




Our Vision: "A just and harmonious society rooted in the gospel values of love, freedom and peace."

Our Mission: "To restore the dignity and potential of marginalized individuals and communities by facilitating access to holistic education, health, livelihood, and stable shelter."



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“The promise was that when the glass was full, it would overflow, benefitting the poor. But what happens instead, is that when the glass is full, it magically gets bigger -- nothing ever comes out for the poor.”

Education = Life

Education and learning is a life long journey. Edward Lindeman says “Education is life, Education is not just a preparation for life, but it is life”. Education is what gives meaning to life. It’s not just for the sake of knowledge but for the well being of oneself and other members of the society. Good Education helps us to succeed in this life. It develops confidence and helps building personality of a person. School education plays a great role in everyone’s life. The whole education has been divided into three divisions such as the primary education, secondary education and Higher Secondary education. All the divisions of education have their own importance and benefits. Primary education prepares the base which helps

throughout the life, secondary education prepares the path for further study and higher secondary education prepares the ultimate path of the future and whole life. Our good or bad education decides that which type of person we would in the future. In the Holy Bible we read about the importance of the knowledge which is the most essential part of human life. In the book of Proverbs chapter 18 verses 15 we read “An intelligent heart acquires knowledge, and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge”. In this post-modern competitive world, it is must for all to have good education. The importance of higher education has become increased in getting good job and position. Proper education creates lots of ways to go ahead in the

future. It makes us strong mentally, socially and intellectually by increasing our knowledge level, technical skills and good position in the job. Each and every kid has their own dream of doing something different in the life. Sometimes parents dream for their kids to become a doctor, IAS officer, PCS officer, engineer and other high level positions. There is only one way to all dreams which is good education. So let’s be aware and make awareness about the education and live our life with great knowledge that which makes meaning for our life. Because it is said in the book of Ecclesiastes chapter 7 verse 12 “For wisdom is defense, and money is a defense but the Excellency of knowledge that is wisdom, gives life to them. That means Education is Life.




Mar Thomas Elavanal
Bishop of Kalyan

EDITORIAL

Every child is a 'mystery'

“ There are no discoveries and advances as long as there is still an unhappy child on Earth” - Albert Einstein. Every child is a 'mystery'. Mystery defined as “that which will be revealed in course of time”. Yes, every child/ human being is filled with God given potentials and they need to be revealed in course of time. It is high time to 'forget Mars and discover God given potentials in every child'. What we need to do is to prepare a conducive environment for these brothers and sisters to unleash their hidden potentials, revealing 'mystery' in them. Every member of Karunya

Trust, from bottom to top, is engaged in the process of facilitating a conducive atmosphere for the weaker sections of the society. Trust is reaching out to more than one lakh population every year, in rural as well as in the urban areas of Maharashtra. A tangible example is that in two years 42 of our students from Govandi slums under Gyansaathi project passed their 10th standard from National Institute of Open Schooling. There are many more stories of mystery revealing. My dear friend, THANK YOU for your companionship in this journey...may the one who began a good work in you bring it to completion...



Fr. Paul Kunduparambil
Director

Women’s day 2017



Dr. Thanksy Thekekkara officially inaugurates Women's Day celebration on 18th March 2017 in the precence of Bp. Thomas Elevenal, Karunya Trust Chairman.



Mr. Shinde Deputy collector of Thane releases the Yashgatha- Success Stories of Tribal initiatives in community development



Mrs. Sharda Zugare Sarpanch-Kunde Gram Panchayat releases the book on Tribal development schemes and hand over to women and Karunya Staff



Bp. Thomas Elevenal, honours-(from left) Dr. Thanksy Thekekkara (IAS), Dr. Shinde (Deputy Collector Thane District), Mrs. Sherly Paul (Social Activist), Sr. Betty (Counselor Ancillae Secular Institues), Sr. Marshan and Sr. Jessica (Holy Cross Congregation), Mrs. Sharda Zugare (Sarpanch-Kunde Gram Panchayat), Mrs. Shyali Butere (Principal of Shiv Bhakt Ashram school, Lavalee), Dr. Pramodini Rasal (Ayush Clinic Badlapur), Mr. Gigy Mathew, (Karunya Volunteer Award).



Dr. Thanksy Thekekkara IAS hand over Karunya Trust Mahila Ratna award 2017 to Bharari Project (from left) - Saverewadi hamlet & Thakurwadi Hamlet-Mulgoan. Jeevan-PLE Project - Kelni Hamlet, Poi Hamlet, Pachawamail- Naitharpada Hamlet, Nalambi Hamlet, Thakurpada Hamlet, (Cont... on page No. 6)



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Such a Great privilege, it has been to see the great work that is been done in Gyansaathi. You all are an inspiration. The kids clearly love being here. Keep up the great work. 2017 will be an ever bigger year for you guys. Thank you.

Brett Dragwidge,
Melbourne, Australia



I am because of you...



With the endless efforts of the staff of Gyansaathi, all the 30 NIOS children who had appeared for their exams had passed and are promoted to the next level of studies. We thank our funders, donors, volunteers and well-wishers for their continuous support, prayers and partnership in enhancing lives and creating dreams.

Sharpening the tool...



On 21st April, the entire team of Gyansaathi was engaged in capacity building sessions like yoga training and six sigma training in problem solving. The yoga session was held by Mr. Manish and Ms. Maya. The staff learnt and were made to practice different

yoga exercises. They got an opportunity to clarify doubts and receive tips to improve both mental and physical health by practicing yoga. Post lunch, six sigma training on problem solving was held where Mr. Anand, a volunteer, explained how to improve the quality of our life. He

discussed topics like problem solving, discipline, presenting topics, analytical skills, and effective use of resource. The session helped them to make changes in their life to become more productive not only at their professional life but also in their personal life.

Women's Day @Gyansaathi



Women's day was celebrated at Gyansaathi on 8th March. Police inspector, PSI Sanjeevni Vhatte addressed a few issues that women face. In her inspiring talk she said that "if you face any kind of harassment due to addiction please report it to the police station where immediate action will be taken, a special helpline 103 has been created for women. Full support will be

provided to the women in the hour of their need. Token of appreciations were given to some mothers who have actively participated and have encouraged their children in their education. The staff concluded the programme by singing some songs on women's empowerment. The women all enjoyed the celebration and had taken home words of inspiration and encouragement.

Every child is a gift of God...

My name is Vikas Gaikwad, a staff of Gyansaathi. Gyansaathi has given me a lot of learning and unforgettable experiences. Working at Gyansaathi, given me a reflection of my childhood, when in those days even I resided at Govandi studying in a BMC school. The only difference I saw was that my parents extended all the support and

encouragement for my education which these children lack. Hence I believe that it is our responsibility to support these children.

One of the unforgettable heart broken experience I came across at Gyansaathi was that on a friday, a 4 year old boy who had just returned from his village had an accident. It was a Friday, a day of

Jumma (Prayers). It is a day when bathing is compulsory for them. While the boy's mother was making hot water in an aluminium vessel, the boy accidentally jumped into the vessel suffering 60 per cent burns as declared by the hospital. Since in the hospital, there was no burns ward the doctors had asked the parents to shift the boy to Kasturbha or Sion. But however due to illiteracy, the parents did not understand the consent letter. On knowing this, then, with the consent of my superiors at work, I had extended support to the boy's family.

However the doctors had given up hope on the boy's survival. All effort had been put in by Karunya Trust to support the family. But sadly the night when a bed was made available at Kasturbha Hospital that night the boy took his last breathe. I was very saddened and shakened by the incident.

I believe every child is a gift of God, created for a great mission. Let us help them to realize their God given potential.



Reported
Vikas Gaikwad,
(Animator)



Experience of Gyansaathi in Transforming lives.

My name is Vijay Borde. I have been working at Gyansaathi for the last one year. Gyansaathi has helped me to grow a lot. In the morning, I attend my

college lectures as I'm pursuing my B.Com. Before I joined Gyansaathi, my friend used to always speak about Gyansaathi and its activities. I observed that he was always excited

and happy to speak about Gyansaathi. However, at that time I was involved in another NGO working with children. My friend always invited me to Gyansaathi. Initially I ignored thinking that it would be the same as other NGO's working with children.

After my first year, during my vacations, my friend invited me again and

motivated me to join Gyansaathi. After my interview, I was asked to conduct a class to see whether the post would suit me. On returning back after the class, I observed a hill of garbage with small huts besides it. Then at night, I was contemplating on whatever I observed at Gyansaathi and then had a great desire to work for those children. The next day itself, I had joined Gyansaathi. I was asked

to teach the kindergarden children. I conducted different action songs. I found the children very happy and enthusiastic. I became happy when even the other children requested me to teach them as well.

I realized that Gyansaathi not only aimed at teaching children but also in helping them to mould their future. During my area visit to the basti,

children and their parent are seen happy and welcoming towards the staff of Gyansaathi. Their smiling faces shows and reflects the hardwork of Gyansaathi and the changes it has brought in transforming the lives of the people in these past few years.



Reported by
Vijay Borde,
(Animator)



Visit to theme based park, Kidzania.

On 31st March, 50 children got a n opportunity to visit and participate in the theme based park Kidzania, R City Ghatkopar. They were accompanied by 5 staff. The children participated in different and various activities. The children were given a complete

different platform for recreation and learning. Through the games, the children became aware of different career aspects through which they could refine their thoughts and create aims and goals in their lives.

Reported by
Rebeca Dais,
(Project, Coordinator)



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My visit to Gyansaathi is the best experience of my life seeing children who are educated with so much devotion by the teachers and Rose who administers to the organization. I pray that this NGO grows to such heights that the children are blessed with a future to rule India.

Genevieve D'Costa
Vikhroli



Women's Exposure visit to Vishnubaug



Gyansaathi organized an exposure visit for mothers to Vishnubaug Garden, a herbal theme park at Badlapur, on 4th April 2017. 26 mothers were accompanied with 3 staff. Dr. Salunke and Dr. Preethi Salunke explained about the garden and about different trees and the importance of preserving the trees. Mothers were very happy and enjoyed the trip. They normally don't get opportunity to go out of their house. Such visit

helped them to see new places and was a great learning experience for them. The trip helped them to know the importance and need of preserving trees and healthy environment.

Back home - reunion of Gyansaathi Alumni's



Gyansaathi organized a day of get-together on 26th April 2017 for the children who previously studied at the centre. 50 children alumni's had participated in the programme. Different cultural activities were conducted for them. They shared their experience and discussed the road towards Gyansaathi's role in sustainability. This event brought together all children once

again to Gyansaathi and renewed their past memories. All children were very happy and actively participated in all activities.

During the programme Shahalam shared "I am very happy and received a lot from Gyansaathi. The main strength of Gyansaathi is its unity. In the future I would support Gyansaathi in creating awareness and educating the children

residing near me". Fakruddin then continued saying "When I stand on my feet I will sponsor and assist Gyansaathi in its activities. I dream of Gyansaathi as one full big building. I will share my dance skills with the children interested in dance at Gyansaathi. I thank Gyansaathi for what I am today"

Reported by
Rebeca Dais,
(Project, Coordinator)

PROJECT - SAVLI

One Year Down... Forever to Go...

Project Savli under the support of Deutsche Bank completed one year reaching out to 800 direct beneficiaries and 5500 indirect beneficiaries. In the past year Project Savli provided 1899 Education support, 1476 Nutrition Support, 628 Household and Emergency and 77 families were supported with Income Generation Programme. Psycho-Social care was administered to 156 beneficiaries. Apart from the above programs last year also

witnessed lot of other activities such as Vacation camp, Study tour, Career guidance, Yoga & Meditation sessions and Life skill sessions. Team Savli march towards the second year of the project with the motto "We Rise by Lifting Others".

Deutsche Bank Tours Savli...



On 3rd March 2017 Ms. Ruchi Khemka, Vice President & Head, Corporate Social Responsibility of Deutsche Bank visited Savli centre. 181

Beneficiaries from Ghatkopar and Thane area were present for the meeting. She spend her valuable time with Savli Children and their parents. She interacted with the beneficiaries.

"It was a very heartwarming experience to be here and to meet the families and children. My prayers and blessings will be with them always!" Ruchi Khemka.

YOGPEDIA



As a part of psycho-social development for children yoga & meditation training was organised at Christ the King Church, Bhandup on the 14th and 21st Jan 2017. 61 children attended the training & session was conducted by Mr. Ashish Kordiya. Children were taught different Asanas such as Utkatasana, Chakrasana, Dhanurasana,

Bhujangasana, etc. Children understood the importance of Yoga and Meditation and they have agreed to practice yoga and meditation on a daily basis at their homes.

Marching towards a Change...

Karunya Trust with its partner NGO's KHPT and NMP+ met Dr. Deepak Sawant (Health Minister of Maharashtra) on 7th April 2017 at Maharashtra Vidhaan Bhavan.

NGO's Collectively submitted a Memorandum to Health Minister proposing changes in the present Sanjay Gandhi Niradhar Yojana by amending it in a people friendly way. NGO's recommended giving

concession for bus passes for people living in High risk. Dr. Deepak Sawant has assured the NGO's that he will be doing the needful as soon as possible.

Reported By,
Clinto Francis
(Project coordinator)



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"Sr. Betty; Fr. Paul thank you for reaching out to the most needy within our communities. God Bless you for all that you do."

Linus Chettiar
(Head, Group Communications & CR, Deutsche Bank)



Waves of Learning.



58 Children were taken to Taraporewala Aquarium and Dr. Bhau Daji Lad Museum in Mumbai on 8th Jan 2017. Ten Staff and Eleven Volunteers accompanied with children to give them quality learning exposure. Children got a Visual treat of Aquatic life. Children

got Cultural Education through exhibition at Museum. 41 Children were taken to Chatrapati Shivaji Vastu Sangralaya (Prince of Whales museum) in Mumbai on 21st April 2017. Ten Staff accompanied the children. Children got a wider exposure ranging from Zoology, Ornithology,

Iconography, Stone Carving and Ancient Weapons along with a visual treat of Journey of Bombay to Mumbai. "I learned many new things which I was not taught in school. I feel very happy about it. I was very excited about the session taken on Birds." said Bhumika Fansekar with utmost joy.

HUM HONGE KAMIYAAB...



Fifty Six Children and Five Staff attended the prayer service and motivational session which was organized for SSC and HSC children of Savli. Fr. Jomet, Parish Priest of Christ the King Church, Bhandup presided over the prayer service along

with the intercessory prayers by Savli children. Children were shown motivational videos. Children were given the message of believing in one's own ability and achieving their dreams by not getting hopeless by what world thinks

about them. All children were given Exam kit and Exam tips brochure regarding what they are supposed to do Before/ During / After exams. Session concluded with the prayerful blessing and wishes of Fr. Jomet and Sr. Betty.

Building self...



Sixty Nine children attended Career Guidance sessions which were conducted on 14th, 21st and 8th April 2017. Sessions were conducted by Mr. Ashish Kordiya (Clinical Psychologist) and Ms. Trupti (Counsellor- CCdT). Out of 69 children 25 children appeared for IQ testing. Session helped them

understand different career options available to them after their SSC and HSC. Also testing helped the children to identify their potentials and ability and helped them to make their future decisions accordingly. "I would appreciate more of such career Guidance session..." said Neha Prajapati. After the

session Yuva Parivartan and Magic Bus foundation offered different certificate courses for interested children. "I am very thankful to Savli- Karunya Trust for organizing such an effective workshop for us. I hope to become a civil engineer someday !..." says Ansari Gulam.

"Rock & Roll Shikshan- Season 3"



Two Hundred and Twenty Two Children from Thane, Mulund, Nahur and Bhandup area participated in the Rock & Roll Shikshan- Season 3. Ten staff and Eleven Volunteers from Eparchy of Kalyan and Nirmala Niketan college of Social work participated in the event. Vacation Camp was conducted for two days at Christ the King Church- Bhandup. Children had a good

time enjoying after their exams. Activities like Best out of waste, Skit competition on Social theme, Puppet Show, Mimicry, Action Songs Games, etc. were organized for the children. Children placed in respective groups made articles for different characters during best out of waste competition which they used as their costumes during the skit competition. These activities helped the children to get to

break the ice and instilled the skill of working in a group to achieve a desired goal. "I got to learn many things after attending the camp. I understood the importance of a Group Activity which should be participated in with self-confidence. Lot of activities was conducted in the camp all that was very interesting." Said Payal Shirwalkar.

Reported By,
Clinto Francis
(Project coordinator)



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“Pleased with the efforts of you”

Mr. Mangesh Narayan Pawar
(Corporator - Bhandup Village)



STEM helps stem hope



This story is about Shezada Ansari, a student studying in grade 8 at Shankar Rao Vishwas Rao Municipality School No. 28. Shezada is a slow learner who suffers from 40% disability. He was included in the program as per

instructions from the school management.

Case Study:

I'm Shezada Ansari, a student of Municipality school no. 28 and am part of Project Muskan which began in our school earlier this year. There have always been

opportunities for children who are bright in studies, however, for those of us who struggle to grasp concepts there has never been much. Project Muskan has given us not just a shimmer of hope but nurtured and honed our abilities. The kits used in the STEM (Science, Technology, Electronics and Math) lectures are enthralling and help us understand the concepts through innovative means. Through Project Muskan, we were taken to the Planetarium and the Nehru Science Centre. It was an invigorating

experience that helped satiate my thirst for knowledge about the sciences and space. A street play was also conducted in my school which served as an eye opener as it emphasized on the importance of education and the struggle our parents go through to impart it to us. It is quite unsurprising, therefore, that I have never missed a single lecture conducted by Project Muskan. My only regret is that I won't be part of Project Muskan next year as I will be in grade 9. I am indebted

Thank you | Welcome



Fr. Jestho Menachery
outgoing Asst. Director
(2013-2017)

With gratitude
Karunya Family
thank you for your
faithful and Loving
Service



Fr. Joby Ayithamattathil
incoming Asst. Director

Karunya family
Wishing you Joy
and Happiness in
the Works of Mercy

to Rolls Royce and
Karunya Trust for
giving us an
opportunity to

venture into the
enthralling world of
science and math.

The Scientists are here...

The children submitted projects created by them on 4th March 2017. A total of 25 children submitted

their projects from the schools. Some of the projects created by children were Mini DJ, Air Car, Tread Phone, Wind Mill, Bio

Gas Plant and a Parachute. Evaluation of the project was done by the Principal and Teachers of the school.



Dream Big...



I'm Arman Khan and I submitted a mini DJ as my project. This mini DJ was made from e waste and scrap which ensured that I incurred almost no expenses. A whole month of toil went into this mini DJ. Colorful lights, light control machinery, tape recorders,

speakers, Bluetooth devices, coax cables and electricity were the raw materials that formed this splendid device. To my sheer delight, my project won the first prize. It was exhilarating to experience the sweet rewards for my perseverance and hard work. I aspire to be an

engineer and look forward to creating more devices that help make our mundane life a little more enjoyable. I am grateful to Karunya Trust for inspiring and encouraging me to broaden my horizons and dream bigger.

STEM Learning...



Project Muskan emphasizes on teaching slow learners studying in grades 6, 7 and 8

through STEM methodology (Science, Technology, Electronics and Math). STEM lectures were

conducted weekly in two Municipality schools, K.B. Ramdas Patil School in Turbhe and Shankar

Rao Vishwas Rao School. 149 children were enrolled for STEM training and the lectures were held from October 2016 till February 2017. The children were captivated by these STEM lectures as these STEM kits enabled them to learn math and science through innovative means. The following concepts were

brought to life and simplified for children through STEM kits – Pin Hole Camera, Eco Ovens, Electric Torch, Pollution, the Food Chain, Atomic Chain Reaction, the Respiratory and Digestive Systems, Animal Habitats and the like.

Impact:-
• Remarkable

increase in the students' interest in Math and Science

- Children are able to understand the concept easily as they are taught practically

Reported By,
Kevin Jose
(Project Incharge)



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Today Karunya Trust celebrated Women's day and honored the women which is very encouraging and the display of tribal traditional things was very good this day will remain a memorable day for me.

By, Mrs. Syali Butere,
(Principal, Shiv Bhakt Ashram School)



Change through iSAVE...



Every person being needs sufficient income to fulfill their basic needs and for earning sufficient income they should have skills. We identified their need and started Tailoring classes in the name of Institute of Social Animation Vocational

Education (iSAVE). Sonavale and Aghanwadi were two centres identified and classes were started for 40 students and successfully completed by 30 students.

I am a resident of Sonavale village with 5 members in my

family. My husband is the only member and we were not well off. I belong to Jaswandi Self Help Group (SHG). In our SHG we discussed about opening a tailoring class in our village. I become a member of Sonavale tailoring center. I am educated only till 5th std and

didn't know how to measure or write or stitching or using a sewing machine. Our tailoring teacher, Mr. Bandhane taught us very well and through the motivation of Karunya Staff, I became independent after learning tailoring. In the course of three months I could stitch different types of designer blouses, frock, chudidhar dress, gent's shirts etc. Karunya Trust provided me with a new sewing machine for regular and sustainable income and also helped me to open bank account. Thank you for giving me this opportunity and for changing my life.

Reported by,
Jagruiti Raghunath lad
(C.F)

I can see now...



Shankar Shed
Villager, Ambernath

An Eye check up camp was organized by Karunya trust with the collaboration of Amber eye care center, Thane at Pimploli hamlet on March 23, 2017. 83 people benefitted from this camp. Out of 83 people, 10 were identified for cataract operation.

Testimony- I am 60 years old resident of Pimploli village. From my childhood I can't see properly from my left eye. I was totally neglected by my parents and family regarding my eye issue. My family and I

thought this is a natural default in my eyes and had superstitious belief. I got an opportunity to check up my eyes in this camp and found retina problem, but I was not ready to except the reality. Team of Doctors and Karunya Trust staff counselled me and made me understand there will be no harm to my eyes. The operation was done successfully by the team of Amber eye care center thane and now I am able to see this beautiful world. I am from a financially weak and my whole family depends upon seasonal farming. Cost of operation was more than 15000, but due to the initiative of Karunya Trust and help of Amber Eye care center my operation was done free of cost. I thank them all.

Reported by,
ShivajiAghan (CF)

Water is LIFE - Project SUJAL



Chhone hamlet has 113 households with 600 population. Only 3 wells are available from past 20 years for drinking water. Out of three two wells are not

useable for drinking water. The whole hamlet depends upon only 1 well. Women have to go up to one km distance to bring drinking water. Four groups of Self Help Groups (SHG) came together to discuss this issue. They approached Gram Panchayat and submitted application. The response was very disappointing They approached Karunya Trust for help. With the help of Karunya Trust (KT) animator,

they held a general meeting for discussion on repairing bore well to reduce water problem in the community. People collocated Rs.100 per household. With the help of KT animator, community members received Non obligation certificate (NOC) from Gram Panchayat and community members

decided to work voluntary as per requirement.

Finally work was done by attaching 5000 litres water tank connected to the borewell and four taps join to the tank. Finally, the community has safe and clean drinking water.

Reported by,
Vishnu Gawanda (CF)

We came together and cleaned our well...

It was great day of the people of Kelni Adivasi village at Kalyan Block, as people from this hamlet arranged safe drinking water with their own efforts. Kelni hamlet people were struggling to get drinking water. Community people mostly women and young girls struggled to fetch water for house hold use due to lack of water availability in the area. They had to pay Rs. 200. per day per family to buy daily drinking water from other caste



people who have their own borewell.

Since the Gram panchayat was not responding to the problem positively, with the encouragement of Karunya staff,

villagers came together and approached Gram Panchayat to resolve the issue. But nothing constructive happened. A common meeting was conducted to discuss

the problem. With the facilitation of Karunya, it was decided to clean the wells with people participation from the villagers. 26 people (man, women and school children) came together with needed Equipments and worked to remove the silt from the well and cleaned it. People are happy that their problem is solved with collective efforts.

Reported by,
Pravin Pandit,
(Project Coordinator)

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1) Bharari Project - Kala Kadali Kuderan Hamlet, 2) Yogita Mangal - Sonavle Hemlet, 3) Gulab Dinesh Jadav - Devloli Hamlet. 4) Gyansaathi Project - Dr Vatsala Trivedi hand over to Salma Shaik - Govandi and Savli Project - Sr. Shaila Phillip Rosario hand over to Poonam Nishad - Thane.



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The exhibition organised by Karunya trust is really an inspiring one. The instruments displayed indeed strengthened the knowledge. We came to know the creativity, occupation and culture of our tribals. it was truly a great experience.

Mast. Aarya Sunil Shewale (student),
St.Thomas High School, Kalyan east



Women power...

We, the Jivdani Mahila Bachat Gat, have been residing at Devloli Adivasi Hamlet since 50 years. The hamlet comprises of 19 houses. We have two self help groups that is facilitated by Karunya Trust. We work at the brickkilns and fields of the high class people who show interest only in our regularity of work. Since we are daily wage workers, we have to borrow loans from the owners, owing to economic compulsions



confronting our day-to-day life. We then work on their field or brick kilns, for repayment and thus

making us bonded laborers and leading us in the bondage of debt. Since 50 years now, we have no water facility

in our hamlet. Women have to fetch water from far distances, which is a much more difficult task than the

household and daily wage work. Several initiatives to the government official or the land owners had been made for water supply but no heed was paid to our request. Our self help group then made a firm decision on constructing a borewell. We have not left any stone unturned, in achieving our task. With firm spirit, we continuously kept demanding and knocking the doors of the Gram Panchayat and Block Office. Finally, fed up with our constant visit and

continuous follow up on the task, they provided us with the sanction of the borewell. Truly it is the hard work of our group that today we have water facility in our hamlet. We owe all credits to Karunya Trust, especially to Sangita Tai, who always guided and helped us to persevere the entire process. By Jivdani Mahila Bachat Gat (Jivdani Self Help Group)

Reported By,
Sr. Shaila Ruzario,
(Program Manager
Rural Development)

Women's day celebration- a encouraging experience



As a president of Mogra self help Group, I would like to thank Karunya Trust for celebrating women's

day for the Tribal women. We felt honored to be a part of this event. It was a joyous day for us to present the tribal

culture on stage through songs and dances. 18th March 2017 will always remain a memorable day for us, as our efforts

for our community development initiatives we were acknowledged and honored by the invited dignitaries like Dr.

Thanksy Tekekara, IAS. Truly we are now highly motivated and encouraged to walk the path of empowerment towards our own

development. Asha Waghe, Mogra Self Help group.

Reported By,
Nishikant Rananaware
(Project coordinator)

Preservation of Tribal Culture



Msgr. Emanuel Kadankavil Vicar General
Dioceses of Kalyan, inaugurates the Exhibition



Visit by Bp. Thomas Elevenal, Chairman, Karunya Trust at the Tribal culture exhibition
counters, on the occasion Women's Day celebration 18th march 2017

Tribal culture being the ancient culture; it has its own tradition. Unfortunately tribals are losing their own traditional dance, songs, rich culture and tradition and they

don't realise it. Through the people led initiative Karunya trust has made efforts to preserve and showcase the tradition of tribals by setting up an exhibition to identify their own

culture. They could feel their ancestors close connection with nature by the things they used and ate. Even the fishing and hunting instruments were self made and handy. The agriculture

instruments prepared with deep insight and could be used by anyone. The taste and aroma of food prepared in clay vessels is rarely experienced now. The traditional instrument

for festivals have become extinct as none of them in this modern age know how to use it. Even though they have lost the touch with their traditional things, they are still found though unused and

hidden. This exhibition invited them to value and preserve their tradition which is eco friendly and health sustaining.

Reported by,
Pravin Pandit,
(Project Coordinator)

Yes I want to get involved through Donation
(Donations are 50% deductible under section 80G of the Income Tax Act)

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Education Programs	
₹ Rs. 1,000/-	to provide holistic education to a child rag picker for a month
₹ Rs. 4,000/-	to provide initial study for a poor student for a year
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₹ Rs. 50,400/-	to educate child for six years (5th - 10th std) (Rs. 400 per year)
Vocational Training	
₹ Rs. 3,000/-	to provide 3 months Vocational education to boy/girl
₹ Rs. 3,500/-	to provide 4 month tailoring training course to a adolescent girl
₹ Rs. 6,500/-	to provide a tailoring machine to a trained girl
Meal for the poor	
₹ Rs. 1,500/-	to provide one time meal for a family, for a week
₹ Rs. 4,000/-	to provide one time meal for a day, for 100 street children
₹ Rs. 24,000/-	to provide one time meal for a week, for 100 street children
Health Programs	
₹ Rs.3,000/-	to support a needy patient for a month
₹ Rs.6,000/-	to provide monthly medical check up, for 200 street children
₹ Rs.10,000/-	to provide initial care and support to a destitute
₹ Rs.15,000/-	to conduct medical check ups & provide medicine at rural village (for 300 people)
Income generation programs for rural women and farmers	
₹ Rs.8,000/-	to provide initial support for organic farming
₹ Rs.10,000/-	to provide initial support for small scale IGP
₹ Rs.10,000/-	to provide two goats to a needy family in a rural village helping them for a steady income
Shelter Programs	
₹ Rs.50,000/-	to provide partial support to build a rural house for Tribal family
₹ Rs.75,000/-	to provide major support to build a rural house
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Sr. Pauline MSMI
MSMI Vijaymatha Convent, Kamothe



Kalyan Eparchy Youth from Little Flower Forane church Nerul visited the Devloli Village for painting of houses on the 11th of March 2017 from 10 am to 1 pm. Painting was done by 24 enthusiastic youth members accompanied by their Assistant Parish Priest Fr. Raphael. It was a great experience for many

youths. These youths have become a role model for many more youths from the Kalyan Dioceses. "Spending a day along with the local people was an enriching Social Experience. Getting to know about others is really fruitful for our growth."

says Joel Matthew

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