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# KARUNYA

## NEWS LETTER

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...the one who began good work among you will bring it to completion...

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## LOVE ALL SERVE ALL

"How marvelous it would be if, at the end of the day, each of us could say: today I have performed an act of charity towards others!" - Pope Francis

Human beings tend to live for themselves. They think and act to make their own selves secure, comfortable and happy. This instinct of self-preservation tempt them to behave in this manner. But they become truly human only when they try to make others secure, comfortable and happy as well. Charity is to go beyond one's own self and serve others. "Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others" (Phili 2:4).

Service to humanity means attempt to help the needy, the weak, and the desperate. Service is not only the act of kindness but it is a social

obligation, a religious duty. There are ample opportunities around us to perform an act of charity or an act of service; what is required is the realization of our duty and a will to perform it. Sometimes our country men suffer at the time of famine, floods and fire. These things make their life miserable. Any help to those suffering people will be a valuable service.

Rule of nature is to serve and live for others and this is made clear in the words of Pope Francis when he said: "Rivers do not drink their own water; trees do not eat their own fruit; the sun does not shine on itself and flowers do not spread their fragrance for themselves. Living for others is a rule of nature. We are all born to help each other. No matter how difficult it is...Life is good when you are happy; but

much better when others are happy because of you". Other Centeredness or service lifts us out of our petty selves. It elevates our minds, hearts and spirit. It is spiritual training. It makes our lives richer and fuller. It gives us profound spiritual satisfaction and makes us really and truly happy. There is no greater happiness than the happiness that comes to us through the happiness of others. May the spirit of Christmas infuse your life and that of yours family members with hope, positivity, and joy.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



**Bishop Thomas Elavanal**  
Chairman Karunya Trust

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-Pope Francis

## EDITORIAL

Along with this quarterly update of Karunya Trust activities, I am happy to introduce the extension of our intervention areas. Three more new holistic development centers are added to the Gyansaathi street children program and the tribal development programs are also extended to 45 new hamlets.

Reinstating of Tata Mumbai Marathon is opened another opportunity for promotion and fundraising. As we all know that in the previous edition of the TMM Karunya Trust reached the top ten list. As we are entering into 25 years of service in 2023 we have several plans for Jubilee Year and one of the

major plans is to construct 25 houses for the tribal people. Requesting you all to support the same and other activities through the Tata Mumbai Marathon fundraising platform. As Mother Theresa always said: together we can do great things. It is our collective action that brought considerable

change in the lives around us. Wishing everyone the blessings of Holy Christmas and a fruitful new year.



**Fr. Joby Kurian**  
Executive Director

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MAKING AN  
IMPACT

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“Felt very welcomed by the staff from day one, very passionate staff that genuinely care about the cause and the needs of the kids. The community needs an organisation like this that can make such an amazing change in the lives of these kids.”

*Shayanne Hill,  
SDA Bocconi Asia Center, Hiranandani Knowledge Park, Powai*

Blessing and Opening of  
Holistic Centres



This year, Gyansaathi expanded its centres to other three areas of Govandi (Baba Nagar, Indira Nagar and Nirankari Nagar) inside the community for sustainability programs for youth and women.

These centres were inaugurated in May and June by the Director of Karunya Trust. During the blessing ex-students of our community, and women were present and shared that they are happy that after the std

10th, Gyansaathi will still connect with us and provide vocational and sustainability support to them.

*- From Project  
Gyansaathi*

Exposure visit to Rani Baugh



During summer vacation, Gyansaathi arranged an exposure visit to Rani Baug for all the students. The objective of the visit was to expose to different animals and have fun after lockdown. The children were given

information about different types of animals and birds (reptiles, aquatic, domestic and wild animals). They got to know the difference between domestic animals and wild animals. After the visit

children enjoyed rides, see-saw, sliding, jungle Jim etc. The children had lots of fun and enjoyed the nature. The exposure visit ended with tasty lunch.

*- From Project  
Gyansaathi*

Nehru Science Centre Visit



Gyansaathi organised an exposure visit to the Nehru Science Centre for students. The students experienced the Odyssey show which was based on Dolphin's life, then enjoyed the 3D

show and Science on Sphere which was about galaxies, planets and solar systems. And Children did some science activities under the guidance of the science trainer with a

science kit. The children experienced many science activities and got an opportunity to learn science in a fun way. They enjoyed it a lot.

*- From Project  
Gyansaathi*

Core team meeting with C4,  
Y4 & W4



Gyansaathi Holistic Centres (Nirankari Nagar, Baba Nagar and Indira Nagar) have a Child Right Protection Committee whose objective is to strengthen child rights protection and to work with the community. In the CRPC( Child rights protection committee)

team, there are children (12 to 17 years), youth & women (17 to 25 years) working for the protection of child rights in their community. The Core Team ( leaders) meeting was conducted on 5th August 2022 at Gyansaathi centre. To select leaders for the core team they had an

election and as per the highest vote, the position of Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson and Secretary were given and also given information about their roles and responsibilities.

*- From Project  
Gyansaathi*



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“Wonderful experience and motivates us to do more for Gyansaathi.”

Justin John  
Sacred Heart Church, Bhayandar (E)

## Strengthening of Gram Sabha is the key

“This was my first gram sabha. I had never attended a gram sabha and always wondered: What do the men discuss there?” curiously said Mrs. Shakuntala Dhumal, a woman from Santepada village. Santepada is a village situated 25 kilometres away from Kalyan city in the Thane district. The major population of the village belongs to other backward classes (Aagri-Kunbi). 106 families are residing in the village and the population is 521. “We have to face the issue of drinking water, improper drainage and road while roaming inside the village. Grampanchayat was not taking any effort to listen to our problems. Our children were getting sick due to impure water. We participated in a

common meeting conducted by an NGO on 21st July 2022 and we came to know in brief about the organization called ‘Karunya Trust’. To solve the issue we have got the suggestion to demand gram sabha. We have never raised the issue through it as we didn’t know when the gram sabha was happening. Also, women didn’t have that much confidence and were not aware of it. We have written the application with the help of the team and applied on 5th August 2022 to the gram panchayat office”. - Mrs. Sangita Sante, active leader from Santepada. “On 10th August 2022, gram sabha was conducted and 28 of us participated and raised the mentioned issues and submitted the application.



After reading the list of work done and pending work, the sarpanch and gramsevak have promised to work on it as soon as possible. But the major highlight was, we were able to speak clearly and with

confidence, with the help of guidance received from the team. We all are happy that we can demand the gram sabha and raise our issue and we hope that we shall be

able to resolve these issues with the proper guidance. When I understood that gram sabha is our right and we can put forward our concerns and issues. Now I will encourage

every woman in our village to attend the gram sabha. – Mrs. Ashwini Bhoir who is an active woman from Santepada village.

- From Project Jeevan

## Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much

Nalmbi is a small hamlet situated 21 kilometres away

from Kalyan block. This hamlet comes under Ane-Bhisol gram

panchayat. 68 families residing in the hamlets belong



to the ‘Thakur tribal’ community. Labour and farming are the main occupations of the community. Karunya Trust has been working with this hamlet for the last 5 years. “We were facing lots of trouble while passing through the road, especially in monsoon, children, ill person and women had to face problems. Initially, we started visiting the gram panchayat office but no one was there to listen and understand us. We asked the Jeevan team to guide us regarding the issue. This first common meeting was conducted on 22nd March 2018. In that meeting, all the people were encouraged to participate and fight. Some

leaders came forward then the staff has shown us how to write the application and to take the OC of it”. – Mrs. Sandhya Aghan, one of the active women from Nalmbi hamlet. “We had written first application and submitted to gram panchayat office and took the OC. But got no response, after waiting for one year, we 25 women took the OC and wrote the application to BDO and visited the Panchayat Samiti at Kalyan as the staff suggested. In those days, fortunately, one of the women from our hamlet was elected as a BDO at Kalyan Panchayat Samiti. Then we

continuously took follow up on the issue after the pandemic. BDO madam sanctioned 5 lakh rupees from the Panchayat Samiti fund and finally, the internal road was completed on 10th March 2022. Now everyone can pass through it easily without facing any problems. We are happy that we didn’t give up and got the facilitation from the Jeevan team. Now we are motivated and feel confident to solve other issues too. – Mrs. Nisha Ughade, one of the women leaders from Nalmbi hamlet.

- From Project Jeevan

## The wait is over for the internal road

Dahivali is a tribal hamlet situated 25 kilometres away from Kalyan city in Thane district. The major population of the village consists of the Katkari and Thakur Tribal communities. 83 families are residing in the village and the population is 378. Farming and selling forest produce is the main occupation of the village, and these few are daily wage earners. “In the beginning, we were not able to walk comfortably on the internal road of our village as it was raw with sharp stones and mud over it. We do all our daily activities by passing through it and in monsoon we face a lot of trouble while walking through it. We visited the gram panchayat office on 20th December 2019 and submitted the application written by Mrs. Pama Sawant regarding the issue. We didn’t get a response from the gram



panchayat. Next month we demanded gram sabha and we raised the issue in gram sabha on 17th January 2020

and asked the sarpanch and gramsevak to give us the deadline. They said we would work on it as soon as the

tender would pass. After the lockdown was imposed due to corona. Later when restrictions were lifted up, we

prepared the strategy with the help of the Jeevan team”. – Mrs. Barkabai Fasale is an active woman from Dahivali

village.

“We all 20 women visited the Panchayat Samiti and filed an application. Then later, we met the gramsevak and came to know that the tender has been passed and work will begin as soon as possible. Thus we fought hard together and now on the 4th of February construction has been begun. We are happy and proud of our efforts and grateful to the Jeevan team because, without their guidance it wouldn’t have been possible. Now we are free from all the trouble we were facing while walking and our children can roam comfortably now.” – Mrs. Pushpa Jadhav, active women leader from Dahivali village.

- From Project Jeevan



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Thank you for your hospitality and concern and our mission was accomplished

Dr. George David,  
Malankara Catholic College (MCC)  
Mariagiri, Kaliakkavilai, Kanyakumari

## Exam Preparation



Exam preparation session for 10th&12th STD children held on 19th March 2022 at Nahur Church community centre. 45 children participated in the session. Ms. Julie started the session with an activity to

increase concentration. She also explained to the students how to prepare a timetable to cover all portions well in advance. She told them to solve last year's papers and also explained the importance

of relaxation tips to practice during exam days. The children were very much impressed and expressed their gratitude to the Savli project for the session. One of the Trustee of Karunya

Trust, Rev. Msgr. Francis Eluathigal (Vicar General of Kalyan diocese) and the Director, Rev. Fr. Joby were present to wish and bless the children. Fr. Joby asked the children how much they prepared for their exam. Also promised them prizes for those who score good marks. Msgr. Francis gave some necessary steps and tips to score good marks in the board exam, which will also help them for further studies. He prayed for them and wished them good luck. Education kits and dry fruits were distributed to all the children.

- From Project Savli

## Happy to Share the Score Card of Savli Children who appeared for HSC & SSC in 2022

### HSC : 38 Children Pass

|             |     |
|-------------|-----|
| 1 Child     | 80% |
| 2 Children  | 70% |
| 9 Children  | 60% |
| 20 Children | 50% |

### SSC : 36 Children Pass

|             |     |
|-------------|-----|
| 2 Children  | 90% |
| 4 Children  | 80% |
| 7 Children  | 70% |
| 17 Children | 60% |
| 23 Children | 50% |

## Summer Flame 2022



Vacation camp was organised on 29th & 30th April; 13th & 14th May at Christ the King Community centre, Nahur. The vacation camp was named "Summer Flame". For the Inaugural program Project in charge Sr. Mini & Bhandup ration

officer, Prachi Pandit were present. 249 children and 62 parents participated in summer camp. Team building activities were conducted by Magic foundation( Pankaj and Deepali). For entertainment, a magic

show was arranged for children. Different games, competitions and talent shows were conducted with children. The students put up different skits on various topics like the importance of education, child labour, and

superstition etc., CP children were given different responsibilities during vacation camp. Prizes were distributed for the winners from all the groups. Also, the prize was distributed to the best camper boy and girl. From the Bhandup police station, they gave information about Nirbhaya Squad. For the closing ceremony, Fr. Joby, the Executive Director and former Corporator Mr Suresh Koparkar were present. The students gave their feedback to the director. The CP children were appreciated for taking the lead role for the entire program.

- From Project Savli

## Study tour



On 18th May 2022, Savli organised a Study Tour for children at Nehru Science Centre Worli. 89 children, one volunteer and 7 staff participated. There were odyssey show and a science exhibition on different

sounds, light and sight, climate change etc. Children were shown an animal 3D show. The students were given information on planets, solar systems and galaxies. Children were given science kits to do an activity to learn

science interestingly. Children had wonderful experiences at Nehru Science Centre.

- From Project Savli

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It was nice to see good work of Karunya Trust on the occasion of International Women's Day. It was really nice to see the work done by Karunya Trust amongst the weaker section/ Tribal people. Karunya Trust is working for upliftment and empowerment of marginalised section of society and will go a long way towards development of country. My best wishes for the good work in the future

Gauri C. Kale  
Canara Bank,  
Branch Manager, Rahatoli.



# AWA'RENESS

PROGRAMMES

## Montfort care intervention centre (Health camp)



Montfort Care Centre works on hearing loss and hearing problems with children. Gyansaathi organized a health camp for hearing-

impaired children. The ear and sound checkup were done by the team. Around 85 children took advantage of this camp. They also gave

information about how can we take care of our ears.

- From Project Gyansaathi

## Life Skill Session on Precautions during Monsoon Season



Life skill session was organised on 11th & 25th June 2022. 163 children participated from different zones. The topic for the session was precautions during monsoon. The resource person Ms. Julie explained about different seasons in common and especially the rainy season. Further, she told to the children about what

precautions we had to take for our good health, such as personal cleanliness and cleanliness in our surroundings to avoid mosquito breeding and related diseases. She told to the students to avoid eating outside and instead eat homemade food. She also spoke to the students about the importance of having eight

hours of sleep daily. Ms. Julie said that during the monsoon season we should try and use home-based remedies like turmeric, honey, etc. for treating cough, cold and fever. Avoid wet clothes during this season. It was an interactive session.

- From Project Savli

## Session for Transgender Community



On 24th August 2022, Savli organised a meeting with transgender people and 40 of them were present. The Executive Director Rev. Fr. Joby was present for the meeting. The resource person Dr. Manoj gave a session on skin diseases. He also said there are many types of

infections on the skin, and how can be free from such infections. He spoke to the group about Sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), sexually transmitted infections (STIs), and how they pass on to other persons through sexual contact. The doctor also told the group how

to recognize STDs and STIs, as well as what should be done about them. The doctor explained in detail about HIV/AIDS, how it is spread and the treatment. The session was very informative to the Group.

- From Project Savli

## Mental Health Program



Two days of Mental health sessions were conducted by DISHA, the M-Power organization at Baba Nagar Holistic Center. A total of 12

students attended this program. The objective of the session was to share the disadvantages of addiction and mental stress. The resource

person gave an introduction about mental health and explained OLAA (Observe, Listen, Ask, Address) with various examples. She discussed depression with examples. She covered Trauma, Behavior change, Anxiety, Addiction, Hallucination, and Black magic with different examples and ended the session with the role play by the participants. She explained Depression by doing different role-play with students.

- From Project Gyansaathi

## Child Rights & Childline Session



Life skill Session on Child Rights and Child Line was organized on 16th & 23th July 2022 at Nahur community centre. 206

children & 128 parents participated in the session. During the session, the resource person Mrs. Poonam explained to the

children who are called children, what are the rights of the children and the Government Departments working for children's rights. She also explained what is child line, and how it helps the children, she also shared with the children the child line number and gave details about how childline works through a video and also explained who all are the children need help. It was an informative session where the children clarified most of their doubts.

- From Project Savli



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The Karunya Trust is doing a great job. Please keep it more and thank you for hosting the session

Sahil Kadam  
Deloitte Volunteer



# TESTIMONIES

## Finally, that glorifying day has arisen



Chavare is a small tribal hamlet situated 22 km away from Kalyan Block. This hamlet comes under Chavare-Mhasrundi gram panchayat. The population of the hamlet is

276 and 55 families are residing there. Their main occupation is based on forest resources. The majority of them are landless and few do labour work and migrate to

other places for brick kiln work. "For us, road issue was the biggest and major problem since the ages. We were facing many issues while walking barefoot on it. When

the Jeevan team started working with our hamlet, people started coming together and working on common issues. Thus in 2016, we conducted our first common meeting to solve this issue. So after attending training and awareness programs on governance and gram sabha from the Jeevan team on 26th August 2017 we have written the application with the help of Karunya Trust staff regarding the issue and took the signature of all of us". - Mrs. Jija Jadhav, active women leader from Chavare hamlet.

"We submitted that application to the gram panchayat and asked to pass the resolution as soon as possible. Sarpanch and gramsevak have promised we shall do it as soon as possible. After waiting for it so long, the pandemic situation has come in the year 2020 but we didn't stop to take the follow-up. We visited the gram panchayat office and raised the issue again and again. Then on 23rd November 2021, we came to know that 2 lakh rupees have been sanctioned for the road from the remaining fund of the gram panchayat. Due to

village politics, the work has been stuck there for two months. Finally, the 100-meter road was sanctioned first, then we again visited and asked them and they have promised the remaining road will be completed by the end of May 2023. We are happy to see the concrete road and our fruitful efforts and unity with the guidance of the Jeevan team. We are grateful to them for this work done". - Mrs. Lata Pawar, one of the active young women from Chavare hamlet.

- From Project Jeevan

## MAGIC COMES IN PIECES!



There is a place called Devoliwadi which is 7 Km from Badalapur. This village has got 25 families. They belong to the Katkari tribe. They are very poor and not afford to meet their basic needs. Though Grampanchayat has provided Bore well, it had no sufficient water. Karunya Trust provided them with a water tank and tabs so that now they can collect enough water. They also have common toilets which are provided by Grampanchayat. Karunya trust took initiative to bring the women together and empowered them through

SHGs. The NGO provided them with knowledge of government schemes, and different training like leadership etc, which gave them the confidence to fight for their right. Once they were aware of their rights, women came together and wrote an application demanding from Grampanchayat a common place(hall) to conduct different programs and celebrations. After several follow-ups in 2019, they got permission for building a common hall. As they began the work forest department and with the influence of politicians brought a stay order and they had to

stop the work. Despite the stay order, the women didn't give up their hope, and finally the women succeeded in getting permission to construct the hall. Now the hall is used for multi-purpose like business, tuition for children and different common programs. Not only are the women who are empowered by Karunya trust but the men are also inspired by the women's activities and they fully support the women for the development of their village.

- From Project Bharari

## HOME IS WHERE YOUR STORY BEGINS!



This is the story of the three orphan children who lived with their parents in Kuradpada, Badalapur. They were happy family sharing their joyous and sorrows. Parents took care of them well. Their father's name was Vilas Shinde. Everything was going well but suddenly something happened in their life. The father started drinking and became addicted to it. Every day he used to drink and come home and beat

up their mother and it brought conflict within the family. He lost his job and was facing financial problems. The mother took her children and went to her mother's house and was staying there. This affected the education of the children. Mother started work in a company. A few years, later mother got sick and died. The children were taken care by their uncle but after a few days, the children

were brought to their father. The father didn't bother much about his children and continued drinking. Later he too got sick and died. The children became orphans and had no one to take care of except the uncle who took care earlier. Since he was poor and jobless he could not afford to take care of these children. He was struggling to take care of his three children. since the death of their parents, the children had no proper facilities neither could fulfil their basic needs. With the intervention of Karunya Trust, the children are kept at Mahatma Gandhi Nirmal Niketan residential school. Now they have a shelter and good education facilities.

- From Project Bharari

## NEVER STOP LOOKING UP!!



The Duragadevi SHG was formed on 14/7/2014 at Chon

Ta. Amarnath Dist. Thane. The total numbers of

members are ten. Their monthly saving is 100 per

person. They are very poor even from the saving they

used to run the house. Through goal-setting trainings the women set a personal goal and started different businesses, like Chicken Shop, Grocery shop, Cutlery shop, Patravali, selling fish, etc. This started supporting them to meet their basic needs and stabilize their financial problems. The SHG members also had group goal setting training. The women together wrote an application for group business and approached

the Grampanchayat, Panchayat Samiti and Zilla Parishad for goat rearing scheme and received 42 goats. They also received a loan of two lakh rupees from the bank for group business. The women also were assured insurance for the goat which died off due to sickness. In this way women have come up in their life and trying to satisfy their basic needs through this business.

- From Project Bharari



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If you want to shine like a sun, first burn like a sun.

A. P. J. Abdul Kalam  
Former President of India



## CAPACITY BUILDING PRGRAMS FOR STAFF



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Child Rights



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## INITIATIVES *During* PANDEMIC

### KT news

Karunya trust has implemented a seven-month project supported by Caritas India and Caritas Italiana. 250 families were selected for hygiene kits and 128 families for cash transfers. Awareness of Covid -19 appropriate behaviour. The project focused on families infected affected by Covid-19. The program was conducted in 9 villages of Kalyan and Ambarnath block, Thane district. The contents of the project are to provide Hygiene kits, cash transfers to the infected / affected families and awareness generation to the community. The project was implemented with local Grampanchayath leaders and volunteers of the Karunya Trust. Beneficiary selection is

done by volunteers as per the criteria of Caritas Italiana. 250 families were selected for hygiene kits and 128 families for cash transfers. People were happy to receive support during the pandemic to meet their household needs Awareness generation activity conducted on Covid -19 appropriate behaviour through pamphlets distribution, street plays and family as well as individual visits and discussion in the 18 villages of Ambernath and Kalyan block. Throughout the activity, KT reached up to 2000 people.

Nishikant Rananaware

- From Project Rural





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"I measure the progress of a community by the degree of progress which women have achieved."

*Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar*  
Former Minister of Law and Justice of India

# CELEBRATIONS



## Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav- Independence Day Rally



Gyansaathi organized a rally on the occasion of 75th Independence Day. It was held on August 15th 2022. The rally started from Gyansaathi Center to Shivaji Nagar Police Station. The members of C4CRPC, Y4CRPC and W4CRPC made many posters and slogans about patriotism for the awakening of the masses. The police guided the rally and reached the police station. At the station, the senior police officers and the core team members interacted. It was a great experience for members of C4, Y4 & W4 to meet with Police officers.

- From Project Gyansaathi

## Independence Day celebration



Independence day was celebrated at Nahur Christ the King Community centre on 13th August 2022 at 10 am. The children's parliament (CP) of Savli had planned and organised the entire program. Rev. Fr. Lijo, the assistant director of Karunya Trust, Rev. Fr. Bipin parish priest of Christ the King Church, Nahur, Thane ration officer Miss. Surekha Chauhan and Mr Jijo, Trustee of the Nahur Church were present for the celebration. 90 children and 50 parents participated in the program. Children's parliament member Sonal Pandey gave an introduction about independence day.

Flag hoisting was done by Rev. Fr. Lijo and all saluted the flag and sang the National anthem. Prem Rane, one of the children of the Savli project, gave a speech where he remembered the Martyrs who laid down their lives for the country. Thane rationing officer Miss. Surekha Chauhan, Assistant Director Rev. Fr. Lijo and Mr. Jijo, gave speeches on the occasion. At end of the program, the toppers of the 10th class were honored with the prize.

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## Rakshabandhan Celebration



Raksha Bandhan is a cultural festival. It's a sign of bonding and respect for each other. Gyansaathi students celebrated the Raksha Bandhan. The girls tied Rakhi to boys and shared sweets. By doing this we can create good

thoughts about each other. The kids also liked the program and expressed that they liked and enjoyed it a lot.

- From Project Gyansaathi

## ALUMNI MEET 2022



In Gyansaathi, for the first time the Alumni Meet Program was organized. The objective of this gathering was to get to know the status of the ex-students who were attached to Gyansaathi. Many ex-students shared their experiences with Gyansaathi and their current status (many of them are studying and doing jobs). Gyansaathi teachers shared the expedition of Gyansaathi and information about the new holistic centres of Baba Nagar, Indira Nagar and Nirankari Nagar. Many students shared their

feedback that they loved it and were very happy to be a part of Gyansaathi and this Alumni Meet program. It was a proud and happy movement for us.

- From Project Gyansaathi

## Drama performed at BMC school Bhandup



On 15th August, along with Children's Parliament, Savli organized a drama and dance at Municipality School in Bhandup East. 23 children participated in the celebration. The school principal Ramesh Sir, teachers and students from 1st std to 4th std were present for the program. The topic of drama played by CP children,

was "the importance of education". Through drama, they motivated the children to attend school regularly. The principal also encouraged the students by explaining to them the importance of education. At the end of the program, one of the CP members proposed a vote of thanks to the principal, teachers

and the students of the municipal school Bandup, also thanked the school for giving them a good platform for their personal development and learning. They felt great and honoured for giving the chance to perform the skit on the occasion of Independence Day.

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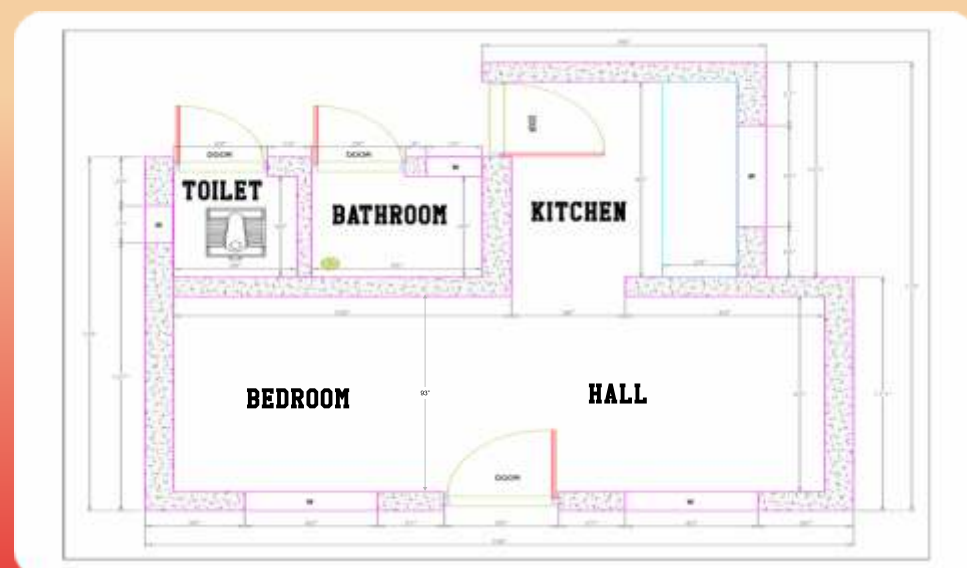
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