

President's Note



Shanti Sahyog marks 14 years of Transforming Lives of the underprivileged

A major highlight this year is that we realized our long cherished goal of working in Villages. We are indebted to the Australian Govt. for their grant for school infrastructure, which enabled us to open a Play/Pre School in Tughlakabad Village, on 3 July 2017. As of now we have 120 students enrolled in our School. Our decade long experience in educating underprivileged children reveals that those students, who have not experienced the formal structure of a Pre School, perform poorly in primary & secondary school. Our three Pre Schools aim to provide adequate

environment to nurture social standing and mental capability, to help children from urban slums adjust in mainstream education.

A survey of Tughlakabad Village in June 2017 revealed that there was no Computer Training Center there. Students had to go outside the Village for IT Training. To fill this lacuna, in July 2017, we set up the First Computer Training Center in Tughlakabad Village, to meet the demand / need for providing affordable IT related training skills to the poor and underprivileged – especially students and women – living there. We started with 10 students and by December 2018, the number had risen to 60. As of date, we have 80 students and increasing by the day. Our First Batch of 27 students were examined and awarded Certificates by Jan Shiksha Sansthan (JSS) – an agency recognized by the HRD Ministry, Govt. of India.

Our Cutting & Tailoring Center was also set up in July 2017 in collaboration with SINGER & Rotary Club of Delhi Central. Trainees follow the syllabus prescribed by SINGER and are also awarded Certificates by SINGER after successfully completing the 6 month course.

Our **Beauty Culture Training Center** is very popular, attracting young girls / women from the village. Trainees are awarded Certificates after completion of their 6 month course. So now we have a **full-fledged Skill Development Center in Tughlakabad Village**

6 of our sponsored children in Deepalaya School passed their CBSE Board Exams with flying colours. 4 in Class X Boards while 2 in Class XII Board Exams. Anurag Prasad secured 79 %; Ankit Prasad 73 %; Gauri Bishwas 67%; Rajat 66 %; Sidharth 63%; Sangeeta 60%

Shanti Sahyog Center for Peace & Conflict Resolution is also expanding its activities. We organized a **Workshop** on 6 August 2017: **Beyond Hiroshima & War**, Towards Nonviolence & Gandhi at Alliance Francaise New Delhi, which was well attended.

On 14 November – Children's Day, we invited **local MLA Shri Avtar Singh Kalka** as Chief Guest. He was pleasantly surprised at the progress we have made through the years.

3 Drugs De-addiction Camps were organized in collaboration with District Child Protection Unit-III, South East.

70 of our **students** participated in **Noida Express Half Marathon** organized by Rajender Kalyana, founder, Sports Activities Zone. They invited me to award prizes to the winners.

I take this opportunity to thank our donors for their continued annual financial support, our Members and Team Shanti Sahyog for their commitment and dedication, in empowering Shanti Sahyog in its mission of serving the underprivileged.

I have had an opportunity to receive the following awards on behalf of Shanti Sahyog.

- Vanavasi Kalyan Ashram Award 2018
- Literary Excellence Award for Gandhian Philosophy 2018



Our Projects

Education for Urban Slums

Health / Dental Centre

Homeopathic Clinic

Skill Development

Centre for Women

Education for Urban Slums

Total Beneficiaries 459

Play/Pre Schools 270 Primary & Secondary 125

Non Formal / Remedial

60

Senior Secondary

4



The following **6 students** whose education is sponsored in Deepalaya School passed their **CBSE Board Exams with flying colors.** We are very proud of them.

Std X



Anurag Prasad 79 %



Gauri Bishwas 67%



Rajat 66 %



Sidharth 63%

Std XII



Ankit Prasad 73 %



Sangeeta 60%

We are sponsoring the **Primary & Secondary** education of **125** students in the following Schools:

Deepalaya, Sanatan Dharam Vidya Bhawan, Gyan Mandir Public School, Syama Prasad Vidyalaya, Delhi Tamil Education Association, Ram Krishan Vithyalaya School, Sant Nirankari Public School & KSK Academy Public School.

Remedial Classes are held for our primary and secondary school students in our Kalkaji Pre School premises, in the afternoon, when they return from School. They are helped with their homework and to prepare for their weekly school Unit Tests. Our School Bus, donated by Engineers India Limited takes them from their homes in Sudhar Camp Slum to school in the morning and brings them back after School.

Pre School Education



We run three Play/Pre Schools:

- 1. Opposite Sudhar Camp Slum, Kalkaji, near Kalkaji GPO, New Delhi
- 2. DDA Flats Kalkaji, New Delhi
- 3. 1140B, Chhuriya Mohalla, Tughlakabad Village, New Delhi

In School Year 2017-18, **270** slum kids aged 3 to 6 received education in our three Play/Pre Schools. **26** of our UKG students from our Kalkaji Pre School have got admission in various schools in Std. I as tabulated below:

S No	Schools	No of Students
1	DTEA School, Laxmi Bai Nagar, New Delhi	10
2	MCD School, Kalkaji, New Delhi	6
3	School of Excellence Kalkaji, New Delhi	4
4	Gyan Mandir School, Kalkaji, New Delhi	2
5	Govt School No - 2, Kalkaji, New Delhi	3
6	Kendriya Vidyalaya	1
	Total	26

As mentioned above, a **major highlight** of this year is that we opened a **Play/Pre School in Tughlakabad Village**, on **3 July 2017**. As of now we have **120 students** enrolled in our School.

Play/Pre School

1140B, Chhuriya Mohalla, Tughlakabad Village, New Delhi





Like our two Preschools in Kalkaji, our 3rd Preschool in Tughlakabad Village is also run according to *Nai Talim* – Gandhi's views on basic education, wherein students are taught along with the 3 R's, dignity of labour; humility, empathy and respect for their teachers and school mates. Learning becomes fun through educational tools, building blocks, puzzles and games. The curriculum prepares them for entry into formal education. Creativity is stimulated through extracurricular activities like singing, dance, music, recitation and skits. Picnics and visits to places zoo, museums and historical sites are arranged periodically. The school doubles up as a Centre for Remedial, Non-formal & Adult Education in the afternoon.





Health

Total Beneficiaries 1650

Dental Centre 330







Health Camps 800







Homeopathic Centre 520







Skill Development Centre

Total Beneficiaries 428

Our Skill Development Centers run the following programs:

Computer Application, Cutting & Tailoring & Beauty Culture.

The trainees are examined after their Course is completed and awarded Certificates. The aim is to help young people – especially women find employment leading to economic independence / empowerment.

Computer Application 239





The Short & Long Term Impact of this Project is as follows:

Beneficiaries develop a Life Skill which helps them get employment leading to their economic independence. This boosts their self-confidence as well. Students who successfully complete their Basic Course are eligible for the following jobs: Customer Care Executive, Computer Operator, Office Assistant, Data Entry Operator, Technical Assistant, Storekeeper, Office Coordinator and Help Desk Receptionist. We are pleased to report that:







- 6of our students have been employed;
- → 4 students have enrolled in our Tally Computer Course to further their job prospects in Accountancy / Banking;
- > 229 students who are secondary school-going have benefitted immensely in their studies.

Computer literacy has helped these Secondary School students access and download examination papers of former years, explore websites, furthered their knowledge of difficult subjects, enabled them to lookup relevant material for school projects and helped in doing home-work. It has led to their overall personality development; they are visibly self -confident and poised. Today, basic computer literacy is a magic key which can open many doors for learning and employment.

Some Placements of our Computer Students

S NO	Student	Father's Name	Employer	Company Address	Job Profile	Income
1	Akansha	Surrender Kumar	Delhi Maritime Academy	3rd Floor, NDIIT Campus, 105, Mor Pocket-1, Kalkaji, Near Kalkaji Metro Station, New Delhi-19	Receptionist	7000
2	Alka	Lalji Maruya	National Technology	105, 64-65, Harsh Bhavan, Nehru Place, Nehru Place, New Delhi-19	Cash Memo (Tally)	7000
3	Devender	Jagdish Kumar	Jay Surya Overseas	shop no-3381, 3rd Floor, Christian Colony, D B Gupta Road, Karol Bagh, New Delhi-01	Salesman	12000
4	Gulista	Nizamuddin	Bajaj Capital Ltd (Corporate Office)	Bajaj House 97, 5th Floor, Nehru Place, New Delhi -19	Laptop Parts Sale	10000
5	Gulista	Md Quereshi	Aadhar Card Center	Shop No. 290, Gali No-17, Tughlakabad Extension, New Delhi - 19 Opp. Tara Apartment	Card Correction	5000
6	Khanhiya	Sudhir Panday	SSIPL Lifestyle Pvt Ltd	B-1 / F-4, Mohan Co-operative Industrial Area, Main Mathura Road, New Delhi-44	Data Entry	11000
7	Manisha	Late Jitender Kumar	Blue Dart Express Ltd	A-1/A and A-1/B, Ground Floor, Building No. 30-31, Raja House, Nehru Place, New Delhi-19	Data Entry	10500
8	Rahish	Rajan	Patiala House Court	India Gate, F-30C, Connaught Circus, Patiala House, Connaught Place, New Delhi-01	Receptionist	12000
9	Ruhi Soni	Ganesh	Max Life Insurance	17 ,18 & 19 Kailash Enclave Village Zamrudpur, Near Kailash Colony Metro Station, New Delhi-48	Agent	12000
10	Zahida	Md Habib Niyazi	Lenovo Store- Elcom Trading Company Private Limited	G 1, Goverdhan Building, 53-54 Nehru Place, New Delhi- 19	Coordinator	9000

Cutting & Tailoring 99







This unit is run to engage and empower the women to participate in the workforce and to contribute to the family income. It not only imparts a skill to the learner but also makes them confident as individuals.

We exhibit and sell the garments and other artefacts made by the students, at our Diwali Mela stalls at Lady Sri Ram College and Canara Bank and at the Australian High Commission, annual winter carnival.

Sewing machines are also given to the students with an excellent attendance record as an incentive to attend classes regularly. All our beneficiaries benefit by stitching clothes for themselves, their families and neighbours - thus adding to the family kitty. Some are also employed in boutiques.

Beauty Culture 90







Besides the regular Beauty Culture Course, numerous workshops on hair, make-up, the importance of hygiene are held periodically for our students. They also learn how to set up their own parlours.

All our students are gainfully employed. Most of them are self-employed in rendering door-to-door services earning Rs 5,000/- to Rs 8,000/- per month, depending on the area they work in.

Centre for Women Total Beneficiaries 684





