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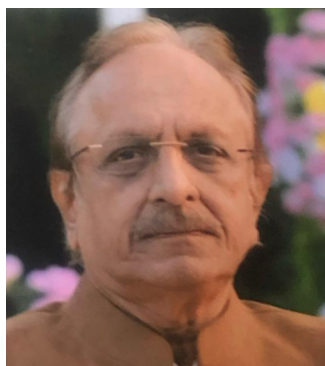
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ABOUT ● S.H.E.D.

Society for Human and Environmental Development

The Society for Human and Environmental Development (S.H.E.D) was established in Mumbai in 1982 at Raj Bhavan. The founder, Ms Begum Bilkees Latif, wife of Air Chief I.H. Latif (former Governor of Maharashtra), initiated the work in the Mumbai and Palghar districts. Ms Latif visited slums in Mumbai to identify the needs of the community. Dharavi, considered one of Asia's largest slums, was the first community explored by the founder, and she was deeply affected by her experience. Despite the challenging situation, Ms Latif chose to organise meetings with the local leaders of Dharavi to reach an agreement for the benefit of the children. Vocational training was initiated for children and youth.

Later, this idea was extended to four more slums in Mumbai (Kalina, Andheri, Sagbaug, and Jogeshwari) and Palghar (Saphale in 95 clusters). Begum Bilkees Latif was awarded India's fourth-highest civilian honour, the Padma Shri, in 2009 for her contributions to society.

Mr Maneck Davar serves as the President of the organisation. S.H.E.D works with marginalised communities, including children, youth, women and their families. Over the last three decades, S.H.E.D has impacted the lives of more than 2 million individuals through its various programs and interventions. S.H.E.D engages in rights-based and needs-based approaches to empower the most deprived communities and facilitate sustainable social change.

The projects are spread across six slums in Mumbai and 92 villages in the Saphale and Palghar districts of Maharashtra, with a strong engagement with 1,000 school-going students and communities. The mission is to build a network of socially conscious people within India and around the world, creating a pool of resources with financial strength, knowledge, commitment and vision to transform India.

41 Years of Service, Support and Community Impact



Education



Health Care



Women Empowerment



Community Mobilization



Environment

MESSAGE OF PRESIDENT

As we reflect on the achievements and milestones of the past year, it fills me with immense pride and gratitude to share the progress we have made at the Society for Human and Environmental Development (S.H.E.D). Our mission to provide essential services to underserved communities has been propelled forward by the generous support of our partners, donors and volunteers. Together, we have made a tangible difference in the lives of many, and I am pleased to highlight some of our key accomplishments.

One of the most significant strides this year has been in enhancing our medical support services. We have installed state-of-the-art X-ray machines and other crucial equipment at our medical facility. This invaluable contribution has significantly bolstered our capacity to deliver top-notch medical care and diagnostic services to the community. With these new tools, we can now offer more comprehensive and timely medical interventions, ensuring better health outcomes for our patients.

In addition to medical advancements, we have also made great strides in providing essential resources to those in need. This year, with the support of BJ Homes (The Byramjee Jeejeebhoy Home), we received a substantial donation of ration supplies, including rice, wheat flour, sugar and other staples. These supplies have been crucial in sustaining our mid-day meal programs at various S.H.E.D centres and have played a vital role in nutrition demonstrations for tribal women in Saphale.

Our commitment to education remains a cornerstone of our efforts. In collaboration with Inner Wheel District 314, we have undertaken the Intrinsic School Improvement Programme at Madhyamik Vidyalaya, Pargoan. This initiative focuses on upgrading the infrastructure of the school, which has been a beacon of hope for tribal children in the remote areas of Saphale for over three decades. By repairing classrooms, constructing new facilities and establishing vocational training centres, we are creating a conducive learning environment that empowers Adivasi women and children through education and skill development.

In response to a request from the Primary Health Centre, a key government health facility in Saphale which serves nearly 2,00,000 people across 95 villages, S.H.E.D, with support from Glenmark, has undertaken critical upgrades to the facility. These include repairing key infrastructure, such as the operation theatre and maternity room, and providing essential medical equipment like patient beds, walkers and wheelchairs. Additionally, we have supplied essential medicines for a year to support the tribal community.

Furthermore, our ongoing collaboration with partners like Rotary International, Zomato, and the Inner Wheel

Club of Bombay Queen's Necklace has enabled us to address critical needs in areas such as sanitation, water solutions and daily feeding programs. These initiatives have not only improved living conditions but have also fostered a sense of dignity and hope within the communities we serve.

Lastly, we were honoured to receive recognition for our efforts in the Zilla Parishad Schools in Palghar, where two of our supported schools, Shilte and Sartodi, were awarded for their excellence in the "Chief Minister My School, Beautiful School" campaign. This acknowledgment reaffirms the impact of our educational initiatives and motivates us to continue our work with renewed vigour.

As we move forward, I am confident that with your continued support, we will achieve even greater heights in our mission to serve humanity and protect the environment. On behalf of everyone at S.H.E.D, I extend my heartfelt thanks to each of you for your unwavering dedication to our cause.

Thank you for your continued support.



MANECK DAVAR

President

MESSAGE OF VICE PRESIDENT

Both education and health are vital for any child's successful development, yet often poverty impedes access to both. Lack of proper education is still a serious issue, as is anemia, affecting people with conditions such as protein-calorie deficits and micronutrient malnutrition. Anemic children frequently struggle with concentration, experience chronic fatigue, and are more vulnerable to illnesses.

In the slums of Mumbai and in rural and tribal areas, education, health, women's empowerment, community mobilization, and environmental awareness are the areas that SHED has concentrated on. For the past 42 years our team at SHED have dedicated themselves to collaborating with disadvantaged communities.

I am truly privileged to work with such a dynamic, determined, and hardworking team as also members of our board who selflessly give of themselves for those in need. I also want to truly thank our supporters and contributors like Roche Diagnostics, Inner Wheel Clubs and Rotary Clubs and many others, for all that they do.



ASAD LATIF
Vice President



MESSAGE OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

I am delighted to reach out to you today as we reflect on the progress we've made and look forward to the exciting journey ahead. We are deeply grateful for your unwavering support. At S.H.E.D, our mission to empower the underprivileged and vulnerable, especially women and the girl child, remains at the heart of everything we do. We have achieved remarkable milestones over the last three decades, engaging with marginalised communities, including children, youth, women and their families.

S.H.E.D has impacted the lives of more than 2 million individuals through its various programs and interventions. These accomplishments are a testament to the power of our collective efforts and the impact we can create when we work together. One of our recent highlights is our mission to impart holistic growth and education to the children in Dharavi, through our school and community outreach programme. This success not only demonstrates the effectiveness of our programs but also underscores the difference your contributions make in the lives of those we serve.

Under its flagship program, S.H.E.D. implemented a targeted approach to ensure the enrollment, retention, and development of children in schools. This program has reached over 2,000 children, with a focus on education, health, and nutrition. To date, S.H.E.D. has provided 20,599 meals, organized medical camps, and distributed educational materials to students at its primary school in Dharavi, and continues to offer support.

Looking ahead, we are energised by both the opportunities and challenges that await us. Our upcoming initiatives include work in the tribal belt of Saphale, in Palghar district. Currently, we are working with Zilla Parishad schools to improve education quality and infrastructure for the children there. We also have medical centre and provide vocational training for more than 95 villages and clusters in Saphale and Palghar district. We believe these initiatives will further our mission and enhance our ability to offer better infrastructure, quality education, health and skill-based trainings to the over 2 lakh population in Palghar district. In urban centres like Dharavi, we are focusing on education and skilling that will support more than 10,000 households across all four of our urban centres as well as our school in Dharavi.

However, we know that these ambitions can only be realised with your continued help. As we move forward, we invite you to continue your support and motivation for the vulnerable. Your engagement is crucial in helping us reach our goals and make a meaningful difference in the community. Together, we are not just making strides, we are transforming lives and creating a better future. Thank you for being an integral part of our journey. Your support is the cornerstone of our success, and I am deeply grateful for each one of you.



RAJENDRA
TAWDE

Chief Executive Officer

Dedicated to Excellence: Meet Our Team Ensuring a Longlasting S.H.E.D



Rajendra Tawde
Chief Executive Officer
38 Year



Mariam Rashid
Deputy CEO
37 Year



Alka Gharat
Director-Kalina
40 Year



Gautami Alambadan
Dharavi Centre
36 Year



Annie Daniel
Dharavi Centre
36 Years



Maheshwari Perumal
Dharavi Centre
36 Years



Neeta Mhatre
Director-Saphale
34 Years



Santosh Waje
Kalina Centre
34 Years



Babaji Ghule
Dharavi Centre
33 Years



Bhimrao Gharat
Saphale Centre
32 Years



Monika Dislva
Kalina Centre
30 Years



Ashok Jadhav
Saphale Centre
29 Years



Mohan Jadhav
Saphale Centre
29 Years



Snehal Salunkhe
Executive Prog. Officer
24 Years

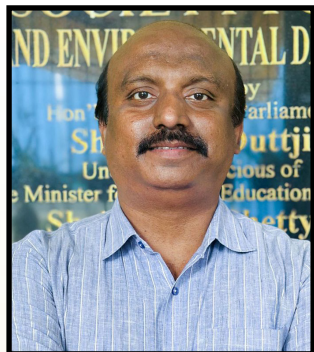


Deepa Dalvi
Executive Accountant
17 Years



Trupti Patil
Saphale Centre
15 Years

Dedicated to Excellence: Meet Our Team Ensuring a Longlasting S.H.E.D



Hemant Ghadge
Mahakali Centre
13 Years



Sangeeta Sawant
Kalina Centre
12 Years



Shilpa Salvi
Mahakali Centre
12 Years



Yogita Parmar
Jogeshwari Centre
10 Years



Vaishali Patel
Sagbaug Centre
9 Years



Ujjwala Jadhav
Saphale Centre
9 Years



Shreya Talekar
Kalina Centre
9 Years



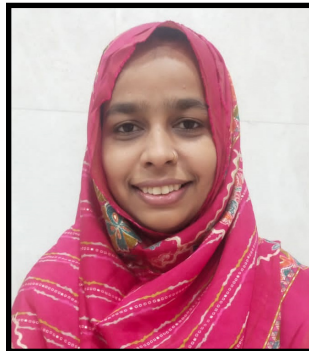
Priyanka Dubey
Kalina Centre
9 Years



Priyanka (Monu)
Dubey
Kalina Centre
7 Years



Farida Shaikh
Kalina Centre
7 Years



Gulafsha Khan
Kalina Centre
7 Years



Vishal Choudhary
Dharavi Centre
6 Years



Ranjana Jadhav
Kalina Centre
6 Years



Pooja Shelke
Jogeshwari Centre
6 Years



Samidha Patil
Saphale Centre
6 Years



Riya Gorre
Kalina Centre
5 Years

Key Projects

MEDICAL SUPPORT - X-ray Machine

S.H.E.D is thrilled to share that with the generous support of its President, Mr. Maneck Davar, we have recently installed X-ray machines and other crucial equipment at our facility. This significant contribution will greatly enhance our ability to provide top-notch medical care and diagnostic services to our community.

Mr. Davar's commitment to improving healthcare services is truly commendable. The new equipment will enable us to offer more comprehensive and timely medical care, ensuring better outcomes for our patients.

S.H.E.D and the community is thankful to Mr. Maneck Davar for his invaluable contribution to our facility and for helping us continue our mission of providing exceptional healthcare to those in need.



RATION AND OTHER MATERIALS SUPPORT TO S.H.E.D



In the year 2023–24, with the support of S.H.E.D President Mr Maneck Davar, we received ration support from BJ Homes (The Byramjee Jeejeebhoy Home), Matunga. The supplies included 1,869 kg of rice, 2,000 kg of wheat flour, 750 kg of sugar, 510 kg of tur dal, 240 Solapuri chadars and 50 blankets. These materials have been utilised at all S.H.E.D centres for the mid-day meal program, and for nutrition demonstrations for tribal women in Saphale.



Build up Secondary School (Madhyamik Vidyalaya – Pargoan) in the Tribal Belt of Saphale, Palghar Region



Inner Wheel District 314 and the Society for Human and Environmental Development (S.H.E.D) have once again collaborated to develop the Intrinsic School Improvement Programme at Madhyamik Vidyalaya, Pargoan. Established in 1990, the school has been dedicated to educating tribal children living in remote areas and has successfully provided quality education to the needy children of Saphale for the last 30 years. To date, 2,000 children have graduated from this school, and every year, more than 300 students benefit from its educational programs.

S.H.E.D had constructed the school building with the support of Inner Wheel District 314. According to the new education guidelines outlined in NEP 2020.

The focus is on the quality of infrastructure and the impact of its use.

1. Repairing the Ground Floor: Five classrooms (approx. 22x19 feet each) require repairs, including windows, doors and floors.
2. Constructing a New First Floor: Four additional classrooms (approx. 22x19 feet each). One hall (approx. 35x26 feet).
3. Constructing New Toilets for Boys: Area size of 275 sq. ft.
4. Repairing Girls' Toilets.
5. Educational Painting for All Classrooms and School Premises.



Facilities to Empower Adivasi Women and Children:

In the school premises, a vocational and multi-activity centre has been established, recognising the importance of vocational training in empowering individuals with the support from **Dr.(Smt) Bhanuben Mahendra Nanavati Foundation**.

This centre focuses on providing skill development and income generation activities with a special emphasis on Adivasi women and children. Key initiatives include:

- Oil Grinding Machines: Installed for use and maintenance by women's groups, promoting income generation and self-sufficiency.
- Promotion and Preservation of Traditional Tribal Art
- Tailoring Classes

This initiative aims to create an environment conducive to learning, ensuring that the students receive the best possible education and facilities and to equip Adivasi women and children with practical skills, fostering empowerment and improving their socio-economic status.



Update on Infrastructure and Equipment Support for Primary Health Centre, Saphale, Palghar District.



Following the establishment of the S.H.E.D Rural Medical Centre at Saphale within the S.H.E.D premises, the Primary Health Centre members reached out to S.H.E.D for support with infrastructure and medical equipment. The Primary Health Centre is a key government health facility in Saphale, serving

approximately 2 lakh people across more than 95 villages and clusters in Saphale and Palghar District.

With financial support from Glenmark Pharmaceuticals, S.H.E.D has undertaken significant upgrades to the Primary Health Centre. This includes:

- Repairing and improving infrastructure in critical areas such as the Operation Theatre, Maternity Room, OPD Ward, Pharmacy Room, Doctor Consultation Room, Medicine Room, Postmortem Room, etc.
- Providing essential medical and hospital equipment, including patient beds with IV stands, Operation Theatre Table, walkers, wheelchairs, cupboards, computers and examination tables.
- Supplying essential/required medicines for one year to support the tribal community free of cost.

These enhancements are aimed at improving the quality of healthcare services provided to the local population.



Feeding India – Zomato



S.H.E.D, in collaboration with Zomato, has launched the Hunger Heroes (Feeding India) initiative under its flagship program. From November to March 2024, this daily feeding program has provided 20,559 meals to the students of S.H.E.D Primary School in Dharavi. This ongoing activity aims to extend daily feeding support to other S.H.E.D centres throughout the current academic year, ensuring that more students receive nutritious meals regularly.

S.H.E.D Primary School – Renovation

S.H.E.D has been running a primary school serving the community students holistically for the past several years. In the last 12 years, more than 500 students have passed out of Std. VII and have continued their further education.

In the last academic year, we enrolled 200 students from Jr. KG to Std. VII. There is a need for school maintenance, repair of toilets and minor work on the school premises and the school hall. It has been several years since any painting and repair of the school building was done. To give the children a friendly, neat and clean and healthy atmosphere, repairs were a priority.



The Rotary club of Charlotte Dilworth South End and Rotary Club of Bombay North End sponsored the repairs of the recreational centre, toilets, painting of the school, etc.

Anganwadis Upgrade and Sanitation Initiative

Anganwadis are rural mother and childcare centres initiated by the Government of India in 1975 as part of the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) program to combat child hunger and malnutrition. In the financial year 2023–2024, S.H.E.D upgraded eight Anganwadis for 150 children in Girale and Darshet villages, remote tribal areas in Saphale, Palghar district. The upgrades included:



Electrical work, installation of tube lights and fans.

Provision of cooking and serving utensils for mid-day meals.

Installation of water purifiers and cupboards, painting, educational material.



Government Award – Zilla Parishad Schools

Over the past five years, S.H.E.D has been dedicated to developing and providing quality education to Zilla Parishad Schools in Saphale. To date, we have contributed to the development of more than 25 schools.

We are pleased to share that in December 2023, Maharashtra's Hon'ble Governor Ramesh Bais and Hon'ble Chief Minister Eknath Shinde jointly launched the "Chief Minister My School, Beautiful School" campaign at Raj Bhavan. This initiative aims to create a competitive environment among the schools in the state and foster the overall development of students.



We are very proud to announce that in Palghar District, 31 Zilla Parishad Schools and 27 private schools participated in this campaign. Notably, two Zilla Parishad Schools, Shilte and Sartodi, won second and third prizes, respectively. This recognition highlights the significant progress and achievements made through our efforts in improving the quality of education and school environments in these areas.

Sanitation and Hygiene



Every day, almost 400 children under the age of 5 in tribal schools suffer from diarrhoea due to poor sanitation and hygiene. Clean and well-maintained toilets are crucial for promoting hygiene and better health among students and staff. They help reduce the spread of germs, bacteria and illnesses, creating a safer environment for everyone.

To promote proper sanitation facilities, S.H.E.D constructed toilets in two Zilla Parishad Schools in Nagave and Darshet, Saphale, Palghar District. These efforts aim to improve hygiene standards and health outcomes for the children and the wider community.

Ed Sheeran Spreads Joy at S.H.E.D Primary School

Internationally acclaimed artist Ed Sheeran made a heartwarming visit to the S.H.E.D Dharavi Centre, where he met with our school children. This gesture of spreading joy among the children reflects Sheeran's genuine connection with his fans and his commitment to making a positive impact in the communities he visits.

During his visit, Sheeran performed for the children, singing songs and enjoying their performances in return. He sang for the kids from Std. 1 to 7, creating a memorable experience as some of them performed for him as well. This special event brought immense joy and inspiration to the children, highlighting the power of music and kindness.



Renovation of Recreational Centre for children of Kalina Centre

There was a need to repair the classroom cum recreational room and install a roof shelter for additional rooms and activities at the S.H.E.D Kalina Centre. With the support of Intercont Freight Liners Pvt Ltd, the Inner Wheel Club of Bombay Queen's Tiara, and Ashtech Infotech India Pvt Ltd, the renovation work was successfully completed.

The newly installed roof shelter is now being used for providing mid-day meals, serving as additional classrooms, conducting yoga sessions for women and hosting various community and children's activities. This renovation benefits more than 200 students daily. Additionally, Intercont Freight Liners Pvt Ltd sponsored 80 students for scholarship support.



Water Solution for Tribal Community By Inner Wheel Club of Bombay Queen's Necklace

The Inner Wheel Club of Bombay Queen's Necklace has consistently supported S.H.E.D's water solution program in the Saphale tribal areas over the past several years. This year, with the support of club members, several key improvements were made in Khanjodapada, Pargoan village, Saphale, a 100% tribal community with a population of 300. These improvements include covering an open well, installing a water storage tank with a stand post, cleaning and repairing the borewell and implementing rainwater harvesting systems for 35 houses.

This initiative has successfully resolved the water issues in the village, allowing women more time for family and community activities.



ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT IN YEAR :2023-2024

LAUNCHING OF CHANDRAYAAN 3

The most-awaited historical event of the year 2023–24 was the successful launch of Chandrayaan 3. All S.H.E.D centers took the initiative to show the live streaming of the Chandrayaan 3 launch.

The government has also launched the “Apna Chandrayaan 3” portal to educate school students about the lunar mission. This portal includes a variety of educational resources such as colouring books, online quizzes, puzzles and inspiring stories presented as graphic novels about Chandrayaan 3.

S.H.E.D's aim was to ignite confidence among slum and rural students and inspire them to understand technology, fostering a scientific temperament among them.



CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL DAYS



At all S.H.E.D centres, we celebrate Independence Day and Republic Day with our children and the community. Various programs were organised to instill the importance of these national days among the children. Flag hoisting was conducted by senior representatives at each centre.

The children prepared performances, including songs and dances, focusing on themes of communal harmony and national integration. Through these celebrations, S.H.E.D aims to cultivate a sense of good citizenship among the slum children, fostering their development into responsible and better citizens of India in the future.



S.H.E.D Primary School Celebrations in the Academic Year 2023–24

In the last academic year 2023–24, S.H.E.D Primary School celebrated a wide range of days and special events. These celebrations were designed to instil values and foster a well-rounded education among the children.

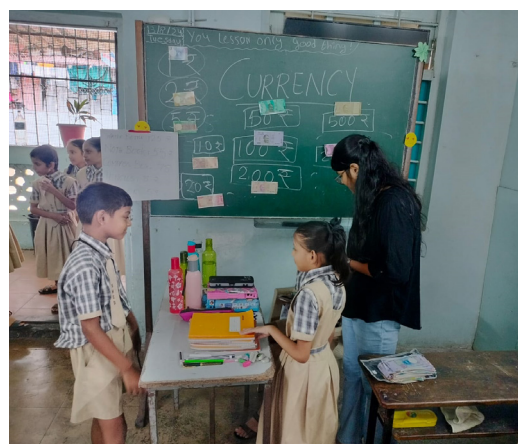
Key Events Celebrated

- Teacher's Day: Honouring the contributions of teachers and emphasising the importance of education and learning.
- Raksha Bandhan: Celebrating the bond between siblings and fostering a sense of care and protection.
- Girl Child Day: Promoting the importance of gender equality and the empowerment of girls.
- Gandhi Jayanti: Commemorating the birth of Mahatma Gandhi and teaching the values of nonviolence, peace and simplicity.
- Religious Festival Celebrations: Observing festivals from various religions to promote cultural diversity, tolerance and understanding.
- National Days: Observing significant national holidays to instil patriotism and a sense of unity.

By celebrating these events, S.H.E.D Primary School aimed to create a holistic educational environment where children learn important cultural, ethical and moral values. These activities helped in:

1. **Cultural Awareness:** Students gained a deeper understanding and appreciation of India's rich cultural heritage.
2. **Moral and Ethical Development:** Emphasising values such as respect, empathy and kindness.
3. **National Pride:** Instilling a sense of pride and responsibility towards the nation.
4. **Inclusivity and Tolerance:** Promoting inclusivity by celebrating diverse religious and cultural events.

These celebrations played a crucial role in the holistic development of children, ensuring they grow up with strong values and a well-rounded perspective.



S.H.E.D Primary School-Dharavi

S.H.E.D aims to provide quality education and foster the holistic development of each child enrolled in our school. Various competitive exams, sports activities, science exhibitions, and other events are organised for our students. We strive to ensure that these children receive quality knowledge and grow to be good citizens of this nation. Our President, Begum Bilkees Latif, envisioned that “S.H.E.D should prepare the child with values and moral sciences for our nation.”

In this academic year, we organised a Science Exhibition at the school, a health check-up camp with NCD awareness sessions, and a robotic workshop conducted by IIT Powai.

We are proud to announce that IIT Powai and Abbott organised the Annual Innovation Challenge among 14 schools in Mumbai. Our S.H.E.D Primary School participated and prepared skits on “How to Reduce Exam Stress.” It was a challenge for all 14 schools, with the judges deciding the winners. Our school won 2nd prize in the Annual Innovation Challenge. This success was unbelievable for the parents, and we could see the happiness on their faces when they saw the trophy.



WORLD AIDS DAY

World AIDS Day is celebrated for one week in December each year. This year, S.H.E.D Dharavi conducted various awareness sessions in the community, organised a poster exhibition, and set up informative stalls in targeted areas. Corner meetings were also held to educate the community about HIV/AIDS prevention and safety. Weekly activities were conducted across all areas of Dharavi, reaching both targeted and general populations. Through these programs, more than 2,00,000 people were made aware of HIV/AIDS.

FINANCIAL LITERACY

S.H.E.D centres initiated a Financial Literacy awareness program across all locations with the aim of creating awareness and providing information on government schemes and the importance of essential family documents. We have established connections with government service providers to assist the community in updating Aadhaar cards, obtaining new PAN cards, opening bank accounts, and accessing other related services. In our sessions, we focus on educating participants about various government schemes such as the Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana, Ayushman Bharat, E-Shram Card, and Atal Pension Yojana. To date, 25,680 women have attended these sessions, with 9,860 women benefiting from various schemes.



INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING.

In Dharavi, with the support of the local police station, a rally and an awareness campaign were organised by the youth and Mahila Mandal to combat drug abuse and illicit trafficking. S.H.E.D received an overwhelming response from the community, particularly from women, who are determined to achieve a drug-free Dharavi. Mariam Rashid and Babaji Ghule conducted over 50 sessions in various targeted areas of Dharavi, addressing the issues and providing information about rehabilitation options for those struggling with drug addiction. Many young people have come forward to support this initiative.

At all S.H.E.D centres, regular awareness sessions and campaigns are organised on various community issues, including communal harmony, values and national integrity. The aim is to empower the community to become self-reliant. We also celebrate international and national observances such as International Day of the Girl Child, Yoga Day, Women's Day and others to instill a sense of responsibility and encourage good citizenship.

EDUCATION

- ❖ Pre-Primary Support: 1,000 children received pre-primary beneficiary support.
- ❖ Remedial Classes: 1,000 school students benefited from supportive/remedial classes.
- ❖ Notebook Distribution: 18,000 notebooks were distributed to 510 children.
- ❖ Scholarships: 62 students received scholarships.
- ❖ Mid-Day Meals: 1,000 children received mid-day meals daily.
- ❖ Life Skills & Awareness: Over 35,000 students benefited from life skills training and various awareness sessions.
- ❖ Sanitation: 2 new toilets were constructed in ZP schools.
- ❖ Teacher Support: 5 laptops were provided to teachers for educational purposes.
- ❖ Educational Kits: 200 students from Dharavi received educational material kits, including uniforms, books, and other materials.
- ❖ Digital Literacy: 2,000 students benefited from digital literacy programs.
- ❖ Skill Training: 2,889 youth, women, and adolescent girls received skill training.
- ❖ Advanced Courses: 500 beneficiaries were trained in advanced courses through the Rajendra Jain Women's Empowerment Center.
- ❖ Vocational Training: The Jan Shikshan Sansthan Dharavi completed 64 batches of vocational courses, such as tailoring, beauty care, and electrical technician assistance, with a total of 1,276 beneficiaries.



EDUCATION



HEALTH

- ❖ Blood Donation: 200 units of blood were collected through blood donation camps.
- ❖ Oral Health Program: 2,000 children and women received care under the oral health program with the support of expert dentists.
- ❖ Health Camps: 25,850 individuals from rural and tribal areas benefited from various health camps and received free medicines.
- ❖ Cancer Screening: 850 women and adolescent girls underwent cancer screening and attended awareness talks.
- ❖ Anemia Testing: 420 tribal women received regular anemia testing, blood tests for common ailments, and continued doctor follow-ups with medicines.
- ❖ Pharmaceutical Support: 120 tribal women received additional pharmaceutical support for major diseases.
- ❖ HIV/AIDS Intervention: 36,407 beneficiaries, including sex workers, single migrants, and industrial workers, participated in our HIV/AIDS intervention programs in Dharavi and Boisar.
- ❖ Antiretroviral Therapy: 98 individuals who tested positive are currently receiving antiretroviral therapy.
- ❖ HIV Testing Camps: 750 HIV testing camps were conducted, benefiting 14,816 individuals.
- ❖ STI Treatment: 435 individuals are undergoing STI treatment.
- ❖ Condom Distribution & Awareness: 2,30,165 condoms were distributed along with awareness campaigns.





COMMUNITY MOBILIZATION

- ❖ Family Counselling Centre: 269 cases were registered at the Family Counselling Centre in Dharavi, covering issues such as domestic violence, family disputes, senior citizen concerns, mental and physical abuse, and alcohol/drug-related cases.
- ❖ Counselling Sessions: 12,859 counselling sessions were conducted with women, children, and family members.
- ❖ Awareness for Children: 5,846 children benefited from awareness sessions covering topics such as WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene), healthcare-seeking behavior, mental health, yoga, and more.
- ❖ Awareness Sessions: 410 awareness sessions were held across all centers, reaching 1,25,000 beneficiaries on various topics including girl child education, women's rights, documentation, government schemes, right to education, mental health, and life skills.
- ❖ Nutrition Support: 420 tribal women and their families received monthly nutrition support.



WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

- ❖ 175 SHG Group with 1,750 members are seeking government schemes and got habit of savings in all center.
- ❖ 2,510 women benefitted through adult literacy sessions held at in Dharavi and Saphale
- ❖ 2,950 women trained in reached Financial Literacy program in at Dharavi and Saphale
- ❖ 3,456 adolescence girls/women participated in 256 sessions on mensural health and hygiene.



ENVIRONMENT

- ❖ 3,587 income generation trees planted in SHED, Saphale and neighboring villages.
- ❖ 100 women farmers taken organic farming's training.
- ❖ 2 Water storage tank constructed
- ❖ 6 borewell Repaired
- ❖ 100 rooftop harvesting unit Installed
- ❖ 2152 awareness sessions on solid waste management, no plastics, save earth save tree,
– Swaachh Bharat Abhiangyan,etc.



Inspiring Journeys Of Change

Mrs. Kavita Kondu Baraf, 45 years old, resides in Darshet, Saphale, Palghar with her family. Due to health and financial difficulties prompted her to seek medical assistance at a nearby hospital. She was diagnosed with high blood pressure and began medication under SHED Doctor Dr. Sandhya Raut. From last 2 years she receives free BP medication and regular follow-ups which leading to significant improvements in her health. Under SHED Farmer development program, she taken the farmer training and received 50 mango plants for cultivation and currently thriving, while she also uses the land for kitchen garden, which generate regular income from selling vegetables. Planted seasonal fruits and leafy vegetables on their farm, facing challenges due to water scarcity. She further requests support in obtaining an electric water motor to ease the effort required for watering. SHED team support Kavita for getting the benefit from Government scheme. She received the water pump and other agriculture under Government schemes. Mrs. Baraf story highlights the transformative impact of the SHED in providing essential healthcare services and agricultural support to improve the well-being of tribal communities.



Ujjwala Pared, aged 29, lives in Konapada, Darshet village, Saphale, Palghar. She was suffering from severe anemia, with an HB level of 6.5, and was also dealing with a major illness. Under our Roshni Project, she has been undergoing treatment as advised by Dr. Sandhya Raut for the past year. She has received

regular medication, nutrition, and follo w-up care from our team. This has led to improved health and financial independence. She started her own shop by taking a bank loan through a government scheme. We also encouraged her to attend UMED Sanstha training, which provided financial support through SHGs (Self Help Groups). Presently, she is involved in empowering other tribal women to become self-reliant. With her improved health, she is now able to take care of her family and contribute to her community.

Ujjwala Jadhav has served as a community-based field worker at the SHED Saphale Centre since 2015. She received an award for her noble contributions to social causes from Tushar Prakshan Press on the occasion of International Women's Day. She is deeply grateful to the entire SHED team for providing her the opportunity to work on social issues affecting the community. Ujjwala was a member of a local SHG (Self Help Group) and a beneficiary of SHED's activities. SHED offered Ujjwala the opportunity to work in community development, and over the past 10 years, she has done tremendous work for the development of children and women in remote tribal areas.



Nikita Baburao Babar, 18 years old, belongs to the tribal community in Dongarpada, Girale village, Saphale. Both of her parents are daily wage workers, and her dream was to pursue a civilian course for Police Training after completing her HSC. Through the SHED scholarship program, she is currently undergoing training at Prahar Academy, Palghar. SHED supports efforts to break down barriers to education and entry into law enforcement careers, especially for tribal girls, and Nikita serves as a role model for other girls in her community. SHED also works to empower marginalized groups and promote diversity within law enforcement agencies.



Inspiring Journeys Of Change



Disha Gharat, 21 years old, lives with her mother after her father passed away during the COVID-19 pandemic. She dreamed of completing her education and taking care of her mother, who works as a tailor. Disha is currently pursuing her T.Y.BAF (Accounting and Finance degree). With scholarship support over the past two years, she has been able to fulfill her dream. Now, Disha is working at a private firm and earning a respectable income. She expresses her gratitude for achieving her dream and aims to support SHED's activities by educating and guiding other students in need



Naseeb Jahan Sher Khan is a single parent of two children, living in the Jogeshwari slums. She was working in a garment factory to support her family's needs. Her dream was to become a beautician, but due to family burdens and financial difficulties, she was unable to pursue the necessary skills. She learned about SHED's Jogeshwari Centre, where we offer vocational training at nominal charges. She enrolled and successfully completed the course. During the course, she took small beauty orders in her neighborhood, and now, with the help of a bank loan, she has started her own beauty salon. Naseeb is confident and deeply thankful to SHED for helping her fulfill her dream.

Aarnav Sawant was a kindergarten student at the Mahakali Centre. After completing the kindergarten stage, Aarnav, being a special needs child, faced difficulties in securing admission to another school. The staff at our Mahakali Centre visited school authorities and advocated for Aarnav's enrollment in the primary section. His parents are deeply thankful to the SHED team for their support and efforts in securing Aarnav's admission.



Mehak Noor, 18 years old, is currently studying in the 12th class. She belongs to a middle-class family and is facing many financial difficulties in continuing her education. She has completed both basic and advanced computer courses at the Jogeshwari Centre. After finishing the courses, she began working part-time as a data entry operator at Sigma Company. Now, Mehak is on her way to fulfilling her dream.



Pushpa Nadar, a 32-year-old woman, lives in the Dharavi slum with her family, which includes her 9-year-old son. Her financial condition is challenging, and she supports her family by working from home. Although Pushpa previously had a savings account, it was closed due to inactivity or other issues.

During a meeting where we discussed the importance of savings, Pushpa expressed her need to reopen her account. She also mentioned that she wanted to open a bank account for her son to help with his school studies and to receive scholarship funds. Pushpa was unaware of the necessary documents and procedures for opening an account, so I provided her with the required information and helped her fill out the account opening form. I accompanied Pushpa to the bank, where we successfully reopened her account and opened a new account for her son. Pushpa was very happy and expressed her gratitude for the assistance.



Safir Ansari, Age: 25 years

Safir Ansari lives with his parents, brother, and sister in Dharavi and works in a factory. During a meeting held by your field staff, Safir attended a training session where we provided information about government schemes, post office schemes, and financial savings.

Safir found the training very beneficial and decided to start planning his finances. He approached our staff and shared that while he earns money, he gives it all to his mother, and the entire amount gets spent each month, leaving him with no savings. Our staff explained the importance of saving some money for the future, emphasizing that he might need it in case of emergencies. We suggested that he open a post office account, but Safir was initially hesitant due to a previous experience where he had been cheated.

To build his confidence, our staff encouraged him to become our first beneficiary. We accompanied him to the post office, where we spoke with the post office head. This reassured Safir, and he eventually opened a five-year Recurring Deposit (RD) and a Fixed Deposit (FD) in the post office.

He also took advantage of the Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Vima Yojana Scheme.

By taking these steps, Safir made a positive move toward securing his financial future. A few days later, he brought his family, friends, and relatives to us to learn more about the Swadhar Literacy Training. Safir was visibly happy with his decisions and the progress he made.

Sumitra Patva – 45 years old

The SHED Dharavi team conducts regular Financial Literacy training sessions for women in the slums to empower them with knowledge about government schemes and financial benefits. In these training sessions, we educate them on saving habits, digital banking, opening bank accounts, and making transactions.

During one such session, we met a woman named Maya Kadam, who is 45 years old and runs a papad business. Although Maya had a bank account, she was unfamiliar with digital banking, UPI, and online money transactions. This lack of knowledge caused her significant challenges in conducting transactions with her customers, and she often struggled to find time to visit the bank.

Maya participated in our financial literacy training, where we introduced her to various banking services such as digital banking, ATMs, and UPI, and taught her how to conduct online transactions. She is now actively using these services and benefiting from the convenience they provide.



“Individuals Who Have Successfully Completed Skill Training Courses and Are Earning Honorable Income Through Employment and Self-Employment”



Fatima Ansari
Working as Data Entry Asst.



Surya Shinde-Computer
Computer teacher at Mahakali center



Sharyu
Taking order of Mehendi



Mamta Varma (Special Child)
is Self Employed



Mamta Mestry
Setup an own BeautyParlour



Ashwini Poojari
Taking online order of
Beauty care



Kajal kanojiya
Employed in Military Engineer
Services as Data Entry Asst.



Pranali Gawad
Started own services
of Dress Making



Vedika Gharat (tribal girl)
Set up her own tailoring
shop in village.



Sarvesh Todankar working as Admin Executive
in Soundline's Saudi Arabia

Behind Every Families Cases- Stories of Problem Solving



Nandini Singh, 23 years old, lives in Dharavi. She filed a complaint at the Family Counselling Centre in Dharavi against her husband and mother-in-law for taking her one-year-old child to their native place without her permission. Our counsellor registered the case and issued a legal notice to the husband and mother-in-law. Mariam Rashid conducted both group meetings with the family members and individual meetings with the husband and wife to understand the issues.

Nandini complained that her mother-in-law was creating misunderstandings between her and her husband, while the husband explained that the child was taken alone to

the village because they had a two-month-old baby, and Nandini would struggle to manage both children together. However, Nandini was not willing to accept this and insisted she could not leave her child with her mother-in-law. Mariam Rashid held several counselling sessions with Nandini to help her understand that her mother-in-law was showing concern by taking the child. After multiple sessions, Nandini agreed to allow her child to go on the condition that she could video call and talk to him whenever she wanted, without any objections. Both the husband and mother-in-law agreed to this condition, and they returned home peacefully. It was also observed by the counsellor that Nandini was suffering from mental health issues and required medication and treatment.

Kalavati Anand Kale, an 85-year-old senior citizen living in Dharavi, registered a complaint against her son, Mr. Devdas Kale, for taking all her legal documents and jewelry and forcing her out of the house. The counsellor registered the complaint and issued a legal notice to Devdas. A joint meeting was conducted at the FCC Dharavi, involving other family members as well. Mariam Rashid explained the legal actions that could be taken against Devdas for the harassment of a senior citizen. Devdas claimed that, being the only educated member of the family, he kept all the documents and records secure with him.



Mariam Rashid further clarified that no one, including the son, can take any documents, jewelry, or other belongings without Kalavati's consent. Devdas and the other family members agreed to return all the documents to Kalavati. She was very happy and satisfied with the support she received from SHED. She also mentioned that many senior citizens like her suffer from family and health-related harassment at this age. Mariam Rashid encouraged Kalavati to become a SHED volunteer and to refer those senior citizens to the Family Counselling Centre for support.

Afrin Hussain Chawas, 32 years old, filed a complaint against her husband for demanding dowry from her mother. She also reported that Hussain was not taking responsibility for her or their children. Mariam Rashid called Hussain



to the Family Counselling Centre for a discussion to understand the issues between the couple. During an individual counselling session with Hussain, he stated that Afrin lacked knowledge about saving money and often engaged in unnecessary expenses. As a result, he stopped giving her money, which led to arguments and conflicts at home.

In subsequent sessions, a joint meeting was conducted between both partners. Mariam Rashid explained the importance of financial literacy to Afrin, teaching her how to save money and deposit savings in a bank for the future security of their children. She also advised Hussain to open a savings account at a nearby post office or national bank, which Afrin could manage to save money. Hussain agreed to this suggestion. Additionally, Mariam Rashid encouraged Afrin to pursue skill training that could help her generate her own income and empower herself.

VOLUNTEER

Dhwani Sharma

I volunteered at SHED Kalina in December of 2023 for 3 weeks and I must say that it has been the most gratifying experiences of my life. I've had the privilege to work with an incredible group of people who were very warm and welcoming to an unexperienced volunteer like me. Especially

Shamla ma'am who was very patient and kind with me and truly motivated me to try and work hard. Throughout my time with SHED I was able to partake and contribute to the lives of underprivileged children by providing them with quality education that every human deserves. This really opened my eyes to see the reality of our country right before my eyes, it is totally different to hear about it in the news or from other people but to see it right before me was enlightening. It has made me more passionate in my beliefs in equal and quality education for all. I am incredibly grateful to SHED for giving me this opportunity to engage in such meaningful work.



Irfana Issath

As a public health student, I had the privilege of interning at the Society for Human and Environmental Development (S.H.E.D) for five weeks. The extent of exposure they provided to sensitize interns to the realities of people living in slum and rural areas was truly priceless.

S.H.E.D's approach to community involvement is both inclusive and empowering. By actively welcoming and valuing the input of community members, they ensure that their initiatives are both relevant and effective. This hands-on experience allowed me to witness firsthand how essential it is to involve the community in every step of the development process.

The hospitality at S.H.E.D was remarkable and beyond words. The staff's warmth and openness made the internship an incredibly enriching experience. They were always receptive to suggestions and comments, providing an environment of continuous improvement and mutual respect.

My time at S.H.E.D was transformative, providing me with invaluable insights into public health challenges and the importance of community-driven solutions. I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to learn from such a dedicated and compassionate team.



Marissa Rodrigues

Working with S.H.E.D has been one of the most fulfilling experiences as a 1st year BA LLB intern. As a volunteer, I had the opportunity to contribute to meaningful projects that directly impacted the lives of individuals in need. The

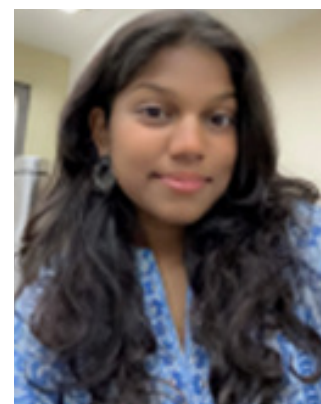
organization's commitment to its mission is evident in every aspect of its work, from the dedication of its staff to the thoughtful planning and execution of programs.

I was particularly impressed by the collaborative spirit within the team. They not only worked towards uplift-

ing the underprivileged but, gave them life's skill so that they can stand on their own feet and be financially independent and also contribute in supporting the family. The leadership fostered a supportive environment that encouraged personal and professional growth, making it easy to stay motivated, engaged, and nurtured interns like me who could contribute in ways we could best.

The most rewarding part of my experience was seeing the tangible difference our efforts made in the community. Whether it was through educational initiatives towards children, women etc, healthcare support, or advocacy work. I felt a deep sense of purpose knowing that my contributions were helping to create positive change.

The experience not only enriched my understanding of social issues but also strengthened my commitment to community service. I am proud to have been a part of such a dedicated and compassionate team. Would like to extend my gratitude towards Ms. Shamal Ma'am, Mr. Tawde sir and the team who not only welcomed a fresh intern but encouraged and supported me in my internship journey at S.H.E.D.



Jasleen Kaur

S.H.E.D has given me opportunities to learn the ins and outs of what goes behind and into the impact they make in the community. From grassroot realities in the communities of Palghar, Dharavi and Kalina, they also exposed me to the importance and functioning of stakeholder management to make their programs more effective and efficient.



With their exceptional hospitality to the community as well as to their own staff, they have upheld their positive and social development values for more than 40 years. I would like to express my gratitude to the organisation for hosting me for my internship and helping my professional growth in an inclusive and supportive environment.

Rushabh Barve's journey is truly inspiring! His dedication and hard work have led to significant achievements, from underprivileged Student of SHED & then volunteering with SHED Mahakali to securing a position in a shipping company and being sent to Abu Dhabi. It's heartwarming to see how SHED played a crucial role in shaping his success and he is truly Thanks for the same because without SHED it was not possible and here's to many more success stories like his.



Very Happy to see that SHED is shaping the generation to generation... Cheers to SHED.



Rishikesh vishwakarma

We would like to share, our supportive study classes ex student Rishikesh vishwakarma. From last 3 years, he is doing volunteering work in our Mahakali centre. He use to came to centre for this CA preparation, after a lot of hard work without any private classes he had cleared CA Foundation in first attempt without any classes. SHED wishes him to fulfill his and his family's dream to become CA.

The group of MSW Studenst-University of Mumbai.

Our experience as a Student Social Worker (SSW) at SHED NGO has been profoundly impactful. Working with marginalized communities in Mumbai's slums allowed us to apply social work methods in real-world settings, particularly in educational and women's empowerment programs.

We gained valuable skills in community organization, case work, and communication, while also overcoming challenges like community resistance. SHED's dedication to empowering the underprivileged with dignity and self-reliance was truly inspiring and has deeply influenced my approach to social work.



Rekha Sharma

Working with SHED has been an immensely positive experience for the Happy Triangle Foundation. Since our collaboration began in August 2016, their support has been instrumental in delivering educational workshops that resonate with young learners. In 2020, we decided to shift our focus to creating educational magazines to make learning more accessible, especially during the pandemic, in an engaging way that didn't require technology. SHED's unwavering commitment to this initiative was vital in its success. During 2020 and 2021, we produced monthly magazines (24 issues) and then transitioned to quarterly publications post-pandemic, bringing us to our 33rd issue. Initially, we printed 100 copies per month for our long-term partner NGOs. As we expanded our partnerships, we now print 450 copies of each issue.

These magazines, tailored to children's interests and age groups, are supported by the dedicated teaching and engagement efforts of SHED's educators. Their commitment to distributing the magazines and

leading reading sessions has broadened the reach of our educational content, providing enhanced learning opportunities for countless students.

Our partnership with SHED has been built on shared values of responsible education and long-term trust. The roots of this collaboration trace back to 2014, when Happy Triangle's co-founder began as a teaching volunteer at SHED (Andheri). That experience laid the foundation for our current work and continues to affirm the power of our collective goals. SHED's reliability and dedication have extended the impact of our educational efforts. Our non-profit's motto, "Let's Think Together," thrives through this partnership as we engage with numerous children, teachers, and coordinators who play a vital role in educating, organizing, and gathering feedback from each child. Together, we are fulfilling our mission with every student we reach. We are deeply grateful for this partnership and look forward to continuing our work toward long-term educational success.



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सफाळे : पालघर तालुक्यातील रोडखड येथील जि.प.शाळेच्या इमारतीचे बांधकाम युद्धपातळीवर सुरू असून, इनरव्हील क्लब ऑफ मुंबई, मानव आणि परिसर विकासमार्फत बांधण्यात येत आहे. शाळा इमारतीच्या बांधकामासाठी ४० लाखांहून अधिक रक्कम खर्च होणार आहे.

२०१०-११ या वर्षात जिल्हा परिषद, रोडखड शाळेच्या सर्व शिक्षा अभियानांतर्गत दोन वर्षांच्या बांधण्यात आल्या होत्या. या इमारतीचे बांधकाम निकट दर्जाचे केल्याने अवघ्या ११ वर्षांतच तडे जाऊन ती धोकादायक झाली होती. या धोकादायक इमारतीकडे शिक्षण विभागाकडून दुर्लक्ष केले जात होते.

रोडखड येथील जि.प.शाळेची इमारत धोकादायक झाली होती. या इमारतीचे बांधकाम सध्या युद्धपातळीवर सुरू आहे.

पालकांमध्ये होते भीतीचे वातावरण

- ही जीर्ण झालेली इमारत धोकादायक असल्याचे दिसून आल्याने दुरुस्ती न करता धोकादायक म्हणून शेरा दिला होता. त्यामुळे तेथील पालकांमध्ये भीतीचे वातावरण निर्माण होऊन विद्यार्थ्यांचे भविष्य धोक्यात आले होते.
- या धोकादायक इमारतीसंदर्भात शाळा व्यवस्थापन समितीने तत्काळ दखल घेत पत्रव्यवहार सुरू करून ही इमारत पाडण्यात आली होती. त्यानंतर इनरव्हील क्लब ऑफ मुंबई व शोड संस्थेचा पुढाकाराने युद्धपातळीवर बांधकाम करून दिवाळीपर्यंत उद्घाटन करण्यात येणार असल्याची माहिती संस्थेने दिली.

पुढारी

रेन वॉटर हार्वेस्टिंग काळाची गरज

तालुकावासीयांनी पुढाकार घेणे आवश्यक

भोकरदन, पुढारी वृत्तसेवा : दरवर्षी उन्हाळ्यात ग्रामीण भागासह शहरात पाणीटंचाईचा सामना करावा लागतो. जल व्यवस्थापना अभावी विहिरी, योग्य तलाव, नाले, बोअरवेल कोरडी पडत आहेत. परिणामी भूजल साठा कमालीने आटत आहे. भविष्यातील जलसंकटावर परिसरात गंभीर मात करण्यासाठी आताच उपयोजना ठेणे गरजेचे आहे. 'रेन वॉटर हार्वेस्टिंग' हा एक चांगला उपाय असून तालुकावासीयांनी पुढाकार घेण्याची गरज निर्माण झाली आहे.

सर्वत्र पाणी मुबलक पाणी मिळावे, पाण्याच्या पातळीत वाढ व्हावी, त्यासाठी जलसंवर्धन ही लोकचळवळ उभी होण्याची गरज आहे. शेतीसह गिऱ्याच्या पाण्यासाठी आजही ग्रामीण तसेच शहरी भागामध्ये भटकंती सुरू आहे. भोकरदन तालुक्यात 'हर घर जल' ही योजना सफेपल अपयशी झालेली दिसून येत आहे. उद्याच्या विहिरीसाठी पाणी जमून ठेवायचे असल्यास आजच नियोजन करण्याची गरज असल्याचे मत जल-तज्ज्ञांनूत व्यक्त केल्या जात आहे.

अनेक वेळा दुष्काळाशी सामना
गेल्या काही वर्षांपासून एखादे वर्ष सोडले तरी काही वर्षांपासून शहरी आणि ग्रामीण भागात पाणी टंचाईचा सामना करावा लागत आहे. त्याचबरोबर आता गेलेल्या पावसाळ्यापासून पाऊसच नसल्याने १३.५ टक्के ग्रामीण भागात आणि भोकरदन शहरात ३५ अशा एकूण जवळपास १३० टक्केने आता पावसाळा लागला तरी पाणीपुरवठा करण्यात येत आहे ही विचार करायला लावणारी बाब आहे.

पाणीटंचाईची दरवर्षी समस्या अधिकाधिक गंभीर होत आहे त्यासाठी प्रभावी उपयोजना होताना दिसत नाही. पाण्याची निर्मिती शून्य नाही. माव पावसाचे पाणी अडविणे न जिविणे हे आपल्या हातात आहे भोकरदन तालुक्यातील ग्रामीण परिसरात व शहरी भागात जलपुनर्भरण ठेणे काळाची गरज आहे.

लोकमत

एक कोटी ४० लाख खर्च; शारदेचे उभारले मंदिर

लोकमत न्यूज नेटवर्क
सफाळे : पालघर तालुक्यातील सफाळे पूर्व भागातील ग्रामीण शिक्षण संस्था उमरोळी संचालित माध्यमिक विद्यालय पारगाव इमारतीचे सुशोभीकरण करण्यात आले. शाळेच्या इमारतीची नवीन वास्तू बांधून कार्यापालट करण्यात आला आहे. इनर व्हिल क्लब व मानव आणि परिसर विकास समितीकडून एक कोटी ४० लाख खर्च करून शारदेचे मंदिर बनले आहे. या इमारतीचे उद्घाटन मंगळवारी मोठ्या उत्साहात पार पडले.

इनर व्हिल डिस्ट्रिक्ट ३१४ यांनी पारगाव येथील ग्रामीण शिक्षण संस्था उमरोळी संचालित माध्यमिक विद्यालयाची इमारत बांधून कार्यापालट केला आहे. या शाळेत आठवी ते दहावीपर्यंत विद्यार्थी शिक्षण घेत आहेत. या इमारतीत दहा वर्ग खोल्या बांधून आधुनिक पद्धतीने प्रयोगशाळा बांधण्यात आली आहे. त्याचप्रमाणे वातानुकूलित रुममध्ये दहा संगणक देण्यात आल्याने खेडोपाड्यातील विद्यार्थ्यांना त्याचा फायदा होणार आहे.

वारली पेंटिंग प्रशिक्षण देणार

भविष्यात अकरावी व बारावी पुढील वर्गासाठी खोल्यांची तयारी दर्शविली आहे. गोरगरीब व बचत गदातील महिलांना व्यावसायिक होण्यासाठी रोजगार निर्मिती प्रशिक्षण व आदियासी कला जोपासण्यासाठी वारली पेंटिंग प्रशिक्षण देण्यात येणार आहे. शालेय शिक्षण समिती अध्यक्ष सतोष घरत यांना इमारत उभी राहण्यासाठी मोलाचे योगदान दिल्याने सन्मानित करण्यात आले. योगदानाबद्दल इतरांचाही सत्कार करण्यात आला. शाळेची इमारती बांधण्यासाठी मानव परिसर विकास समितीकडून मोलाचे सहकार्य लाभले आहे. भरघोस निधी उपलब्ध करून दिल्याने रात्रंद तावडे यांचा सन्मान करण्यात आला.

- कार्यक्रमाला इनरव्हील क्लब डिस्ट्रिक्ट ३१४ चे अध्यक्ष पल्लवी चौखरी, प्रोजेक्ट चेअरमन हिमादी नानावटी, पंचायत समिती सदस्य कामिनी पाटील, सरचक्र अंकुश जावर, ग्रामीण शिक्षण संस्थेचे उपाध्यक्ष चंद्रकांत पाटील, सरचिटणीस भूषण पाटील, कार्याध्यक्ष नितिन वझे, सर्व पदाधिकारी उपस्थित होते.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024		
PARTICULAR	YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024	YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023
INCOME		
Regular Grant	3,20,82,169.00	2,78,66,444.00
Donation	1,45,78,250.00	1,04,13,518.00
Intrest FD/Saving	3,49,825.00	4,21,443.00
Other Income	5,83,146.00	4,91,282.00
Total	4,75,93,390.00	3,91,92,687.00
EXPENDITURE		
Programme Expenses	1,91,08,000.00	1,53,25,985.00
Administration and other Ex- penses	50,24,966.00	37,09,774.00
Project Expenses	2,42,04,640.00	1,74,33,892.00
Depreciation	2,80,315.00	3,17,449.00
Total	4,86,17,921.00	3,67,87,100.00
Excess of Expenses over income	-10,24,531.00	24,05,587.00

For DAPNS & CO
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2024						
PARTICULAR	AS AT MARCH 31, 2024	AS AT MARCH 31, 2023	PARTICULAR	AS AT MARCH 31, 2024	AS AT MARCH 31, 2023	
Trust Fund and Libalities			Assets			
Corpus	3,000,600.00	3,000,600.00	Fixed Assets	2,000,494.00	2,270,159.00	
Sundry Creditor	5,514,030.00	4525084	Long Term Investments	6,147,822.00	5,799,997.00	
General Fund	2,434,649.00	2475666	Curent Assets			
Project	2,255,334.00	4445603	Cash and Bank	2,511,954.00	5,071,327.00	
			Short term loan and Advance	1,787,742.00	618,433.00	
			Other Cureeny Assets	756,601.00	687,037.00	
Total	13,204,613.00	14,446,953.00	Total	13,204,613.00	14,446,953.00	

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SHED KALINA CENTRE

SHED Complex, Church Street,
Opp. St. Mary's High School,
Kalina, Santacruz (E),
Mumbai-400029

SHED DHARAVI CENTRE

SHED Community Welfare
Centre,
Behind Dharavi Police Station,
New Transit Camp, Dharavi,
Mumbai-400017

SHED JOGESHWARI CENTRE

SHED Community Welfare
Centre, Hari Nagar, Near Bandra
Plot, Jogeshwari (E), Mumbai-
400060

SHED SAGBAUG CENTRE

SHED Community Welfare Centre,
Sneh Sagar CHS, Sagbaug,
Sakinaka, Andheri (E),
Mumbai- 400072

SHED MAHAKALI CENTRE

SHED Community Welfare Centre,
Sundar Nagar, Mahakali Caves
Road, Mahakali, Andheri (E),
Mumbai-400059

SHED SAPHALE CENTRE

SHED Community Welfare
Centre, Virathan
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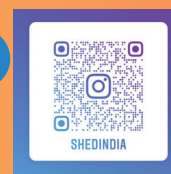
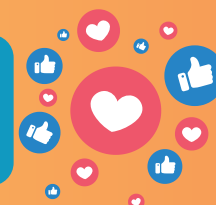
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