water filter, mixer, pressure cooker, and fridge.

Notable events of the past year:

- Our volunteers celebrated their birthdays at the Tuition Centre with the children.
- Music, games, and snacks have been enjoyed by the children.
- The children were taken to our founder's Birthday Bash where they got the opportunity to meet and interact with children from various orphanages and shelter homes.





Tucked away in the far corner, **we are there for you.** 









# **GUWAHATI** PROJECTS

#### WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT: GU-WAHATI

SARAB BHATTI, REHABARI, GUWAHATI

The project offers:

- Singer-certified training in stitching and tailoring,
- adult education,
- extra curriculum activities (like henna art and embroidery),
- counselling and motivational activities,
- skills training, which further facilitates an independent income and social empowerment.

Beneficiaries:

 80 women between the ages of 16-50 who come from economically impoverished backgrounds or who are seeking social and financial independence. They are mainly migrants from neighbouring areas.

Highlights for the year:

- The centre in Rehabari was initiated on the 1 February 2016, with 15 beneficiaries.
- The centre has grown to 80 women, who are eager to learn new skills. These are mostly women from families migrated from Bihar, Bengal, and remote North-Eastern areas like Manipur. Usually their husbands or fathers work as daily wage labourers or are in menial jobs which do not provide them with a sustainable income.
- They are learning tailoring, embroidery, and henna art, with a focus on quality and clarity.
- CAF India, in association with Aon Hewitt, has been instrumental in supporting the project since October 2016.

Notable events of the past year:

- A quarterly recognition initiative for their efforts was introduced by giving titles like "Miss Regular, Miss Neat and Clean, Miss Happy Face." This has been a great motivational exercise for self-confidence and a sense of individual identity.
- Celebrations of festivals like Independence Day, Vasant Panchami, and Diwali were enjoyed by all.

### **KOLKATA** PROJECTS

### INJUSTICE OF JUSTICE: MIDNAPORE CORRECTIONAL HOME

MIDNAPORE

- Fifteen families of inmates are provided with rations.
- Educational support is provided to the families through the provision of social grants.







Preparing young couples for their new life as **adoptive partners.** 







### **PUNE** PROJECTS

#### SPARCC (THE SAMARPAN PRO-GRAMME FOR ADOPTION RE-SEARCH COUNSELLING CONSUL-TANCY & CARE)

GERA GARDENS

Services Offered and Beneficiaries:

- The SPARCC team provides a range of services such as counselling, preparation of home study reports, workshops, dental camps, eye-check camps, social advocacy and support to child care organisations.
- Training and Workshops: SPARCC conducts training and workshops for prospective adopters and SAA social workers.
- Counselling Services: SPARCC's experienced and competent social workers provide extensive counselling services to Prospective Adoptive Parents (PAP), Bright Sparks i.e. adult adoptee and adoptive parents. Crisis intervention and unlimited telephonic counselling is an ongoing service provided to adoptive parents.
- Adoption Services:
  - Prospective Adoptive Parents home studies are conducted and counselling services provided.
    Specialised Adoption Agencies (SAA) - training, support and home study reports are provided.
    Authorised Foreign Adoption Agencies - assists in obtaining information and aiding SAA social workers to match special needs children with prospective adopters.
  - 'Bright Sparks' Adult Adoptees can access counselling services, share experiences and seek peer support from other adoptees.
- Rainbow Homes for street girl children: sort and provide donations, conduct health camps.
- Sant Gadge Maharaj School: assists in funding and supervising English-medium primary education.

Highlights for the year:

- A public forum to promote the Understanding of Adopted Children, held in November 2016 during Adoption Week, was inaugurated by Dr Mohan Joshi, Chairperson IMA. The audience consisted of doctors, lawyers, social workers, child care centre authorities, social activists, adoptive parents, adopted young adults and concerned citizens.
- Adoption inquiries and assistance from outside Pune: Details about SPARCC services and pre-adoption were posted on Facebook, resulting in a broad response from Vishakhapatnam, Chennai, Mumbai,

Bangalore, Kolkata and Gurgaon, as well as Pune and Mumbai.

- Need of the pre-adoption workshops in other cities: PAPs from Mumbai, Gurgaon and Bangalore requested pre-adoption workshops to inform and guide them.
- Pre-adoption training workshops: A series of workshops for prospective adopters were conducted by experts in the field of Child Development and Adoption to help adopters understand issues around adoption and make informed choices.

Notable events of the past year:

Counselling services:

- Assisting several grown-up adoptees in their search for their birth mothers by providing direction to relevant child care agencies and appropriate authorities, after counselling about the challenges that are faced by all the parties in a search.

- Several visiting adoptees from Sweden, now grown up, came for an informal reception along with their parents and exchanged their experiences.

- An adoptive parent, who adopted nearly 40 years ago, came for assistance with the questions that motherhood raises for adoptees about their birth mothers.

- Another adoptee from Sweden, adopted four decades ago, came with her husband and son and received counselling on complex issues relating to bonding and attachment.

Sponsor Visits:

- In February 2016, the SPARCC team members were happy to welcome Mr Rana Basu, whose organisation in the USA, Consurgo Sunshine, gave us generous support for our adoption services.
- Eva Minton, Board member of FFIA, accompanied by her sisters, Ulla and Gun, sponsors of children in child care centres for over thirty years, came to the SPARCC office to show their appreciation for the work that SPARCC is doing to support adoption.
- Mrs Amrit Sujan and Lady Odile Slynne from London. All the volunteers were present to give the visitors an overview of the range of SPARCC activities. Experiences about the joys and challenges of adoption were shared by adult adoptees (part of Bright Sparks adult-adoptee group), adoptive parents of grown-up adoptees, and young adoptees.









Not just a **smooth start,** but a **smooth ride** thereafter.



# **PUNE** PROJECTS

'Bright Sparks' Visit:

- This workshop was attended by 22 applicants from Solapur as well as a member of the CWC, a member of the DCPO and three doctors of Pakhur Sankul Organisation. The PAPs heard first-hand experiences from an adoptive mother from Pansharpur, had a Q&A session and gave positive feedback that the workshop assisted them in making a clear decision to adopt.
- Dental camp at Sant Ghadge Maharaj School, Koregaon Park and Rainbow Homes:
  - Two free dental camps were given by dentists from Synergy Dental Clinic. The dental work was offered at cost price by Synergy.
  - The students of the Sant Ghadge Maharaj School were visited on 9 March 2017 - 27 and examined by two dentists. Most students had good oral health but a few needed treatment ranging from basic cleaning to extractions due to severe decay.
  - The 97 girls of Rainbow Homes at Shivaji Nagar were screened on 15 March 2017- 56 girls needed treatment for ailments of different severity.

Blood Test Camp:

 A free blood test camp was organised at Sant Ghadge Maharaj School through the Krsnaa Diagnostic Centre on March 31, 2017 to determine the blood type of the 27 children tested. The haemoglobin count helps to identify their level of anaemia and helps the school determine what nutritional support to provide.



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### Healthcare reaching the unreachable.

# **SUNDERBANS** PROJECTS

### **HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL CLINICS**

BALI ISLAND, BIJAYNAGAR 9

- Medical clinics/camps are run for the residents of Ram Gopalpur, near Godkhali.
- Villagers of all ages with various medical conditions attend the clinics.
- Individual medical cases are attended to and treatment is provided.
- Arrangements are made for patients needing specialised medical









# **FINANCIALS**





SAMARPAN FOUNDATION 63, JORBAGH, NEW DELHI-110003

#### BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31ST MARCH 2017

#### PARTICULARS

A SOURCE OF FUNDS

(1) General Fund (2) Asset Fund

Total Sources (A)

B APPLICATION OF FUNDS

(1) Fixed Assets as per Schedule

(2) Investment

-3) Net Current Assets a. Current Assets b. Loans & Advances

> c. Less Current Liabilities & Provisions -Current Liabilities -Unutilized Grants in Aid

Total Application (B)

Significant Accounting Policies & Notes to Accounts form an integral Part of this Balance Sheet

for JOSHI AGGARWAL & ASSOCIATES (CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS)

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M NO 532289

PLACE : FARIDABAD DATED :26-Nov-2017

	Total	
· · · · ·	(Figures in INR)	
Schedule .	Amount	
1	23,432,055	
2	336,690	
	23,768,745	
	16,898,627	
5	200,000	
4	8,954,831	
5	697,626	
	9,652,457	
Б	1,606,622	
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	6,670,118	

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#### SAMARPAN FOUNDATION 63, JORBAGH, NEW DELHI-110003

#### INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2017

PA	ARTICULARS	Schedule	Total Amount ( Rs )
A	INCOME		
	(1) Grants in Aid Utilized	8	21,767,588
	(2) Donations	9	21,633,729
3	(3) Interest Received	10	214,751
	Total Income		43,616,068
В	EXPENDITURE		
(1) Project Expenditure for Ch	(1) Project Expenditure for Chartitable Purpose	11	37,283,036
	(2) Operating Expenses	12	4,913,043
	Total Expenditure		42,196,079
С	Excess of Income over Expenditure		1,419,989
D	Depreciation		
	1. Provided for the year	<b>1</b> 3	2,101,902
	<ol><li>Less transfer to asset fund</li></ol>	13	153,143
3. Net Depre	3. Net Depreciation		1,948,759
E	Short/Excess of Income over Expenditure transferred to Genereal Fund		(528,770

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Samarpan Foundation is a charitable not-for-profit entity. The beneficiaries of the projects bear no expenses whatsoever, so your donation makes a significant difference. The maximum benefit of donations reaches beneficiaries as Samarpan is a volunteer-based organisation.

Join us to bring about change!

Money received is allocated to the projects that most need them, but you are welcome to stipulate which project(s) you would prefer to support when donating. We will ensure that your donation is allocated accordingly.

For assistance or further information about donating, please write to us at donate@samarpanfoundation.org.

Please visit our website to donate towards the projects https://samarpanfoundation.org/donate.

Thank you for your generosity!

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