

# LIGHTHOUSE ANNUAL REPORT 2021-22



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### Letter from THE CHAIRPERSON

My Dear, Dear Volunteers, Donors, Supporters and Well wishers,

Thank you from the depths of my heart for all your love and support. I am touched by your dedication to continue to spread the message of love and kindness even in these challenging times. I do hope that your selfless acts serve as an example for others to follow.

We are 15 this year ! CONGRATS!!

But let's not 'rest on our laurels ' there's work to be done!

To quote Robert Frost: "We have miles to go before we sleep".

Love always, Patrick San Francesco.

## About SAMARPAN FOUNDATION

Samarpan Foundation is a not-for-profit charitable trust, established in September 2006, in New Delhi. We work to provide assistance where there is a humanitarian, ecological, environmental and/ or 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 the universal consciousness by opening minds and hearts

Philosophy: Love, peace, happiness, kindness, simplicity and clarity











NUTRITION AND DEVELOPMENT



#### HEALTHCARE



EMPOWERMENT



ANIMAL WELFARE



HOMES

## **EDUCATION**

The onset of the COVID-19 pandemic has changed the development of the education sector in India. With an increased shift towards digitized modes of education, a host of changes have taken place. The use of digital tools and remote learning are now part and parcel of education. While many of us have been able to keep pace with these changes, there are large sections of society that have been left behind as they do not have access to the world wide web. Moreover, social distancing also took away the option of in-person learning for them.

Migratory groups across the country have suffered the most in this transition, especially children who did not have smart digital devices. The pandemic forced many families to go back to their respective villages. Lack of facilities to participate in educational initiatives in government schools was yet another setback for them, hampering their progress and further widening the gap of access to resources.

Samarpan Foundation has continued to bridge this gap during and after the lockdowns in the country. While online classes were made available for our students for the entire duration of the lockdown, in-person classes were started as soon as the lockdowns were lifted. Once the schools restarted, we found that while online classes were able to act as a stopgap, allowing students to continue some semblance of an education, most students, being first generation learners, had fallen behind in their studies as they were unable to get any secondary support in their communities.

In such a scenario, the Samarpan Schools and Tuition Centres, set up within these communities, continue to provide educational opportunities, aiming to ensure the successful completion of schooling for these children.









### Presence



- Samarpan School and Tuition Centre, Kishangarh, Delhi



- Samarpan School and Tuition Centre, Hathi Basti, Delhi



- Samarpan School and Tuition Centre, Shastri Park, Delhi



 Samarpan Tuition Centre, Yamuna Pushta, Delhi
 Samarpan Tuition Centre, Kotla, Delhi

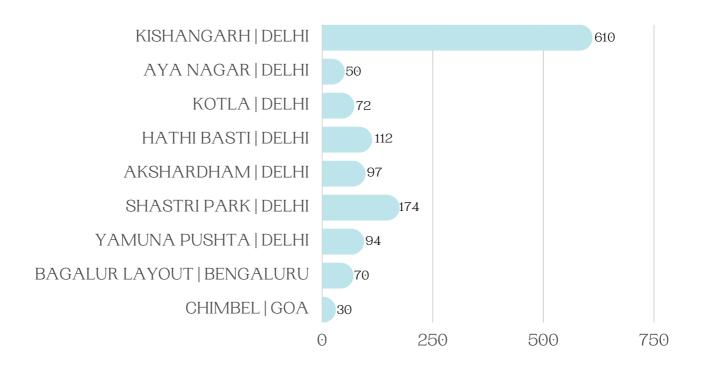


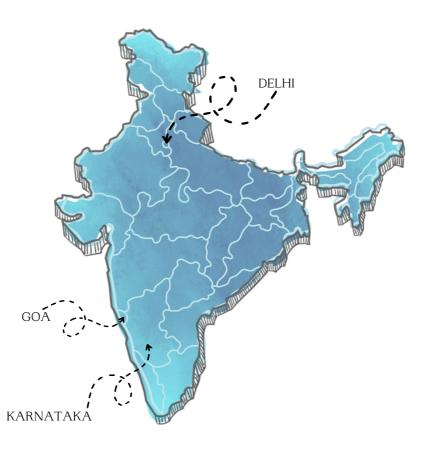
 Samarpan Evening Tuition Centre and Pre-school,
 Bagalur Layout, Bengaluru
 Samarpan Tuition Centre,
 Chimbel, Goa



Samarpan School and Tuition Centre, Aya Nagar, Delhi
Samarpan School and Tuition Centre, Akshardham, Delhi

#### IMPACT





#### Total number of students impacted 1,309

# Project HIGHLIGHTS

Growth is achieved only by embracing new ideas, especially in this rapidly changing world. Keeping this in mind, Samarpan Foundation has improved upon the curriculum of its educational projects. In collaboration with an education counselor, we have created new systems so that each student's learning is enhanced by identifying their strengths and weaknesses and providing tailor-made support for each child.





Students from Samarpan Schools, Delhi, participated in large numbers in an inter-school event organized bv Saahas, an NGO. The theme of the event was based on the environment and its importance for humankind. Students from grades 5 to 8 participated in the event and learnt about waste management, recycling and the importance of taking care of their environment and homes. The event had various activities where students showcased their artistic skills and we are proud to announce that one of our students, Sakina, was awarded 3rd prize in the visual art competition, for her artistic skills.

The year saw the re-opening of physical classes at Samarpan schools and tuition centres across the country. The thrill in the air was palpable as teachers welcomed the students to class once again. To ensure the safety of all, the classes were started in a staggered manner. Students from nursery to grade 5 were the first group to come back to school and we look forward to having all the children back at their schools and tuition centers.





Russia's Federal for Services Supervision of Natural Resources invited children from all over the world to submit their environmental projects under the topic of 'Ecology is Everyone'. The project focused on environmental education, promoting a culture of responsible attitude to natural resources, increasing public activity among young people, including through "green" volunteering, as well as discovering the talents of children and teenagers. A group of 5 children, participated from our school to paint a piece of art on their school's wall, their vision of the Earth.

# NUTRITION AND DEVELOPMENT

True development of any individual can only be achieved when basic necessities and resources are available, irrespective of the socio-economic background one occupies. While the achievement of this ideal may be far away, the UN has set the stage to initiate the change with the establishment of Sustainable Development Goals.

Adequate nutrition is essential to maintain healthy growth. However, in India, the explosive rise of the population as well as continued disparity in access to nutritional meals, especially for those who fall below the poverty line, has resulted in creating hindrances in our country's overall increase of health indices. Many households in India do not get two square meals per day and a majority of the country's youth have experienced starvation, which has impacted their holistic growth and development. This nutritional deficit is one of the main concerns in the country being able to meet its Sustainable Development Goals.

The advent of the pandemic once again brought to the fore, the need to uplift a large section of society that has been unable to access resources to attain their developmental goals. The dynamic shifts that have taken place have further impacted them. A concerted effort has been made to provide support to fulfill these developmental needs of our marginalized population. The development of the country is ultimately dependent upon a population that has its basic needs provided for.

Samarpan, since its inception, has worked towards holistic development of each individual. Nutritional and developmental programs catering to children, destitute families as well as families of prisoners under its flagship program, Injustice of Justice, is an integral part of this. The nutritional projects provide regular meals to thousands of children and monthly rations kits for severely marginalized families and there are other programmes to ensure access to developmental opportunities.



### Presence



- All Schools, Delhi



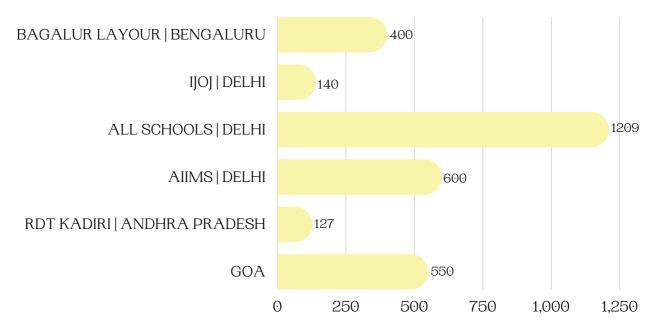
- IJOJ, <mark>Delhi</mark>



- Samarpan Education Centre, **Bagalur Layout**, **Bengaluru** - Samarpan Tuition Centre, **Chimbel, Goa** 



- Rural Development Trust, <mark>Kadiri</mark> IMPACT





#### Total number of people impacted **3026**

# Project HIGHLIGHTS

Samarpan Women's Foundation's Empowerment Centre in collaboration Food with IFBN (India Banking Network). organised а ration distribution drive for the women artisians working at Malviya Nagar and Kishangarh Village Centres, as well as women from the Kotla community. More than 300 ration kits containing essential food items were distributed to the beneficiaries.





Every monsoon, the residents of the Kotla community in Delhi, face poor living conditions as water floods their homes or destroys them completely. Since most homes are built of scrap and poor building materials, they offer no respite from the rains. Two students from the Vasant Valley School, Ruhaan and Kian started an initiative named Karitaas. They secured tarpaulins for 30 families to safeguard their homes rains. against the The residents enthusiastically got together to help each other set up these tarpaulin homes. We are very thankful to these young students whose thoughtful gesture has become an inspiration for others, and who, we are sure, will support many others through their organisation.

Kadiri, a small town in the Anantapur district of Andhra Pradesh, was severely affected by drought which led to large scale migration of the locals. During this time, young girls were exposed to the dangers of trafficking. Samarpan Foundation with the help of a Kadiri based volunteer, Sister Sleeva, reached out to the needy. Samarpan, in association with the Rural Development Trust, Kadiri, distributed monthly ration packets to families and supported a home for children with special needs.





Reeling from the double catastrophe of COVID-19 and Cyclone Yaas, folks of the Sunderban islands faced severe difficulties. Volunteers from Samarpan Foundation. partners Hope our Foundation and Sunderbans Foundation. were on the ground providing daily meals and ration kits as immediate relief for over 2000 people, many of whom lost their homes to the raging waters. Many volunteers joined in the efforts to shore up the banks and help rebuild what was destroyed.

# HEALTHCARE

Although India's healthcare system is fast developing and is recognized as one of the best in the world, people from marginalized groups still have little access to quality healthcare services. With limited access to basic necessities such as clean water. hygienic surroundings and adequate living spaces for residents, illness is rife in these communities. This coupled with lack of awareness of the benefits offered by the government, as well as age-old superstitions prevalent in communities, has led to disparity in the provision of healthcare in the country.

That does not mean that movement has not happened or progress not achieved. With a substantial increase in the number of non-profit organizations providing both healthcare services and awareness programs, many marginalized groups are now empowered to access health care for themselves. However, as the pandemic has shown us, more than ever, there is a need to ensure that implementation of activities associated with healthcare is prioritized.

Samarpan Foundation firmly believes that only a healthy body can contribute effectively and with this principle in mind, has been supporting disadvantaged communities across the country to easily access healthcare services through its regular medical camps, provision of medicines as well as equipment and referrals.



### Presence



- Delhi

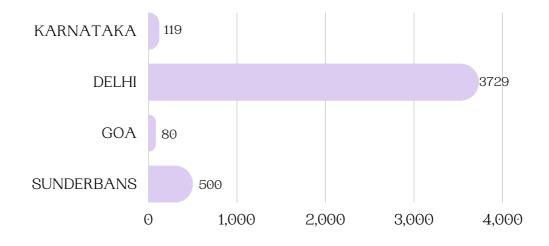


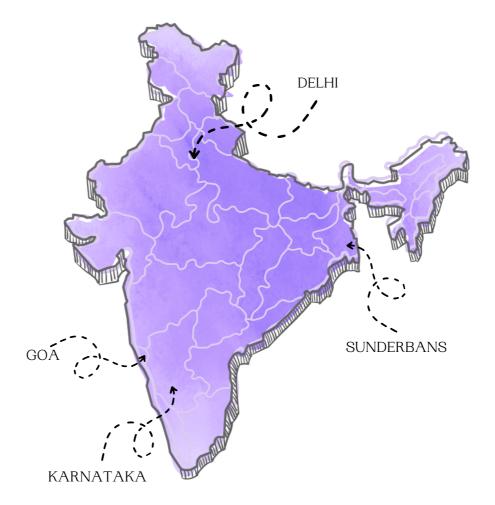
- Goa | Karnataka



-Sunderban Islands

### IMPACT





#### Total number of people impacted **4428**

# Project HIGHLIGHTS

Samarpan reached out to more than 2000 beneficiaries in the Sunderbans. rendered helpless due to the devastating Cyclone Yaas. We worked collaboration with Sunderbans in Foundation and Hope Foundation. With the combined efforts. we managed to provide much needed support in the form of rations, sanitary napkins and other essentials to the survivors.





Nothing is more important than health. This is even more apparent now, with the advent of the COVID-19 pandemic. So many people suffer from ill health due to lack of access to basic medical care, which has left them vulnerable to the virus. People from marginalised communities are unable to procure even basic medication for common ailments like diabetes and blood pressure. Our volunteers in Mumbai and Bengaluru have been locating and such individuals supporting bv arranging for their medicines, which are a lifeline for their safety. This initiative taken up to address the healthcare immediate needs of vulnerable people, is so essential during Covid times.

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With air pollution levels crossing 447 in Delhi after Diwali, many residents in the communities under our care were experiencing respiratory difficulties. Since the communities are already at risk for illnesses, portable oxygen cans were distributed to ease their difficulties. Cans of oxygen were distributed not only within our communities but also at the Leprosy Camp and the Organization for the Helpless. With the ongoing pandemic, the distribution has also eased the minds of the residents who often have no resources when dealing with the respiratory issues brought upon by the coronavirus. This initiative was much appreciated by the residents as they felt more confident about their capacity to deal with the double difficulty of the virus as well as the hazardous pollution levels.

> Menstrual health in India has been an area governed by taboos, myths, cultural notions and lack of information. In the current scenario, when puberty hits young girls, they are not equipped to take care of themselves. In order to tackle a few of the issues and to spread awareness on Menstrual Health and Hygiene, Samarpan has collaborated with multiple partners to work towards the eradication of the taboos around menstruation. Manzil Mystics conducted an in-depth webinar, providing the participants with a platform to express and address all the issues surrounding menstrual health. Sustainable fabric kits consisting of reusable cloth pads were given to residents of Kotla, Delhi, through Fabpad. A health camp was also conducted at the Women's Empowerment Centre, in collaboration with the Rotaract Club of the Cadeuceus and the Period Society.

# **EMPOWERMENT**

In traditional societies like India, the role of women has largely been relegated to household chores, with limited decision making powers and no economic freedom. However, in the changing dynamics of modern Indian society, acknowledgment of the role and contributions of women, has become essential. A country can only make progress with the participation of its entire population. With India becoming the fifth largest economy in the world, progress also requires the participation of women for its overall development.

In India, this disparity in participation has been impacted and perpetuated by a plethora of factors such as education, socio-economic status and familial contexts. Empowerment of women has been a difficult task with resistance prevalent in most communities. For many women in Samarpan Foundation's communities of intervention, looking for opportunities for work was also a restriction.

But change is a constant and at Samarpan, empowerment has been of utmost importance. We strongly believe that women-led development is as important as women's development.

It is a universally acknowledged fact that only a healthy body can strive forward and work towards achieving a goal. Working towards this belief, Samarpan organized a sanitary distribution drive and also medical check-ups, in collaboration with Maulana Azad Medical College and Rotary Club, and addressed menstrual hygiene issues.

We strongly believe that inclusivity of people from all communities and backgrounds is the only way forward for a shared brighter future. We have been working with Afghani women who don't want to go back to their country since the Taliban took over. They live as refugees in the Capital and we have trained them in intricate craftwork. We also work with widows, who are mostly treated as outcasts where they live, to help them fend for themselves and be financially independent.



## Presence

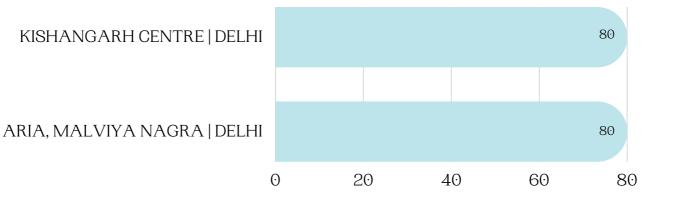


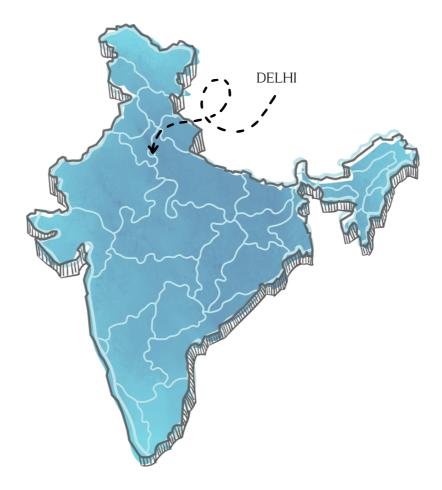
- Samarpan School and Tuition Centre, **Kishangarh, Delhi** 



-ARIA, Delhi

#### IMPACT





#### Total number of people impacted 160

# Project HIGHLIGHTS

Samarpan Foundation, in association with The Rotaract Club of the Caduceus and The Period Society, organized a health camp at the Women's Empowerment Center, Kishangarh, on 28th August. The Rotaract Club of Caduceus is a non-profit organization of young doctors and students in the field of healthcare. The volunteers distributed sanitary napkins to underprivileged women and educated them about menstrual hygiene. In addition to this, they also addressed problems related to eyes, teeth, and joint pains. Volunteers taught simple yoga techniques to the beneficiaries to overcome tiredness and cramps during periods, and to relieve joint pains.





The death of a partner is a tragedy that cannot be easily overcome. It is also an unfortunate fact that for too many women, the loss of their husband brings with it isolation and severe financial difficulties. In an initiative spearheaded by the GMR Varalakshmi Foundation and supported by Samarpan Foundation, widows from the Aya Nagar community were given a new lease of living a dignified life. The women were invited to the Foundation premises where a two-day workshop on financial skills was organized for them. They were taught the importance of saving and ways in which they could enhance their income. At the end of the two-day programme, all 35 women who attended the training, were provided with food carts so that they could begin their journey towards financial independence.

Samarpan Foundation's Women Empowerment team organized an exposure visit for the Afghan refugee women from the ARIA center at Malviya Nagar. The visit took place at Mohan Pvt. Ltd Garment Overseas Factory at Faridabad. These women took a complete tour of the factory and learnt various stages of product development, from developing yarn to making fabrics of different qualities like cotton, synthetic, viscose and much more. They got a glimpse into the research and development that goes into doing mass production for brands like Zara and H&M. They also learned the importance of final packaging and labeling of garments. It was a wonderful and informative experience for these women/artisans. They found it very useful and came away inspired, for their own projects.





Wings for Women: On the occasion of Women's Day, our partners GMR Varalakshmi Foundation celebrated the resilience shown by the beneficiaries and the success of project SMILE. Implementation partners including Samarpan Foundation. were recognized for their contribution in achieving this feat. The women we supported were invited to share their journey towards financial independence after receiving the carts. The project aims to empower the lives of widows by providing push-pull carts to use as a source of income. The project also enables them to secure financial stability through a literacy program. On this day, GMR in association with Delhi Aviation Fuel Facility distributed 50 more carts to widows. A total of 500 carts has been distributed since the onset of the pandemic.

### ANIMAL WELFARE

The relationship between humans and animals is an ancient one, built out of necessity and utility. Now it has evolved into so much more, including companionship and trust. Over the years, the discourse of care has evolved with the understanding that like people, animals also respond to love and dignity. Ithas also brought with it the awareness of animal cruelty and the need to protect all sentient beings that we share the planet with. But animal welfare is an area of work that is neither emphasized nor supported. According to a recent report published by the Federation of Indian Animal Protection Organizations (FIAPO), a total of 4,93,910 animals became victims of crimes committed by humans between 2010 and 2020. Of these, over 2,300 were incidents of gruesome and intentional acts of violence that led to the animal's death or irreparable harm. The COVID-19 pandemic saw another form of cruelty on the rise, that of abandonment of pets out of fear and without regard for the animal's safety or survival.

For many years now, Samarpan has been working in this difficult field, ensuring that it ticks all the boxes necessary for animal welfare. With the help of our volunteers and our donors we have been able to help thousands of animals every month with rescue, animal birth control, medical care, rehabilitation, reintegration, adoptions and meals, across various cities of India. As our reach increases, we aim to continue to provide holistic care for our voiceless friends and companions.



### Presence



#### - Bengaluru

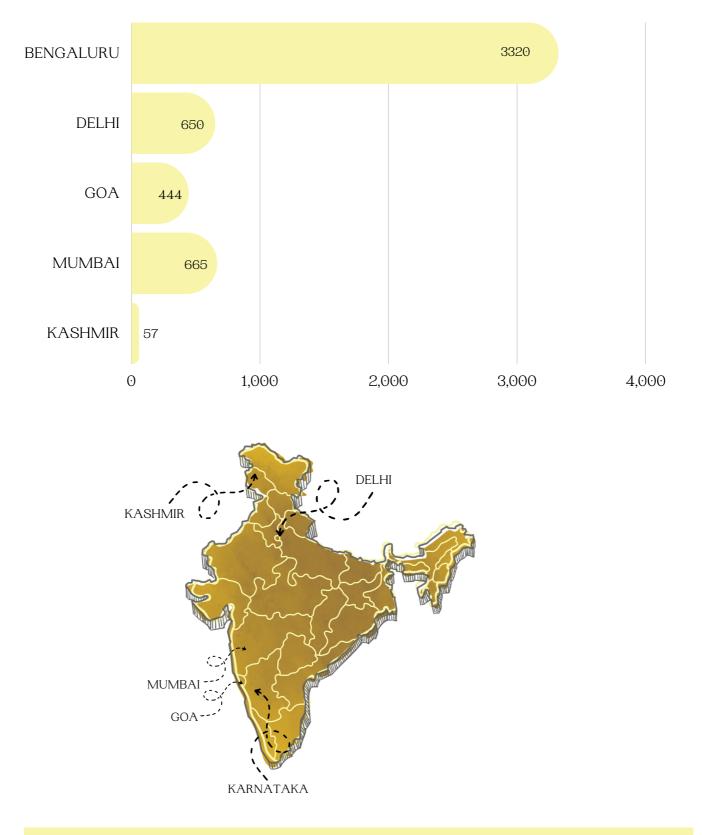


- Delhi



-Goa -Mumbai -Kashmir

#### IMPACT



#### Total number of animals impacted **5136**

# Project HIGHLIGHTS

Samarpan has time and again been working for the welfare of stray animals, also focussing on integral aspects like neutering to keep the population in check, preventing fightrelated injuries and spread of certain diseases. Samarpan Foundation in association with the World Veterinary Service, Lions Club of Aldona, Alpha Angels Animal Trust, Cat Sanctuary, Goa and The Kub Project, organized a sterilization drive for the cats in and around Goa where Dr. Karlette Fernandes operated upon and neutered 27 cats.





Water Bowl Project : Each summer brings with it the inescapable scorching heat. For animals living on the streets, life becomes even more difficult as they are unable to find drinking water for their survival. Volunteers of Samarpan Foundation, Goa, took up the task of ensuring water is available for them. Collaborating with a local potter, large water bowls have been placed within various localities of Goa. Awareness is also being spread about the need to water bowls in various place communities. It has been a joy to see many creatures satiating their thirst through this simple initiative. We everyone place encourage to accessible water bowls for street animals as the heat overtakes us.

Samarpan has joined the Animal Care team of Bengaluru with AHVS which is a WhatsApp group focusing on attending to emergency animal care. Joining us in our efforts to care for dogs living on the streets, Infosys Foundation gives a monthly donation of 500 kgs of rice for feeding street animals. Their generous donations have added valuable support to our efforts to ensure that our little street friends are well fed. In addition, Samarpan has joined the newly launched Animal Care Team of AHVS Bengaluru with (Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services) and volunteers. This pioneering WhatsApp group focuses on attending animal to emergencies through collaborations involving various parties.





Care for the environment is deeply embedded in the values of Samarpan Foundation. Waste tvres were retrieved after repairs by our animal welfare rescue vehicle in Bengaluru. The volunteers came up with the idea of reusing them for much needed beds for street animals! Using the tyres as a frame, mattress cut-outs were fit within, turning them into comfortable beds for dogs! The dogs receiving treatment at our partner facilities could not be happier as they slept snugly in their beds. Our volunteers' innovation has inspired us to think of other ways to reduce, reuse and recycle. We would love to hear of innovative ways that you have used to incorporate care for the environment in your lives.

# HOMES

Many of us take for granted the feeling of being part of a family and the feeling of safety of having a home. But there are many children for whom this feeling of belonging and safety is not only absent but is alien. For children that have been orphaned or abandoned by their parents and primary caregivers, life comes with additional challenges which many of them are ill-equipped to deal with. Availability of basic necessities such as care and food are scarce. Too often, this emotional, physical and psychological deprivation, pushes the child into a life where they are forced to compromise their safety. They are unable to be the best versions of themselves and contribute to society. Attempts to provide care to this specially vulnerable group is a long process and needs to be the collective responsibility of society.

Samarpan Foundation has for many years been working in this area of intervention through its projects. Action-oriented research is undertaken to better understand the process and experience of adoption. The team of SPARCC at Pune, facilitates the adoption process for families through CARA, right from the application process to conducting the final home visits. Samarpan Homes, Delhi, have established two facilities for boys and girls. These facilities are homes for children who have been orphaned, abandoned or have suffered abuse and are operated under the guidance of the CWC to provide holistic developmental facilities as well as a feeling of home. This ensures that a child can grow to his/her fullest potential. The aim of both these programs is to help the children experience a sense of family which is essential for the healthy development of an individual.



### Presence

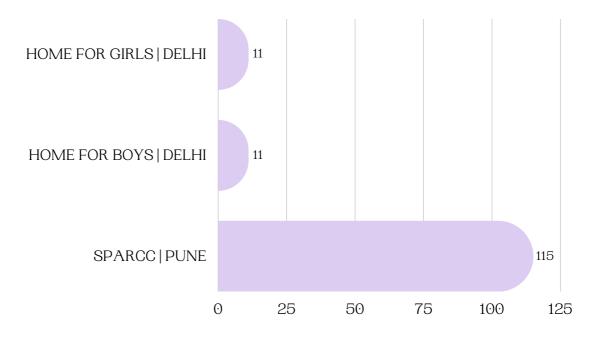


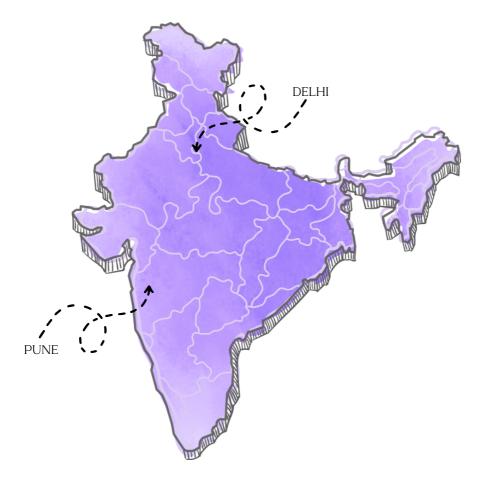
-Home for Boys, **Delhi** -Home for Girls, **Delhi** 



- SPARCC, Pune

### IMPACT

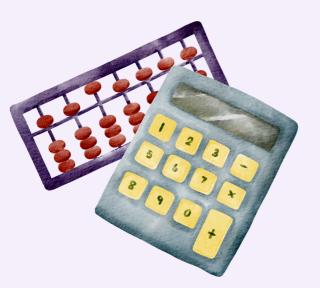




#### Total number of people impacted **137**

# Project HIGHLIGHTS

One child who had been placed at the Home, was restored to her family once ready and no longer in need of institutional child care and protection. The team at Samarpan Homes, elicited details of the family from the child and CWC's with the guidance, was successfully reunited with her family. The core function of the Child Welfare Committee and Samarpan Homes is to restore children no longer in need of protection, to their loving homes.





Inculcation of life skills is important to achieve holistic growth and at the Samarpan Homes for boys and girls, it has been integral to the program's objectives. Skills training has been provided to all the children to ensure they are ready to take on the demands of life. The children were given small sums of money to help them learn how to manage money and to keep an account of spending, thus giving them practical knowledge of the basics of financial management. The children have also been taught how to cook by a home chef and are competent to manage a kitchen all on their own. Such training has gone a long way in instilling confidence in the children about their own capabilities and their ability to live independently as young adults.

SPARCC celebrated the 25th anniversary of the Sudatta Adoptive Families Support Group, under the theme of 'The Story Behind the Stories: What works in Adoptive Parenting'. An active adoptive parents' forum based out of Bengaluru, the group provides sharing, learning and exchanging parenting tips. Founder Director, Dipika Maharaj Singh of SPARCC, was invited as plenary speaker. Other members of the team were also invited to share their expertise with the participants. Post the session, calls from the participants regarding sexuality, another topic that is very rarely discussed, were also received. Samarpan Foundation is proud to be associated with the movement that SPARCC has created and feels privileged to be working with such dedicated volunteers.





# COVID-19 RESPONSE

Samarpan attempted to address the various mvths circulated in the communities about the Covid-19 vaccine not being completely safe during menstrual cycles. During the menstrual hygiene week, awareness workshops, performances and group discussions were organized to bust such myths and encourage everyone to get vaccinated. Our students performed dances showcasing the necessity of wearing masks and practicing social distancing. Our volunteers of the Women Empowerment project also organized awareness camps and interactive sessions to dispel myths and misconceptions about the Covid-19 Vaccine.





Spencers Retail partnered with Samarpan to support 700 families for 3 months as part of their initiative towards Covid relief for families in dire need, by providing ration and daily necessities. With the loss of livelihood on a massive scale and no opportunities to earn during the nationwide lockdowns, families from marginalized groups were unable to procure resources to ensure their survival. This helped provide some respite from the devastation brought about by the pandemic.

A free vaccination drive was organized by the Third Planet Foundation and Muthoot Finance for Samarpan Foundation beneficiaries in New Delhi. For these families, living without access to information and the internet, vaccination was not a possibility without intervention. At a time when rumours, misinformation and lack of resources had discouraged many from taking the first step, intervention was crucial for the safety of the communities. Their involvement has not only dispelled the hesitation of the people but resulted in them actively taking their first shot of the vaccine.



Free virtual medical camps were organized by Samarpan Foundation in Delhi. Dr. Sunita Kochhar volunteered her time to address their various health issues in detail. The camps were conducted in the school premises and were open to all. Safety precautions were maintained as patients came in allocated groups. Surgical masks, sanitizers and hot lunches were provided for all the participants, while maintaining Covid protocols.



The second wave of the pandemic has been receding slowly but the difficulties faced by our beneficiaries have not lessened. Too many families have struggled to make ends meet, having lost their jobs due to the lockdowns. Our partners have stepped up with their support to provide food and dry rations in various communities. Over 2,500 people were given cooked meals and ration kits in Delhi, Goa, Mumbai and Bengaluru. We extend our sincere thanks to the teams of Spencer's retail, Goa, Narmada Foundation, Responsenet and Manzil for their participation.



The COVID-19 pandemic has drastically affected daily wage labourers, especially in rural parts of India. In one small village, Kagai, in West Bengal, where most families were engaged as land labourers and construction workers, people lost their jobs due to the stringent lockdowns. Samarpan Foundation, in association with the NGO, One Action, supported these families with monthly ration kits. We have successfully reached out to more than a hundred beneficiaries through this effort.



Community centres, which are like basic lifeline centres, especially in remote areas, have suffered from lack of resources during the pandemic. The Bannur Community Health Centre, Mysuru, had an urgent need for life-saving resources which had become difficult to procure. This need was addressed by the volunteers of Samarpan Foundation, Bengaluru, who procured emergency oxygen cylinders and medicines.



While the pandemic was still amidst us, we at Samarpan looked for ways to ensure that our beneficiaries continue to feel equipped to face the pandemic. The Vidyapeetha Primary Health Centre under the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike provided 1000 masks to distribute to the beneficiaries of Pulakeshinagar settlement. This distribution was accompanied by a short training on the correct usage of the masks for the children and residents.



# SUCCESS STORIES



Education

# VISHAL

Vishal Rawat is a student of Samarpan Foundation, Kishangarh. He joined us in Grade 2 and has recently completed his schooling. He lives with his parents and two younger sisters who are also students of the tuition centre. His mother is a home-maker and his father is a driver. From the beginning, he was a hardworking student but needed some extra help which Samarpan provided. When the pandemic began and learning went online, despite having only one phone in the family, he and his siblings attended all the classes from their school as well as tuition centre. His dedication and the guidance of his teachers paid off as his dream came true and he scored 92.4% in his class 12 exams, ranking 1st in his entire school. His aspiration is to become a civil servant and he is now pursuing a B.A program at Aryabhatta College, Delhi. We wish him nothing but the best for his future and hope his story inspires his peers as much as it has inspired us.

## JAVED

Javed has been a student of Samarpan School and Tuition Centre, Kishangarh, in Delhi, since he was in grade 1. He has always had a keen interest in science. When he discussed his goal to pursue science for grade eleven, his teachers apprised him of the technical difficulties of the subjects, as well as tuition fees to specialize in the field. This did not deter Javed at all and despite family difficulties, he resolved to study harder. His father passed away when he was in grade 9, making it even more challenging for him as it brought a huge financial strain on the family. His mother began working as a house-help and Javed began working to support his family, which affected his studies. He doubled his efforts, working hard for his board exams and has successfully been accepted into the Bachelors' program in Physiotherapy from Galgotias University.



Empowerment

# PARVEEN

Parveen was a manager at the Ministry of Economy in Kabul, when the neighbouring building was blown to shreds by a bomb. Today, she sits at a refugee artisan centre in a constricted Malviya Nagar lane, crocheting needles between her fingers, reminiscing the lost beauty of the clear blue skies of her country. Quoting Rumi in Dari, 'There is so much pain in my heart, that if I speak about it, my tongue will burn like fire - and if I keep it inside, it'll burn the blood in my veins.' Parveen wants her daughters to study, learn skills and 'stand on their own two feet'. Independence in finance, thought and action for her children is her only dream. Her eldest daughter is preparing to be a doctor, the nextis a web designer, while the two youngest daughters are still in school. In between refugee cards and crocheting needles, the threads of time keep reeling open—conversations flow, healing comes. Parveen hopes to earn more and prays for the mental peace of her family

# RAKHI

Rakhi, one of our beneficiaries hailing from a prisoner's family, brought up her daughter, Sonia, single-handedly with painstaking effort. Sonia, despite undergoing difficult circumstances, relentlessly worked hard to fulfill her aspirations of working with Café Coffee Day, a leading brand. After giving her class 12 examinations, Sonia upgraded herself by taking up a professional English conversational skills course along with service and sales skills, to successfully enter the job market. With her determination and perseverance she managed to crack the job interview at CCD and started her journey as a service staff member, making everyone proud.



Animal welfare

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If one were to observe the lessons animals teach us, they often end up transforming our lives. Coco has been one such teacher for many of us at Samarpan. A rare biological fault had ravaged her hind legs and the situation became life-threatening, but the doctors were unwilling to operate. One night, her leg ruptured spontaneously and the necrosis began to fall off by itself. Finally, a surgeon agreed to amputate, but not without citing the dangers. Coco came through heroically after her surgery and soon, she was able to walk with help, on her two legs. She now has her wheel cart and is happily able to run again. Coco's purpose? Perhaps to teach us that the spirit that lives in us all, is undefeatable.

## PUPPY

A Puppy was abandoned outside the home of one of our partner volunteers in Mumbai. Not used to being outside, she made her presence known till she was taken inside and cared for. Her foster parent stepped up for her to find her forever home. She was one of the lucky ones to have found a loving home in a matter of just a few days, and is being spoiled and loved now!



Nutrition and Development

## BHUMIKA

It is with deep regret that we inform of the sad demise of Nirmala, a beneficiary under the developmental program of Samarpan Foundation, who succumbed to Sarcoidosis. Her life and legacy lives on in the efforts of her daughter, Bhumika. While Bhumika was willing to let go of her studies to take care of her mother, Nirmala willed her to complete her education. With the support of our kind-hearted sponsor Dr. Rajendra J Hinduja, a patron of Sindhu College, Bhumika has secured admission for a degree in B.Com and has fulfilled her mother's last wish. Our gratitude lies to the college and the benefactor for this timely help, and we at Samarpan Foundation strive to ensure that Bhumika lives the life that she and her mother envisioned.

# RAJ

Raj, a beneficiary of our development program, Injustice of Justice, has single handedly been raising her 2 children for the last 30 years, by working as a house maid. Her husband is serving a life term in prison. Her struggles over the years has impacted her health and she has been battling with illnesses over the years. These daily struggles have not dimmed her hopes and efforts towards her children's progress. Her daughter Kaveri has finally taken a leap as she has enrolled herself in the undergraduate course of her choice, with help from Samarpan Foundation. She has already successfully completed her first year in Bachelor of Arts from Delhi and is well on her way now to her second year, a living testament of the ideals and objectives of the development program of Samarpan.



### Homes

# ADOPTION

Madhuri Abhyankar, Programme Director was contacted by a maternity hospital in Pune in September 2021. They had two cases (on separate days) where the birth mothers wanted to relinquish their babies as they could not keep them for social reasons. The hospital personnel wanted to know where the babies could be referred.

Ms Abhyankar gave the details of a Child Specialised Adoption Agency who could assist under the circumstances. The said agency responded quickly and sent over a vehicle to take the babies. This process ensured that the babies reached the agency safely and would now have the chance at a bright future through adoption as children who are not so fortunate can become victims to very unfortunate circumstances including child trafficking.

Healthcare

# SHEELA

Confined to bed owing to a serious pelvic boneand stomach injury, 70 year old Sheela could barely move. The IJOJ project of Samarpan bore a significant part of the treatment and medical expenses, supporting the family financially. She now moves around with the help of a walking stick and has recuperated well and single handedly takes care of her grandchild.

# OUR PEOPLE

### LAVANYA Anirudh Verma



I've been mentor mother to these (our Samarpan) children for about 15 years now. I had to learn to deal with teenagers even before my biological kids hit their teens. Excitable, hormonal, insecure, expressive, explosive, shy and boisterous... I could go on about the range of emotions one had to deal with; from being suspicious about the love I would shower, to accepting and embracing me as their mamma it has truly been the most rewarding experience. It's only comparable with the actual birthing of a child that transforms a woman to a mother.

Through my children I see and resonate with 'वसुधैव कुटुम्बकम्', they see no boundaries and love with such purity, blessed am I to have so many little blessings. May they forever retain their childish innocence even as they blossom into mature adults.





I have had the pleasure of meeting Patrick and receiving healing. My father, Sachin Bansal, is a firm believer in his healing energies. I have always seen my parents trying to do whatever they can for society. Thanks to Samarpan Foundation's campaign to feed stray cats and dogs, a concern very close to my heart, I got the chance to contribute on my own by reaching out to people to collect funds for the same. It gave me a great sense of joy to be able to contribute to such a good cause. It felt very nice when they acknowledged me and made me feel very special as the youngest participant and the first to achieve my target. I look forward to being a part of the Foundation and supporting in whatever way I can.





RACHNA MALIK Founder, Givers For A Cause It is my honor to write a testimonial for Samarpan Foundation. The foundation's founder, Patrick, is a renowned healer who has been using his skills to help those in need. As a team, their dedication to serving others is truly remarkable, and their kindness and generosity have touched the hearts of many.

I had the privilege of meeting one of their volunteers, Gul, during my visit to the A.I.I.M.S. Shelter Home where Samarpan Foundation provides huge support. They have been instrumental in helping us provide wheelchairs, medicines, and surplus clothes to those in need. One of the things that impressed me the most is that they are always the first to distribute blankets to the homeless patients of A.I.I.M.S during the coldest months of the year. I am grateful to have had the opportunity to witness first hand the positive impact they are making in the lives of many. I hope that their actions will encourage others to follow in their footsteps and contribute to making the world a better place.

HFCL Limited is delighted to partner with Samarpan Foundation in taking care of education of kids living in slums.

HFCL provides financial support to the endeavour of Samapan's pioneering program, "Hathi Basti School and Tuition Centre" being run in Delhi, under its CSR initiative.

On the partnership, Ms. Neelu Chandra, Vice President CSR & Spark Program, said that "The comprehensive model adopted by Samarpan Foundation and efforts made by it, is really paving the way for hundreds of marginalised children to join formal schools. It is bridging the gap in their level of education and empowering them towards a better future. I wish them best of luck for their future endeavours".

"The children getting benefits under this program, belong to migrant labourers and beggars residing on the street or in unauthorized nearby Jhuggis in Delhi. They get wholesome nutritious food, regular educational support and the Samarpan Foundation is determined to enable these kids to get into mainstream education", said Mr. Manoj Baid, Senior Vice-president (Corporate) & Company Secretary.

HFCL commends the entire Samarpan team and wish the children and the Foundation a great future ahead.



NEELU CHANDRA Vice President CSR & Spark Program- HFCL Limited



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#### SAMARPAN FOUNDATION 63 Jorbagh, New Delhi-110003

#### INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

Expenditure	Sch. No.	Amount (Rs.)	Income	Sch. No.	Amount(Rs.)
To Project Exp	VI	4,64,59,907.54	By Donations		2,79,48,281.74
To Administrative Exp	VII	45,15,654.03	By Bank Interest		2,57,952.0
To Depreciation	ш	12,67,007.71	By Grant Utilised	ш	1,96,17,558.0
			By Interest on IT Refund		2,515.8
			By Excess of Expenditure over Income		44,16,261.7
Total		5,22,42,569,28	Total		5,22,42,569.2

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Trustee Shradha Vedbrat

Date : 29 Sept, 2022 Place: New Delhi

Trustee

#### For SAMARPAN FOUNDATION

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As per our report of even date attached For Arun K. Agarwal & Associates Chartered Accountants Firm Reg. No.403917N M 100 ARUN KUMAR AGARWAI M.NO. 082899

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Trustee Shradha Vedbrat Date: 29 Sept, 2022

Chief Executive Officer Roohi Sharma





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By supporting us with logistics
By helping us to raise funds
By making a donation

Please contact us at

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