



## **NEW FEMALE DORMITORY**

## INAUGURATION



A NEW MILESTONE WITH CSR SUPPORT FROM BNP PARIBAS



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### **About ADHAR**

**ADHAR - Special Home for Specially Abled** 

ADHAR is a pioneering non-profit organization committed to providing lifelong care for adults with intellectual disabilities. Since its inception in 1994, ADHAR has grown to become one of India's largest and most respected institutions for this purpose, operating three centers in Maharashtra- Badlapur, Nashik, and the newly inaugurated Satara branch, which opened on April 17, 2024.

Caring for 340 residents aged 18 to 82; ADHAR offers not only a safe and nurturing environment but also fosters significant community impact by creating over 270 jobs in rural areas, including 84 for women. Additionally, ADHAR supports two other institutions in Solapur and Jalgaon, aiding economically disadvantaged families. Each year, ADHAR directly impacts around 2000 lives across 18 states in India.

Recognized for its excellence, ADHAR was awarded the 'Best Institution in Service to the Disabled' by the Government of India in 2014, with the award presented by then-President Shri Pranab Mukherjee. Through its



innovative approach and dedicated service, ADHAR continues to be a leading force in enhancing the lives of individuals with intellectual disabilities and setting a benchmark in compassionate care.

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### Chairman's Desk

### **Celebrating 30 Years of Care and Growth**



Dear Adhar Parivaar,

This year marks a special milestone for Adhar – 30 years of dedicated service to special adults and their families. We began with a small dream and have grown into a strong organization with three centres.

It hasn't always been easy. We've faced challenges, but our commitment to constantly improving our facilities and care has always been

our guiding light. This wouldn't be possible without the unwavering support of our remarkable staff, the trust placed in us by parents, the generosity of our donors, and the acceptance of society.

At our Badlapur centre, originally built 30 years ago, the infrastructure needs a refresh to better serve the evolving needs of our special residents. To create a safe, modern, and nurturing environment, we've embarked on a project to rebuild and upgrade our facilities over the next few years. As the first step, we're thrilled to announce the completion of a brand-new, well-lit, and spacious dormitory specifically designed for our female residents. We're incredibly grateful to the BNP Paribas Foundation for their

generous contribution, which has given these women a beautiful new home.

Our Satara project is also making great strides, currently caring for 12 special adults. Reaching these milestones during the birth centenary year of our founder, Late Shri M.G. Gore fills us with immense pride. It's a testament to his vision and a fitting tribute to his legacy.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to both the Adna Foundation and BNP Paribas Foundation for their support in turning our dreams into reality. Together, we're building a brighter future for special adults at Adhar.

With warmest regards,

- Vishwas Gore Chairman

## Welcoming Ms. Sangeeta Dasmohapatra to Adhar Parivar as Chief - Partnership and Communication

We are delighted to announce that Ms. Sangeeta Dasmohapatra has joined us as Chief - Partnership and Communication, effective June 5, 2024. Sangeeta brings over 23 years of extensive experience in the social sector, addressing a wide range of social issues. Before joining Adhar, she held various roles in esteemed organizations such as the Foundation for Ecological Security (FES), Akanksha Foundation, SPARC, and Bhavishya Alliance. Most recently, she served as Chief Operating Officer at PRIDE India where she worked for nearly a decade. Her career spans from grassroots initiatives to strategic management, making her an invaluable asset to our organization.



Sangeeta holds a full-time postgraduate degree in Rural Development from Xavier Institute of Social Service, Ranchi,

and a Postgraduate Degree in Human Resource Management from Symbiosis Institute of Distant Learning. She is also a certified CSR professional from the Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA), under Ministry of Corporate Affairs.

Her key skills include CSR partnerships, strategic planning, organization development, fundraising, donor relations, monitoring and evaluation, and CSR compliance.

In her role at Adhar, she will lead partnerships, strategize resource acquisition, build strong donor relationships, and enhance our visibility. Please join us in welcoming Sangeeta to the Adhar Parivar! We look forward to her contributions in driving our mission forward.

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#### **Editorial**



Dear Readers.

It is with immense pleasure that I present this bi-annual newsletter, reflecting on a period that has been both action-packed and momentous for Adhar. Over the past six months, we have been honoured with multiple accolades, which you will read about in the following pages. We also had the distinct privilege of inaugurating our new women's ward. These milestones hold special significance as they were achieved during the 100th birth centenary year of our beloved founder, Shri M. G. Gore. It is to his visionary leadership and foresight that Adhar owes its remarkable growth.

Shri Gore's insight laid the foundation for an organization capable of expanding to meet the needs of an ever-increasing number of specially-abled children. His value system has become deeply ingrained in the Adhar team, driving our staff to approach their work not merely as a job but as a heartfelt service to those in need.

The warmth, care, and commitment shown to our specially-abled children truly set Adhar apart and enable us to excel in every aspect of our mission. Established as an Association of Parents of Mentally Retarded Children, Adhar has always approached the care of its residents with the love and devotion of family, with every staff member tending to the children as their own parents would.

We are eternally grateful to Shri M.G.Gore for not only transforming the lives of the specially-abled but also offering a better future for their parents and families.

As we approach over 30 years of dedicated service, we recognize the need to renew and modernize our infrastructure. The first step in this long-term effort was achieved during this period with the grand inauguration

of our new women's ward, a significant milestone in our journey. This marks the beginning of an ongoing process to gradually upgrade each dormitory, ensuring that Adhar remains equipped to meet the evolving needs of our residents.

As the centenary year celebrations draw to a close, Adhar has taken another step in honouring Shri M. G. Gore's legacy by establishing the Madhavrao Gore "Seva Gaurav" Award to recognize the invaluable contributions of NGOs working in the field of specially-abled care across the country. This initiative is a modest yet meaningful tribute to Shri Gore's enduring influence, and I am confident that this award will come to be regarded with great prestige and honour in the sector.

As Adhar continues to grow, it becomes increasingly vital to establish robust systems that ensure our continued success. To this end, we are strengthening our management team and bringing in fresh talent to guarantee that the quality of care provided to our residents continues to improve and reach new heights.

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!!

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# New Female Dormitory Inauguration - A New Milestone with CSR support from BNP Paribas

On 14th September 2024, we proudly inaugurated our new BNP Ladies Dormitory at the Badlapur Center, a significant milestone made possible through the generous CSR initiative of BNP Paribas. The inauguration ceremony was graced by Mr. Sanjay Singh, Head of Territory and CEO of BNP Paribas India, along with his senior management team.

The event was a joyous occasion, attended by our chairman, trustees, and the entire ADHAR staff, all of whom came together to celebrate this collaborative achievement. This new dormitory stands as a testament to our shared commitment to empowering special women by providing them with safe and supportive housing. The facility is designed to create a nurturing environ-

ment where our residents can thrive and develop their skills in a secure setting. We are deeply grateful to BNP Paribas for their support, which enables us to continue our mission of enhancing the quality of life for our specially abled women. The inauguration marked not just the opening of a new dormitory, but also a step forward in our journey towards inclusivity and empowerment.









# A Remarkable Crowd funding Campaign by Sri Sringeri Math for ADHAR

On October 11, 2024, we are delighted to announce the successful completion of a remarkable crowdfunding campaign organized by the Sri Sringeri Math of Chembur, Mumbai, during this Navratri. The campaign raised an impressive ₹12.02 lakhs for ADHAR, a testament to the community's support and generosity.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Dr. G. Muthukrishnan, Hon. Manager, and Shri U.V. Girish Kumar for their excep-

tional leadership and dedication in spearheading this initiative. The funds raised will significantly enhance the quality of life for our 246 special abled male residents by providing them with essential clothing for year-round use. Additionally, it will offer vital medical relief to 49 economically disadvantaged

special abled residents, ensuring they receive the care they need

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who contributed to this campaign. Your generous donations and unwavering support are making a significant impact on the lives of those we serve at ADHAR. Together, we are building a compassionate community where each individual is valued and cared for.





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# Run for a Cause: Join ADHAR at Tata Mumbai Marathon 2025 to Empower Specially-Abled Adults

The ADHAR team is thrilled to announce its participation in the upcoming Tata Mumbai Marathon (TMM) on January 19, 2025. Be part of a movement towards a brighter future! Run for Adhar at TMM 2025 and contribute to providing essential services, education, and vocational



A Special Thank You to Our TMM 2025 Corporate Supporters:			
Sr. No.	Corporate Supporters	Team Size	
1	Me-Hin Tech Edge Solutions	50	
2	TeamSpace Financial Services Pvt. Ltd.	30	
3	Zeel Infotech Pvt. Ltd.	20	
4	PAMAC Finserve Pvt. Ltd.	20	
5	e-Emphasys Systems Pvt. Ltd.	30	
6	HDFC Ergo General Insurance Co. Ltd.	40	
7	Envisage Insight LLP	20	
8	InCorp Advisory Services Pvt. Ltd.	20	
9	Samco Securities Ltd.	20	
10	Me-Hin Consultants and Advisors	20	

training for over **340** specially-abled adults. Your participation will empower lives, promote inclusion, and help build a more equitable society. We extend our heartfelt thanks to the 10 corporate teams that supported us last year, helping us in our mission to improve the lives of special adults with intellectual disabilities.

Their commitment has had a profound impact, and we are excited to share that these same teams will be running for ADHAR once again in TMM 2025!

We invite individuals, parents, supporters, and well-wishers to further amplify the impact by creating fundraising pledge pages. Together, let's ensure our special friends at ADHAR live meaningful and joyful lives. Your participation in this impactful event can truly make a difference!

For more information, contact us at tmm.support@adhar.org or connect with Ashpak Pinjari at 9892416466.

### Ajay Mehta, Trustee of ADHAR, Speaks at NGO Orientation for TMM 2025



On August 30, 2024, Ajay H. Mehta, Trustee of ADHAR, shared his valuable insights at the NGO orientation for Tata Mumbai Marathon (TMM) 2025, organized by United Way of Mumbai. Drawing from his six years of marathon experience, he addressed key topics such as the importance of privilege levels and the significance of individual fundraising.





ADHAR is proud to be recognized as a valued NGO for TMM 2025, a testament to the organization's impactful work in enhancing the lives of special adults with intellectual disabilities. Mr. Mehta's contribution to the session reinforced the importance of collective efforts in fundraising to create meaningful change.



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# Founder's Day - Commemorating the 25<sup>th</sup> Death Anniversary of Late Shri Madhav Gore

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On 04 October 2024, we at Adhar gathered together to celebrate Founder's Day, the 25th Death Anniversary of our visionary founder, Late Shri Madhav Gore. Under the soft glow of cherished memories, the event was graced by the presence of Chairman Mr. Vishwas Gore,

trustees, staff, and the children of Adhar Badlapur.

His vision continues to inspire our mission at ADHAR, guiding us to provide care and support to those in need.

This poignant gathering reaffirmed our commitment to honor his memory by

continuing his work with love and dedication. We are thankful for the community's unwavering support, which allows us to carry forward his dream of a brighter future for all. Together, we celebrated not just a life lived, but a legacy that will forever remain in our hearts.













### **RESIDENTS ENGAGEMENT AT ADHAR**

# A. Green Adhar Project: Nurturing Sustainability at Badlapur Campus

The Green Adhar project, launched in 2018 to promote sustainable farming on Badlapur's open land, was revitalized in June 2021 after disruptions caused by the Covid pandemic. On September 25,

2024, key supporters Mr. Vijay Sahita, Mr. Satish Kazi, and Mr. Santosh Bhadsavle visited the campus to review its progress, appreciating the team's efforts and sharing ideas for expansion. Their visit

underscored Adhar's commitment to environmental sustainability, benefiting both the campus and the surrounding community.





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In alignment with the project's goals, World Environment Day was observed on 5th June 2024 at the Badlapur, Nashik, and Satara campuses. Special residents and staff eagerly participated in environmental activities, planting trees, and

contributing to eco-friendly initiatives. The enthusiasm

and joy they exhibited while nurturing nature made the event even more meaningful, creating a greener and more sustainable campus for all. As part of Green Adhar's commitment to environmental sustainability, all campuses engaged in activities to promote a healthier planet.





At the Nashik campus, we also marked World Paper Bag Day on 12th July 2024. Our special children, along with staff, participated in making paper bags to raise awareness about reducing plastic use and

promoting sustainable alternatives.

The event encouraged environmental consciousness,

provided the children with a sense of accomplishment, and reflected Adhar's commitment to nurturing responsible citizens who contribute to protecting the planet.



### **B. ADHAR's Vocational Training Centre**

ADHAR's Vocational Training Centre focuses on fostering well-being and personal growth among residents rather than profit. With 75% of residents engaged in daily workshops, the program

helps build life skills, confidence, and a sense of accomplishment. Over the past six months, residents have created and showcased products at corporate offices and prepared for Diwali exhibitions. In addition to vocational training, they engaged in group activities such as games, gardening, and festival celebrations, which strengthens their social skills and everyday living abilities.

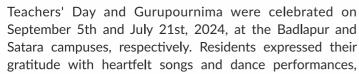








### **Teachers' Day and Gurupournima Celebrations at Adhar**



honoring their teachers and caregivers. These celebrations emphasized the vital role of guidance in their personal development and deepened the bond between residents and caregivers.







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#### **Exhibitions:**



Adhar actively took part in exhibitions at following corporate offices, highlighting the remarkable talents of our specially-abled residents and showcasing the handmade products

they created.

These exhibitions provided an excellent platform for Adhar to connect with corporate partners and supporters, while also helping in

raising funds. The positive response from these events reinforces the impact of Adhar's mission to enhance the lives of intellectually disabled adults.

**BNPP Malad (11<sup>th</sup> June 2024):** Adhar's stall, represented by Trustee Shri Arun Wadhwa and staff, engaged 58 BNPP employees, raising awareness about Adhar's mission.





Muskan Lifestyle Shopping Festival (17<sup>th</sup> July 2024): Organized by the Rotary Club and attended by notable guests, this event at the National Exhibition Centre helped showcase Adhar's work to a larger audience.







Rakshabandhan Stall at Franklin Templeton (13<sup>th</sup> August 2024): The stall offered eco-friendly Rakhi items crafted by residents, gaining support and purchases from employees.







InSync Analytics (11<sup>th</sup> October 2024): Adhar presented its work at this exhibition, receiving great appreciation and fostering valuable connections.









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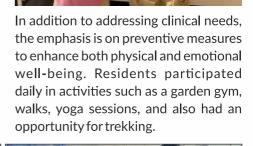
### **C. Health Care and Medical Support**

ADHAR's medical team has remained committed to providing exceptional care for our residents, addressing their unique healthcare challenges. Operating round the clock in three shifts, our dedicated team, including a General Practitioner, Psychiatrist, and nursing staff, ensured regular administration of daily prescribed

medication for respective individuals, monitoring the residents' health situation and provided immediate response to those who needed medical emergencies.

The specialized care unit in Badlapur is currently taking care of 15 male and 10 female residents who require 24\*7 support.

Status of medical conditions of Residents:			
	Badlapur	Nashik	Satara
Adults on Epileptic Medication	112	34	3
Residents on BP Medication	26	9	1
Residents on Thyroid Medication	22	7	1
Residents on Diabetes Medication	16	8	-
Residents Hospitalized	22	3	_















#### **International Nurses Day**

On 12<sup>th</sup> May 2024, Adhar Badlapur celebrated International Nurses Day to honor our dedicated nursing team.

The event recognized their crucial role in ensuring the health and well-being of our residents, and we expressed heartfelt gratitude for their compassion and commitment.

This celebration underscored the vital impact our nurses have on creating a nurturing environment, enhancing the quality of life for all residents.

Thank you to our exceptional nursing staff for their unwavering dedication!











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### **International Yoga Day Celebration at Badlapur & Nashik**



On 12th May 2024, Adhar celebrated International Yoga Day at the Badlapur and Nashik campuses, focusing on mental and physical wellness. Residents and staff at both campuses practiced

yoga, guided by experienced instructors. At Badlapur, a dedicated yoga instructor led sessions on various postures and breathing exercises, promoting relaxation and mindfulness.

At Nashik, Mr. Shivaji Sarukte conducted a rejuvenating yoga session for residents, emphasizing yoga's benefits for both physical and mental health.







### **Disability Trekking at Shirgaon Fort, Palghar**



On April 5, 2024, Adhar Badlapur children enjoyed an inclusive trekking event at Shirgaon Fort, Palghar, organized by the Rotary Club of Bombay Juhu Beach. This adventure encouraged

resilience and connection with nature, as our children trekked scenic trails with enthusiastic support from Rotary Club volunteers. The day was filled with laughter, joy, and a strong sense of

accomplishment. We extend our heartfelt thanks to the Rotary Club for providing this empowering experience and creating cherished memories for our children.







# Saraswathy Mam & Sagar Chandawarkar's Birthday Celebration on 4<sup>th</sup> July



On 4th July 2024, Adhar joyfully celebrated the 88th birthday of our beloved Trustee, Smt. Saraswathy Madam, and Kum. Sagar Chandawarkar, son of our Trustee Shri Chandawarkar Sir. The day was filled with happiness and excitement as all

residents enjoyed a wonderful birthday treat, lively dance performances, and a special lunch organized to mark the occasion. It was a day of celebration, joy, and unity, making it a memorable experience for everyone at Adhar.







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#### D. Parents Meeting-Badlapur, Nashik



On August 15, 2024, ADHAR Badlapur hosted a Parents Meeting on the Independence Day, attended by 74 parents. The gathering allowed parents, residents, and staff to connect, with Mr. Vishwas Gore, ADHAR's Chairman, and the

Board of Trustees. Parents engaged with the team about their children's progress and enjoyed cultural activities, including dance performances by residents, adding pride and joy to the event.







Similarly, on October 2, 2024, ADHAR Nashik organized a Parents Meeting attended by 32 parents. Trustees and staff discussed resident development, and the residents entertained guests with lively dance performances, strengthening the

ADHAR-family bond. Both meetings highlighted ADHAR's dedication to family support, showcased residents' yearly achievements, and encouraged parents to support ADHAR in the upcoming Tata Mumbai Marathon 2025 fundraising efforts.







#### E. Socialisation Activities - Festivals and Celebrations



#### **Ganesh Festival**

In September 2024, the Ganesh Festival was celebrated with devotion and joy at Adhar's Badlapur, Nashik and Satara centers. On September 13th, Badlapur residents visited DS Group for Ganpati Bappa Darshan, strengthening their community ties through prayers and festive spirit.

At all centres, the five-day festival from September 7 to September 12 included the enshrinement of a Ganesh

idol, daily prayers, and a special bhajan session on September 9th at the Satara center. The celebrations ended with Ganesh Visarjan, where residents and staff gathered for the immersion, singing and dancing to bid farewell to Lord Ganesha. The festival fostered spirituality, cultural celebration, and unity among all participants.













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#### Rakshabandhan

On August 18, 2024, Adhar's Badlapur and Satara campuses celebrated Rakshabandhan with joy and unity, highlighting bonds of love and protection. At Badlapur, residents engaged in traditional rituals, tying rakhis and sharing sweets, filling the day with warmth and laughter.

At Satara, residents crafted rakhis, shared sibling stories, and performed songs and dances. Both campuses beautifully

embraced the spirit of Rakshabandhan, fostering love, care, and community, and creating cherished memories for everyone involved.

Both campuses beautifully captured the essence of Rakshabandhan, reinforcing the values of love, care, and community spirit, creating cherished memories for all involved.









#### Aashadi Ekadashi

On July 17, 2024, Adhar's Badlapur, Nashik, and Satara campuses celebrated Aashadi Ekadashi with devotion and joy. At Badlapur, the day began with a ceremonial pooja followed by cultural performances, where residents showcased their talents through dance and song. The campus

was beautifully decorated, creating a festive atmosphere of worship.

At Nashik, a lively Dindi procession featured Mast. Anmiesh Jahgirdar as Lord Vitthal and Miss Arpita Varma as Lord Rakhumai. The procession blessed staff and senior residents, spreading joy across the campus. In Satara, a Bhajan Mandal from Pali Village performed uplifting songs, joined by Anganwadi students from Karnjoshi.

The celebration across all campuses was filled with music, devotion, and togetherness, creating lasting memories and reinforcing the importance of faith, unity, and community spirit.









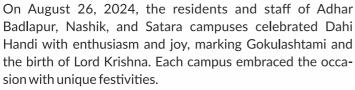




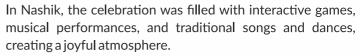
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#### **Dahi Handi**



At Badlapur, the campus was adorned with vibrant decorations. Residents participated in traditional games and dances, and the highlight was the Dahi Handi event, where teams formed human pyramids to break the yogurt pot, symbolizing the playful spirit of the festival and fostering teamwork.



At Satara, residents and staff visited the Shrikrishna Temple for prayers and pooja, connecting deeply with the spiritual essence of the festival. Across all campuses, the Dahi Handi celebration captured the essence of unity, love, and joy, reinforcing the cultural richness of the Adhar community and strengthening the bonds between residents and staff. It was a day filled with laughter, devotion, and cherished memories.









### **Independence Day**

The celebration of Independence Day at all three Adhar campuses was a heartfelt occasion, filled with joy, pride, and a deep sense of national unity, marked by unique activities and expressions of patriotism.

At the Badlapur campus, Ms. Manisha Khemlani, CEO of the Central Chinmaya Mission Trust, joined as the Chief Guest for the flag hoisting ceremony, accompanied by the Chairman, Board of Trustees, and staff. The event was made even more special with the participation of 226 residents and their families, creating an inclusive atmosphere. Vibrant music and dance performances by the special residents added to the festivities, while academic achievements of the children of Adhar employees were honored. The celebration

concluded with a parents' meeting, strengthening family connections within the community.

At the Satara campus, the day began with a flag hoisting ceremony, followed by a prabhat feri (morning procession) where participants sang patriotic songs. A special speech by a 2nd-grade student from a nearby school highlighted the sacrifices of freedom











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fighters, inspiring everyone present.

In Nashik, the flag hoisting was conducted by Mr. Sachin Waghmare, Manager of Indian Bank, with the presence of parents Mr. Nimesh Shah and Mrs. Dr. Arati Shah. Musical performances and activities filled the

day with national pride, and the visit of 12 members from the Su-Sanskruti Foundation brought further warmth and support to the event. The residents showcased their talents in cultural performances, contributing to the festive atmosphere.

These Independence Day events not only celebrated the nation's freedom but also strengthened the Adhar community, fostering unity and deepening bonds between residents, staff, and families.

### Karvaan Musical Journey - Nashik

On 13th July 2024, Karvaan – The Musical Journey gave their third outstanding performance at our Nashik campus. The 20-member group performed over 15 songs, creating a joyful and lively atmosphere that was thoroughly enjoyed by all our special children and senior citizens. The children, filled with happiness, expressed their excitement by dancing and singing along with heartfelt emotions.

The event also saw the presence of Mr. Murli Raghuran, President of the Rotary Club of Deolali, who visited our facilities, participated in the celebrations, and enjoyed the musical program. The occasion was organized by our esteemed parents, Dr. Bakshi and Mrs. Bakshi, in celebration of Dr. Bakshi's 50 years of dental practice in Deolali.

As part of the celebration, we honored several distinguished guests with handmade gifts crafted by our special children.





After the program concluded, Dr. Bakshi shared an emotional speech, expressing his gratitude to Adhar and the Karvaan





team for making the event special. It was a heartwarming and joyous occasion that brought smiles to all.

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## Adhar Nashik took a meaningful trip to Savarkar Vada

On 28th May 2024, we commemorated the birthday of the great freedom fighter Swatantra Veer V.D. Savarkar. Senior members of SCH



Nashik took a meaningful trip to Savarkar Vada, the birthplace of Shri. Savarkar, where they paid homage to the statue installed in the heritage building. The visit was a solemn occasion for reflection and respect, allowing our residents to honor the legacy of Swatantra Veer Savarkar and his contributions to India's freedom struggle. The seniors shared their thoughts and memories about his impactful life, fostering a spirit of patriotism and gratitude among all participants.

## Smt. Asha Fadnis' 72<sup>nd</sup> Birthday Celebration

On 16th June 2024, we celebrated the 72nd birthday of Smt. Asha Fadnis, a former Clinical Psychologist of Adhar and now a cherished resident at SCH Nashik. The event was filled with



warmth and affection as all the staff members and residents of SCH came together to wish her a long, healthy, and happylife.

During the celebration, Smt. Asha Fadnis fondly recalled her time working at Adhar, sharing memories of her career and the impact she made. She expressed her heartfelt gratitude to everyone for organizing the birthday celebration, making it a memorable occasion for all.

## Awareness Campaign for ADHAR Satara at Kolhapur and Karad

On June 9, 2024, over 45 parents gathered at Karveer Nagar Vachanalay Hall, Kolhapur, for an engaging meet organized by Adhar. Chairman Mr. Vishwas Gore introduced Adhar's new Satara unit, emphasizing the essential need for lifelong

residential care for specially-abled adults. Heartfelt discussions fostered community among families, with strong support from Shri Kishor Deshpande, Ms. Smita Dixit, and other local contributors, making the event a resounding success.







On July 31, 2024, a similar meet was held in Karad in collaboration with Sanjeevani Institute. Around 50-55 parents attended, joined by esteemed institute members and Adhar's team.

Mr. Gore encouraged acceptance, resilience, and community support for families of intellectually disabled children. He invited parents to visit the Satara center and shared Adhar's vision

for expanding support in Karad.

The Kolhapur and Karad awareness events empowered families, building a network of understanding and support for lifelong care.









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#### **ADHAR VISIT - BADLAPUR**

#### Visit of Mr. Jay Shah & Family

On 5th May 2024, we were honored to welcome Mr. Jay Shah and his family to

our Badlapur campus. They spent quality time with our children and the Adhar community, strengthening our bond with their continued support.







## Visit of Rtn. Mr. Arun Bhargava, District Governor, Rotary District 3141

On May 19, 2024 we had the distinct honor of welcoming Rtn. Mr. Arun Bhargava, the District Governor of Rotary District 3141, to our Adhar Badlapur campus. His visit was a significant occasion for us, as he took the time to engage with our staff, children, and the various programs we have developed over the past 30 years.

During his visit, Mr. Bhargava expressed his appreciation for our projects and the unwavering dedication shown by our team. His recognition serves as a testament to our commitment to empowering and supporting our residents, particularly those with special needs.

Mr. Bhargava's encouragement inspires us to continue striving for excellence in our services and reinforces the collaborative spirit between Adhar and Rotary. We are grateful for his visit and the valuable insights he shared, which will undoubtedly guide us in our future endeavours.







## Visit of Mrs. Meenakshi, Founder, MBA Foundation's with Rtn. Mr. A. V. Suresh

On May 23, 2024, Adhar Badlapur had the privilege of hosting Rotarian A.V. Suresh and Mrs. Meenakshi, Founder of MBA

Foundation, along with her family and trustee Shri Arun Wadhwa. They appreciated ADHAR team's dedication and

the care provided to the specially-abled over the past 30 years. We are grateful for their support and encouragement.







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### **CSR visit by Transrail Lighting Limited**



On 25th June 2024, we were delighted to host Mr. Umesh Tandel, Lead CSR at Transrail Lighting Limited, at Adhar

Badlapur accompanied by Ms Sangeeta. He explored our program, eco-friendly projects and the medical needs of our residents, expressing interest in future collaboration, particularly in addressing medical challenges.







#### Visit of Mr. Jacob Ninan, Former Ex CEO-Axis Bank Foundation



On 2nd July 2024, we were delighted to welcome Mr. Jacob Ninan, Ex CEO Axis Bank Foundation accompanied by Shri Vishwas Gore, Chairman of ADHAR, to our Badlapur campus. During his visit, Mr. Ninan interacted with our children and staff, gaining insight into the work and environment at ADHAR.

The visit concluded on a positive note, with Mr. Ninan offering to help connect us with potential donors for future collaboration.







### Visit of Dr. Sanjay Runwal and Mr. Mrityunjay Hiremath



On 3rd July 2024, ADHAR had the honor of hosting Mr. Sanjay Runwal from the Sanjay Runwal Foundation and Mr. Mrityunjay Hiremath, Former Principal of

DY Patil Diploma Engineering College, Pune, at our Badlapur campus. Accompanied by ADHAR Trustees Smt. C. R. Saraswathi, Mr. Ajay Mehta, and Mr. Shivprasad Khened, they toured our facilities, praised the care provided, and expressed their support for our mission. We are grateful for their encouragement.







#### **Visit of Miss Era Godse**



On 4th July 2024, design student Ms. Era Godse visited ADHAR Badlapur to

explore eco-friendly packaging solutions. Impressed by our residents' creativity,

she offered to help with packaging ideas for our sustainability efforts.



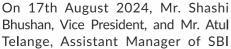




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### **CSR team Visit by SBI Foundation**





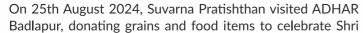
Foundation's Center for Excellence for Persons with Disabilities visited ADHAR Badlapur to understand the program and



discussing potential collaboration. We are grateful for their visit and look forward to a fruitful partnership.



#### Visit by Suvarna Pratishthan Dombivli







Sant Shiromani Narhari Sonar Maharaj's birth anniversary. We are grateful for their generosity in supporting our mission.





#### **CSR visit by Axis Bank Foundation**



further partnership opportunities. Axis Bank Foundation has been supporting ADHAR for the past two years, and we are grateful for their continued partnership.









### **ADHAR VISIT - NASHIK**

#### Visit of Founder Chairman of Navodaya Center

On 16th July 2024, Shri Madhukar Gite, Founder Chairman of Navodaya Centre, along with six staff members, visited Adhar-Nashik. They toured the SCH

and LCH units, observing our facilities and services for mentally challenged adults. Mr. Gite and his team praised our infrastructure and care, aiming to learn from our model as they prepare to celebrate their 10th anniversary on 15th August 2024.



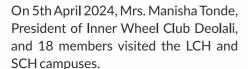




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#### Visit by Mrs. Manisha Tonde, President, Innerwheel club Deolali



They spent quality time with our special children, bringing joy and warmth, and generously donated ceiling fans, clothes, and sweets. The visit, coordi-

nated by Dr. Bakshi and Mrs. Bakshi, parents of one of our residents, made a memorable and heartwarming day for everyone.







#### **ADHAR VISIT - SATARA**

#### **Visit from AAJI Care and Adit Foundation**

On 11th July 2024, Adhar Satara welcomed Mr. Prasad Bhide, CEO of AAJI Care, Ms. Naina Oak, Clinical Psychologist, and Ms. Madhuri Kulkarni

from Adit Foundation. They toured our facilities, interacted with staff and residents, and praised our care programs. Their positive feedback

reinforced our mission and strengthened our collaborative efforts to support individuals with intellectual disabilities.







#### Visit by Bondioli & Pavesi India Pvt Ltd

On 9th August 2024, we hosted Mr. Ravindra Suryvanshi, Mr. Rajesh Suthar, and Ms. Sheetal Sable from Bondioli & Pavesi India Pvt Ltd at our Satara campus to explore CSR collaboration.

Accompanied by Ms. Sangeeta Dasmohapatra and Ms. Sharayu Samarth, they toured the dormitory, workshop, and water harvesting structure. They expressed appreciation for the work being done at ADHAR, offered encouraging feedback and interest in partnering with ADHAR. Their visit was filled with insightful conversations.











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#### **EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT**

### **Morgan Stanley Team - Badlapur**

We were delighted to host an employee engagement program with the Morgan Stanley team at ADHAR Badlapur on 4th May, 25th May, and 8th June 2024 as part of their CSR initiative. The team engaged with our

specially-abled residents in activities such as diya painting, paper bag making, and games. They also toured the center, learning about our operations and care.

Their visits brought joy, created lasting

bonds, and highlighted the positive impact of community involvement. We thank the Morgan Stanley team for their continued support and for making these days memorable for our special residents.



















### Franklin Templeton Team - Badlapur

On 15th June 2024, the Franklin Templeton team visited ADHAR Badlapur for an employee engagement activity, accompanied by our trustee, Shri. Ajay Mehta. The team spent quality

time interacting with residents, participating in workshop activities, and learning about the daily operations and care provided at the center. They were deeply moved by the staff's dedication

and the warmth of the special children. The visit concluded with the team expressing admiration for ADHAR's mission and its positive impact on the lives of the residents.









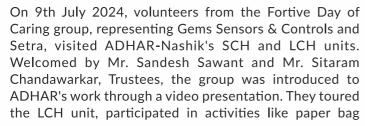




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#### Fortive Day of Caring - Nashik



making, packing, ball-throwing games, and diya painting, and enjoyed dance performances by the children. The group also donated essential items such as toiletries and comforters. We are grateful to Ms. Priyanka Bangera from Setra for leading the coordination of the visit. Her appreciation of the facility's upkeep and the engaging activities was truly encouraging.







#### **ADHAR STAFF**

#### **Badlapur Staff Training Program**

From 8th to 11th July 2024, ADHAR organized a comprehensive training program for our caregivers at the Badlapur campus. The program, conducted in two groups, catered to a total of 75 staff members. The main focus was on reviewing the crucial role of caregivers in the REP training of

ADHAR residents, as well as the MANN Training for co-employment, aimed at fostering the overall development of the residents.

The training provided an excellent platform for interaction between caregivers, who were enthusiastic about their responsibilities. They expressed their eagerness to serve as mentors in supporting the self-help and co-employment training of our residents, ensuring a positive learning environment. The sessions were informative and motivating, reinforcing the essential role of caregivers in the daily lives of our ADHAR family.







#### **Nashik Staff Training Program**

During the second quarter, a comprehensive vocational staff training session was conducted at the Nashik center by Rupal Ajmera and Ganesh Ambekar. The training focused on

enhancing staff skills and expertise in various vocational programs, ensuring they are well-equipped to guide and support individuals with special needs. Through interactive workshops and

practical sessions, the trainers provided valuable insights into best practices, aiming to improve the overall quality of vocational education and care at the center.











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## Felicitation of academic performers of children of Adhar staff at Badlapur & Nashik

A felicitation ceremony was held at Adhar's Badlapur center on 15th August and at the Nashik center on 2nd October 2024 to honor the academic achievements of the children of Adhar staff. The event recognized the success of 9 children who completed their SSC,

4 who completed their HSC, and 5 who graduated with degrees out of a total of 20 children. Additionally, two students were felicitated for completing their professional courses—one in Pharmacy and the other in LLB.

While at Nashik, 5 students were

felicitated out of the 8 achievers. The ceremony was a proud moment for the staff and their families, recognizing the hard work and dedication of both the students and their parents, and celebrating their impressive academic accomplishments.



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Sahil Prakash Awari



Sakshi Phadharinath Sahane H.S.C - 84.67%



H.S.C - 58.17%



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#### **Daan Utsay Celebration at Adhar**

From October 2-8, 2024, Adhar celebrated Daan Utsav, a week dedicated to the Joy of Giving. During this heartwarming event, supporters came together as Rays of Hope to transform the lives of special adults residing at our permanent home for the intellectually challenged.

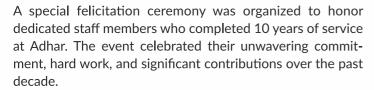
Through their generosity, participants made a significant impact, supporting Adhar's mission and experiencing the profound joy of making a meaningful difference. The week was a beautiful reminder of how collective efforts can bring hope, compassion, and joy to those who need it most.



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### Felicitation of staff completing 10 years of service



Each staff member was recognized for their loyalty and the vital role they have played in the organization's growth and success. The heartfelt ceremony was a testament to the strong bond between Adhar and its staff, who continue to serve with passion and dedication.

















### Felicitation of staff for maximum attendance

A felicitation ceremony was held at the Nashik center to honor 75 staff members for their exceptional attendance, with each achieving more than 288 days of presence in a year. This recognition highlighted their dedication, reliability, and commitment to their roles at

Adhar. The event celebrated these staff members' consistent efforts, which have been instrumental in maintaining the smooth functioning of the organization. Their remarkable attendance reflects their strong work ethic and devotion to the care of Adhar's residents.













Mrs. Sushma Markande has been appointed as the Resident Project Head for the newly established residential care unit in Satara, which can accommodate 125 special adults. She has been transferred from position of Resident Project Head at Badalpur Special Home, where she performed remarkably well in providing care for the residents.



Mr. Santosh Mate, has been promoted as Resident Project Head at Adhar's Badlapur Special Home for 250 specially-abled adults. He has excelled in providing exceptional care and management. His dedication and leadership have ensured the residents' well-being, contributing significantly to the smooth operation of the Badlapur Special Home.



**ADHAR Senior Citizen's Home** 

(Our Trusted Home)

Gat No. 286, Pimpalgaon Dukra, Sakur Phata, Ghoti-Sinner Road, Tal. Igatpuri, Dist. Nashik

## ADHAR Senior Citizen's Home is fully functional from on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2022

#### : Admissions are Open Now:

#### **Charges for Residents:**

#### **Admission Fees:**

- Rs. 1.00 lac Per Person for Twin Sharing & Couple (A twin sharing room utilized by two occupants or a couple)
- Rs. 2.00 lac for Single Occupancy (A twin sharing room utilized by a single occupant)

#### **Security Deposit:**

• Rs. 1.00 lac per person

#### Monthly Fees:

- Rs. 15000/- for Couple/per person
- Rs. 17000/- for Twin Sharing/per person
- Rs. 25000/- for Single Occupancy

#### Walk-in Residents:

- Stay Upto 3 Days -Rs. 1500/- per person/24 Hrs. (Incl. Food)
- Stay for 1 Week Rs. 10000/- per Person/7 days (Incl. Food)
- Stay for 2 weeks Rs. 20000/- per person/14 days (Incl. Food)

#### Long Stay (1 month at a time)

#### **Corpus Donation:**

 Rs. 1.00 lac Walk-in for Long Stay / Per Person (donation is valid for 3 years only)

#### Monthly Charges (Incl. Food):

- Rs. 15000/- for Couple (for 1 month) / per person
- Rs. 17000/- for Twin Sharing (for 1 month) / per person
- Rs. 25000/- for Single Occupancy (for 1 month)

#### **Additional Expenses on Actual Basis**

- Washing (for more than 6 Clothes per day)
- Ironing
- Hospitalisation & Personal Medicines
- Arrangement of Vehicle for personal work
- Provision of personal assistant
- Food & Accommodation Expenses for Personal Guests
- Charges for Tata Sky Add on Channels

Age Eligibility: 60 yrs. & above

#### For Admission & Information please contact:

- Sharayu Samarth @ 99873 22050
- Sandesh Sawant @ 74474 76047

<sup>\*</sup>This will include all the maintenance costs, housekeeping, catering, staff expenses, and other overhead costs.





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## JOIN US IN MAKING A DIFFERENCE - YOUR SUPPORT COUNTS! 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	5,000/-	60,000/-	
2	10	50,000/-	6,00,000/-	
3	25	1,25,000/-	15,00,000/-	

SPONSORSHIPS			
Sr. No.	Particulars	Donation Amount	
1	1 Month's Deficit of 1 Resident	5,000/- (In Multiples)	
2	1 Month's Entire Expenses of 1 Resident	22,000/- (In Multiples)	
3	Annual Picnic of Residents	2.50 Lakhs	1.50 Lakhs
4	1 Month's Raw Material for Vocational Training Centre	50,000/-	25,000/-
5	1 Month's Cattle Feed for Dairy Project	1 Lakhs	50,000/-
6	1 Month's General Medicines Expenses	75,000/-	35,000/-
7	1 Month's Expenses for Cleaning & Sanitation	1 Lakhs	50,000/-
8	Annual Medical & Dental Camp	2.50 Lakhs	1.25 Lakhs

ADOPTION of ACTIVITIES (Funding Annual Budget)			
Sr. No.	Particulars	Amount (INR - Yearly)	
		BADLAPUR	NASHIK
1	Dining & Kitchen	50 Lakhs	25 Lakhs
2	Vocational Training Centre	40 Lakhs	20 Lakhs
3	Medical & Special Care Units	50 Lakhs	25 Lakhs
4	Laundry Unit + Cleaning & Sanitation	25 Lakhs	12 Lakhs
5	Ladies' Dormitory	60 Lakhs	30 Lakhs
6	Gent's Dormitory	60 Lakhs	30 Lakhs
7	Dairy Unit	15 Lakhs	7 Lakhs



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#### **OUR SPECIAL HOMES:**

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- What Happens After Me?
- Who Will Take Care for My Child?

ADHAR IS THE ANSWER TO CONSTANT WORRY OF THE PARENTS OF INTELLECTUALLY CHALLENGED ...

ADHAR is a safe Haven for Special Adults that provides them ...

Living

Dignified | Opportunity for | Socialization

Happy and meaningful life **Psychological Relief** to their Parents

#### **OUR STRENGTHS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- Largest institution in India taking life-long care of 500 specially abled adults.
- 2000+ lives directly impacted from 18 states of India.
- Role model for other institutions 30 year long experience working with specially abled.
- Employment created for 270+ staff 40% of whom are women.
- Best Parents' Association Award (2006-07) by the National Trust, an autonomous body of MSJE, Govt. of India.
- Best Institution Award 2014 by Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India with the award presented by then-President Shri Pranab Mukherjee.
- "Spirit of Humanity Award- 2017" for Excellent Contribution in the field of Disability by AMERICARES India.

Together, We Can Make a Difference. Your Support Matters!

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