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LETTER from the CHAIRPERSON



Dear All,

I would like to begin by congratulating the volunteers, donors, employees, and well-wishers for having steered the organization through the difficult post-pandemic period to a bright and promising future.

In keeping with our motto "We do what needs to be done", we conducted a donation drive (in kind) for the residents of Rangpuri, near Vasant Kunj, New Delhi, which was destroyed by fire.

Examples of our dedication to "opening of minds": We organized a mental health awareness workshop in our Women Empowerment Centers.

Onward and onward we go!

We find our strength in the immortal words of Robert Frost:

"I have miles to go before I sleep, miles to go before I sleep!"

Patrick San Francesco

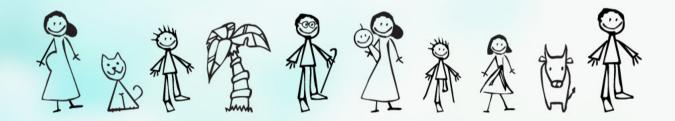


About SAMARPAN FOUNDATION

Samarpan Foundation is a registered charitable not-for-profit entity, established in September 2006 in New Delhi. Our vision is to expand our network globally, to provide help and assistance of any kind where there is a humanitarian, ecological or environmental need. Our focus is need-based, and volunteers manage our projects. Since its inception, the Samarpan Foundation has successfully implemented various projects across India, affecting positive change for thousands of people.

The Foundation has projects in

New Delhi, Karnataka, Goa, West Bengal and Maharashtra.



VISION

SHEDDING LIGHT EVEN IN THE DARKEST CORNERS.

MISSION

CHANGING UNIVERSAL CONSCIOUSNESS
BY OPENING HEARTS AND MINDS.

PHILOSOPHY

LOVE, PEACE, HAPPINESS, KINDNESS, SIMPLICITY, CLARITY.



EDUCATION

"OPENING MINDS TO THE ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES THROUGH KNOWLEDGE"

Within the education sector, persistent disparities disproportionately affect children coming from economically and socially marginalized backgrounds. These individuals, who are entitled to an education like anyone else, encounter numerous obstacles due to a complex interplay of factors. These hurdles include the dearth of access to quality educational resources, the presence of substandard infrastructure, and the prevalence of gender bias within educational systems. Furthermore, the global COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated these challenges, particularly with the sudden transition to online learning modalities. This shift has magnified pre-existing inequities, as many marginalized communities lack access to essential resources such as smartphones, reliable internet connectivity, and technological support.

In addition to these systemic barriers, marginalized children often contend with issues like seasonal migration, child labor, early marriage, and financial instability, further impeding their educational opportunities. Consequently, many beneficiaries of Samarpan Foundation's initiatives have either never been enrolled in formal educational systems or have experienced significant disruptions in their educational trajectories. This disruption can lead to high dropout rates or render them ill-equipped to meet the demands of the formal curriculum.



Moreover, a significant challenge arises from the mismatch between students' chronological age and their academic proficiency level. This discrepancy often forces students into age-inappropriate classes, where they struggle to meet academic standards, ultimately resulting in higher dropout rates.





Despite these formidable obstacles, Samarpan Foundation remains steadfast in its commitment to addressing educational disparities within marginalized communities. Through our educational programs, we strive towards initiatives that encompass a range of strategies, including the establishment of contact and bridge schools to support students who struggle within the formal education system. These schools provide tailored assistance to help students successfully transition into age-appropriate classes in government schools. Additionally, our informal education centers, strategically located within marginalized communities, serve as vital hubs for educational support and community engagement. Through these holistic efforts, we aim to transform the educational landscape, fostering greater equity and opportunity for all individuals, irrespective of their socio-economic background.

PRESENCE



NOTE: The Samarpan School and Tuition Centre in Akshardham was closed in January 2023, followed by the Centres in Shastri Park and Yamuna Pushta in March 2023, due to the Delhi Development Authority's efforts to clear unauthorized settlements in the River Yamuna Flood Plain Area to mitigate flood risks. The Hathi Basti Centre may also face closure for the same reason, and we are preparing for this eventuality.

IMPACT

BENEFICIARIES IMPACTED

STUDENTS RECEIVING MAINSTREAM EDUCATION

CENTRES



KISHANGARH, DELHI



YAMUNA PUSHTA, DELHI



KOTLA, DELHI

BENEFICIARIES IMPACTED

STUDENTS RECEIVING MAINSTREAM EDUCATION

CENTRES



HATHI BASTI, DELHI



CHIMBEL, GOA



BAGALUR LAYOUT, BENGALURU

IMPACT



TOTAL NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES IMPACTED: 1377



HIGHLIGHTS

360 DEGREE DELIGHT!

The students at the Chimbel Tuition Centre, Goa were invited to participate in a very special film shoot involving a trip through Goa, filming for the Goan version of 'The Fair Grounds' VR installation. The result was presented at the LaLaLand Festival on April 16 at the Museum of Goa. This event was conducted by our sponsors Dr Subodh Kerkar,



Noreen van Holstein and Rene van Engelenburg, the artists of the film. For the shooting, the students went to Panjim beach and Fort Aguada, followed by lunch at McDonalds. 50 students were invited to the viewing of the film at the LaLaLAnd Festival, where they experienced an evening of live music, multiple performances, juggling, acrobatics, etc. The experience was made even more special when the children got to use the VR headsets to enjoy the spectacular 360-degree tour through Panjim, in which some of them had participated. The children indulged in snacks like popcorn and soft drinks throughout the event.

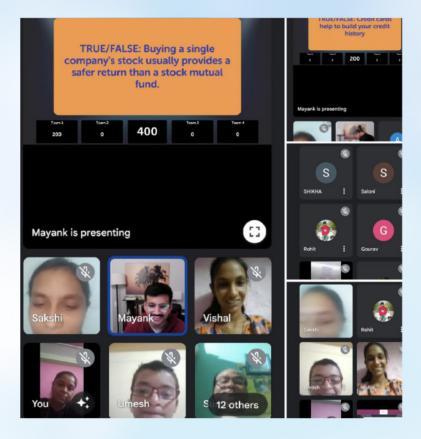
KNOW YOUR RIGHTS



Our volunteers initiated a partnership with the North-East District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) and organized various camps for the residents at Shastri Park, New Delhi. Advocates Pradeep Chauhan, Deepak Thukural, and Mr. Kamta Prasad conducted multiple sessions attended by 80 residents, where they were informed about the provisions and process to access free legal aid services provided by DLSA.

The DLSA also organised a one-week Labour Card Camp so as to ease registration of the residents as labourers. This camp was extremely beneficial for the members of the community as they are now eligible to avail the benefits under subsidies provided for labourers. The DLSA also organised a Child and Adolescent Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Session, where 64 students participated. The children were made aware about the ills of child labour, their rights, and emphasis was laid on the importance of education.

SMART MONEY



This year, to promote financial literacy among the students at Samarpan School and Tuition Centre in Kishangarh Village, Delhi, Mr. Mayank Prashar, President, Vidya Setu Foundation, conducted comprehensive financial literacy sessions for classes 9-12. These sessions covered a wide range of crucial topics. Student learnt about the benefits of using credit cards, different types of credit, various investment options, setting smart financial goals, fraud protection, identifying counterfeit currency, and understanding credit card cloning, among others. To assess the students' understanding and progress, a fun and engaging quiz was also organized, in which the students performed exceptionally well. These sessions not only imparted essential financial knowledge but also played a significant role in fostering a sense of self-confidence and independence among the students.

CAPACITY BUILDING



A series of awareness workshops were organized for the students of the Schools and Tuition Centres of Samarpan Foundation, New Delhi on various age-based topics. The workshops, conducted by Modicare Foundation, were held for 3 days as part of giving them life skills training, and was new exposure for many of them. While discussions for the younger students were kept on topics such as good touch and bad touch, nutrition, bullying, and problem-solving, the older students were given exposure to topics such as child abuse, substance abuse, personality development, gender sensitization, etc. The team used techniques such as stories,



examples, and songs with which the students were easily able to relate. The topics touched upon, allowed for open communication amongst the students. Many of hese topics were new and often misunderstood. We are thankful to the team of Modicare Foundation for their participation.



NUTRITION & DEVELOPMENT

"A FIRM FOUNDATION FOR GROWTH IS A BALANCED DIET"



The realization of individual development is intricately linked to the availability of fundamental necessities and resources, irrespective of one's socio-economic standing. While this aspiration may seem distant, the United Nations has set the stage for transformative change, through the establishment of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Central to this development, is the indispensable role of adequate nutrition in fostering healthy growth and well-being. However, in the context of India, the escalating population growth, juxtaposed with persistent disparities in accessing nutritious meals, particularly among those marginalized below the poverty line, poses a formidable challenge to the nation's overall health and well-being metrics. Many households grapple with the arduous task of providing even two square meals a day, with a significant segment of the young population enduring hunger, which detrimentally affects their holistic development. Addressing this prevalent nutritional deficit emerges as a pressing imperative for India to make substantial progress towards realizing its Sustainable Development Goals.

Recognizing the pivotal interplay between nutrition and learning,
Samarpan Foundation places paramount emphasis on addressing the
foundational needs requisite for educational reform within communities.
Through our comprehensive nutrition program, we endeavor to ensure
that no child embarks on their educational journey on an empty stomach.
Our multifaceted approach encompasses the provision of regular, wellbalanced meals to beneficiaries affiliated with our educational centers.
This encompasses the distribution of nutritious breakfast and lunch at
schools, alongside the provision of wholesome snacks at tuition centers.
As a testament to the efficacy of our efforts, we have observed a
discernible decrease in malnutrition rates and a corresponding uptick
in the Body Mass Index (BMI) among students enrolled in our programs.





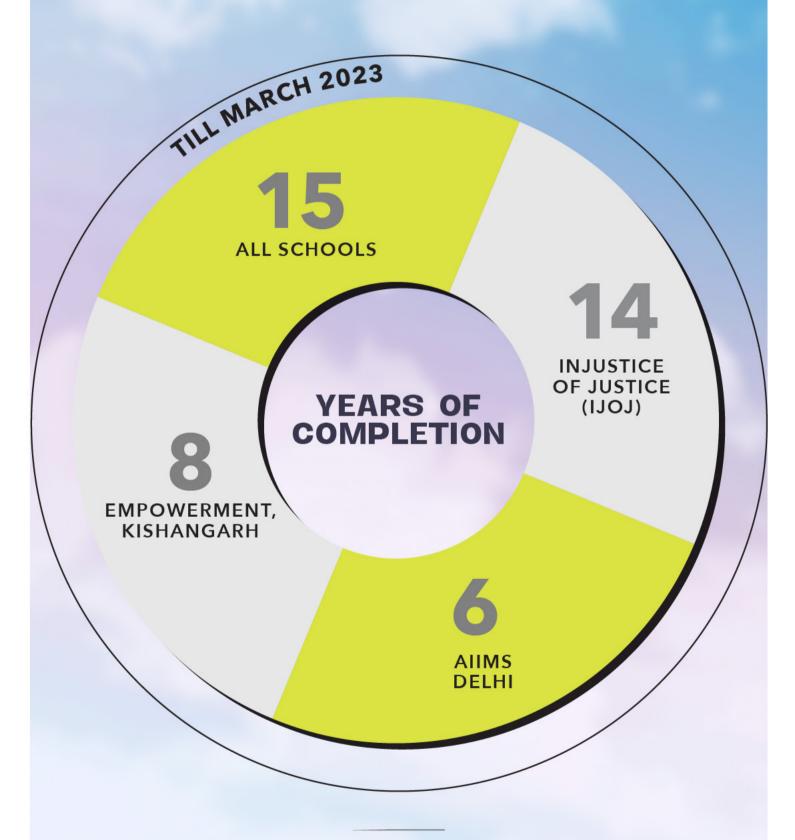


Since its inception, Samarpan Foundation has remained steadfast in its commitment to fostering holistic development across diverse demographic strata. Our suite of nutritional and developmental initiatives caters to a wide array of beneficiaries, including children, women from our empowerment centre, destitute families, families of prisoners (under the purview of our program, "Injustice of Justice (IJOJ)"). Through these concerted endeavors, we provide regular sustenance to thousands of children and extend monthly ration kits to severely marginalized families. Moreover, we offer an array of developmental opportunities aimed at ensuring equitable access to resources and fostering the holistic growth and well-being of all individuals within our communities.





PRESENCE



NOTE: Due to limited resources and strategic considerations, Samarpan Foundation did not provide significant support to the Rural Development Trust, Kadiri, but endeavored to meet some smaller needs.

IMPACT

BENEFICIARIES IMPACTED

CENTRES

1377

ALL

SCHOOLS

W

87

WOMEN
EMPOWERMENT
CENTRE,
KISHANGARH

97

INJUSTICE OF JUSTICE



AIIMS

TOTAL NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES IMPACTED: 2061



HIGHLIGHTS

FOOD SECURITY FOR CHILDREN





With 38% of children under 5 suffering from malnutrition in India, it is an area of concern that needs to be addressed. At Samarpan, adequate nutrition is a key area of focus to support the growth of our communities. As part of their aim to support maternal and child health, The Centre for Health Research and Development Society for Applied Studies, in collaboration with WHO, generously distributed around 4,900 pouches of cerelac to 179 children between the ages of 6 months to 5 years, at Kishangarh, Kotla, Shastri Park, and Akshardham. The aim was to provide infants and toddlers with good quality and nutritious instant food to support their holistic growth and combat malnutrition.



EMERGING FROM THE ASHES



A devastating fire broke out at Rangpuri, near Vasant Kunj, New Delhi, destroying eight homes and leaving the residents grappling with unimaginable loss. Samarpan Foundation organized a drive to provide the families with emergency welfare items to rebuild their lives. For these families with meager means, it will take years to accumulate that which was lost, pushing them back into abject poverty. Fortunately, good Samaritans stepped up to the task and donated items such as dry rations, utensils, clothing, folding beds, mattresses, sanitation consumables, carts, and tin shields for their roofs. We would like to thank all individual donors, volunteers, and donor organizations Madan Lal Foundation and Group of Friends Welfare Trust, for their participation in the successful drive for the residents of Rangpuri. It was through the support of such members of society that Samarpan was able to carry its vision of 'spreading light in the darkest corner'.



SENSIVITY TOWARDS INCLUSIVITY

A pathbreaking workshop on the LGBTQIA+ community was organized for around 18 teachers of Samarpan's Kishangarh School, New Delhi. Inclusivity and gender sensitivity are so important and educational spaces play a major role. We, at Samarpan, were extremely privileged to have among us, an eminent human rights activist and founder and executive director of The Naz Foundation, Ms. Anjali Gopalan. She impressed upon everyone that the LGBTQIA+ community forms a significant part of society. Hence, the importance of being aware of their present-day situation and issues. She did a brilliant job of inculcating a spirit of deep empathy and understanding among our teachers.



HEALTHCARE

"THE GREATEST WEALTH IS GOOD HEALTH"

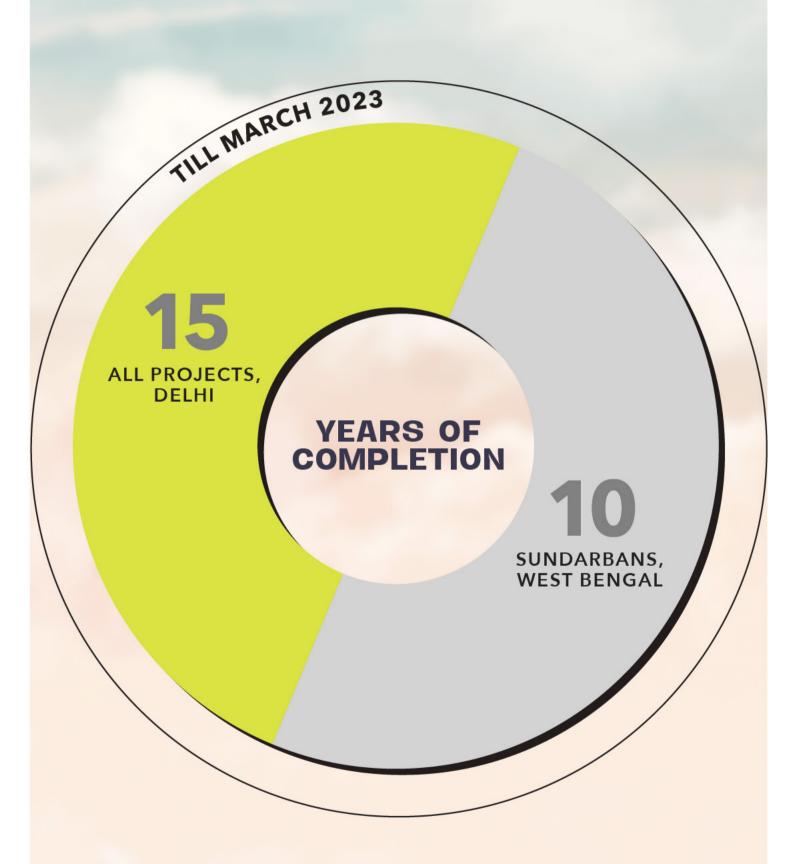
While India's healthcare system continues to advance rapidly and garner international recognition for its achievements, significant segments of the population, particularly those from marginalized groups, still face formidable barriers to accessing quality healthcare services. These communities often grapple with limited access to necessities such as clean water, sanitary living conditions, and adequate housing, which contribute to the prevalence of illness and disease. Moreover, factors such as insufficient awareness of government healthcare benefits, further exacerbate the disparity in healthcare provision across the country.



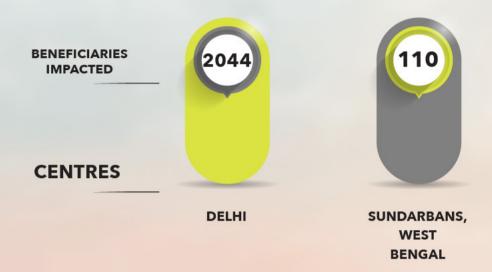


Guided by the principle that only a healthy body can contribute effectively, we have been steadfast in our commitment to supporting disadvantaged communities in accessing essential healthcare services. Through our network of medical camps, provision of medicines, support in medical treatments like surgeries, and facilitation of referrals, we strive to bridge the gap in healthcare accessibility and ensure that every individual, regardless of their socio-economic background, can avail themselves of the care they need to lead healthy and fulfilling lives. In instances where urgent or intensive medical care is required, we facilitate referrals to hospital services and provide financial support until the individual is rehabilitated.

PRESENCE



IMPACT



TOTAL NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES IMPACTED: 2154



HIGHLIGHTS





REACHING SUNDARBANS LIVES

Samarpan Foundation, with the support of AIM Foundation, Kolkata, conducted a medical camp at Bijoynagar in Bali Island, Sundarbans, which was attended by approximately 60 people. For the local people of this remote delta, this medical intervention came as a relief as their immediate issues were addressed. We aim to continue with the medical camps at the Foundation's campus on Bali Island and increase the range of our services. We reach out to seek your support towards making the lives of the local people of the Sundarbans, better.

VISION CHECK



On 19th October, a medical eye camp was conducted at the Samarpan School and Tuition Centre, Kishangarh, in Delhi. In partnership with the team of Vision Springs, doctors conducted eye check-ups for more than 600 beneficiaries and staff. The specific requirements of every individual were assessed and for those who needed additional support, referrals with instructions were provided. The teams at Samarpan and Vision Springs provided spectacles for children who needed them. Conducting regular health camps is essential in our communities, as many of our beneficiaries are unable to access quality healthcare services. Such initiatives help us ensure the optimum growth and development of the children under our care.



EMPOWERMENT

"TEACHING PEOPLE TO FISH, INSTEAD OF GIVING THEM THE FISH"

In India, the disparity in women's participation is influenced by a myriad of factors, including access to education, socioeconomic status, and familial dynamics. Empowering women in such a context poses significant challenges, with resistance prevalent across many communities. For women in the communities served by Samarpan Foundation, the quest for economic opportunities is often hindered by various constraints.



Samarpan Foundation is deeply committed to empowering women through its two dedicated empowerment centers located in Kishangarh Village and Malviya Nagar, serving Afghan women. At the outset, the project encountered significant resistance from society, stemming from entrenched cultural norms and biases surrounding gender roles. However, through targeted efforts such as educational programs for children, awareness sessions for women, and community appreciation for the initiatives undertaken, Samarpan successfully encouraged women to step out of their homes. Over time, these empowerment centers have witnessed a steady increase in participation from women within the community.

Samarpan significantly believes in "teaching people to fish, instead of giving them the fish". The overarching goal of the program is to foster financial independence among women while instilling a sense of dignity and self-worth. Recognizing the importance of accessibility, the empowerment centers were strategically established within the communities themselves, mitigating the challenge of travel restrictions often faced by women. Here, women undergo comprehensive training in stitching and tailoring, equipping them with valuable skills for economic self-sufficiency.



Singer India's support plays a pivotal role in the project, as women who successfully complete their training are certified as professional tailors. To facilitate their transition to financial independence, Samarpan conducts regular workshops and training sessions. These sessions not only enhance their technical skills but also impart crucial knowledge on financial literacy and encourage active participation in the labor force. Through these holistic efforts, Samarpan Foundation endeavors to empower women, enabling them to lead dignified and self-reliant lives within their communities.

PRESENCE

TILL MARCH 2023

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WOMEN EMPOWERMENT CENTRE, KISHANGARH, DELHI

YEARS OF COMPLETION

5

ARIA, MALVIYA NAGAR, DELHI

IMPACT

BENEFICIARIES IMPACTED

87

CENTRES

MEN ARIA.

WOMEN
EMPOWERMENT
CENTRE,
KISHANGARH
DELHI

ARIA, MALVIYA NAGAR, DELHI

TOTAL NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES IMPACTED: 126



HIGHLIGHTS

PADDING UP FOR THE FUTURE

The Red Padding Project and Tarini Foundation organized a pad-making workshop for the beneficiaries at the Women Empowerment Centre, ARIA, (Afghan Refugee Initiative for Artisans), Malviya Nagar in Delhi. The training programme was conducted to teach women how to make reusable sanitary cloth pads and subsequently, to make additional earnings. The organizing team has partnered with the women for their orders and they were provided a commission for the same. A workshop was also conducted by the Migration & Asylum Project (MAP) on Refugee Rights at ARIA. The major aim of this workshop was to educate the beneficiaries of ARIA about refugee rights in various countries, including India, and the opportunities provided to them on their arrival. The session was followed by questions and clarification of all queries. We are thankful to both our partners for these informative workshops aimed at improving the quality of life, and providing the beneficiaries with viable solutions to counter their precarious situations.



MIND MATTERS

As the world grapples with the knowledge of the pervasiveness of mental health issues, it is imperative to educate people about it. However, there is a large section of society where speaking about mental health issues is still taboo, let alone accessibility to mental health services. We, at Samarpan, endeavour to empower our beneficiaries through various initiatives and awareness sessions. In this context, an hour-long awareness session on Women's Mental Health was organised at the Women Empowerment Centre, Kishangarh. Ms. Shubhi Agarwal, a psychologist and Ph.D. scholar, took the session which emphasized various concerns surrounding women's mental health, and opened the floor for discussions around the topic. The session invited a lot of queries from the participants and some of them went on to discuss their health issues as well as the interconnection between physical and psychological health. One of the participants, linked mental health issues to termite infestation, which when left untreated, hollows the body from within. An impactful statement indeed!



ANIMAL WELFARE

"ALL BEINGS GREAT AND SMALL ARE EQUAL IN THE WORLD"

Samarpan Foundation is dedicated to elevating standards of animal welfare through collective action and engagement in initiatives aimed at safeguarding their safety. Animals living on the streets often endure the harsh realities of both natural adversities and human cruelty, as they strive to survive. They frequently fall victim to violence and are exposed to unforgiving weather conditions, rendering their struggle for survival immensely challenging.

Recognizing that animals are an indispensable part of nature, their well-being hinges greatly on human intervention and care. In response to these pressing challenges, Samarpan Foundation has undertaken proactive measures to provide compassionate care and rehabilitation for these vulnerable beings. Food is distributed regularly to dogs, cats and cows across Bengaluru and Delhi, ensuring their sustenance. Additionally, the Foundation conducts Animal Birth Control and vaccination drives for stray dogs and cats, shielding them from diseases and preventing unwanted pregnancies.



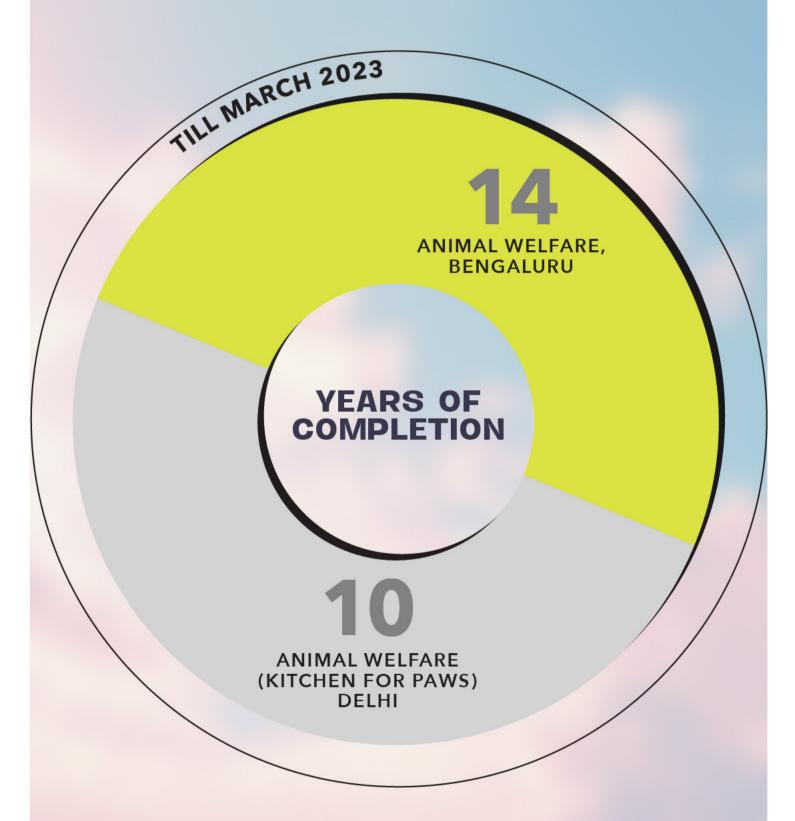


In instances of injuries or medical emergencies, Samarpan Foundation extends prompt medical care and support to animals from the moment of rescue until their eventual reintegration. Our dedicated staff members diligently identify cases requiring urgent attention and carry out necessary interventions to improve the quality of life of these animals. Through these concerted efforts, Samarpan Foundation remains committed to championing the cause of animal welfare and safeguarding the well-being of our fellow beings.





PRESENCE



NOTE: DUE TO LIMITED RESOURCES AND STRATEGIC CONSIDERATIONS, THE FOUNDATION DID NOT ORGANIZE ANY ANIMAL WELFARE ACTIVITIES IN GOA, KASHMIR, AND MUMBAI THIS YEAR.

IMPACT



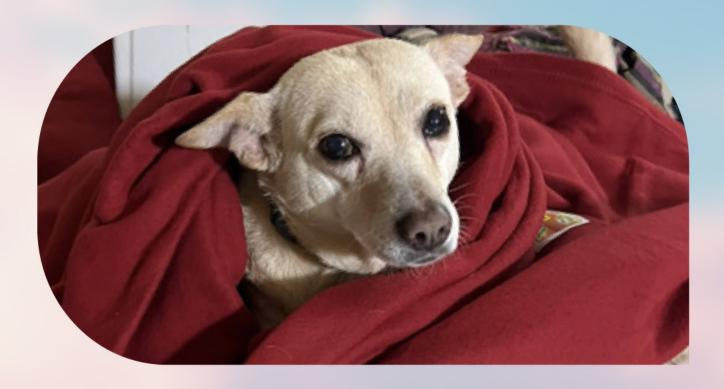
TOTAL NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES IMPACTED: 7105



HIGHLIGHTS

BRINGING WARMTH TO OUR FURRY FRIENDS

The Southern part of our country was shaken by cyclone 'Mandous' which originated in the Bay of Bengal. Bengaluru experienced incessant rains which resulted in waterlogging and traffic jams, causing great inconvenience to its citizens. Forget humans, innocent animals including homeless stray dogs, were left at the mercy of this inclement weather. Animal welfare being one of our primary goals, Samarpan joined hands with Jen Lopez, a dedicated animal feeder, and distributed blankets to keep our furry friends warm. 700 kilograms of rice was also distributed to feed our furry friends on the 24th of December, 2022



TO STAVE OFF THE COLD WET WINDS



Bengaluru has pleasant weather most of the time but the rainy seasons make things difficult for animals living on the streets, amongst others. Shelters providing care for animals are severely impacted, as they occupy open grounds and are directly hit by inclement weather. World Animal Day, observed on 4th October, saw the team from Animal Welfare at Samarpan Foundation, Bengaluru, celebrate the day with measures to protect the dogs in trauma care, recuperating at the Sarvodaya Clinic for Animals, Bengaluru. The dilapidated nets placed as a boundary for the open enclosure, were replaced with new netting to stave off the cold. Fifty gunny bags to be used as beds for the animals, were provided, to give them comfort and warmth. It was a satisfying day for all involved as the animals found their spot of comfort and peacefully slept on the bags, protected from the harsh weather.



HOMES

"TO PROVIDE A SAFE HARBOR IN A STORMY WORLD"



Many of us take for granted the feeling of being part of a family and the sense of safety that comes with having a home. However, there are countless children who not only lack this sense of belonging and safety, but find it completely foreign. For those who have been orphaned or abandoned by their parents and caregivers, life presents additional hurdles that many of them are ill-prepared to face. Access to basic necessities such as care and food is often scarce, leaving them emotionally, physically, and psychologically deprived. This deprivation frequently forces them into precarious situations where their safety is compromised, hindering their ability to thrive and contribute to society. Providing care for this especially vulnerable group is a complex and ongoing process that requires collective societal responsibility.



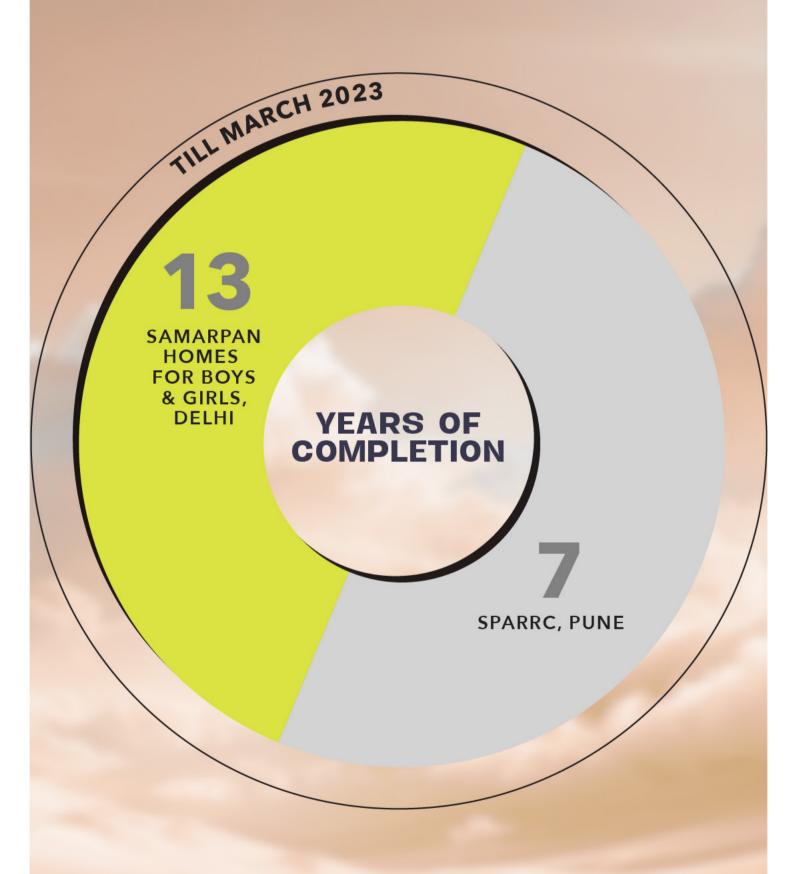




With the motto to provide a safe space to the children in need, Samarpan has established two children's homes in Delhi. These homes ensure that all aspects of the children's well-being, including safety, comfort, health, and nutrition, are addressed. Additionally, the children are enrolled in educational institutions to equip them with the necessary resources and skills for a successful future. To further enhance their development, Samarpan organizes various capacity-building exercises, awareness campaigns and skill-building workshops. These initiatives aim to expose the children to diverse fields, enhance their aptitude skills and foster positive personality development.

Furthermore, Samarpan facilitates regular adoption programs through its Samarpan Programme for Adoption Research Counselling Consultancy and Care (SPARCC) center in Pune. These programs bring together prospective adopters and adoptees, offering workshops to facilitate a smooth transition for all stakeholders involved. Additionally, Samarpan provides a solution-oriented approach to adopters and adoptees as they embark on their new journey in life. Through these comprehensive efforts, Samarpan strives to ensure a brighter future for every child under its care, promoting their well-being and integration into loving families and society.

PRESENCE



IMPACT

BENEFICIARIES IMPACTED

CENTRES



SAMARPAN HOME FOR BOYS



SAMARPAN HOME FOR GIRLS



SPARCC, PUNE

TOTAL NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES IMPACTED: 186



HIGHLIGHTS



Khushi, a 5-year-old girl (name changed), was entrusted to our care after being abandoned. Significantly younger than the other children, she initially experienced fear and uncertainty. However, she quickly endeared herself to everyone in the home, becoming a cherished member of the household. Often found nestled in the mentor mother's lap, Khushi found comfort and security in her embrace. Given Khushi's tender age and the inability to locate the biological parents, we faced a challenging dilemma. Legal obligations dictated that children in such circumstances should be made available for adoption. This presented a delicate balancing act for us, as our commitment to the children in our care is akin to that of a family. However, we recognized the importance of providing Khushi with a sense of love and security while also preparing her for the possibility of joining a smaller, loving nuclear family through adoption. In adherence to regulations, Khushi's profile was listed on adoption portals. After a diligent search, we were delighted to find a loving couple from South India eager to welcome Khushi into their home. She now resides as their only child, receiving boundless love and care from her doting parents.

SPARKLING IN THEIR NEW HOMES



This year, SPARCC conducted 19 post-placement follow-ups for the 12 children placed in adoption through their services. It was heartening to see that all 12 children, which included nine girls and three boys, were thriving in their new homes. Many of them also had older siblings who played a significant role in helping them settle into their new environments. The SPARCC team went above and beyond for one family, conducting individual and group sessions with the parents to address their specific challenges. They provided guidance on various aspects such as diet, health monitoring, and using books and toys to encourage the child's involvement.



EDUCATION

Students of class 11 and 12 at the Samarpan School and Tuition Centre, Kishangarh, started their first entrepreneurial venture by setting up a chaat and bhelpuri stall at their local Dussehra Mela. The stall was put up by pooling in their own resources, without any help from the adults! But what truly made the stall special was the very reason it had been set up for. The profit they made from the sale of food was put back into the stall to purchase and serve snacks for needy children who were unable to buy these simple treats for themselves. For each of us at Samarpan, learning has always gone hand in hand with giving back to those in need, and we feel extremely proud of the children, who have not only epitomized the learnings of Samarpan but are already carrying the torch to light up the lives of others.







Sapna, a Class 10 student at Samarpan Tuition Centre in Chimbel, Goa, has shown remarkable resilience and determination. As the eldest in her family, she faced numerous restrictions and challenges. Her day would start early, filled with household chores before she could head to school. Despite having minimal time for herself, Sapna excelled academically, consistently achieving high marks. With her father being the sole breadwinner, the family struggled financially. However, Sapna's determination and courage drove her to pursue her education against all odds. Her relentless efforts paid off when she scored 73.5% in her 10th class exams. She has now emerged as a beacon of hope and pride for her family, demonstrating that, with hard work and perseverance, any obstacle can be overcome.

NUTRITION & DEVELOPMENT

Five-year-old Himanshi is a student of Nursery-B at Samarpan's Kishangarh School. She stays with her parents. Her father works as an electrician and her mother is a homemaker. At the time of her admission, Shivani demonstrated poor grasping skills and was unable to write what was being taught to her. She was physically frail as well. At the time of her joining, she was 105 cm tall and weighed merely 14 kg. Her BMI was 12. With freshly prepared nutritious meals provided to he regularly at school, her height and weight exponentially increased to 113 cm and 18.5 kgs respectively. Her BMI significantly increased from 12 to 14, making her healthy. Her overall growth and development were reflected in her



academic performance too. She stood first in class this year, making everybody proud of her. She thoroughly enjoys the meals provided to her and looks forward to attending her classes regularly.



We have another success story in Lakshya Dhaundiyal. He is the older of 2 brothers being brought up by their mother, singlehandedly. He joined College this year and is pursuing a Bachelor of Computer Applications from GGSIP University. He is an aspiring IT professional who wants to stand on his own feet fast, so that he can not only start supporting his family but also "help many other kids like himself who can't afford a good education and life, though deserving one". The Injustice of Justice project has supported the family with monthly rations and the children's school and college fees, leading to less stress on the family for the fulfilment of immediate needs, and focusing on working hard for their development.

HEALTHCARE





Every year countless people become victims of life-threatening diseases due to lack of proper sanitation facilities. Many schools in our country lack proper toilet facilities, risking the health, hygiene, dignity and education of children. It was a very special moment for the children and staff of the Shastri Park School, when a brand new toilet facility with a proper drainage system was inaugurated on the 20th of December, 2022. This eventful day was accompanied by an engaging role play on toilet awareness, a riveting dance performance, along with the ceremonial ribbon cutting by our esteemed guests Ms. Raj Lakshmi from PVR Nest and Ms. Roohi Sharma from Samarpan.



For many of our women beneficiaries, purchasing sanitary napkins regularly is not possible due to the high costs, making them rely on old pieces of cloth during their periods. As part of the healthcare campaign for women from disadvantaged communities, Samarpan Foundation conducts regular drives to provide the women with sanitary napkins to protect them from various infections caused from using old pieces of cloth. In July, reusable sanitary napkins were distributed to 70 women at the Kotla community, in Delhi. As part of the initiative, training has also been provided on the correct use and storage of the product. The training was also important to have open discussions on addressing superstitions and taboos prevalently associated with menstruation.

EMPOWERMENT

Anita had been a part of Shastri Park's adult literacy programme and stitching project. She visited the project earlier this year and proudly showed the teachers a handstitched, blue-colored salwar-kameez that she intended to wear on Eid. She expressed how grateful she is to Samarpan, as she is now able to join the alphabet together in Hindi, read road signs, and do basic mathematics. She excitedly shared that she now travels independently and has been making small purchases on her own. This transition of Anita and other community women is the journey envisaged through the women's empowerment programme. We are delighted to be a part of Anita's growth.





Terrified by the ongoing violence in Afghanistan, Gul Jan, and her family, migrated to Delhi's Malviya Nagar in 2019 but the first few days were challenging, as even two square meals were hard to come by. Gul Jan learned about Samarpan Foundation and decided to enroll in the course to help support her family. She completed her basic and intermediate courses at our centre and with her tremendous hard work and determination, she became one of the outstanding students in the field of crocheting and sewing. She is currently employed in Archisha, making potli bags, velvet bags, jewellery, necklaces, etc. Today, Gul Jan proudly expresses that she can sustain her family and provide her children with the education they deserve!

ANIMAL WELFARE



Meet Brownie, a resilient survivor who overcame immense cruelty to find a new lease of life. Found tied to a pillar of a home 24/7, in Bengaluru, Brownie endured a life of neglect and suffering. Denied the basic joys of life, such as walks and freedom to roam, Brownie's only happiness was the occasional relaxing of chains as she desperately sought to break free from the chains. She was forced to live in cruel conditions with her dish bowl left unclean, and no water to quench her thirst.

With dedicated counseling provided by our volunteer,
Ms. Meera, to the dog owner and the regular interventions of the Bengaluru team, we were able to rescue Brownie from her harsh living conditions and provide her with the necessary medical treatment and training she deserved.
She was admitted to another NGO named Sarvodaya for her medical treatment and could also heal from her past traumas.



A volunteer for the animal welfare programme in Bengaluru rescued a mother dog and her puppies who had canine distemper, a deadly virus that attacks the system of the dog. It is highly transmissible and can be fatal. The kind volunteer went beyond her call of duty to tend to the puppies and other adult dogs in the neighborhood. With her efforts, Samarpan Foundation was able to sponsor the vaccination of a total of twenty-two pups and older dogs, with the DHLP vaccine, protecting them from a host of fatal diseases. The tiny puppies were also given essential deworming medicines required for their survival. While we can care for some of the furry friends around us, there are so many other street animals looking for love and a home. It is our earnest request to all, to help the local dogs and cats in the neighborhood with basic necessities, if not a forever home.





Tara, a mother of eight puppies, fell victim to poisoning, a distressing incident observed by the Kitchen for Paws team during their daily feeding routine. Promptly responding to her dire condition, the Kitchen for Paws, New Delhi team swiftly transported Tara to the hospital, where she received urgent treatment for several days. Thanks to the timely intervention and dedicated care, Tara made a full recovery and joyously reunited with her litter of puppies.

HOMES



A seven year old boy, successfully found a loving home with an adoptive family. His adoptive parents are both teachers in municipal schools, residing in rural Maharashtra. This bright young boy exhibits intelligence, a strong desire for learning, and a deep devotion to his mother.

Despite having memories of his birth mother and openly discussing her with his adoptive parents, he has fully embraced his new family through guidance and regular counselling from SPARCC. Remarkably, his adoptive parents have displayed maturity by not feeling insecure when he reminisces about his birth mother. They fully understand his emotional needs, thanks to help from the members of SPARCC.

Naaz (name changed), a 12-year-old girl, arrived at the home after enduring severe sexual abuse by her father. Initially reserved and uncomfortable with physical contact, she harbored a deep distrust of others and felt disdain towards humanity. However, finding solidarity among peers who shared similar experiences, Naaz began to open up and realize that she was not to blame for her suffering. Through art, she found a means of self-expression that bolstered her confidence. Despite her mother's pleas to retract her testimony, Naaz remained steadfast, ultimately prevailing in court and receiving a substantial compensation of 10 lakhs from the state. This financial support will aid her as she transitions from the safety of the home to embark on a journey of healing and self-discovery.

SAMARPAN BAGS SABERA AWARD 2022

7th December 2022, was a proud day for the entire SAMARPAN fraternity. The Shastri Park School and Tuition Centre was felicitated with the prestigious SABERA Award (Social and Business Enterprise Responsible Awards) by Founder-curator, Suparnaa Chadda, in recognition of its distinguished contribution in the field of education. The SABERA Awards and Summit held at UNESCO House, San Martin Marg, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi, recognized the School's exceptional efforts in enabling children to successfully complete their education, by equipping them with the basic learning required for entry into the formal education system. Over the years, the Shastri Park School and Tuition Centre has single-mindedly dedicated its efforts to spreading awareness of the importance of education in the community, breaking stereotypes, busting myths and superstitious beliefs hindering education, and encouraging more and more participation of children in academics and extracurricular activities. This has led to a noteworthy transformation in the community.







Poetry

tay Hands of Light - Sumit Dhoundigal

Situations are free not on anyone's control But in my opinion, It you change you can change for good.

Just stout the change Then the angels will be there Just like for myself It was always samonlan's rose.

From every helper on this toundation guess I missloke this time only They can't seem like a toundation seems more like a temily.

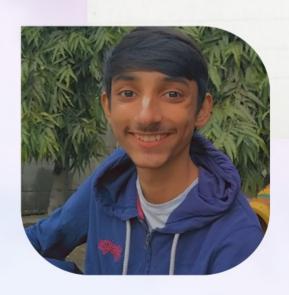
I was not able to find it the way to move ahead we will shelp you dear gently and softly they said.

Then I was contined a best like a little cheld why are these helping me they sold, for mankind.

Helted my mother, my taken, my brother In short my whole tamily I could never support the kindness that they're baid me.

So thankful for the gesture the accomodate of millions. In their hearts we can see for us common minions.

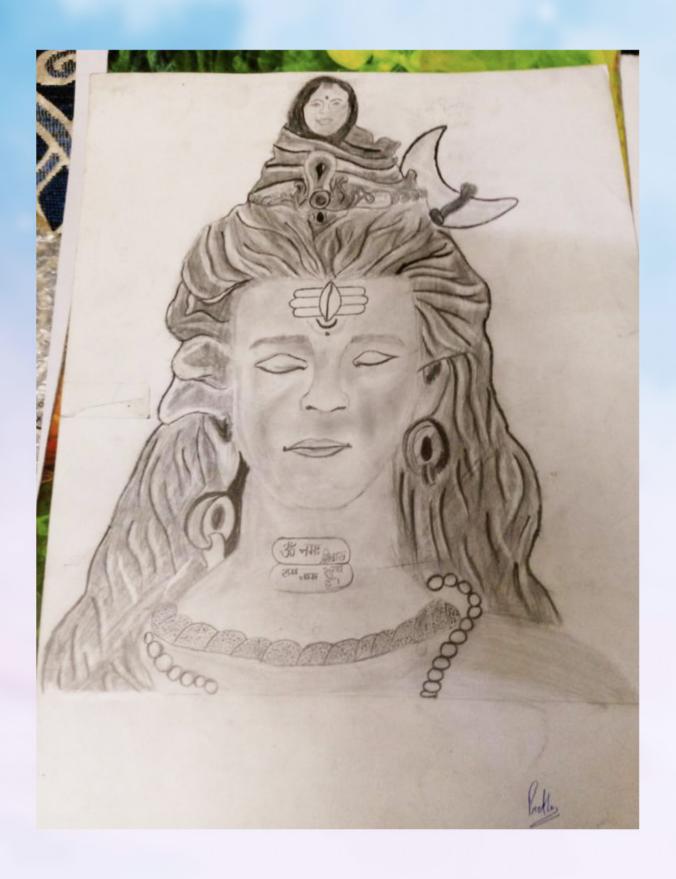
At the end just going to say this was a thanks to you. for that you have helted us and it was really out of the blue.

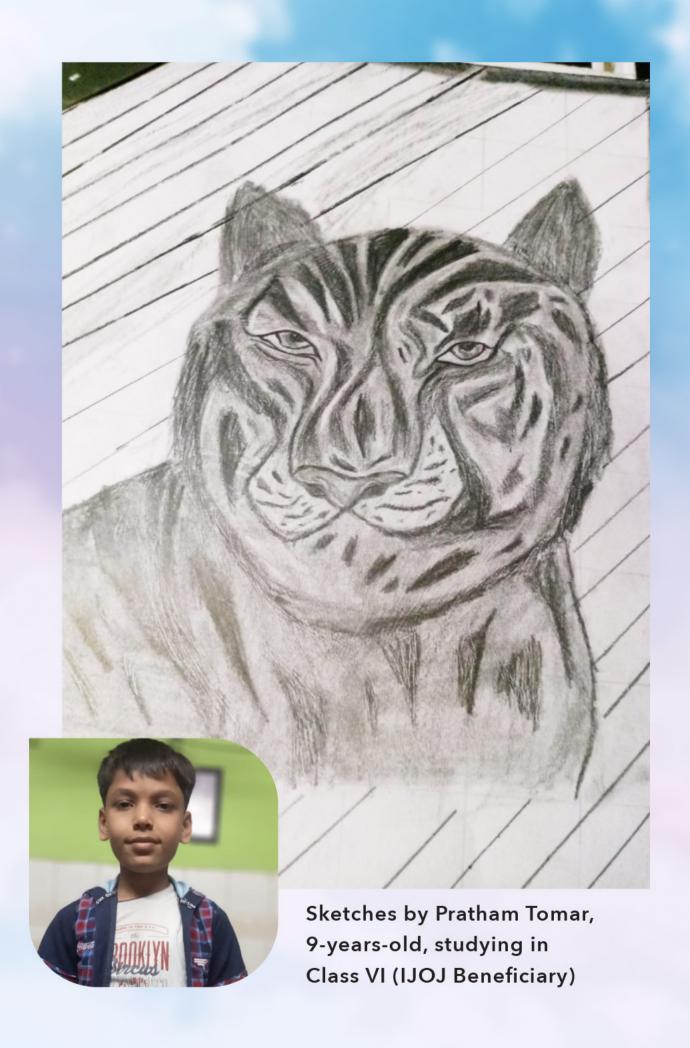


P.S. Thanks to everyone Samurlan toundati

Poem by Sumit Dhaundiyal, 17-year-old, studying in Class XII (IJOJ Beneficiary)

Fine Art





Invention

Projector prepared using cardboard and eyeglasses by Rahul Kumar, 14 yrs old, studying in Class IX (Education Project Beneficiary)









My association with Samarpan Foundation can be described aptly in one word: serendipity. The Merriam-Webster Dictionary describes 'serendipity' as 'the faculty or phenomenon of finding valuable or agreeable things not sought for'. And that's what it was: I came into contact with the Foundation and all those associated with it, quite by chance, in 2008. Since then, I have formed cherished bonds with Samarpan's volunteers, worked on some amazing projects that would otherwise have been out of bounds for me, and have lived an alternate life where I have managed to spread my wings and expand my horizons!

MANISHA SOBHRAJANI



Samarpan is a fraternity of friends bound together by a common thread of basic human values that hold this fragile world in place... love, peace, happiness, and kindness. It has been a privilege to be a part of this fraternity, to share my time and experience relating to the rehabilitation of family-deprived children through adoption. Along with a small team of qualified social workers, we have guided couples to a mutually fulfilling relationship through adoption. Lost and Found children could get a new lease of life through an alternative family when life's storms separated them from their birth families.





Samarpan provides us with the infrastructure and amazingly efficient administrative support which has enabled us to focus on our goals. The Samarpan volunteers have always been responsive, well-informed, and supportive. And of course, the shadow of our mentor, guide, philosopher, and friend, Patrick, has been leading us on this exhilarating journey to realize our potential and fulfill our role in this interdependent and interactive existence.

DIPIKA MAHARAJ SINGH





Hello, my name is Jayant Patwari, and I'm a 13-year-old boy residing in Bengaluru. Patrick has always been a tremendous blessing to my family – a gift from the Universe. Our journey with him began when I was just 6 years old. Patrick taught my mother and me the art of healing, and ever since, we've been extending our healing touch to plants, animals, and fellow human beings. Thanks to Patrick's blessings, I've embarked on a remarkable journey–I've become an author and a magician. I've had the privilege of performing magic shows for the children at the Samarpan Foundation and even conducting public shows to raise funds for worthy causes.

Samarpan holds a special place in my heart. Since the age of six, I've spent my summer breaks at Samarpan School, and I eagerly anticipate the opportunity to continue helping others in the future. Inspired by Samarpan's vision of spreading light even in the darkest corners, I am committed to making a positive impact in the lives of those in need.

JAYANT PATWARI





ASHIMA SANGHVI, FOUNDER, PROJECT ADYA

"I strongly feel that recognizing one's inner qualities, beliefs, fears and aspirations can enable students to reach their fullest potential. We held Adya sessions with students of Class XI and XII of the Samarpan school, where we explored our sense of self-worth, learnt to step out of our comfort zone, embrace our fears and failures as opportunities for growth, emotional awareness, mindfulness, listening and compassion. We could together create a joyful learning space where we learnt from each others' experiences, engaged in reflective activities and began a journey in self-awareness. We are grateful for this collaboration with Samarpan, furthering a commitment to nurture well-rounded individuals, who are equipped with emotional intelligence and resilience needed to navigate life's challenges and together create a more compassionate world"







Nucleus Office Parks is grateful for the exceptional dedication and efforts of the Samarpan Foundation in providing education to first-generation learners in urban slums. We are happy to be part of the effort in bringing positive change in the lives of these young people, resonating our belief in the transformative impact of education. The Foundation's unwavering commitment to high-quality education and its approach to unique challenges is inspiring. The personalized support given to each student, along with the team's professionalism and dedication, has made a significant and real impact. We at Nucleus Office Parks are thankful for this opportunity to work alongside such a devoted organization and look forward to continuing our journey together, striving for more meaningful and lasting change in our communities.

TEAM NUCLEUS













































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SAMARPAN FOUNDATION 63 Jorbagh, New Delhi-110003

INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

Expenditure	Sch. No.	Amount (Rs.)	Income	Sch. No.	Amount(Rs.)	
To Project Exp	VI	4,47,38,907.35	By Donations		2,71,06,301.61	
To Administrative Exp	VII	41,97,544.86	By Bank Interest	1 1	1,77,330.28	
To Depreciation	111	13,01,100.39	By Grant Utilised	11	2,01,40,168.00	
			By Excess of Expenditure over Income		28,13,752.71	
Total		5,02,37,552.60	Total		5,02,37,552.60	

For SAMARPAN FOUNDATION ello VadPhor

> Trustee Shradha Vedbrat

Date: 28-09-2023 Place: New Delhi

FOR SAMARPAN FOUNDATION

VICE CHAIRPERSON Vice Chairperson Roohi Sharma

As per our report of even date attached
For Arun K. Agarwal & Associates
Chartered Accountants
Firm Reg. No. 0028 (1704)

ARUN KUMAR AGARWA

PARTNER M.NO. 082899

SAMARPAN FOUNDATION 63 Jorbagh, New Delhi-110003

BALANCESHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2023

LIABILITIES	Sch. No. Amount (Rs.)			ASSETS	Sch. No.	Amount (Rs.)	
Capital				Non-Current Assets			
Genera! Fund (Opening Balance)		1,63,41,636.34		Fixed Assets	111	1	98,27,171.46
Less: Excess of Expenditure over Income		(28,13,752.71)	1,35,27,883.63				
				Investments		1	
	1 1			Shares In Hills & Dales Foundation		1	1,00,000.00
Current Liabilities							
PF & ESI Payable		2,69,277.00					
Unutilised Grant	"	6,00,000.00	8,69,277.00	Current Assets		44,889.50	
	1 1			Other Advances	l iv	3,17,490.00	3,62,379.50
		1		Security Deposits	" -	3,17,490.00	3,62,373.30
	1 1	1		Cash & Cash Equivalents			
1	1 1			Cash in hand	1 1		5,187.00
	1 1			Cash in Bank	v		41,01,422.67
Total			1,43,97,160.63	Total		A CONTRACTOR OF STREET	1,43,97,160.63

For SAMARPAN FOUNDATION

Trustee

For SAMARPAN FOUNDATION

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As per our report of even date attache For Arun K. Agarwal & Associate

ARUN KUMAR PARTNER M.NO. 082899

Date: 28-09-2023 Place: New Delni

Trustee Shradha Vedbrat





VOLUNTEER

We look forward to your participation in shedding light even in the darkest corners. To create a ripple that turns into a wave, join us by:

BY GIVING YOUR TIME TO SAMARPAN
BY RAISING AWARENESS ABOUT OUR INITIATIVES
BY SUPPORTING US WITH LOGISTICS
BY HELPING US TO RAISE FUNDS
BY MAKING A DONATION

Please contact us at volunteer@samarpanfoundation.org and let us know how you'd like to get involved

DONATE

JOIN US TO BRING ABOUT CHANGE!

Funds received are allocated to the projects that most need them, but you are welcome to stipulate which project(s) you would prefer to support when donating.

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We will ensure that your donation is allocated accordingly.

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

Please visit our website to know more about us.

https://samarpanfoundation.org/



Let Your Passage Through Life,
Be Like The Course Of A River
Giving Life To The Land It Passes Through
- PATRICK SAN FRANCESCO



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