

ADHAR NEWS आधार वृत्त

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Inception of Home for Senior Parents of Intellectually Disabled at Nasik



Supporting 'Sahawas Bahuddeshiya Sanstha', Jalgaon



Supporting 'Dnyanprabodhan Matimand Niwasi Vidyalay', Solapur



Sahawas Bahuddeshiya Sanstha, Jalgaon

Mr. Samadhan Sawant, founder of Samdhan, used to work at a residential school for specially abled in Mumbai. While working in Mumbai, he always used to compare the facilities in Mumbai with the scale of the facilities available in the rural areas. He took the bold decision of quitting his job one day to make a difference and improve the facilities available for intellectually challenged children in the rural areas. In the year 2015 he started 'Sahawas Bahuddeshiya Sanstha' a residential facility with the help of few of his local friends from Sonbardi.

One of the philanthropic persons, from his village, made his premises available for starting residential school on nominal rent. Today he has 20 intellectually disabled children from poor families from nearby area. Most of the parents are daily wages workers and cannot afford to pay any amount of fee for their children.

Against all the odds, Mr. Samadhan Sawant & his team have managed to survive for 4 years. Shahawas has a waitlist of 25 more children wanting to get admitted. One of the donors donated 1 acre of land to Sahawas. Mr. Samadhan Sawant & his team have a plan of constructing their own building on the same

plot to take care of 50 specially abled adult/children.

Details of the project:

Location: At Sonbardi, Post - Hanumankhede BK, Taluka Eradol,

Dist. Jalgaon - 425109

Founder & Secretary: Mr. Samadhan Sawant - B Ed., Special

Education

Establishment Year: 2015

Registration No.: F/17685/Jal dated 23/11/2015.



ग्रामीण भागातील मतिमंद मुलांचा आधारस्तंभ

मतिमंदत्व म्हटलं कि परावलंबन हे आलंच, मग ते शारीरिक, मानसिक आणि काहीवेळा आर्थिकही असू शकत. हि परिस्तिथी जर ग्रामीण भागातील अठरा विश्व दारिद्र्य असणाऱ्या ग्रामीण भागातील मोलमजुरी करणाऱ्या किंवा गरीब शेतकऱ्याच्या पोटी जर असे मतिमंद बाळ जन्माला आले तर कल्पना देखील करवत नाही. शेतात मोल मजुरी करणारा पालक आपल्या मुलाला सांभाळू शकत नाही. निवासी ठेवायला पैसे नाहीत, मग अशात कुठे निरिनराळ्या चिकित्सा आणि विशेष शिक्षक ठेवणार? मग फिरतात मुलं बस स्टॉप आणि रानावनात. काही माणुसकी शून्य लोकांच्या गंमतीचा विषय बनतात. ग्रामीण भागातील हीच वास्तविकता आहे.

हा सर्व प्रत्यक्ष जवळून आलेला अनुभव पाहून, आतला खरा माणूस थांबणार कसा? या मुलांसाठी काम करण्याचा माझा निर्णय ठाम झाला. ज्या वयात मुलं नोकरीसाठी धडपड करतात त्या वयात मी नोकरीचा राजीनामा दिला. नातेवाईकांनी वेड्यात काढलं, घरातील मंडळीही माझ्या निर्णयावर काही विशेष खुश नव्हती. पण माझ्या आत असलेलं सामाजिक कार्याचे भूत मला शांत स्वस्थ बसु देत नव्हतं, गरीब पालक वर्गाचा शोध सुरू केला. काही मुलं अनाथ तर काही खूप गरीब ज्यांना खऱ्या अर्थाने गरज आहे अशी जवळ जवळ ५९ मूलं मिळाली.

असं म्हणतात आपण करीत असलेल्या कार्याची दखल भगवंत घेत असतो, हेतू शुद्ध असेल आणि कार्य प्रामाणिक असेल तर कृठल्या ना कृठल्या मार्गाने देव धावून येतो. १७ वर्ष बंद अवस्थेत असलेली हॉटेल ची इमारत आम्हाला वापरण्यासाठी एका सज्जन माणसाने देऊ केली. दुरुस्ती करून त्यात मुलांना त्यांचं हक्कच घर मिळाल. ग्रामीण भागात कोणीही मदतीला पूढे आलं नाही. मुंबई ते जळगाव महिन्यातून ४ फेऱ्या होत असतात. सकाळी उठल्यापासून तर रात्री झोपे पर्यंत लागणाऱ्या सर्व जीवनावश्यक वस्तु आजही मुंबई भागातील दात्यांमुळे शक्य होत आहे. आज "सहवास" ला ४ वर्ष झालीत. एक एकर जमीन या मूलांच्या निवासासाठी देवी माणसाच्या मदतीने बहाल झाली. पण निधी अभावी बांधकाम करता आलं नाही. खुप अडचणी आल्या पण निस्वार्थ कामाला देव पाठीशी असतो आणि तोच मार्ग दाखवत असतो.

आदरणीय विश्वासजी गोरे सर (अध्यक्ष, आधार, मुंबई) गेल्या २ वर्षांपासून आमची धडपड आणि प्रामाणिकपणा पाहत होते. श्री. विश्वास गोरे सर आणि विश्वस्त यांनी "सहवास"चे कार्य, ग्रामीण भागातील पालकांची हतबलता आणि विशेष मुलांची दयनीय अवस्था याची प्रत्यक्ष भेट देऊन पडताळणी केली. सहवास ला संयुक्तपणे आधारची साथ मिळाली. ग्रामीण भागातील मतिमंद मुलांच्या चेहेऱ्यावर आनंद निर्माण झाला. सहवास ला खऱ्या अर्थाने आधार मिळाला.

आज "सहवास" मध्ये २० निवासी मूल आहेत. रस्त्यावर, बस स्टॉप वर फिरणाऱ्या मितमंद मुलांना आधाररूपी आधार मिळाल्याने त्यांच्या चेहऱ्यावर आनंद निर्माण झाला. त्या मुलांवर होणारा खर्च आधारच्या मदतीने होतोय, इतकच नाही या मुलांना व्यावसायिक शिक्षण देण्यासाठी आधारने व्यावसायिक युनिट सहसवास मध्ये सुरु करून मुलांमध्ये नव्याने उत्साह आणि चेतना निर्माण केली आहे. आधार संस्था खऱ्या अर्थाने ग्रामीण भागातील गरीब मितमंद मुलांसाठी दैवी रुपी उभी आहे. याचा मनस्वी आनंद होतो. आधारस्तंभ असलेल्या आधार ला नतमस्तक.

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CHAIRMAN'S DESK



Dear Readers,

Greetings!

Allow me to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the interest you continue to show towards Adhar. Adhar is a pioneer institution in the field of residential care for intellectually disabled adults. The institution was incorporated with the objective to support people with intellectual disabilities and parents of such special people. As a first step, we decided to start a lifelong residential institution to take care of intellectually disabled adults & provide relief to their parents from their day to day struggling. The success of Adhar is based on continuous development, improving care services with innovative ideas, increasing capacity by upgrading infrastructure. The first facility was started at Badlapur with 10 intellectually disabled adults. Today it has increased to 335 under its care at Badlapur & Nashik. In recent years Adhar has earned a status of 'Role Model' in the area of residential care of intellectually disabled adults. We are the biggest institution in India and have become 'Thought Leader' in the field of intellectual disability.

With all this experience of 25 years, now the Trustees have decided to expand our activities differently. I am delighted to share with you the 3 projects which Adhar wishes to pursue in the near future as a part of its expansion activities.

Home for Senior Parents of Intellectually Disabled Persons:

Adhar has always been an institution of the parents of the intellectually disabled. It is an association 'for the parents, by the parents & of the parents of intellectually disabled'. In the year 1994, Adhar started a residential facility for the lifelong care of intellectual adults. The idea was to take lifetime care of special ones and provide relief to the parents from their daily struggling at home. It was sharing their responsibilities so that parents can live normal life, work & contribute in their respective fields as Adhar will take care of their special child and provide conducive environment to the specially abled adults.

The circumstances have changed right now, the parents have become old and they need support for their daily routine. However, their child is intellectually disabled and under the care of Adhar. There is nobody to look after them. Adhar has decided to start "Home for Senior Parents of Intellectually Disabled Persons" at Nashik to resolve this plight.

- 2. Extending Support to the institutions fighting for survival in Rural Area
 - a. Sahawas Bahuuddeshiya Sanstha, Sonbardi, Jalgaon
 - **b.** Dnyanprabodhan Matimand Niwasi Vidyalay, Korti, Solapur

As mentioned earlier, we have continuously increased the number of special ones under our care at Badlapur & Nashik. Adhar model is for the benefit of the middle & upper middle-class category of the society. Adhar charges subsidised fees and parents need to pay their contribution per month. Lower middle class or poor parents cannot afford to pay the subsidised fees also. Hence, such parents cannot admit their child at Adhar. We always wanted to extend our services to all the categories of society.

We are extremely happy to inform that we plan to support two such institutions who are taking care of special children of poor parents from rural areas. Adhar will help these institutions to achieve sustainable growth & scale up their activities. These 2 institutions will progress fast under Adhar's umbrella. With this collaboration, Adhar will get the opportunity to reach out to 50 Poor Parents from the rural area. We also wish to increase the number in the near future.

Adhar has received tremendous help & support from all parts of the society for its projects. All the milestones which we have achieved are the result of unconditional love, affection & trust of the wellwishers of Adhar. Adhar will need your support for all the 3 projects mentioned above. I always believe that for honest & transparent work funding is never a problem. I am confident that you all will come forward & support Adhar to make these projects successful. As we share the journey in the future, we rededicate ourselves to uphold the trust reposed in us.

Happy Independence Day...!!!

Vishwas Gore

Chairman

Patron of Adhar II [Nashik]

SHRI SUJOY GUPTA



Mr. Sujoy Gupta has been associated with ADHAR II (Nashik) since its inception. He has made major contribution to building funds to start the activities. He introduced the project to his

associates, friends & relatives and appealed them to make contribution towards making of Adhar II (Nashik). He introduced ADHAR to Mr. Harish Uttamchandani who has taken responsibility of sponsoring construction cost of 2 more dormitories at the project. Mr. Sujoy Gupta has taken life time responsibility of sponsoring monthly expenses on food requirement of our differently abled children at ADHAR II (Nashik). He has become 'Real Adhar" of ADHAR II (Nashik).

We Trustees, Parents & Whole of ADHAR Parivaar are extremely thankful & grateful to Mr. Sujoy Gupta & Mr. Harish Uttamchandani for their commitment and support to our mission of making difference in the lives of mentally challenged adults & their parents.

- Vishwas Gore, Chairman



EDITORIAL



Dear Readers,

Last year, Adhar crossed a major milestone of completing 25 years. As we go ahead, not only do we have to be ready for the next 25 years but also look at various ways and means to make sure that a greater number of people experience the Adhar touch.

What really is the Adhar touch? Adhar in Marathi means to support with love and compassion. We currently support over 350 specially abled children. We not only take lifelong care of them but also relieve the burden on their parents and families. This enables the families to contribute to the society and be productive.

This concept of complete support needs to be spread far and wide. In the inside pages, you will read in detail about the expansion plans of Adhar in the coming years. Adhar in its thinking and planning is truly becoming an institution which not only sets high standards in providing world class care to its residents but also willing to support other institutions which are in the same area of work.

The institutions with whom the arrangements and the support parameters have been fixed are Sahawas Bahuddeshiya Sanstha in Jalgaon and the Dnyanprabo-

dhan Matimand Niwasi Vidyalay, Solapur. You can read more about the wonderful work being done by these institutions in the inside pages. This arrangement will help increase Adhar's reach and the number of families supported to 450 in quick time. It will also not cause much stress and financial burden as we will not have to spend money on creating new infrastructure and on recruiting and training more staff. These tie-ups will give Adhar the benefit of reaching to different strata of society, different age groups and in different areas.

At the inception stage, Adhar had a dream of supporting parents of specially abled children by providing lifelong care to the special children. As years have gone by, our parents are themselves in need of support and assistance. Due to advancing age and also due to their retirements, they would prefer to spend their maximum time with their children at Adhar. We are hence planning to open a Adhar Parents Old Age Home. This will be located near our Nashik center and will give the parents of our specially abled children the opportunity to be with their kids at Adhar. We hope this project gets the support of the parents and donors and will truly complete a virtuous circle of providing complete support and care for the children and their parents. A truly remarkable achievement.

Adhar is truly going places with its expanding reach and support program. As that may be, fact is that we are still an NGO with limited resources, in fact our deficit elimination dream is still a work in progress and will require sustained focus over the next many years. The last year was an excellent milestone in many years. We succeeded in achieving our target of the highest ever donations and we hope that we can keep up the tempo. This collection was achieved with a huge effort and help from all our parents. None of this would have been possible without the support of the parents. We continue to bank on your goodwill and the shared vision of making Adhar "Deficit free" in the near future.

Based on the response received last year, we have lined up a series of events that will help us generate donations. We have lined up 2 musical programs, one in Badlapur and

1 in Nasik, a symposium like last year and institutionalizing the NGO meet at Adhar. The details of the events planned will be shared in subsequent communication. Our participation in the TATA Mumbai marathon will be larger and grander this year and we look forward to many more donors coming forward to help us in this year's run.

We are also pleased to share with you that the workshop activities have been revamped with more number of products and activities. New items like note pads, clipboards, paper-machie Ganpati Idols, etc. have been started. In fact, our activity of making newspaper bags for the shops in Badlapur has received excellent response and we are flooded with orders. We have also started a campaign to collect old newspapers for the same and the response is very encouraging. These activities are designed to keep our residents occupied and to make them feel good by contributing to the society. We hope and trust that the Society will continue to support us and our children by purchasing these items from our workshop.

We look forward to all your support and encouragement that will help us in meeting our objective of making Adhar "Deficit free" this year and every year.

Warm Regards,

Arun Wadhwa

Editor

GRATITUDE

There is no happiness like knowing that you have made a difference in someone else's LIFE. This happiness we attribute to all the donors, well wishers and friends who have supported us directly or indirectly over the years. We express our gratitude for their gesture and wish that our association continues in the times to come. THANK YOU!!

- BOARD OF TRUSTEES



'Home for Senior Parents of Intellectually Disabled'

Adhar has been receiving requests from the parent to make some arrangements of their care in line with the care extended to their children for so many years. In fact, one of our senior Trustee has already been staying at Adhar permanently.

The Trustees therefore have decided to start a home for senior parents at Nashik as a pilot project. We intend to provide the following facilities to the residents of 'Home for senior Parents of intellectually disabled' –

✓ Fundamentally the Home will be for

- the parents of intellectually disabled adults.
- ✓ The capacity will be of 12 rooms (Twin Sharing).
- ✓ To provide lifetime care to senior parents.
- ✓ To provide basic facilities like hygienic food, laundry, Clean & proper residential facility, Telephone & internet access. TV. Newspaper.
- ✓ To take care of their physical health with proper medicinal facilities.
- ✓ To help them to come out from the

- loneliness, depression with the support of active & caring staff.
- ✓ To provide proper life style and socialization through group activities, picnics, Liabrary, organize motivational talks on different topics, meditation, yoga classes etc.
- ✓ To support them to administer their personal chores like marketing, banking etc.

The detailed Financials are being worked out. The initial estimated project cost will be Rs. 2.5 crores.





ADHAR@TMM2020

Representing the noble cause & creating awareness:



TMM (Tata Mumbai Marathon) is one of the Best Marathons in the world & it's also one of leading Marathons where lots of Charity Funds are collected every year.

As you all are aware that our ADHAR in it's first year of participation in TMM 2019 with support of 82 people helped collect over Rs. 16 Lakhs thru various modes.

As ADHAR has over 600 parents support, we are expecting everyone to support ADHAR in TMM 2020 thru any of the following options:

1. Creating Pledge Page to help generate donation for our

ADHAR from your circle.

- Getting Corporates to run at TMM 2020 for ADHAR & supporting ADHAR.
- 3. Getting Individual Runners to run at TMM 2020 for ADHAR & supporting ADHAR.
- 4. Participating in TMM 2020 for ADHAR in Dream Run or at Motivation Zone.

Mumbai Gives – this is proved every year at the Mumbai Marathon so come forward to support our ADHAR at Tata Mumbai Marathon 2020.





A Special Classroom

for special Children

After shifting my residence to Adhar, I thought of running a class room for the children who are able to read and write. This I conveyed to Mr. Ganesh Ambekar, Project Head, who welcomed my idea and provided a magnetic white board, writing pen, duster and other stationeries as per my request.

The class was started in the month of July 2018. In the initial stage there were only 12 to 15 children in the class. This year there are nearly 30 children. I hope the strength should increase to 50 at least. Children do not come to the class voluntarily. I have to go to each dormitory and identify the children who are able to read and write and persuade them to attend the class.

The specialty of our class is children of all age group and different I.O. level sit in the same classroom. They are categorized into pre primary and primary level. Pre-primary level children are taught alphabets and





numbers. In primary level we teach simple addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, telling time from the clock, identify small and big numbers in maths. In English words, simple sentences, fill in the blanks, match the pairs and in general knowledge, general topics are taught.

It is not easy to teach these children, since all children cannot write English. Some of them write Hindi while some of them write Marathi. Therefore we have to write in all three languages to make them understand better. Some children area interested only in coloring in the printed drawing book. Workshop teachers Mrs. Smita S. Pitale, Mrs. Tejaswini S. Mate and Mr. Lata P. Misal have undertaken the work of guiding them in choosing colors and colour the pictures properly. Mr. Sanjay A. Dhamankar who is good in drawing helps us in Drawing objects on the board and asks the children to draw the same in their notebooks and write the





name below each object while teaching English. Mr. Kaluram B. Madhe do the writing work on the board in Maths, English, Hindi or Marathi and G. K. as per my suggestion and advice. We correct the answers and make them understand their mistakes and correct the same. We also make them write the answers on the board which they are happy to do. Children who are not able to copy from board are helped by teachers.

Last year we kept tests in Maths, English, G. K., Drawing and colorings. The test papers were examined by Mr. Yogesh L. Rane, Workshop In-charge and given marks. Most of the students passed the test. As per the time table we teach English and Maths twice in a week and G. K. one in a week. The class is conducted from 4.30 p.m. to 5 p. m. We get only half an hour to teach that too only five days in a week. Some children do not attend the class regularly. We kept one attendance register and Pitale Madam used to mark the attendance. I told the children those who have maximum attendance would be awarded prizes. There was good response for this

Mrs. Rupal Madam, clinical psychologist donated some educational kits to the class. We find them very useful. We utilized most of them. For making learning more interesting and effective, we have to adapt play way method. For this we need big charts of fruits, Vegetables, flowers, animals, birds, insects, reptiles, vehicles, story charts, sea-shore, railway station, busy road for picture reading. We also require G. K. books, text books of std 1st to 4th of Hindi, Marathi, English and Pre-primary books. Recently, Ryan's mother brought some books for the class which are very useful. The parents are welcome to donate note books, pencils, text books, alphabet and number books etc: which would help our children.

- C. R. SARASWATHY

Trustee

The Association of Parents of Mentally Retarded Children, Mumbai

ADHAR Well-wisher (Badlapur)

Perrigo Laboratories India Pvt. Ltd. Extended their support by sponsoring expenditure of Vocational Training Activity at Badlapur for the period of January to March 2019.

The donation cheque was handed over to Mr. Vishwas Gore, Chairman at the hands of Dr. Bruce D. Johnson, Global Head Research & Development at their unit @ Ambernath. Dr. Sumedha Nadkar, Sr. Director & Site Head – Consumer Healthcare Research & Development & other officials were also present.

The officials Mr. Joshi & Mrs Kulkarni also visited Adhar Badlapur on 19th June, 2019 to to see the work. They took a

Perrigo Laboratories India Pvt. Ltd.





round to campus, Interact with residents & appreciated their talents. They





promised to continue their support for the current financial year also.

Gunnebo India Private Limited

Gunnebo is a multinational corporation having its head quarters at Sweden. They are into integrated security, entrance security, safe storages etc.

Gunnebo India Pvt. Ltd. invited Chairman Mr. Vishwas Gore to make a presentation about Adhar to their staff at their India head office at Thane on 7th June, 2019.



Mr. Sabyasachi Sengupta, Country Manager & MD and Mr. Nagaraj Hunur along with around 100 executives were present at the presentation.

A team of 20 executives visited Adhar Badlapur on 13th June, 2019 to see the facilities & met our special ones. They were extremely impressed by the work



carried out for this neglected area of disability. We are thankful to Mr. Sengupta & his team for taking keen interest in our mission of making difference in the lives of specially abled children. Gunnebo India Pvt. Ltd. is looking at the possibility of supporting Adharunder their CSR initiative.



Birthday celebration with charity inspiration

Uma Burman at Kharghar, Navi Mumbai celebrated her Birthday on 21st February, 2019

Uma Burman, A young woman from Navi Mumbai who has done MCA & has been working as a yoga teacher. Recently she had celebrated her birthday with an innovative idea. Uma appealed her near & dear ones to attend the party & instead of gifting her they could donate the desired amount to Adhar and be a proud responsible friend. Uma had heard about Adhar's work from her friend. She was touched to know its service & realized the need to support the Specially Abled adults. Her friends appreciated her kind



Uma Burman, Kharghar

gesture and strongly supported her appeal by donating generously. A token of gratitude was given to Uma from Adhar.

You too can make your special day more special by following this unique concept. Be the reason for the change by motivating others. You with your loved ones will be the reason for keeping many innocent souls happy forever. As Uma found the real happiness of serving others & included her friends too in the sharing, everyone can spread the awareness of this unique disability. Together we can make a better world.



Have you ever donated

old newspapers or raddi?

If not then do it for a good cause this time! Donate old newspapers to us:

Your newspapers will help us to make more paper bags!

Paper bags made by ADHAR residents are bought by shops in the local market nearby. In addition to that, Mr. Santosh Bhadsavle, 'Prerana Farms' Baroda, (A Corporate Farmer) has given commitment of buying 50000 paper bags for fruit farming made by our Special Residents. We are thankful to Mr. Bhadsavle for his gesture.

You can indirectly help ADHAR by giving us old newspapers. Remember, you are not just giving to a cause, you are strengthening our will! You can contact us on below-mentioned numbers to hand over old newspapers.

Thane Head Office: 022-25426753 and 022-25341708, Badlapur Unit: +91-8928005285 and +91-9527955376 Nashik Unit: +91-9881153795 and +91-7875850795.



The Association of Parents of Mentally Retarded Children, Mumbai

ADHAR VISIT (Badlapur)

Heartfelt thanks to the team of Customer Logistics Services, Johnson & Johnson who visited us on 23rd July, 2019 with Mr. Milind Bhate and Director CLS-India, Johnson & Johnson.

The team members participated & helped residents in production at vocational Training Centre. They also enjoyed the dance performances of residents. This kind of engagement and participation is a

Johnson & Johnson



treat to specially-abled as they like friendly people around. We are thankful to team Johnson & Johnson for sharing happy moments with ADHAR residents.



Our special thanks to Mr. Ranjeet Sakhare, one of the team members who supported for the one month's deficit of 7 residents of Adhar.

Mr. Christo Uys

Mr. Christo Uys based in South Africa visited Adhar Badlapur on 11th February, 2019. He is friend of Shri Ajay Mehta, Trustee, Adhar. He was on official tour to India. We are extremely thankful to him for taking out time



from his busy schedule of India visit to meet our special ones. Mr. Christo was impressed to see the happiness and joy on the faces of Adhar residents. He enjoyed and spent good time with staff, teachers and with Special adults.

Mrs. Medha Godase and family

Ms. Medha Godase and her family from Banglore visited ADHAR Badlapur on 14th May, 2019. Godase family is a well-wisher and great supporter of ADHAR. They spent quality time with Residents and Staff.



Mr. Anand Avdhani

Mr. Anand Avdhani, Managing Director of Unique Features, Pune visited Adhar Badlapur on 3rd August, 2019. Chairman Shri. Vishwas Gore accompanied him during the visit. Mr. Avdhani spent time with residents & staff members. He was impressed with the way ADHAR is managed and takes care of the special adults like a family.







Mr. G. Rajagopal - Trustee, V-Excel Educational Trust, Chennai

Adhar's mission is to create awareness among people to help and understand specially abled adults. We don't just put efforts in nourishing and helping specially abled adults to live but we also try to encourage and help other people and organisations towork like us.

In this regard, G. Rajagopal, Trustee of V-Excel Educational Trust, Chennai visited us on 28th May, 2019. V-Excel Educational Trust offers lifespan services to the

specially abled and has 11 branches in India, including in Nashik and Solapur in Maharashtra. We are please to convey V-Excel Education Trust is planning to set up the residential facility for persons with intellectual disability at Chennai. That's why Mr. Rajgopal showed his interest to know more about the day to day working, basic requirements & major difficulties faced to run 24×7 residential care institute. Mr. Rajgopal had a long discussion





on various points with our Chairman Mr. Vishwas Gore. He also took a round to the campus. He was very much impressed with the facility. He promised that he will definitely visit our Nashik facility. He thanked Mr. Vishwas Gore for his valuable guidance & also invited him to come to Chennai for further advice.

We look forward to the residential facility for the specially abled by V-Excel Education to become reality soon.

Morgan Stanley CSR Visit

Team of Young, enthusiastic staff of Morgan Stanley visited Adhar Badlapur



during the Global Volunteering Month. Morgan Stanley volunteers visited in groups at ADHAR Badlapur on 18th May, 22nd May & 1st June.

They spent a day with our special adults. The visit was consist of Awareness talk and visuals on ADHAR, actual campus visit and working with special Adults at Vocational Training Centre. They enjoyed shopping at exhibition of the products made by our special adults. All delegates enjoyed the visit. Mr. Ritesh Joshi coordinated the visits well.



Cancer Patient Aid Association

Team of Cancer Patient Aid Association (CPAA, Mumbai) lead by their Executive Director Madam Anita Peter visited on 12th March, 2019 to Badlapur facility.

Since, they are also NGO, they were very keen to learn and understand the way of caring for the special adults at Adhar. They took a round of the campus. They



spent quality time with our special ones in Vocational Training Centre and appreciated the activities carried out by them.

They also appreciated the services offered by the Adhar staff to make life of special adults meaningful. Trustee Mr. Ajay Mehta attended the team.



"Workshop is worship" @ ADHAR

for our Adhar's Specially Abled Friends

Our ADHAR's Specially Abled Friends get immense joy & pride in doing their allotted work at our ADHAR's Workshop.

As most of us are aware that our Adhar's Workshop at ADHAR Badlapur is running successfully since past many years.

Our Adhar's Specially Abled Friends at Adhar Badlapur are already trained with help from skilled teachers to make over 30 plus different products like Diya, Paperbags, Agarbattis, Floating Candle, Different Types of Candles, Eco Friendly Ganeshaldols, etc.

Adhar Badlapur takes part in various exhibitions to promote these products and has been getting encouraging responses.

Recently with help of few skilled volunteers, Adhar has made the following important changes in ADHAR Workshoplead by Adhar Badlapur:

- Seven (7) new products have been added like Notepad, Jute Bags, Hanger Pocket Decorative Hair Pins etc.
- Adhar Nasik has started their own Workshop under supervision of Adhar Badlapur.

With these changes, we are sure that our Adhar's Specially Abled Friends will get better feelings of doing some worthwhile activities as well as helping the society by making Paper Bags from old newspapers.



Rotary Bombay Uptown



A child's eyes sparkle when he sees a magic show. The same thing happened with our loved ones.

On 10th March Sunday, Rotaract Club of Bombay Uptown visited Adhar Badlapur. The

three young guys of the club Shlok Shah (vice president), Jinali Mehta (Office Bearer) & Diksha Jindal are studying in final year of graduation.

They had arranged a 40 minutes magic show for our residents. Each & every resident had so much fun watching the live magic show. Our Specially Abled adults even participated in some activities. They were surprised by the tricks played by the magician. It was indeed a fun filled day. We are very much thankful to them.

Bombay Teen Challenge Academy

Bombay Teen Challenge Academy, Badlapur visited ADHAR on 20th July, 2019. Total 46 Students, 12 teaching and non-teaching staff from Bombay Teen Challenge Academy came for the visit.

They were shown Audio
- Visuals on ADHAR.
Students were very
enthusiastic to know



more about these special adults. They asked lots of questions and were quite curious about the services at Adhar. They took a

campus visit and were extremely satisfied with the time spent at Adhar. All students were very happy to see the smiling faces of Adhar residents.



ACTIVITIES (Badlapur)

Mr. & Mrs. Devasthali parents of Ankita hosted a lunch on 26th May 2019 at their residence for Ankita's friends who are also her fellow residence at Adhar Badlapur.

They were treated with a delicious meal along with aamras. Summers and mangoes are synonymous to each other.



Summer smells like a ripe mango

They can be enjoyed as a whole or in different forms. One such form of mango that is loved by all is aamras. The joy of gulping down an entire bowl of aamras after a satisfying meal is above all and this joy is clearly visible on the faces of Adhar's specially abled adults. Such efforts really make them happy and it was a blissful experience for Mr. & Mrs. Devasthali.

We appreciate and encourage such parents who support mission ADHAR by



caring and loving our specially-abled adults. Thank you Mr & Mrs. Devasthali for making the specially abled happy for the day.



Eco Friendly Ganapati

A workshop was organised for making 'Eco Friendly Ganesh Murti' on 25th July, 2019 at Adhar Badlapur. Our speciallyabled adults are making Lord Ganesha's idols. It's wonderful to see their level of creativity.

We also appreciate the artist Mr. Ravi Kumbhar who helped us with this extremely creative work.

You can appreciate our speciallyabled adults' efforts and talent by buying these lovely idols.

You can call us on:

+91-8928005285,

+91 - 9527955376

Or email us at either of the lds: ogeshlrane812@gmail.com, ganeshambekar@adhar.org, ambekargn@gmail.com





Tree Plantation

Everyone cherishes nature, so do we!

To nurture a plant is to feed not just the body, but the soul. Residents of ADHAR enjoyed their mini trip and task of tree plantation with Rotaract club!



The youth from Rotaract club of Bombay Uptown gathered the enthusiasm and invite us to join them in this soul-nourishing task of tree plantation at Village Gorape & Pale near Ambernath in collaboration with Maharashtra Forest Department on 7th July, 2019. We were really glad to have so many young companions from the Rotaract club of Bombay Uptown. This feeling of planting fresh air is beyond the words!

FESTIVALS & CELEBRATIONS (Badlapur)

Adhar owes a large part of its success to the contribution of women. Adhar is proud to be a lifelong caretaker of 78 Specially Abled women in Badlapur and Nashik.

8th March has always been a special day for Adhar. We believe in women's strength and support them for their empowerment. This year also International Women's day was celebrated with great pomp & show. 78 female staff and 61 female residents participated.

Women's Day Celebration



Trustee Mrs. C. R. Saraswathi with Mrs. Sharmila Gore, Mrs. Mehek Wadhwa and Mrs. Evelyn Talwar the wives of Trustees were also present.

The day was sponsored by Galaxy Surfactants. A company based in Navi Mumbai. 5 officials (Amruta Ranade, Madhuwanti Bhagwat, Shreeja Mala,



Akshay Joshi & Amit Gori attended the program. We had organized rangoli competition, cooking competition (the theme was beetroot) & Indoor games were arranged for the present females.

All the participants enjoyed this special day & relaxed for some time from the routine. It was really fun.

Gudhipadva



Special Residents & staff celebrated the festival with Joy. All enjoyed special snacks & sweets arranged to celebrate the

festival.

Ashadhi Ekadashi



Traditions and cultures are preserved in Adhar. Spirituality is very important in life. These spiritual activities provide a different energy. On the occasion of Ashadhi Ekadashi, all Adhar residents participated in Dindi. Dindi went on to name Vitthala in traditional costumes. All the residents enjoyed this bustling atmosphere.

International Yoga Day

Yoga is happiness and Yoga is for everyone! Specially-abled adults & Staff Members at ADHAR enjoy Yoga exercises. It helps them to grasp more from the inner and outer world. Who knows, they might be better than most of the people when it comes to spiritual gain and interaction with soul.

Yoga is all about the interaction of your body and soul. It leads to the ultimate freshness. Today, in the morning breeze, ADHAR family celebrated international

Yoga day at Badlapur and Nashik with lot of happiness. good vibes and enthusiastic energy. This itself shows the type of energy yoga can spread!





PICNICS & SPORTS

(Badlapur - Nashik)

Khandoba Jatra

Residents had so much fun when they were taken to Mulgaon Khandoba Temple on the occasion of yearly Jatra on 21st Feb. 2019. Selected Residents



were taken for Darshan as the temple is on the top of hill. Residents were very happy & enjoyed the trek of about one hour. Trustees of Khandoba Mandir warmly welcomed our residents & arranged Prasad & snacks for them.





Short Picnics

Specially Abled adults at Adhar always love to go for a picnic or an outing with their co-residents. We are arranging weekly short picnics to nearby areas for our residents for a change & relaxation from routine. This year also we arranged the short picnics to Rayta Vaishnav Devi Mandir & Shivmandir by rotation for all the dormitories.









Annual Picnic at Harmony Village Badlapur

We at ADHAR arrange Annual Picnic for a Day & sometimes an overnight picnic for residents. This year the picnic was arranged at Harmony Village Resort, Chongaon, Badlapur for residents of Adhar Badlapur & Nashik. The resort was booked exclusively for our residents for whole day on 31st March, 2019. All residents had a wonderful time with great memories which they will cherish for a long time. In all 235 residents enjoyed the picnic & returned safely with full of new energy.













Our loved ones participated in the Buddy Chef competition where 15 schools had participated along with us on 7th March 2019. It gives us immense pleasure to tell you that the Special Ones of Adhar bagged 4th prize for the snack recipe 'Crispy Carrot Bullets'. The Specially Abled adults can do wonders if they get support, proper training & guidance from caring teachers. They can even participate in competi-tions & can win prizes too.

Staff Picnic Adhar Badlapur

Picnic was organised for ADHAR Badlapur staff at Shivneri Fort, Ozar Ganpati Temple and Lenyadri Ganpati Temple. This year we organised a





combined picnic for Workers, supervisors and teachers. Staff members enjoyed picnic in a different 4 groups. All staff members were excited and enjoyed a lot.





Trump run Carnival

30 residents of Adhar Badlapur participated in Trump run carnival organized by Rotary Club of Thane West on 24th Feb. 2019. They enjoyed the fun fare, games & food stall. They had lot of

fun in carnival. The Specially Abled adults too have the same child-like mind. Adhar is thankful to Rotary Club of Thane West for organising this event for special ones.



Shirdi Sai Sansthan



10th **April 2019:** A trip to Shirdi Sai Sansthan for those who could not enjoy Kelwa Beach trip was organized. Here most of the residents belonged to Severe Category.

Here we take the opportunity to thank Sai Palkhi Nivara Trust for arranging free lunch to all the members and Sai Sansthan Trust for giving V.V.I.P treatment to the residents. Trust provided a security person in order to have Darshan without any hassles.



FESTIVALS & CELEBRATIONS (Nashik)

15th January, **2019**: Makar Sankrant was celebrated. Residents enjoyed kite flying.



26th January, 2019: Republic Day was celebrated with usual pomp and show. After the flag hoisting residents performed in the cultural programme.



31st January, 2019: It was a special day at Adhar. Mr. Vishwas Gore, Chairman, Mr. M.L. Talwar, Secretary and Vice Chairman, Mr. A. H. Mehta, Trustee presented the Silver Jubilee memento to the staff those who could not attend the grand function at Badlapur. The Chairman praised the staff for their good work and hoped it will continue for long period.



4th February, 2019: Shivratri was celebrated. Residents dressed as Shiva Parvati moved around the campus and campus was echoing with 'Bam Bam Bhole'. The atmosphere was charged.



8th February, 2019: World Womens' Day was celebrated. Female staff came together and had a cultural programe. Inner Wheel Club of Deolali and Nutan Bharat School Sakur Phata had organized a programe at Nutan Bharat School. In the programe females from different



parts of life were felicited for their exceptional work. Mrs. Asha P. Fadnis, Senior Clinical Psychologist. Adhar was also felicited for her outstanding work for the betterment of Mentally Challenged Adults.

16th March, 2019: Mr. V. L. Rathi, Chairman, Advance Enzymes visited. He was attended by Mr. Vishwas Gore, Chairman. He praised the work being carried out in Adhar. Mr. G. C. Gore, Trustee was also present. Other dignitaries present during Mr. Rathi's visit were Mr. K. L. Rathi, Mr. Totala, wellwisher and Mr. Kesawalikar, H.R.D Manager, Advanced Enzymes, Sinnar.

26th March, 2019: 30 staff members visited the campus under their C.S.R activity from Glenmark Foundation. They interacted freely with the residents and later on took active part in cultural activities presented by the residents. They also donated handsome amount which will help to manage the deficit of Adhar Nashik.

2nd April, 2019: President, Inner Wheel Club, Deolali and few members paid a visit to Adhar and interacted with the residents. They also took active part in the cultural activity.

3rdApril, 2019: 30 SMBT students visited along with Dr. Mahajan. They were from PSM Department. All of them were visiting for the first time and were astonished by the cultural programme presented by the residents. Some of them commented 'it is unbelievable' to see them performing so authentically.



6th April, 2019: Maharashtra New Year Gudi Padwa was celebrated, Residents wearing new dress erected the Gudi and greeted each other.

12th April, 2019: Prof. Wagh, along with 20 SMBT students visited. It was a good eye opener for them. Visit by SMBT students is a regular feature in Adhar. Few of them expressed their views that after completion of the course they would love to work for Mentally Challenged Adults.

20th April, 2019: Mr. Santosh Jagtap, Special Teacher and Choreographer got married. Few residents were taken for the marriage. They really enjoyed it as held in Buddhist rituals. Residents enjoyed the hospitability and the lunch.



23rd April, 2019: Mr. Khandu Dukrey, a resident residing at Pimplegaon Dukra donated 100 Kg of rice. We thank him for his generosity.

27th April, 2019: Mr. Jonsson Mathew, Pastor from Nashik Church along with few church members visited. They sang few songs for the residents. On the same day few residents were taken to show case their talents in Sangeet Programme ceremony of wedding of one of the sister of the residents. They enjoyed the function and the following dinner.

16th May, 2019: 30 SMBT students visited. Mrs. Asha Fadnis oriented them about Adhar. They actively took part in cultural activity presented by residents. They thoroughly enjoyed their stay at Adhar.

17th May, 2019: Mr.P.K.Soni and Mr. A. Parsodkar Insection Department, L.I.C Mumbai visited and inspected the building donated by L.I.C Golden Jubille Foundation. They were satisfied after the inspection.

4th June, 2019: Komal Balu Bhagwat from Deolali celebrated her birthday with residents of Adhar. According to her it was the best celebration till today.

5th June, 2019: Ramzan Id was celebrated. Residents greeted each other and vouched that from today they will live as brothers.



28th June, 2019: Mr. Parag Fadnis, Resident Director met Mr, Shivaji Jhondale, Collector, Mumbai and explained the case of one of the residents Neeraj Mehta. Mr. Vinod Borade, Social Worker accompanied him. This was in connection with

assigning the legal Guardianship of Neeraj to his relatives.

12th July, 2019: Ashadhi Ekadashi was celebrated. One of the residents became Vitthal and the Dindi walked around the campus.

16th **July, 2019**: Guru Pornima was celebrated. Residents and Staff greeted their teachers and took their blessings.





भगवान के घर देर है अंधेर नहीं है

बचपन से सुनती आ रही हू कि, भगवान के घर देर है, अंधेर नहीं है। जैसी उम्र बढ़ती गयी, इतनी मुसीबते आने लगी कि लगने लगा, भगवान के घर देर नहीं सिर्फ अंधेरा है।

कुछ साल बीत गये, मुसीबते इतनी बढ गयी कि लगने लगा, भगवान भी है कि नही।

फिर उम्मीद कि एक किरण नजर आई, मुसीबते कम होने लगी, बहोत बडी उलझन सुलझ गयी और फिर विश्वास हो गया की भगवान के घर देर है अंधेर नहीं है।

- स्मिता इनामदार (पालक)

VISITOR'S REMARKS

What a great visit to this magical place. Each and everyone from the staff to the individual so unique and special. Thank u for the honor to visit. Love u all.

- Christo Uys



What an experience Beautiful place with so much of positivity and unconditional love by every child at Adhar excellent staff. With so much of patience and love. All I can say will come back again for this beautiful experience.

- Cancer Patients Aid Association



The entire experience was heart rendering, it moved me to see that there are facilities like ADHAR available for special kids to go to I will be happy to support ADHAR are also supertalented and special...

- Jay Bhatia



Please help me to become a part of Adhar on a continuous basis. You are giving hope to the kids with ADHAR.

- Ravi



I am truly inspired by all that is happening here. It has completely put at rest what little doubt I had in mind of organizing a residential facility for special adults.

All it requires is commitment & absolute faith in what we do which is seen everywhere here. Kudos to Mr. Gore & his team

- G. Raja Gopal



VISITS

ADHAR EVENT (Nashik)

Mr. Mathew Pastor from Nashik Church screened a film on Christ on May 8th 2019. The residents were thrilled. Mr. Mathew donated things for Adhar. We thank him for his generosity.



Dr. Nanda Kumar Handole from Nashik delivered a lecture on good health and diet. It was a part of staff development programe. Staff enjoyed the lecture and asked many queries.



Birthday of Resident Karan Dutt was celebrated on 8th April, 2019 at Adhar Badlapur.



Cartoon film was arranged on 5th February, 2019 for residents at Badlapur.

ADHAR NEWS

The Association of Parents of Mentally Retarded Children, Mumbai

Rotary Club of Deolali

Mr. Rhytham Shah, Rotary Member, Rotary Club of Deolali, presented a musical evening for the residents of Adhar. On the same day we celebrated 75th birthday of Mrs. Neelaben Shah. The musical group Karvan Karaon Group presented young budding artists from Deolali and Nashik. Our residents also got platform and they presented their talents. Incidentally it was the first anniversary of the group. We have no words to express our gratitude towards them. Mrs. Aditi Joshi, Parent was also present for the function.





Nashik Marathon

It was a great privilege when residents of Adhar took part in Nashik Marathon organized by Police Commissioner of Nashik. 10 residents took part in it. It was a very good learning experience as well as good exposure for them. Mr. Sandesh Sawant, Manager Care Services took initiative and managed to organize in a short period of time. Residents also visited Pandav Leni.





Thank You

Exceptional Support from Parents

We take this opportunity to thank parents who gave us moral as well as financial support when Swine Flu was detected in Adhar. All the necessary preventive measures were taken on war footing. Swine Flu vaccine as well as tablets were given to all the residents as well as the staff. It was eradicated totally.

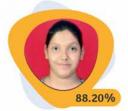


We are also thankful to Mr. Ajay Mehta, Trustee who supplies Tempo full of old newspaper and to those parents who supply it intermittently. This helps us in keeping residents engaged in making paper bags.



Gunagaurav

Congratulations from Adhar Parivaar to successful students and best wishes for future endovements.



Madhura Santosh Mate (S.S.C.)



Sarang Manish Vishe (S.S.C.)



Kalyani Kishor Deshmukh (S.S.C.)



Prashant Anil Farad (S.S.C.)



Sankashti Manohar Pande (S.S.C.)



Bandini Vaibhav Bhopi (S.S.C.)



Ankita Uttam Jadhav (S.S.C.)



Varsha Prakash Bangare (S.S.C.)



Rakesh Bharat Thombare (S.S.C.)



Vivek Somnath Jadhav (S.S.C.)



Shruti Manohar Shelke (S.S.C.)



Hitesh Mangesh Raje (I.T.I.)



Harshanavi Pravin Gawale



(S.S.C.)



Rohini Nathu Rongte (S.S.C.)



49.54%

Sonali Anil Farad (H.S.C.)



Paresh Raghunath Lad (H.S.C.)



Vaishnavi Sanjay Dhamnakar (H.S.C.)



Pushpavati Gurunath Mhaskar (H.S.C.)

Appeal Contribution Towards

"Corpus - Lifetime Food Provision" For inmates of ADHAR Badlapur

- Innovative way to celebrate birthday, anniversary or remembering beloved and making your special day really special...
- The scheme is one time donation of Rs. 100000/- (Rs. One lakh only) to the corpus.
- · Book any specific day in a calendar year.
- In return "Lunch with Sweet" will be served to 201 specially abled adults on a selected day at ADHAR Badlapur every year forever.
- For ADHAR it's a valuable contribution as this will help us to create a fund for food requirements of our children forever.
- The following days are already registered:

| Sr. No. | Date of serving Lunch | Donor's name | Purpose of Special Lunch & Dinner to Adhar Residents | |
|------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| 1 | 03-Jan | Vivek Kashinath Gore | Death anniversary of mother "Late Smt. Gauribai Kashinath Gore" | |
| 2 | 07-Jan | Aarti Dutta | Death anniversary of sister "Late Ela Dutta" | |
| 3 | 10-Jan | Vinod M. Chainani | In memory of aunty "Late Mrs. Mira Thanwardas Chainani" | |
| 4 | 19-Jan | Spectra International & Spectra Investments | Birthday of daughter "Ms. Vidhi Vinit Shah" (Dinner) | |
| 5 | 19-Jan | Vijay Shroff | Birthday (Self) | |
| 6 | 25-Jan | Veenaben Panchal (Stakall) | Anniversary of Parents | |
| 7 | 26-Jan | Amar Hind Mandal (Dadar) | On the occasion of "Anniversary Day Celebration of Amar Hind Mandal" | |
| 8 | 26-Jan | Ashok Himmatlal Shah | Special dinner to all residents, occasion on birthday "Atit Shah" | |
| 9 | 30-Jan | Hansa B. Sheth & Deepa Sohil Sheth | In memory of "Late Shri Bhupendra Sheth" | |
| 10 | 31-Jan | Megha Kulkarni | In memory of birthday of Late Shri Pradeep S. Kulkarni (PSK) | |
| 11 | 1-Feb | Charubala H.Baruah | In memory of death Anniversary of "Late Shri Haresh Chandra Baruah" | |
| 12 | 3-Feb | Smt. Veenaben Panchal & Shri Dharmesh Panchal (Stakall) | In memory of death anniversary of "Late Shri Arvindbhai Panchal" | |
| 13 | 7-Feb | Beena Sanghavi | In memory of birthday of beloved brother "Late Shri Jignesh Bhupendra Sanghvi" $$ | |
| 14 | 8-Feb | Anjani Modi | n memory of birthday of "Late Shri Mahendrabhai K. Modi" | |
| 15 | 9-Feb | Chinmay Dilip Deo | In memory of birthday of "Late Shri Dilip N. Deo" | |
| 16 | 14-Feb | Amol Devasthali | Birthday of "Ms. Ankita Devasthali (Badlapur resident)" | |
| 17 | 15-Feb | Me- Hin Consultants & Advisors | Celebration of Me-Hin Day | |
| 18 | 19-Feb | Gopal Pandurang Gore & Mrs. Geeta Gopal Gore | In memory of beloved parents "Late Smt. Rukmini & Shri Pandurang D. Gore" | |
| 19 | 25-Feb | Vinod M. Chainani | In memory of father "Late Shri Mohan Thanvardas Chainani" | |
| 20 | 26-Feb | Govind Gore | In memory of beloved uncle & aunty "Late Shri Shripad Gangadhar Gore and Mrs. Kamal Shripad Gore" | |
| 21 | 26-Feb | Meena Deshmukh / Gauri Deshmukh & Gautam Deshmukh | Special dinner in memory of "Late Shri Vyanktesh Deshmukh" | |
| 22 | 1-Mar | Vinod Chainani | In memory of parents "Late Mrs. Veena & Mr. Mohan Thanvardas Chainani" | |
| 23 | 5-Mar | Friend Group | In memory of beloved friend "Late Shri Ashish Inamdar" | |
| 24 | 6-Mar | Mr. Ismile Halvadwala / Mr. Aliasgar Halvadwala & Mr. Shabbir Halvadwala | Birthday celebration of 'His Holiness Sayedna Mohammed Burhannudin Saheb". | |
| 25 | 11-Mar | Shri Bhalchandra K. Khandekar | In memory of beloved wife "Late Mrs. Mangala Bhalchandra Khandekar" | |

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| 26 | 12-Mar | Shri Narayan Joshi & Family | In memory of "Late Mrs. Shalini Narayan Joshi" | |
| 27 | 17-Mar | Shri Manahar Shah (Sagar Twister) | On the occasion of birthday of beloved daughter "Mahek Manahar Shah" | |
| 28 | 27-Mar | Mrs. Sangita Budhakar | Special dinner in memory of "Late Shri Satish Budhakar" | |
| 29 | 27-Mar | Vatsala S. Pai | In memory of birthday of brother "Late Dr. Ramkrishna Acharya" MD, NY, USA | |
| 30 | 1-Apr | Kanchan Dinesh Mhatre | In remembrance of "Sadguru Shri Dada Maharaj Gondavlekar" | |
| 31 | 3-Apr | Vinod M. Chainani | In memory of brother "Late Shri Sanjeev Mohan Chainani" | |
| 32 | 4-Apr | Narendra Joshi | In memory of "Late Shri Dattatray Sonu Joshi & Late Smt. Vijaya Dattatray Joshi" | |
| 33 | 8-Apr | Arun Ramchandra Sheth | On the occasion of birthday of daughter "Ms. Anuradha" | |
| 34 | 13-Apr | Ajay Mehta | In memory of death anniversary of father "Late Shri Himmatlal D. Mehta" | |
| 35 | 14-Apr | Sanjay Narhar Aphale | In memory of birthday of "Late Rajashree Aphale" | |
| 36 | 18-Apr | Dr. Satishchandra Gore / Mr. Shirish Gore & Mr. Subodh Gore | In memory of birthday of beloved mother "Late Smt. Shobhana Ramakant Gore" | |
| 37 | 20-Apr | Hema lyer | In memory of beloved father "Late Shri. T. S. Padmanabhan" | |
| 38 | 23-Apr | Mr. Sadanand M. Nayak | On occasion of birthday of "Mrs. Shubhada & Mr. Sadanand Manjunath Nayak" | |
| 39 | 24-Apr | Dr. Vishwanath Bhargav Mulay | In memory of death anniversary of beloved mother "Late Smt. Jankibai Bhargav Mulay" | |
| 40 | 4-May | Ramkrishna Purushottam Kunte | In memory of "Late Shri Gopal Shridhar Gangal" | |
| 41 | 14-May | Me-Hin Tech Edge Solutions | In memory of 'Late Shri Shashank Kshtriya' | |
| 42 | 17-May | Deepak Jayantilal Shah | In memory of "Late Ms. Kalavatiben Shah" | |
| 43 | 20-May | Robert Williams | n memory of " Colin's maternal grandfather's birth anniversary " | |
| 44 | 10-Jun | Shriram Balkrishna Mone | In memory of beloved mother "Late Smt. Saraswati Balkrishna Mone" | |
| 45 | 11-Jun | Anil Joag | On the occasion of birthday of "Mr. Anil Joag" (self) | |
| 46 | 16-Jun | Shubha Thally | n the occasion of birthday of "Ms. Parimal Subhash Thally" | |
| 47 | 19-Jun | Rajendra Bagad | on the occasion of birthday of daughter "Ms. Priyanka Rajendra Bagad" | |
| 48 | 19-Jun | Anjani Modi | Special dinner on the occasion of birthday of "Jignesh Modi" | |
| 49 | 20-Jun | Gokhle & Gadgil Parivaar | n memory of beloved "Late Smt. Achala Gokhale" | |
| 50 | 22-Jun | Hemanshu Padmanabh Bakshi | n memory of beloved mother "Late Smt. Indumati Padmanabh Bakshi" | |
| 51 | 26-Jun | Aloysis D'Mellow | In memory of birthday of "Late Mr. Ignatious D'Mellow" | |
| 52 | 27-Jun | Anil Madhukar Muzumdar | In memory of beloved wife "Late Mrs. Vrinda Anil Muzumdar" | |
| 53 | 2-Jul | Diana Cavas Rastomjee | On the occasion of birthday of "Mr. Hemant Palande" | |
| 54 | 3-Jul | Nita Rajesh Shah | In memory of "Late Shri Shantilal S. Shah" | |
| 55 | 9-Jul | Milind Madhukar Bhate | In memory of mother "Late Mrs. Meenaxi Madhukar Bhate" | |
| 56 | 12-Jul | Sabita Ramchandran | In memory of "Late Shri K. Ramchandran" | |
| 57 | 16-Jul | Lions Club of Bombay, Khar North (Major Contributor - Premanand Kini & Lata Kini) | In memory of death anniversary of "Late Prachur Kini | |
| 58 | 17-Jul | Aruna Subramanian | In memory of "Late Ms. Chitra Narayanan" | |
| 59 | 22-Jul | Anjani Modi | In memory of death anniversary of "Late Shri Balkrishnabhai B. Shah" | |
| 60 | 23-Jul | Dr. P. P. Bakshi | In memory of birthday of "Late Dr. (Col) Madhukar Bapat" | |
| 61 | 25-Jul | Vinod M. Chainani | In memory of beloved mother "Late Smt. Veena Mohan Chainani" | |
| 62 | 30-Jul | Mohd. Shakeel Ansari | On birthday of 'Ms. Rasha Ansari' | |

| Sr. No. | Date of serving Lunch | Donor's name | Purpose of Special Lunch & Dinner to Adhar Residents | |
|------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| 63 | 8-Aug | Surbhi & Prasad Gokhale | In memory of beloved father "Late Shri Prabhakar Nilkanth Gokhale" | |
| 64 | 15-Aug | Madhav Deshmukh | In memory of "Late Mrs. Padmavati V. Deshmukh" | |
| 65 | 19-Aug | Shripad Ganesh Sarawate | On the occasion of birthday of wife "Mrs. Meena Shripad Sarawate" | |
| 66 | 22-Aug | Me-Hin Tech Edge Solutions | In memory of birthday of father "Late Shri H. D. Mehta" | |
| 67 | 28-Aug | SJK Global Servises INC (Mrs. Sonia Patel) | On birthdy of "Sarju Patel" & In memory of Parents "Late Shri Madhu Patel & Smt. Rohini Patel" | |
| 68 | 4-Sep | Ashish Kodange | On the occasion of birthday of brother "Shri Amit Kodange" | |
| 69 | 8-Sep | Shanta Purushottam Kunte | In memory of beloved brother "Late Shri Ramchandra Purushottam Kunte" | |
| 70 | 9-Sep | Ritesh Ramesh Joshi | In memory of beloved mother "Late Mrs. Sharmishtha Ramesh Joshi" | |
| 71 | 14-Sep | Smt. Ranjanben Rasiklal Sheth | On the occasion of birthday | |
| 72 | 17-Sep | Wellwisher | On the occasion of birthday | |
| 73 | 25-Sep | Me- Hin Resourcing Solutions | On birthday of mother " Smt. L.H. Mehta" | |
| 74 | 26-Sep | Vinod M. Chainani | On memory of death anniversary of "Late Shri Bhaskar Dhanak" | |
| 75 | 29-Sep | Mr. Prasad S. Joshi | In memory of beloved "Late Smt. Sunanda & Shri Sadanand Joshi" | |
| 76 | 2-Oct | A. Rajyalakshami Rao | In memory of birthday of "Late Ms. K. Sai Surya" | |
| 77 | 4-Oct | Vishwas Gore | In memory of death anniversary of beloved father & Our founder chairman "Late Shri M. G. Gore" | |
| 78 | 5-Oct | Anil Daryani | On the occasion of birthday of father "Shri Kundandas Daryani" | |
| 79 | 11-Oct | Nilesh Gajanan Chintalwar | On the occasion of birthday of sister "Ms. Ruchita Gajanan Chintalwar" | |
| 80 | 13-Oct | Vinay Mohan Puri | n memory of death anniversary of 'Late Mr. Vipul Puri' | |
| 81 | 14-Oct | Dr. Vishwas Kulkarni | In memory of beloved grandmother "Late Mrs. Parvatibai S. Kulkarni" | |
| 82 | 16-Oct | Kumudini Satish Kazi | n memory of son "Late Jai Kazi" | |
| 83 | 17-Oct | Aarti Dutta | In memory of the death anniversary of "Late Parents" | |
| 84 | 21-Oct | Ramraj Sahebram Halwai | n memory of "Late Shri Abhishek Ramraj Halwai" | |
| 85 | 22-Oct | Ramkrishna Purushottam Kunte | In memory of "Late Smt. Usha Gopal Gangal" | |
| 86 | 26-Oct | Salil Sadanand Gore & Sadanand Vasudev Gore | In loving memory of "Late Smt. Radhabai Vasudev Gore" | |
| 87 | 27-Oct | Anjani Modi | In memory of birthday of "Late Mrs. Champaben B. Shah" | |
| 88 | 28-Oct | Ghanshyam Herekar | Birthday of Mr. Shashank Herekar | |
| 89 | 2-Nov | Evelyn Talwar | Not Specific | |
| 90 | 5-Nov | Anjali Mohanty | On the occasion of birthday of daughter "Ms. Tarini" | |
| 91 | 8-Nov | Late Tribhuvandas Desai | On birthday of "Late Mr. Kishore Desai" | |
| 92 | 15-Nov | Late Narain C. Gidwani | On birthday of "Mr. Ashok Gidwani" | |
| 93 | 19-Nov | Alka Agarwal | Sweet dish on birthday of "Mr. Tarun Agarwal" | |
| 94 | 23-Nov | Dr. Sanjivani Borgaonkar | In memory of birthday of father "Late Shri Madhav Gangadhar Gore" | |
| 95 | 29-Nov | Lions Club of Bombay Khar North (Premanand Kini & Lata Kini) | In memory of birth anniversary of "Late Mr. Prachur Premanand Kini" | |
| 96 | 30-Nov | Mr. Jayant S. Nairi | In memory of father "Late Shri Sheena Nairi" | |
| 97 | 1-Dec | Mr. P. G. Vaishampayan & Family | In memory of mother "Late Smt. Kamlabai Gopal Vaishampayan" | |
| 98 | 4-Dec | Mohammed Shakeel Ansari | On the occasion of birthday of beloved daughter "Rida Ansari" | |

| Sr. No. | Date of Donor's name Purpose of Special Serving Lunch Adhar Residents | | 1900 Per 190 | |
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| 99 | 12-Dec | Rajendra Dattatray Patil | In memory of birthday of "Late Mrs. Snehalata Dattatray Patil" | |
| 100 | 22-Dec | Anjani Modi | On the occasion of birthday of grand daughter "Ms. Upasana Pareshbhai Shah" | |
| 101 | 24-Dec | Amol Devasthali | Death anniversary of beloved father Late Mukund Vinayak Devasthali | |
| 102 | 25-Dec | Manjulaben Bhailal Shah C/o Mr. Sanjay B. Shah | On the occasion of birthday of "Mr. Chetan Shah (Adhar Resident) | |
| 103 | Pitripaksha Dashmi | Arun Wadhwa | In memory of beloved parents "Late Shri Manohar R. Wadhwa & Late Smt. Neeta Manohar Wadhwa" | |
| 104 | Pitripaksha Pratipada | C. R. Saraswathi | In memory of "Late Shri A. N. Ramchandran" | |
| 105 | Pitripaksha Ekadashi | Late N. P. Desai | In memory of "Late Ku. Pragati Nilkanth Desai & Late Shri Parshuram Balasaheb Desai" | |
| 106 | Kartik Pornima | Vinod M. Chainani | In memory of "Grand Parents" & Birthday of "Gurunanak Dev Maharaj" | |
| 107 | Makar Sankrant | Vinod M. Chainani | Makar Sankranti day | |

Adhar Nashik: Annadan "One Time Donation Scheme"

| Sr. No. | Date of Donor's name serving Lunch | | | | Purpose of Special Lunch to Adhar Residents [Nashik] | |
|------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|--|------------------------------------------------------|--|
| 1 | 3-Jan | Vivek Kashinath Gore | Death anniversary of mother "Late Smt. Gauribai Kashinath Gore" | | | |
| 2 | 23-Jan | Govind C. Gore | In memory of "Late Mrs. Anuradha Govind Gore" | | | |
| 3 | 24-Jan | P. G. Vaishampayan | In memory of father "Late Shri Gopal Gajanan Vaishampayan" | | | |
| 4 | 6-Feb | Shobha Ananth Mallya | In memory of "Late Shri Ananth Vaman Mallya" | | | |
| 5 | 17-Feb | "Aditi Joshi" | Death anniversary of "Late Shri Anant Joshi" | | | |
| 6 | 1-Apr | "Narayan Ramchandra Hegde " | In memory of birthday of "Late Shri Sitakant Ramchandra Hegde" | | | |
| 7 | 6-Apr | Pradnya Pradip Bhat | In memory of 'Late Smt. Sudha Sadashiv Bhat" | | | |
| 8 | 15-Apr | "Surekha Jadhav " | Birthday of "Late Mr. Prasad Patole" | | | |
| 9 | 21-Apr | Ashok Shanbhag | Not Specific | | | |
| 10 | 14-May | Me-Hin Tech Edge Solutions | In memory of "Late Shri Shashank Kshtriya" | | | |
| 11 | 21-May | Dr. Manorama Thakur | Birthday of "Mr. Gautam Thakur" | | | |
| 12 | 20-Jun | Narayan Mulji Thakkar | Birthday of "Mr. Govind Thakkar" | | | |
| 13 | 25-Jul | Rajiv Gupta | Birthday of "Ms. Sonum Gupta" | | | |
| 14 | 26-Jul | Jayant K. Wagh | In memory of birthday of "Late Mrs. Saily (Varsha) S. Salvankar" | | | |
| 15 | 28-Jul | Prasad Prabhakar Shintre | Birthday of mother "Late Smt. Vijaya Prabhakar Shintre" | | | |
| 16 | 22-Aug | Me-Hin Tech Edge Solutions | In memory of father "Late shri H. D. Mehta" | | | |
| 17 | 20-Sep | Sanjali Manish Prabhu | In memory of father "Late Shri Anand Raghunath Ghotge" | | | |
| 18 | 22-Sep | Sanjay Dhage | Birthday of "Mr. Harshavardhan Dhage" | | | |
| 19 | 25-Sep | Me- Hin Resourcing Solutions | Birthday of mother " Smt. L.H. Mehta" | | | |
| 20 | 13-Oct | Dr. Shirish N. Daftary | Death anniversary of father "Late Shri Nagindas Datary" | | | |

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|------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|--|
| 21 | 15-Oct | Narayan Ramchandra | In memory of "Late Mrs. Hemlata Sitakant Hegde" | |
| 22 | 31-Oct | Sheetal Gajbe | In memory of "Late Master Ankur Gajbe" | |
| 23 | 5-Nov | Deepak Tapkir | Birthday of "Mr. Pratap Tapkir" | |
| 24 | 16-Nov | Aditi Joshi | Birthday of "Ms. Poorva Joshi" | |
| 25 | 19-Nov | "Alka Agarwal " | Birthday of Mr. Tarun Agarwal" | |
| 26 | 25-Nov | Asha H. Deore | Birthday of "Mr. Sachin Deore" | |
| 27 | 29-Nov | Lions Club of Bombay Khar North (Premanand Kini & Lata Kini) | Birth anniversary of "Late Mr. Prachur Premanand Kini" | |
| 28 | 9-Dec | Rabhaji R. Sahane | Birthday of "Mr. Mayuresh Sahane" | |
| 29 | 17-Dec | Vivek Kulkarni | In memory of Late Sadashiv Kulkarni | |
| 30 | 18-Dec | Arvind Janardan Mahadik | Birthday of "Mr. Mandar Mahadik" | |
| 31 | 22-Dec | Amrutlal Thakurdas Mehta | Birthday of "Sri Sri Ma Sarada Devi" | |
| 32 | 25-Dec | Prasad Prabhakar Shintre | Birthday of father "Late Shri Prabhakar Dattatray Shintre" | |
| 33 | Makarsankrati | "Narayan Ramchandra Hegde " | In memory of "Late Smt. Hemlata & /shri Sitakant Hegade" | |
| 34 | Bhaubij | Rajashthani Ledies Circle Nashik | Diwali Bhaubij Day | |

The scheme was announced on 15^{th} August, 2012 and has received good response. If both meals for 365 days are booked for both the units, it will be a great relief to Adhar in the long run. We appeal to the parents, donors, well wishers to come forward and support us in taking lifelong care of specially abled adults at ADHAR.

Vishwas Gore - Chairman

Donation for 'Annadan'

| Sr. No. | Particulars | Badlapur (200 residents) In Rs. | Nashik (100 residents) In Rs. |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 | Sponsor Food Expenses of a Day | 25000 | 12500 |
| 2 | Sponsor Breakfast / Sweet Dish | 5000 | 2500 |
| 3 | Sponsor Special Lunch | 10000 | 5000 |
| 4 | Sponsor Special Lunch & Dinner | 20000 | 10000 |
| 5 | Sponsor Special Lunch to Resident & Staff | 17000 | 8500 |
| 6 | Special Lunch & Dinner to Residents & Staff | 26000 | 13000 |
| 7 | Sponsor Food Expenses of 1 resident for 1 month | 4000 | |
| 8 | Sponsorship for Chatpata Chat Corner (Every Fortnight) | 8000 | · |
| 9 | One time Donation Scheme (Book any Special Day / Date from Calendar year on which the special lunch will be served for that particular reason chosen by you ,every year in your name) | 1 lac | 50000 |
| 10 | Donation of any Item of Food Grains like Rice, Wheat, Sugar, Jaggery, Dal Rava, Poha, Sabudana, Ground nuts, Sweet oil, Tea Powder, Biscuits, Farsa | |), |

HOW CAN ONE SUPPORT ADHAR?

ADHAR is run through Parent's contribution and it does not get any government aid or grant. The trustees managing the organisation are also Parents of Special Children and hence it is the most transparently managed institution with the best facilities for the special children. ADHAR is probably the only Association of Parents which subsidises the Monthly Maintainence Cost for the parents by collecting donations from society.



Diminishing Financial Capability of Parents coupled with ever increasing care services cost has started disturbing the balance of ADHAR'S Model of Revenues and Expenditure.







Hence ADHAR needs continuous financial support to deliver on its promise of lifelong care for the specially abled. Donors can help by contributing through various plans that are listed below.

HOW YOU CAN HELP ADHAR?

| CO-GUARDIANSHIP OF A CHILD | | | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| Sr. No. | No. of Special Children | 1 Month Sponsorship (INR) | Annual Sponsorship (INR) | |
| 1 | 1 | 3,000/- | 36,000/- | |
| 2 | 10 | 30,000/- | 3,60,000/- | |
| 3 | 25 | 75,000/- | 9,00,000/- | |

| SPONSORSHIPS | | | |
|--------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Sr. No. | Particulars | Donation Amount | |
| 1 | 1 Month's Deficit of 1 Resident | 3,000/- (In Multiples) | |
| 2 | 1 Month's Entire Expenses of 1 Resident | 15,000/- (In Multiples) | |
| 3 | Annual Picnic of Residents | 45,000/- | |
| 4 | 1 Month's Raw Material for Vocational Training Centre | 30,000/- | |
| 5 | 1 Month's Cattle Feed for Dairy Project | 50,000/- | |
| 6 | 1 Month's General Medicines Expenses | 20,000/- | |
| 7 | Annual Medical & Dental Camp | 2,50,000/- | |

| Sr. No. | Particulars | Amount (INR -) | Amount (INR - Yearly) | |
|---------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|--|
| | | BADLAPUR | NASHIK | |
| 1 | Dining & Kitchen | 50 Lakhs | 25 Lakhs | |
| 2 | Vocational Training Centre | 30 Lakhs | 15 Lakhs | |
| 3 | Medical & Special Care Units | 45 Lakhs | 22.50 Lakhs | |
| 4 | Laundry Unit + Cleaning & Sanitation | 15 Lakhs | 7.50 Lakhs | |
| 5 | Ladies' Dormitory | 50 Lakhs | 25 Lakhs | |
| 6 | Gent's Dormitory | 50 Lakhs | 25 Lakhs | |
| 7 | DairyUnit | 8 Lakhs | _ | |



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Dnyanprabodhan Matimand Niwasi Vidyalay, Solapur

Intellectual disability is among the most neglected disability. In rural areas, the situation is made more worse due to the lack of knowledge about the condition and the many misbeliefs that surround the same. Mrs. Bagade experienced a few such incidents and was touched by the lack of facilities for these children. She was disturbed by the lack of awareness and support for these unfortunate children In the villages. She decided to create a residential facility for these children where the children will be provided with training and education relevant with their IQ. She did a survey of nearby villages & found that about 150 -200 poor families have an intellectually disabled child. In the year 2011 she started the facility for intellectually disabled children (between 6-18 years). Presently Dnyanprabodhan is taking care 25 intellectually disabled children from poor families. Mr. Rohit Bagade, son of

Mrs. Jayashri Bagade is co-ordinating the project enthusiastically with the support of his team.

Details of the project:

Location: At Post – Korti, Taluka - Karmala, Dist. Solapur Founder President: Mrs. Jayashri Laxman Bagade

Project Co-ordinator: Mr. Rohit Laxman Bagade, B . Com, M. Ed.

(MR)

Establishment Year: 2011

Registration No.: F/17129/Thane dated 27/04/2009. (Registered

under Charity Commissioner Act 1950)

Present Strength: 25 Male (6-18 years) intellectually disabled orphans or form poor rural families under the care of

Dnyanprabodhan.







"आधार" एक संजीवनी

"आधार" ह्या शब्दातच एक समाधान आणि संरक्षणा दडलेलं आहे आणि त्याच समाधान आणि संरक्षणाची भिंत आज आधारने ज्ञानप्रबोधनच्या भोवती रोवली आहे. सांगायचंच झालं तर एक किस्सा असा सांगावासा वाटतो की आधार या संस्थेचे संस्थापक अध्यक्ष श्री. विश्वास गोरे सर यांची आणि माझी पहिली भेट फेसबुक या सोशल मीडियाच्या माध्यमातून झाली. माणसाने किती नम्र आणि आदरयुक्त असावं याच जिवंत उदाहरण म्हणजे श्री.विश्वास गोरे सर त्याच प्रमुख कारण म्हणजे मी जेव्हा फेसबुकच्या माध्यमातून मेसेज करून जेव्हा त्यांना भेटण्याची इच्छा दर्शवली त्यावेळी पुढच्या क्षणीच सरांकडून एक मेसेज आला तो होता त्यात त्यांचा संपूर्ण पत्ता आणि संपर्क क्रमांक होता आणि खाली एक वाक्य लिहिलं होत ते म्हणजे... "फोन करून कधीही ये बेटा".

त्यावेळेस हा माणूस आभाळाहून मोठा वाटला मला. मला पण ही सोनेरी संधी दवडायची नव्हती म्हणून मी ही त्यांना भेटण्यास पोहोचलो आणि त्या भेटीतच मी सरांचा फॅन झालो..!! ज्ञानप्रबोधनचं संपूर्ण काम सरांनी शांतपणे समजून घेतल्यानंतर ते म्हणाले, "रोहित मी एकदा नक्कीच ज्ञानप्रबोधन ला येईन" पण त्याआधी तू नक्कीच "आधार" ला भेट दे. मी ही वेळ न जाऊ देता भेटीच्या दुसऱ्याच दिवशी "आधार" ला भेट द्यायला निघालो. जे दैवी कार्य फक्त फोटोतच पहावयास मिळायचं ते आज प्रत्यक्षात बघायला मिळतंय याचा आनंद काही वेगळाच होता. त्यादिवशी आधार माझ्या डोळ्यात नाही मावलं तर या शब्दात काय मावणार...?

इतकंच ह्या क्षणी जाणवतंय... विशेष मुलांसाठी एक संजीवनी असलेले हे सेवाकार्य समजून घ्यायचे असेल तर एकदा "आधार" ला जाऊन यावं, तो एक स्वर्ग आहे इतकंच म्हणेन मी...!!

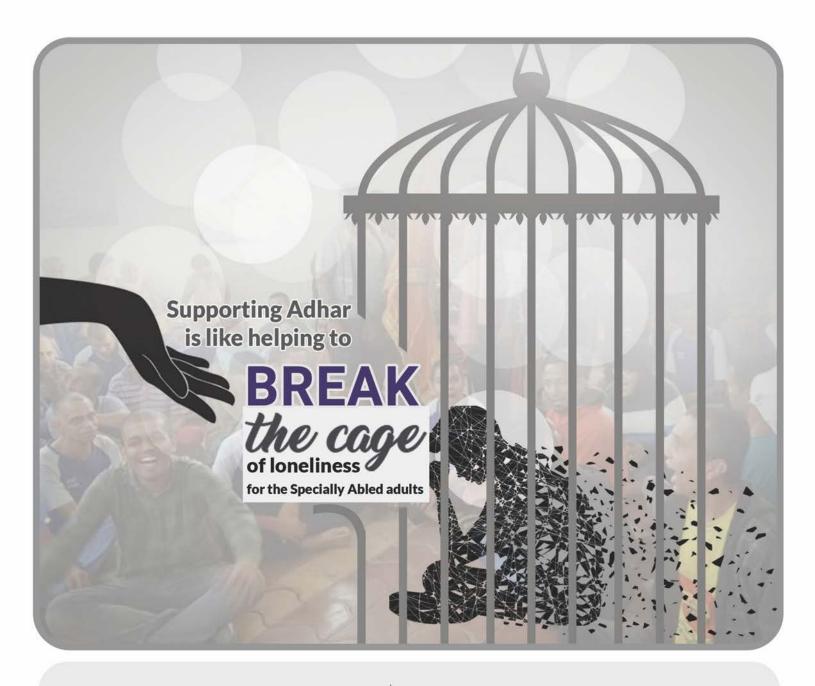
त्या भेटीनंतर काही दिवसातच आपल्या ज्ञानप्रबोधन या २५ विशेष मुलांसाठी ग्रामीण भागात कार्य करणाऱ्या संस्थेला "आधार" ची टीम तब्बल ३५० किमी प्रवासाचा टप्पा पार करून भेटण्यास आले. ज्ञानप्रबोधनला आल्यानंतर आणि आजूबाजूचा परिसर पाहिल्यानंतर तसेच प्रकल्प चालवित असताना येणाऱ्या अडी-अडचणींचा आढावा घेतल्यानंतर त्यावेळी ते इतकंच म्हणाले...

"रोहित "आधार" चा "आधार" तुला यापुढे नक्कीच राहील" आणि त्या भेटीनंतर अगदी सात दिवसांच्या आतच त्यांनी आपल्या चिमुकल्यांना एक नवसंजीवनी दिली आहे तीही तात्पुरती नसून कायम स्वरूपाची आहे इतकंच ह्या माध्यमातून सांगेन...!!

"आधार" च्या छत्रछायेत आलेलं "ज्ञानप्रबोधन" आणि त्यातली ही निरागस लेकरं आणि स्वतः मी कायम आपला ऋणी राहीन...!!

"आधार" च्या ह्या सेवाकार्याला ह्या छोट्या कार्यकर्त्यांकडून मनापासून शुभेच्छा...!!

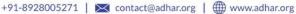
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