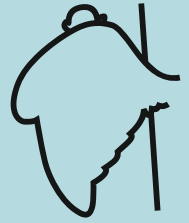




# Shanti Sahyog

## Newsletter



Dedicated to Service of the Underprivileged

“Man becomes great exactly in the degree in which he works for the welfare of his fellow-men.”

*Mahatma Gandhi*



## Shanti Sahyog Projects

### ➤ Education for Urban Slums

- Play /Pre Schools
- i. Opposite Sudhar Camp Slum, Kalkaji
- ii. DDA Flats, Kalkaji
- iii. Tughlakabad Village
- Primary & Secondary
- Adult
- Non-formal / Remedial

### ➤ Health / Dental Centre

- Opposite Sudhar Camp Slum, Kalkaji
- Free Medicines
- Free Eye & Cancer Camps - Mammography / Cervical / Oral

### ➤ Homeopathic Clinic

- DDA Flats, Kalkaji

### ➤ Centre for Women

- Vocational Training
- Legal Aid / Counseling
- Advocacy & Awareness
- OPD, Health & Nutrition Camps
- Delivering Govt. Social Welfare Schemes
- Awaaz Uthao Project for Women

### ➤ Skill Development Centre Kalkaji & Tughlakabad Village

- Computer Application
- Cutting & Tailoring
- Beauty Culture
- Nursing Assistants Training
- Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY)
- National Digital Literacy Mission (NDLM)

### ➤ Gandhi Clubs in Schools

### ➤ Centre for Peace & Conflict Resolution

We work in 17 Delhi slums (Kalkaji-Govindpuri Area) & in Tughlakabad Village

12 September 2017

## Australian High Commission Visit

A red letter day for us! We were honored to have **Jenny Grant-Curnow**, Political Counsellor and **Pallavi Nayek**, DAP Administrator, Australian High Commission, New Delhi, to formally inaugurate our Play/Pre School in Tughlakabad Village, New Delhi, which started on 3 July 2017.

Shanti Sahyog Executive Body Members and Staff were present in full strength to greet them.

Our children gave them a traditional welcome after which they went round the School. The kids recited poems, nursery rhymes and sang songs for them while the teachers briefed them about the school activities and syllabus.

It was heart-warming to see Jenny take great pains to point out Australia on the world



map, to tell the little ones she had come from Down Under! In her address to the Staff, she highlighted the importance of Pre-School Education.

Jenny had requested us to call the beneficiaries of previously funded DAP projects, with whom she interacted keenly. Both Jenny and Pallavi were happy to see how well the School is progressing.

We thank them for taking the time to be in our midst. We also once again thank the Australian Govt. for their DAP Grant, that has helped give these underprivileged children a future, by this good start in their early formative years.







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Dear Readers,

The end of the year is a time for reflection! As I look back upon 2017, I find it is exceptionally dotted with volunteers, who added value to our services for the underprivileged, by helping us with great zeal, compassion and devotion. On behalf of Shanti Sahyog, I thank them all:

Claire Wright & Hanna Brown from **UK**; Lucia Arce Salas & Mariona Romeu Graeus from **Spain**; Nikki Rhodin & Nadine Kohlse from Voluntary Service Overseas - **VSO**

**India Trust**; 29 National Service Scheme volunteers from **Lady Sri Ram College, New Delhi**; Project Head & Coordinators Aditi Pandey & Tanupriya Singh; 2 from **Gargi College, New Delhi**; 12 from **IIIT, Delhi**; 5 **BSW Interns** from **Jamia Milia Islamia, New Delhi**; 2 from **IGNOU**; 1 from **Christ University, Bangalore**; 1 from **Amity University**; 1 from **O P Jindal Global University, Haryana**; 2 from **New Delhi Institute of Management**.

Special thanks to **Sipra Narula**, a social worker, who is a good listener, interested in people's problems, and a natural in finding strategies to help solve them. With minimal training, good common sense and organizational skills, she has built up an extended network, to aid those who are poor, ill, abused and distressed. She associated us with **Atul, Maneka & Ashim, founders, Rasoi on Wheels**, through which they supply meals to the underprivileged at subsidized rates. Sipra also sponsored our students participation on 4 October, in Delhi Football Festival, at Ambedkar Stadium, New Delhi, hosted by In-Joy Life Center (Founder Vivek Jain) and also gave clothes to our Staff on Diwali.



**Sangeeta & Ranbir (Paul) Jaggi**  
for continued Education Sponsorship  
of 20 underprivileged students since  
one decade to date



**Uma Muthuraman & Vishal Gupta**  
for their Annual much-needed Contribution  
to Shanti Sahyog Staff Welfare along with  
Jaiti's Education Sponsorship since 2009

Wishing you all a very happy and prosperous **2018** filled with good health, joy, success and peace.

**Dr Suman Khanna Aggarwal, PhD**  
President & Founder, Shanti Sahyog



26 December

### X' Max Celebrations



Team Shanti Sahyog is grateful to:

- **Rohan & Tatsiana** - Roadhouse Café;
- **Tatiana & family** - Russian House Foundation;
- **Verhaen** - New Delhi Nature Society
- **Volunteers** - Anna, Aakansha, Angelina, Luda, 2 Rahuls, Savy, & Sidhartha

for taking the initiative, in true Yuletide spirit, to bring joy, laughter, merrymaking and X'mas gifts to 116 tiny tots studying in our Play/Pre School in Kalkaji. The day was a HUGE SUCCESS: Our kids thoroughly enjoyed the games, pizzas, coke, sweets, biscuits and gifts including much needed woollen sweaters.

14 November

### Children's Day



Children's Day was celebrated in all our Play/Pre Schools. The tiny tots had lots of fun performing skits, singing songs and participating in games. Our esteemed **MLA Shri Avtar Singh Kalka** graced the occasion as our **Chief Guest** in our Kalkaji School. He awarded prizes to the students and distributed sweets to them. In his address, he assured us he would support our School in every possible way.



3 November

### Guru Nanak Jayanti



Guru Nanak Jayanti was observed piously in all our Schools. Students were acquainted with the Guru's life and teachings in simple ways.

Diwali was celebrated in the traditional way. Puja, parties and gifts were the order of the day!



12 August

### Janamashtami & Independence Day



Janmashtami was observed with our kindergarten students dressing up as *Radha, Krishna and Gopis*.

Our kids sang the National Anthem with great gusto and paraded with the Indian Flag, celebrating Independence Day.



# / Religious Festivals & Activities



- January 2018

8 December

## Beauty Culture Workshop



Our Beauty Culture Instructor - **Hema** invited **Rajni Virmani** - from **KISTYLE Hair Styling Salon for DIVAS**, to conduct a workshop for her students. She demonstrated the use of **rica wax** and the **acupressure points** for head massage and facials. It was a great learning experience for our students.

24 November

## National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA) New Delhi



NGMA in collaboration with Portuguese Cultural Centre, New Delhi, invited our students to participate in an art workshop on, 'Bringing shadows to other light' with Portuguese artist **Marta Bernardes**. Our Principal, **Neeru Mehra** said our students benefitted immensely, learning inter alia, shadow drawings.

## Drug De-Addiction Camps

11 December Govindpuri

10 November Tughlakabad Village

4 October DDA Flats Kalkaji



Shanti Sahyog in collaboration with District Child Protection Unit-III South & South-East, Delhi, conducted these Camps. About 100 people including students attended. Street theatre - *nukkad natak* - was used to convey the message. It was very informative and interesting. Kudos to our mobilisers - **Priyanka** and **Fatima** - for organising this Event so successfully and to **Deepika Sharma** for her over-all supervision!



## 19 December Skill Development Certificates Awarded to 57 Students

Mr Bipin Kumar Rai, Member-Expert DUSIB, awarded Certificates to 43 students of our Computer Application Courses – Basic & Tally & to 14 students of our Beauty Culture Course. All had been successfully examined by Jan Shiksha Sansthan Prayas – an agency recognized by HRD Ministry, Govt. of India. We are grateful to Mr Rai for taking time out of his busy schedule and gracing the occasion as **Chief Guest**. It was a privilege to have him visit our Centre and do the honours. 6 students of our Beauty Culture Course & 16 from Computer Application have secured placements.



## 3 December Noida Express Half Marathon

70 students of our Skill Development Centers in Tughlakabad Village & Kalkaji, along with the Staff, participated in the early morning, 6 am, Noida Express Half Marathon. It was organized by Rajender Kalyana, founder of Sports Activities Zone. Our President, Dr. Suman Khanna Aggarwal was invited as Chief Guest for prize distribution.



## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS



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Oil & Natural Gas Corporation Ltd (ONGC) for **Education Sponsorship of 13 Underprivileged Children**, for the School Year 2017-18 in Deepalaya School. Special thanks to **Dr. Alka Mittal, Sadiq Jamal and Priyanka Rana** for their efforts in this regard.

**Suruchi, Kapil, Dhruv, Pankaj Malik, Rahul, Rounak and Ruchika** from **Udaan** for generosity in sponsoring **delicious meals** for our students from Rasoi on Wheels. (Aug-Dec 2017)

**Rajiv Sehgal, Xotik Frujus Pvt Ltd & B K Gupta, DABUR** for providing **juice packets on Diwali**.

**Shreeji Sewa Sanstha, L R Aggarwal of Krishi Rasayan Export Pvt Ltd & Sonali Bhasin Kumar** for giving **Winter School Uniform Sets** to our students. (Aug-Dec 2017)





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Shri Vishnu Kumar Sureka ji

Shri Vishnu Kumar Sureka ji – Founder, Sureka Public Charity Trust - is a very special individual, who stands tall because of his philanthropy! Nicknamed 'Dawai wale Dada', roughly translated as 'Medicine Grandfather', 68 year old, Shri Vishnu Sureka ji is famous for his, 'Help Line Pharmacy' (HLP) located near All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) Yusuf Sarai, New Delhi. Since 2003, through HLP, he supplies free medicine to 30 Nonprofits, including Rama Krishna Mission & Vivekananda Seva Trust and sells medicine at highly subsidized rates to the public. This entails a monthly expenditure of around Rs.30,00,000/- Generic medicines, bought at HLP, are cheaper by 70% to 75% than the existing market rates and company medicines are cheaper than 28 to 35%, benefitting 300 to 500 patients daily. HLP buys medicines in bulk so they can be sold at very cheap rates. Currently he supplies these medicines to over 600 Health Centers across the country.

The inspiration to start HLP came in 2003, when he found vast differences in rates of medicines at different shops, while buying medicines for his ailing father. He strongly felt and resolved: "It is not right that a person dies or his illness worsens because of lack of medicine. This is why I have decided to sell medicines at subsidized rates till I'm able to, with the Grace of God!" NGO Shanti Sahyog is grateful to Shri Vishnu Sureka ji for a regular supply of FREE MEDICINES to Shanti Sahyog Health Center in Kalkaji and to Mr Dinesh Khanna for facilitating this.

Besides HLP, Shri Vishnu Sureka ji also runs a *dharamshala* near AIIMS, where relatives of patients admitted in AIIMS can stay at very nominal charges and get free food. Owner of Mauria Udyog Ltd, a company that primarily manufactures gas cylinders and exports them to 100 countries across the globe, Vishnu ji is also famous for starting his day by distributing biscuit packets to poor children who throng his residence for this treat every morning!



Shri Dinesh Khanna  
CEO Sureka Founder Public Trust



Shri LR Agarwal

Shri LR Agarwal is the **Founder & Director** of **M/s Krishi Rasayan Exports Pvt Ltd - KREPL** – set up In 1973. Under his able guidance, KREPL is now a leading company for formulation, manufacturing and exports of various pesticides and allied products. It has manufacturing units in J & K, HP, Gujarat & Bihar and markets its products all over India and abroad. In 2010, Shri Agarwal started **M/s Truly Nolen** for safe and odor free pest solution products in collaboration with a prominent American concern, for eradication of termites, rodents and general pests in households, warehouses, construction sites, railways, airports etc. He is also in contact with state governments for contract farming and organic crops produce.



