ANNUAL REPORT



Indian Association for Promotion of Adoption and Child Welfare (IAPA)

2025 - 26

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The **VISION** of IAPA for every child is to grow up with love and nurturance, in the security of a family; to have the opportunity for education and all-round development in a supportive environment.

MISSION

- To rehabilitate the orphaned or abandoned child through the preferred alternative of adoption or other suitable option
- To preserve and strengthen the child's family that is in crisis or lacks adequate resources; by providing assistance for the child's nutrition, education and vocational skills, opportunities for enriching personality, enhancing physical and emotional health and by families' empowerment
- To engage in advocacy for better standards in child care and to promote the child's rights to family, education and participation

Child and Family Centered Services since 1970

- ***ADOPTION*** for abandoned infants
- ***EDUCATIONAL SPONSORSHIP*** for underprivileged children
- ***FAMILY SUPPORT*** for orphaned and other children in crisis

In addition

- ***CHILD GUIDANCE CENTRE, MEDICAL ASSISTANCE and Project ASMITA***
for Mental Health, Physical Health and All-round Development of Children

- ***VOCATIONAL TRAINING and FINANCIAL SUPPORT***
for income generation and enhancing livelihood

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President's Message -

In 2025 - 26, we remained steadfast in our mission to advocate for and deliver family based services for children requiring care and protection. Our core initiatives - Adoption, Educational Sponsorship, and Alternative Family Care - were executed with firm commitment to ensure the holistic development and empowerment of every child we supported.

We had the privilege of walking alongside prospective adoptive parents, offering them the guidance and counselling needed to welcome a child into their hearts. Through our Educational Sponsorship initiative, we kept the spark of learning alive for children in Mumbai and Dapoli Taluka, District Ratnagiri. For over 20 years, IAPA has supported the education of socially and economically disadvantaged families in rural Maharashtra. What began in 2004 as a small initiative to aid students from a single school in Terevayangani village has now expanded to 34 villages across the Dapoli taluka (block) of the Ratnagiri district.

Our Kinship Care programme also flourished, providing a stable foundation for children within their extended families. To ensure these families truly thrived, we surrounded them with holistic support - ranging from medical care and nutrition to vocational training, life skills, and emotional guidance at our Child and Parent Guidance Centre.

None of this life-changing work would be possible without the support of our committed donors, sponsors, volunteers, and well - wishers. Your unwavering belief in our vision keeps us moving forward. My heartfelt thanks also go to the dedicated IAPA team for their tireless service to our children and families.

Jagruti Mandavkar
President

IAPA's Programmes

Adoption, Educational Sponsorship, Alternative Family Care

Once again, we are pleased to share a few success stories that reflect the impact of our work. For IAPA, success means delivering the right intervention at the right time. We provide adoption services, educational sponsorship and kinship family care with a holistic approach which goes beyond distributing funds. Social workers counsel anxious parents preparing for adoption, motivate students for studies, provide career guidance, cover tuition fees, and work with families to preserve and strengthen family care for children. All the financials involved are made possible by the vital support of our donor agencies and individual donors. The following narratives highlight how our integrated approach - combining psycho-social guidance, financial aid, and empowerment - enables families to achieve sustainable independence and a promising future.
(Names have been changed to maintain confidentiality of the individual beneficiaries.)

The Gift of Belonging: Anaya's Journey Home

After spending three years in institutional care, ten-year-old Anaya found her forever family through IAPA. A compassionate couple with a 12-year-old son actively sought to adopt an older child from CARA's (Central Adoption Resource Authority) immediate placement list. Despite the initial hesitation typical of older child transitions, the family with counselling and training - stayed patient and consistent, giving the child a secure environment.

Today, just seven months later, Anaya has beautifully transitioned from a small-town institution to an active life in Mumbai. She is happily attending school, practicing dance, enjoying movie outings with family, reminiscing about trips to her grandmother's house. Anaya's story is a beautiful testament to the fact that older children thrive wonderfully when given a secure, loving, and permanent home.

Breaking Barriers: Saadma's Journey to Independence

Saadma was a focused, ambitious student whose conservative family viewed her education as a secondary priority. Burdened with household chores and sibling care, she frequently missed school until IAPA's financial sponsorship, guidance, and motivation helped her graduate. When her father opposed college, IAPA successfully advocated for her enrollment, though her family initially restricted her independence by escorting her to campus. Through persistent determination, Saadma earned her father's trust and gained her autonomy. She is now finishing her Commerce degree and works part-time to support her family.

The Resilient Path to Success: Malini's achievements

Malini grew up in financial hardship but excelled academically, topping both her SSC and HSC exams through independent study. Though she dreamed of becoming a Chartered Accountant (CA), the high costs made it impossible for her family. Her trajectory changed when a full sponsorship from Chance of Life (CoL) covered her expenses and boosted her confidence. Today, Malini is a qualified CA at a reputable firm, lifting her family out of poverty and supporting her parents and siblings.

Overcoming Barriers to Education: Rutika's triumph over all odds

Rutika completed 10th standard with 46.70%, but her parents opposed further education, expecting her to handle chores and marry early. The family faced severe financial and health crises, with the mother as the sole breadwinner, father, an alcohol addict suffering from epilepsy, and an ailing grandmother. To prevent Rutika from dropping out, IAPA social worker counselled the family on the value of education and the legal risks of child labour and underage marriage. This successfully convinced her parents to let her study.

Rutika was further guided through college admission and to ease her fear of the English-medium transition. Funded under IAPA's Unnati project, her Commerce tuition fees were fully covered. Today, Rutika studying 12th std., has grown remarkably confident and independent.

From Illness to Hope: Chaitanya's Journey to Recovery

Chaitanya, an orphaned student in IAPA's Rural programme, faced severe personal and health crises after losing his father to tuberculosis (TB), being abandoned by his mother, and contracting TB himself. Raised by his grandfather, his situation was critical. An IAPA field assistant closely supervised his treatment and nutrition at a government health centre, successfully curing him. Today, Chaitanya remains under close observation to ensure his health stays stable and to prevent any relapse.

Resilient Spirit: Merry's Triumph Over Health and Hardship

Merry, a college student supported by the CoL Medical programme, faced severe health and financial challenges. Abandoned at birth and raised by her mother, her family's situation worsened when her mother became bedridden with a chronic, genetic mobility illness - a condition that also affects her aunt and uncle. The household survives on her uncle's minimal, irregular income as an electrician.

When Merry contracted severe tuberculosis (TB), she could not attend college or manage daily activities. The CoL Medical Fund stepped in with a six-month intervention, providing monthly nutritional and financial aid. Thanks to this support, Merry overcame TB, regained her mobility, and returned to college. Ongoing nutritional support continues to ensure her full recovery.

Adoption

IAPA has continued to support and empower prospective adoptive parents through dedicated awareness, appropriate guidance and conducting home-studies to ensure legal and safe adoption. Key achievements over the past year include:

- Orientation and Community Support: We hosted **four** orientation sessions for **48** attendees. During these, six adoptive parents shared their personal journeys, offering vital hope, encouragement, and practical insights to both pre-adoptive and post-adoption families.

- Home Study Reports (HSR): As a critical next step, IAPA completed **18** new HSRs and revalidated **five** existing reports, ensuring families remained eligible and prepared for child placement. Notably, one request was for a second adoption.

- Post-Placement Care: Our team conducted **28** follow-up visits to monitor and support the integration of children into their new families.

Adoption Awareness Week (AAW)

IAPA executed a targeted digital campaign to champion safe and legal adoption practices from 14th to 21st November 2025. Partnering with students from College of Social Work, Nirmala Niketan, a series of educational audio-visual reels were created and disseminated on IAPA's social media pages. The campaign successfully addressed six vital focus areas :

- Celebration of Children's Day
- Foster care frameworks for children in transition
- The essential criteria for safe and legal adoptions
- Legal pathways for the safe surrender of children
- The dynamics of sharing adoption facts with a child (featuring insights from an adoptive mother, and older adoptees)
- The critical timeline and long-term value of professional counselling

In tandem with the week's events, IAPA highlighted the voices of adult adoptees to champion social acceptance. Two grown-up adopted persons shared their real-life narratives. Notably, this included an inspiring letter from a 22-year-old, which provided firsthand insight into the positive, lifelong impact of legal adoption.

Awareness and Sensitisation.

- On 8th August 2025, IAPA's Ms. Savita Nagpurkar delivered a session titled *"Understanding Adoption in its entirety"* to families, SAKAR staff, and allied agencies. She spoke of the Adoption Regulations 2022, Home Study Reports, child monitoring in Child Care Institutions and legal fee structures.

- Psychotherapist Dr. Laura Vaz conducted a session for IAPA staff exploring the psychology of adoption through a clinical counselling lens.
- On 11th September 2025, developmental psychologist Dr. Sahana Mitra led a session titled *Navigating Adoption: Understanding Issues and Building Strengths as Adoptive Parents,* providing tools to handle cultural challenges, root searches, and family bonding.
- Dr. Laura Vaz hosted a highly successful online interactive session on 15th November 2025 regarding the *"Challenges in Sharing the Fact of Adoption,"* guiding **37** attendees through open communication. This was a part of the AAW activities.
- Partnering with SAKAR on 21st November 2025, IAPA's Savita Nagpurkar and adoptive parent Mrs. Shweta Joshi addressed prospective and experienced parents on navigating statutory CARA processes and disclosure.
- Media Advocacy: On 4th May 2025, a profile on one of IAPA foster carer was published in the *Daily Loksatta*, honoring her tireless work in fostering children waiting for permanent homes.
- On 21st November 2025, IAPA partnered with St. Xavier's College (HR Department) students to film an interview on girl child adoption, creating a media tool to promote ethical, legal adoption.

Pre- and Post-Adoption Counselling

This core IAPA service helps adoptive families and the adopted children negotiate the challenges they face in coming to terms of their adoption status strengthening the adoption bonds and daily relationships. Psychotherapist, Dr. Laura Vaz has offered her professional services to IAPA for nearly three decades. Her insightful guidance and gentle advice form the foundation of our counselling success. Feedback from participants is highly encouraging as we watch these families grow stronger every day.

Over the past year, we conducted **56** counselling sessions for **15** families focussing on

- Behavioural patterns and improving family communication / interpersonal adjustments
- Preparedness before and after adoption

Annual Family Meet: A Celebration of Connection (17th January 2026)

Our annual Family Meet was held at the G.S.B. Sports Pavilion, beautifully designed around a vibrant floral theme. The event serves as a vital touch point for families to exchange lived experiences and for children to connect with their adoption stories in a thoughtful, nurturing environment. This year's gathering brought together approximately **130** participants for an evening filled with joy, deep emotion, and fresh perspectives. In a moving highlight that bridged generations, a 43-year-old adult adoptee - who is now a mother to a teenager herself - shared a heartfelt moment upon meeting the youngest adopted toddler in attendance, beautifully showcasing the lifelong journey of adoption.

Root Search & Family Reconnection

- **Tracing Biological Roots:** IAPA provided extensive counseling and logistical support to **three adult adopters** embarking on a Root Search journey.

Educational Sponsorship – Urban and Rural

IAPA's Educational Sponsorship programme prevents school dropouts by supporting students financially and psycho-socially from 4th standard up to post-graduation

A cornerstone of this mission is the **'*Sarthak*' project**, backed by **Terre des Hommes (TdH) Denmark**. A trusted partner since 1997, TdH Denmark's sponsorship has grown from 40 students in its first year to **102** students currently in Mumbai.

- The academic momentum continued with **7** students appearing for Std. 10th Board exams, 14 for Std. 12th Board exams, and 7 entering their final year of graduation.

TdH Denmark continued to bridge the financial gap for students pursuing higher education and professional degrees. By covering college and essential coaching fees during crucial academic milestones - including standards 9th and 10th - we ensured students do not drop out of higher studies due to financial constraints. Our care also extended to vulnerable, orphan, destitute younger children living with extended families. Thanks to this initiative, **42** students received educational backing last year.

Our upcoming graduates are our proud moment: A Bio-Medical Engineering student, supported for three years after his single mother reached out to IAPA; a Bachelor of Computer Applications (BCA) graduate; A Bachelor of Engineering (Electronics & Telecommunications) graduate.

Terre Des Hommes (TDH) continued its partnership with IAPA, supporting **25** students across six villages in Rural Maharashtra (Terewayangani, Dapoli, Dist. Ratnagiri.) In June 2025, 12 students cleared their 10th standard SSC exams - with a top score of 94 percent - and all transitioned to college under IAPA's higher education programmes.

The initiative engaged parents through home visits and boosted literacy using dedicated reading slots, library books, and targeted 8th- grade English sessions. Social worker provided holistic care, tackling learning difficulties, health issues, and absenteeism, alongside career counselling and stress management before the March 2026 exams. Highlighting this support, when a sponsored student suffered a severe accident, IAPA secured TDH medical funding and arranged online teaching to keep him enrolled from home.

Alongside Sarthak, IAPA's **Siddhi** project in Mumbai has anchored the academic journeys of **65** students with the generosity of the **Kanta Foundation** (formerly the Jamnadas and Kantaben Chatwani Foundation) supporting **55** students and **Penguin Charities**, supporting **10** students. Project Siddhi ensured that financial constraints do not compromise a child's education.

This support yielded incredible results, celebrating the graduation of **four** students, alongside **11** others clearing their Class 10th and 12th benchmarks. In March 2026, **two** students appeared for Class 10th, **nine** for Class 12th, and **three** are on the cusp of graduation - **one** earning a B.Sc. in Computer Science and **two** finishing their Commerce degrees.

Yet another sponsorship project is **Samruddhi** supported by **Chance of Life** (CoL) Germany. This initiative continues to empower girls and young women through targeted sponsorships and allied development programmes. A key focus of the initiative is enabling students to pursue higher education, technical courses, or vocational training after completing the 10th standard.

During the review period, in Mumbai, the project supported **40 girls**, including **30 students** who receive ongoing sponsorship from **Mr. Siecermann**. In June 2025, **two** students cleared their 10th standard (SSC) board exams, and **four** cleared their 12th standard (HSC) board exams. All six have enrolled in college. Additionally, **seven** students successfully graduated. **One** is currently pursuing a Master of Computer Applications (MCA), while the remaining **six** have secured employment. In March 2026, **two** girls appeared for their SSC exams, **one** for her HSC exams, **five** for their final-year graduation exams, and **two** for their final-year Master's exams.

Financial backing and mentorship have encouraged more students to choose professional and diverse career tracks. **One** student qualified as a Chartered Accountant (CA), **two** students completed their Master of Commerce (MCom) degree, and **one** student completed a Diploma in Interior Designing and is now employed at a reputed architecture firm. All of these graduates have transitioned into roles with competitive salaries.

CoL provided critical financial aid to **20** college students to cover their academic fees. This additional support ensured students could sustain their education despite challenging circumstances.

Alumni Engagement

CoL President Ms. Rita Steinau provides vital encouragement through her deep personal interest in each student. During her annual agency visit on 10th February 2026 along with Ms. Claudia - a board member of CoL, they interacted with the current beneficiaries and former sponsored students. Ms. Steinau also maintains active communication with past beneficiaries through a dedicated WhatsApp group of the CoL alumni.

New Initiatives

- In the 2025 - 2026 academic year, Ms. Rita Steinau launched a new initiative in memory of her late husband, **Dr. Ulli Steinau** sponsoring **five** deserving BSc. Nursing students.

Since 2014 -15, we have prioritised girl child education at our **Rural** programme, focusing heavily on post-10th standard retention alongside our key partner, **Chance of Life, Germany**. Over the past decade, our efforts to promote college, vocational, and professional paths have successfully transformed community mindsets. In 2025 - 26, **111** girls across 26 villages received support for continuing their education. Remarkably, two beneficiaries have received financial aid for six consecutive years and are currently pursuing postgraduate degrees. Guided by our continuous mentoring, students increasingly choose high-growth fields like computer science, IT, medical lab technology, nursing, and finance.

While most local girls complete junior college in Dapoli, a growing number now relocate to Mumbai or Pune for advanced studies. Consequently, parental support has risen, and the average marriage age has deferred from 18 -19 to 23 - 25 years. Science enrolment for the 11th standard has also surged. In 2025 - 26, **eight** 12th-grade science students prepared for the Maharashtra CET, aiming for engineering, pharmacy, nursing, and agriculture careers, supported by IAPA coaching, materials, and transit aid.

Regular field meetings in villages and colleges helped address personal, academic, and health challenges, empowering girls to resolve issues independently. Furthermore, secure IAPA funding has encouraged students to pursue career-boosting certifications alongside their degrees, such as Python, Tally, Excel, and GST courses, significantly upgrading their employability.

Alongside 111 girls, IAPA - with financial aid from Chance of Life, Germany - sponsored **69** girls across nine rural schools. To ensure support reached the most deserving students, field staff conducted thorough need assessments through home and school visits.

Beyond tuition aid, IAPA prioritized health, nutrition, and parental engagement. Field assistants made regular home visits and organized school-level parent meetings to discuss academic progress and share positive parenting strategies.

To bridge learning gaps, IAPA launched targeted language development classes in English and Marathi during the 2025 summer vacation, continuing through the academic year. Students practiced grammar and read storybooks to ensure rural girls can compete confidently at the state level.

Nandan Project aims at arresting the dropout rate of students who are enrolled in school. Individual sponsors have been supporting students for education beginning at the school level. **38** compassionate sponsors funded **89** school and college students this past year in Mumbai. These sponsors - ranging from everyday professionals and salaried workers to entrepreneurs - have stood by their sponsored children for years. When life got tough, many went above and beyond by paying for unexpected medical bills or advanced degree fees.

By stabilizing the educational paths of these youth, IAPA has successfully arrested the dropout rate and restored confidence in students. The impact of this support was highly visible in March 2026, as **seven** students confidently took their Std. 10th Board exams, **three** appeared for their Std. 12th Boards, and **one** student reached their final graduation exams.

Under our Nandan Project, **Ador Foundation** sponsored the education of four students in Mumbai.

At our **Rural Nandan project** our partnership with **Mr. Shakir Machhiwala**, supported the education of **19** additional students across 9 villages. Financial aid and general assistance were distributed to **5** students in Agarwayangani, **3** students in Terevayangani, **1** student in Unhavare and **10** students in Umbarle.

Mr. Noordin Ebrahim's support under the Nandan Project aims to improve education retention among boys who are sponsored under the Sarthak programme till 10th standard. During the year **15** students who opted for college / vocational education were given sponsorship assistance. In June 2025, **four** students successfully graduated: **one** in Commerce, **one** in Mass Media, and **two** from vocational courses (Gardening and Electricals at Dapoli ITI).

Notably, one student cleared the common entrance test and secured admission into a four-year B.Sc. in Agriculture at Konkan Krishi Vidyapeeth. We are also observing a positive trend of more students choosing the Science stream, recognizing its vast career and educational pathways after the 12th standard. Throughout the year, IAPA social worker provided vital guidance to the students on academic challenges, extra coaching, study materials, and travel logistics.

Mrs. Meera Srinivasan Scholars

The Meera Srinivasan Scholars Project was initiated by Mr. T. Srinivasan in memory of his late wife, Mrs. Meera Srinivasan, an ex-IAPA consultant and a passionate advocate for children's education. Since 2005, the project has been consistently supporting students in their educational pursuits.

The financial assistance for this initiative is derived from the interest generated on a lump sum donation contributed by her brother-in-law, Mr. T. J. Sairam, following Mr. Srinivasan's demise. During the year under review, the project supported a total of **eleven** students, including five school-going students and six college students, enabling them to continue their education without financial barriers.

Unnati project for girls

This year too, **Mrs. Alpana Dange and Mr. Aniruddha Dange**'s generous sponsorship enabled **40** girls to continue their education. **18** girls are currently in school, including 2 who appeared for SSC exams and 7 who moved into std. 11 Commerce. The other girls are pursuing Arts / Commerce degrees (BA / BCom), Engineering career, post-graduation in Arts / Science and Chartered Accountancy.

Keeping the academic spirit alive – highlights.

- IAPA successfully intervened to halt the early marriage of a std 10th student, convincing her parents to let her enroll in college instead. The efforts by IAPA's team proved fruitful. The girl's parents are now convinced about educating their daughter who is continuing to study.

- Two std. 12th Science students who initially quit to find jobs were counselled back into academia; one retook her exams, and the other transitioned into Chemical Engineering. Efforts of the SW team proved effective.

- A young girl traumatized by burn injuries decided to quit studies due to the fear of attending school. So that she does not miss out on her studies, IAPA social work team coordinated with her school for a customised home-study plan. This worked well with the girl studying enthusiastically. However, while scheduled plastic surgeries paused her exams this year, she is eager to return next year for her std. 10th finals.

More from the Rural Sponsorship Programme -

School uniforms

Students at the K.J.V.M. High School in Terevayangani operated by Shivneri Shikshan Sanstha were in for a changed style for their uniform. This year, the Shivneri Shikshan Sanstha committee and school authorities introduced a modern pattern and a fresh colour combination to boost student confidence and enthusiasm. (IAPA has been sponsoring education of a few students in this school.)

Mumbai-based donors **Mrs. Sharmila Telang and Mr. Parag Telang**, who previously funded uniforms specifically for the 8th-standard class, generously stepped forward to sponsor these brand-new uniforms for all **51** students in the high school.

Our partnership also boosted school infrastructure. When Bahujan Hitay Vidya Mandir needed a science lab, **Mr. Shakir Machhiwala** stepped in immediately to fund the equipment. This new lab did not just improve daily learning - it gave final-year students the hands-on resources they needed to ace their SSC board practical exams.

Hemoglobin check-up camp

During life skills education sessions at New English School, Talsure, the need to check the girls' hemoglobin levels was identified. In March 2026, a screening camp was organized in collaboration with the government rural health staff, reaching **61** girls from the 8th and 9th standards (ages 14 - 15). The screenings revealed that 10 girls were anemic. One severely anemic student was referred for specialized medical care, while the remaining nine received iron supplements. Following the camp, a meeting was held with parents and students to emphasize the role of proper nutrition in overcoming anemia.

Life skills education programme

For over a decade, IAPA's rural project has equipped youth with life skills. This year, social worker used interactive discussions, presentations, and flashcards to deliver sessions to **178** tenth-grade students across eight high schools.

The core focus areas included:

- **Personal Development**: Self-image, time management, goal-setting, and career guidance.
- **Health & Emotion**: Reproductive health, nutrition, anger management, and relationships.
- **Social Awareness**: Gender equality, scientific temperament, and mobile phone responsibility.

While student participation varied, the timely program helped social worker build a strong rapport, identify girls needing college financial aid, and motivate students to plan their futures.

Details of students covered under the Educational Sponsorship Programme 2025-2026																	
Sponsors	**School Going**		**Junior College**		**Regular Graduation**		**Specialised Graduation**		**Post Graduatio**		**Professiona l Course**		**Vocational Course**		**Diploma Course**		**Total**
	Girls	**Boys**	**Girls**	**Boys**	**Girls**	**Boys**	**Girls**	**Boys**	**Girls**	**Boys**	**Girls**	**Boys**	**Girls**	**Boys**	**Girls**	**Boys**	
Urban Programme																	
TDH	26	17	16	17	7	2	5	3	1	1	0	2	1	0	1	3	102
The Kanta Foundation (CSF)	25	11	10	1	4	4	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	3	0	3	66
CoL	2	0	5	0	11	0	14	0	4	0	3	0	1	0	1	0	41
Individual Sponsorship	37	19	6	7	8	3	3	2	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	89
Meera Srinivasan	4	1	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	11
Unnati Project	18	0	8	0	9	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	40
Total	112	48	47	25	42	9	23	6	8	3	6	3	5	3	3	6	349
Rural Prorgamme																	
TdH	12	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27
COL	69	0	70	0	22	0	6	0	2	0	1	0	9	0	0	0	179
Individual Sponsors	9	10	0	9	0	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	34
Total	90	25	70	9	22	4	6	1	2	0	1	0	9	1	0	0	240
Total Urban + Rural	202	73	117	34	64	13	29	7	10	3	7	3	14	4	3	6	589

Alternative Family Care / Kinship Foster Care

Arshita - Alternative family care programme started with one corporate house providing support for **100** children under this programme. However, over the years, we have had more donors – individual and trusts extending their support.

IAPA's **Kinship Foster Care Programme** prevents family disintegration and subsequent institutionalisation. We preserve and strengthen family structures for vulnerable children from birth up to 18 years of age. These children face high-risk situations due to the death or desertion of parents, or parental debilitating illnesses that leave them without proper care. Many cases involve a combination of these factors. The programme specifically targets orphaned, destitute, and single-parent children. Grandparents or extended relatives are urged and guided to look after the children within the family to prevent institutionalisation. IAPA steps in with financial support and soon works towards empowerment of the child and family.

Referrals are received from Municipal schools, partner NGOs and local hospitals; sometimes ex-beneficiaries too refer cases. Additionally, IAPA supports children who have lost parents to illnesses like Tuberculosis (TB) and HIV/AIDS. Beneficiaries also receive access to all applicable supplementary services operated by IAPA.

Out of the 100 children supported this year, **28** children received financial aid collectively through the generosity of the **Baccarose Foundation, Mr. Ram Madhvani, and Mrs. Dolon & Mr. Partha Ghosh;** the remaining **72** children were supported through donations from the **Bombay Community Public Trust (BCPT)**.

A shining example of this impact is Yash, a beneficiary supported through BCPT. Yash ranked first in his school and won a gold medal in the Mathematics Olympiad, showcasing how targeted stability allows children to thrive.

Gender and Age Distribution of Children

Age Group	Male	Female
0-10 Years	12	11
11-18 Years	40	37
Total	52	48
Grand Total		100

Gender and Educational Status of Children

Educational Status	Male	Female
School going	42	43
College going	11	4
Total	53	47
Grand Total		100

Family status of children

Orphans	15
Destitute	17
Single parent	68
Total	100

Status of Caregivers

Biological Parents	68
Relatives	32
Total	100

Health status of parents and children

	Parents	Children	Total
HIV+ve	7	1	8
Brain Tumour	1	0	1
Total	8	1	9

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

Child Guidance Centre (Aastha)

IAPA's Child Guidance Centre (CGC), Aastha, provides mental health, therapeutic, and developmental care. Keeping in mind early identification and timely intervention, IAPA decided to get all children (supported under our Educational Sponsorship and Kinship Care Programmes) assessed as a step to identify hidden psychological, clinical, and academic vulnerabilities who otherwise appeared problem-free. A total of **84** students were identified for new intervention in addition to the **200** follow-up cases.

The intervention areas were –

- Academic deficits and support, slow learning, guidance for learning disability diagnosis, anger outbreaks, hyperactivity, and social maladjustment.
- High parental anxiety over smartphone addiction, causing sleep loss and school absenteeism.
- Grief in single-mother homes, domestic violence, and paternal alcoholism.
- Play therapy for children showing anxiety from domestic violence. Provided grief counselling for parental loss, divorce, and chronic illness (e.g. Tuberculosis).
- Group sessions to address some of these concerns.

A Capacity Building session was conducted for 37 Municipal school teachers to identify learning disabilities and home trauma, improving early referrals.

Higher Education and Vocational Training support

IAPA partnered with the **Ador Foundation** and **Penguin Charities Trust** to sponsor higher education of **46** students. This funding covered diverse streams - including Engineering, BMM, BAF, diplomas, and traditional degrees - ensuring financial constraints did not halt their academic progress.

Concurrently, IAPA's collaboration with **Chance of Life** provided vocational training and guidance to **45** participants, including female school dropouts, college students, and siblings of sponsored youths. Students completed specialized courses ranging from IT and accounting (MSCIT, Advanced Excel, Tally with GST) to creative trades (interior design, fashion, beauty, AutoCAD, Mehendi, and tailoring). The initiative also featured **Pragati**, the in-house tailoring classes designed to help women establish self-sustaining businesses.

Medical and Nutritional Support

IAPA's Medical Fund covers 50% to 80% of medical treatment costs, ensuring uninterrupted medical care for the children and their immediate family members. Recognizing that recovery requires more than medicine, the fund also provides critical nutritional support to encourage faster healing. The said support was provided for managing HIV, tuberculosis, hypertension, diabetes, thyroid disorders, asthma, epilepsy, chikungunya, and arthritis. Funding was also provided for heart ailments, dental work, spinal tumour removal, ligament injuries, piles, throat cancer, prostate cancer, and specialized skin treatments. By absorbing the majority of these financial burdens, IAPA ensured vulnerable families received timely, life-saving medical interventions.

This life-saving initiative was possible through the generous backing of -

- **CoL Medical -** helped **25** individuals manage their medical expenses.
- **JM Financial - Supported 96** beneficiaries for medical and nutritional expenses.
- **Ador Foundation - 54** beneficiaries received support for treatment and medication expenses.
- **Mr. Adwait Nadkarni** partnered with IAPA to extend medical and nutritional support to **30** beneficiaries.
- **Asta Guru Auction House Pvt. Ltd. -** collaborated with IAPA to support **12** beneficiaries requiring critical medical interventions.

Kamal Udwadia Foundation -

Founded by Dr. Anaita Udwadia-Hegde, Kamal Udwadia Foundation (KUF) celebrates 20 years of partnering with IAPA to provide critical financial aid for children with neurological disorders. IAPA verifies cases through rigorous assessments and home visits. During the year **48** cases were referred, and **40** children received direct medical assistance. The rest of the children received financial support from other Trusts.

The KUF launched a new tract offering grants of ₹1,00,000 to ₹2,50,000 for complex epilepsy surgeries. Out of **seven** referrals, three received full funding, three are being processed, and one secured aid from another trust. IAPA managed all administrative logistics, tracking, and compliance across premier hospitals like SRCC, Jaslok Hospital, and Wadia Children's Hospital.

- **Educational Sponsorship**: IAPA sponsored **three** children from extreme hardship or single-parent households where medical costs threatened their education.

Asmita project

To ensure consistent learning for the students of the Khetwadi Municipal school, where IAPA office is located, a dedicated full-time teacher was appointed to deliver comprehensive, all-subject instruction for stds. 3 and 4 during regular school hours. The project also offered skill development initiatives by providing digital literacy through computer education for stds. 4 to 8, paired with a nutritional support program that provided healthy snacks to attending students.

Physical fitness remained a core focus, with a specialized P.T. instructor visiting twice a week to conduct structured physical education classes for stds. 1 to 8.

An Annual Sports Day organized by IAPA on December 31, 2025, which saw enthusiastic participation from **65** students across stds. 1 to 8. Students competed in both individual and team sports, receiving medals and participation certificates. The event also featured impressive student showcases, including synchronized traditional *Lezim* drills, human pyramids, and dynamic hula hoop routines.

Student milestones were celebrated warmly, including a formal farewell ceremony where graduating 8th grade students received commemorative parting gifts.

Summer filled with Christmas highlights a decade-long tradition started by a young man named Ananya, who organizes annual Christmas parties for students at IAPA's Asmita project for students of the Khetwadi Municipal Marathi School students. During these events, students wear casual or fancy clothes, perform talents like dances and skits, eat healthy snacks, and receive toys instead of standard stationery. Initially as Ananya sponsored their stationery (primary students received a pouch with pencils, crayons, and a chocolate, while secondary students were given a compass box with pens, pencils, sketch pens, and a chocolate) in July and August, he wanted to ensure they received actual toys for Christmas. Although medical reasons forced him to defer the December party to March, the students were overjoyed to finally receive their gifts, which included puzzles, board games, coloring books, bowling sets, and nail-art kits. Two accompanying CBSE school teachers enhanced the enjoyment by sponsoring the cake and dry snacks. The students thoroughly enjoyed the treats and were delighted to use their new gifts for both creative activities and their regular studies.

Livelihood Assistance - The Hannah Programme for Women

Initiated in 2014 by Ms. Vivien and the late Mr. Noble Powar in memory of their mother, the Hannah Programme for Women empowers aspiring female entrepreneurs from low-income backgrounds. The initiative provides essential seed capital to women who have business acumen but lack the financial resources to start or expand small enterprises. By fostering financial independence, the programme helps beneficiaries sustainably increase their household income and improve their living conditions.

During the review period, after thorough home visits and socio-economic assessments of their business plans, three women successfully accessed funding to launch diverse ventures: a dress material business, a local snack stall, and household utilities stand.

Additional programmes and activities

- **Felicitation of the young achievers –**

On 26th July 2025, IAPA had its annual felicitation program celebrating the scholastic achievements of its **94** sponsored children - students who face severe daily struggles - including financial hardship and limited resources. Their immense success across school boards, diplomas, graduation, and post-graduation was acknowledged and celebrated amidst our esteemed sponsors. Moving moments included a proud mother accepting an award for her Chartered Accountant daughter, and a bank manager awardee attending with her supportive husband.

The chief guest, **Ms. Alpana Dange**, a seasoned social researcher and an ardent IAPA supporter, delivered motivating words alongside insightful remarks from other guests. The event concluded with an inspiring song. The children's success stood as a true testament to the relentless dedication of the IAPA team.

- **Educational trip – Museum of Solutions**

A total of **38** excited students – 19 boys and 19 girls had an enriched experience learning about different scientific concepts at the MuSo – Museum of Solutions, Mumbai. In addition to gaining information and knowledge, the students experienced making an LED. They were given hands-on tasks, starting from polishing the wood to connecting the LED light, attaching the battery, and switching it on. The finale which was full of excitement and enjoyment involved the children in solving different puzzles, playing gravity-based games, balloon games, and physical activities involving safe climbing demonstrating how to use energy labels.

Thank you to **Connect for** for arranging this trip and this amazing experience for the children.

- **Visit to Mani Bhavan**

Thirty-three sponsored students had the unique opportunity to visit Mani Bhavan - a museum rich with information on Mahatma Gandhi's role in India's freedom struggle in Mumbai on the 78th death anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, making the experience especially meaningful. The students were fascinated to see Gandhiji's room, carefully maintained in its original condition, along with a library housing over 40,000 books. The extensive collection of photographs, letters, dioramas, and exhibits - including the charkha, symbolising self-reliance and the Swadeshi movement - left them in awe.

A particularly engaging moment was the live demonstration of spinning thread from cotton using the charkha, followed by an explanation of the subsequent steps involved in cloth production.

Overall, the visit proved to be educational, informative, and inspiring - a truly meaningful experience for all involved.

- **Life Skill Sessions at IAPA Mumbai**

During the review period, IAPA conducted Life Skill Sessions for approximately **70** students (grades 4 to 9) and their parents. Held during the April and October 2025 school breaks, the student curriculum focused on resilience, study skills, communication, peer pressure, anger management, and awareness of mobile addiction, substance abuse, and child sexual abuse. Participants received stationery kits at the end of the sessions.
Concurrently, monthly parent workshops from October 2025 to March 2026 covered financial literacy, health, nutrition, education, relationships, and child sexual abuse awareness. Participating parents received ration kits to support their families.

- **Women's day activity** for the mothers and the teachers of BMC school.

On the occasion of International Women's Day, a special programme was organized on 9th March for mothers of children supported by IAPA, female teachers and female caretakers of the school students. The school hall was buzzing with activity with more than 60 participants.

The programme began with a prayer, followed with brief information about the importance of Women's Day, highlighting the role and contributions of women in society.

IAPA's well-wisher and Committee Member, Mrs. Yashodhara Deshpande conducted fun games for all participants. Everyone actively participated in the games, and many participants won prizes, which created a joyful and enthusiastic atmosphere. Some of the parents got on the floor and danced to their heart's content.

Every participant expressed happiness for getting the opportunity to participate in the activity. Everyone received a gift to take home.

Workshops / seminars

Starting from April 2025 till March 2026, numerous professional growth programmes, activities were organised and attended by team IAPA. The target audience was children, their parents, foster carers, IAPA team members. Sessions ranged from personal hygiene to career guidance to study skills for students, orientation meeting with foster carers, skill and knowledge enhancement programmes for IAPA team.

Fund raiser to support IAPA programmes

Same Same but Different – A musical play with humour, emotion & satire presented through Lavani, Kajri, Haveli Sangeet, Kitchen songs, Garba, Bhakti, Folk music from Gujarat and Maharashtra was IAPA's fund raiser. Presented by Tamaasha Theatre, Directed by Sapan Saran, we had excellent performances by Janhvi Shrimankar and Kailash Waghmare on Friday, 28th November 2025. The fund raised helped IAPA provide essential services to the children. We are grateful to our primary donor and all the advertisers, donors, well-wishers who helped make the fund raiser a success.

Student Placements / Internships / Volunteering

During the period under review **three** first year MSW students from Nirmala Niketan College of Social Work and **four** first year MSW students from SNDT University (two in each semester) were placed with IAPA. In addition, **ten** non-social work students with an intent on learning about social causes and issues voluntarily interned with IAPA.

Gratitude

IAPA extends its heartfelt gratitude to all individuals and organizations whose valuable contributions and support helped strengthen its initiatives and create meaningful impact in the field of adoption and child welfare -

Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA)
State Adoption Resource Authority (SARA)
Government of Maharashtra, Department of Women and Child Development
District office - Department of Women and Child Development
District Child Protection Unit, Mumbai
Health Department - BMC
G North ward office
Sangopita, Badlapur
Head masters and teachers of 13 schools in villages of Dapoli Taluka where IAPA supports students for their education
Kamlakar Janardhan Tatha Bhai Javkar Vidyamandir, Terewayangani
New English School, Talsure
Lokmanya Highschool, Kalki Kond, Dapoli
A.G. Highschool Bhagshala Umbarle
New English School, Karanjali
Valva taluka Education Society Islampur Sanchlit Unhavare High School
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Donations in Kind / Services provided / Concessions given: -

IAPA received clothes for children and their parents, ration for the families, toys for children from well-wishers, the same was distributed among the children covered under IAPA's Sponsorship and Alternative Family Care Programmes. Support also poured in for the annual Family Meet.

IAPA supported the school, where IAPA office is located by donating stationery items for the students.

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Zarine Sojitrawala

AUDITED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2026

Shridhar & Associates
Chartered Accountants

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To,
The Central Executive Committee Members,
INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR PROMOTION OF ADOPTION AND CHILD WELFARE
7, Kanara House,
Mogul Lane, Matunga (West),
Mumbai - 400016

Report on the Financial Statements
Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of **INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR PROMOTION OF ADOPTION AND CHILD WELFARE** ("the Trust"), having registration number F-2230, which comprise the Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2026, , the Statement of Income & Expenditure for the period then ended and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information (hereinafter referred to as "the Financial Statements").

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the aforesaid financial statements give the information required by Maharashtra Public Trust Act, 1950 (the "Act") in the manner so required and give a true an d fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, of the state of affairs of the Trust as at 31st March, 2026 and of its financial performance for the year then ended.

Basis of Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing (SAs) issued by ICAI. Our responsibilities under those SAs are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are Independent of the Trust in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Information other than the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report thereon

The Trust's management is responsible for the other information. As per the information and explanation provided to us, there is no other information that needs to be additionally disclosed along with these financial statements. Information other than the Financial Statements does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we will not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above if and when it becomes available and, in doing so, consider whether the information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

Responsibility of Management for Financial Statements

The Central Executive Committee Members are responsible for the preparation of these financial statements that give a true and fair view of the State of the affairs and results of the Trust in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India and in accordance with the provision of section 32 of the act. This responsibility also includes maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act for safeguarding of the assets of the Trust and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities; selection and application of appropriate accounting policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statement that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Trust or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Central Executive Committee Members are also responsible for overseeing the Trust's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements. As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on whether the Trust has in place an adequate internal financial controls system over financial reporting and the operating effectiveness of such controls.

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Trust to cease to continue as a going concern.

- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

Materiality is the magnitude of misstatements in the financial statements that, individually or in aggregate, makes it probable that the economic decisions of a reasonably knowledgeable user of the financial statements may be influenced. We consider quantitative materiality and qualitative factors in (i) planning the scope of our audit work and in evaluating the results of our work; and (ii) to evaluate the effect of any identified misstatements in the financial statements.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

Other Matters

The financial statements of the Trust for the preceding financial year ended March 31, 2025, were audited by the predecessor auditor who has issued a report under sub section (2) of section 33 and 34 and Rule 19 of the Bombay Public Trust Act, on 16th September, 2025.

Our opinion on the current year's financial statements is not modified in respect of this matter.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

1. As required by Section 33, 34 and 36B (4) of the Act, we report that:

(a) We have sought and obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit.

(b) In our opinion, proper books of account as required by law have been kept by the Trust far as it appears from our examination of those books.

(c) The Balance Sheet, Statement of Income & Expenditure dealt with by this Report are in agreement with the books of accounts.

(d) With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditor's Report in accordance with the Maharashtra Public Trust Act, in our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us:

We have nothing to report as required u/s 34(2) of the act.

For SHRIDHAR & ASSOCIATES
Chartered Accountants
ICAI Firm's Registration No. 134427W

Sd/
Jitendra Sawjiany
Partner
(Membership No. 050980)
Place: Mumbai
Date: August 17, 2026
UDIN: 26050980VRWCJH6356

Shridhar & Associates
Chartered Accountants

REPORT OF AN AUDITOR RELATING TO ACCOUNTS AUDITED UNDER SUB-SECTIONS (2) OF SECTION 33 & 34 AND RULE 19 OF THE MAHARASHTRA PUBLIC TRUSTS ACT
Registration No: F-2230

Name of the Public Trust: INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR PROMOTION OF ADOPTION AND CHILD WELFARE

A	Whether accounts are maintained regularly and in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the rules;	Yes
B	Whether receipts and disbursements are properly and correctly shown in the accounts;	Yes
C	Whether the cash balance and vouchers in the custody of the manager or trustee on the date of audit were in	Yes
D	Whether all books, deeds, accounts, vouchers or other documents or records required by the auditor were produced before him;	Yes
E	Whether a register of movable and immovable properties is properly maintained, the changes therein are communicated from time to time to the regional office, and the defects and inaccuracies mentioned in previous audit report have been duly complied with;	Yes
F	Whether the manager or trustee or any other person required by the auditor to appear before him did so and furnished the necessary information required by him;	Yes
G	Whether any property or funds of the Trust were applied for any object or purpose other than the object or purpose of the trust;	No
H	The amount of outstanding for more than one year and the amounts written off, if any	Rs.18,024.83 (MTNL deposit)
I	Whether tenders were invited for repairs or construction involving expenditure exceeding Rs. 5000/-	N.A.
J	Whether any money of the public trust has been invested contrary to the provisions of Section 35	No

K	Alienations, if any, of the immovable property contrary to the provisions of Sec. 36 which have come to the notice of the auditor	No
L	All cases of irregular, illegal or improper expenditure, or failure or omission to recover money or other property belonging to the public trust or of loss or waste of money or other property thereof, and whether such expenditure, failure, omission, loss or waste was caused in consequence of breach of trust or misapplication or any other misconduct on the part of the trustees or any other person while in the management of the trust;	No
M	Whether the budget has been filed in the form provided by Rule 16A;	Yes
N	Whether the maximum and minimum number of the trustees is maintained;	Yes
O	Whether the meetings are held regularly as provided in such instrument;	Yes
P	Whether the minute books of the proceedings of the meeting is maintained;	Yes
Q	Whether any of the trustees has any interest in the investment of the trust;	No
R	Whether any of the trustees is a debtor or creditor of the trust;	No
S	Whether the irregularities pointed out by the auditors in the accounts of the previous year have been duly complied with by the trustees during the period of audit;	Irregularities were not identified by the auditors in the previous years.
T	Any Special matter which the auditor may think fit or necessary to bring to the notice of the Deputy or Assistant Charity Commissioner;	None

For SHRIDHAR & ASSOCIATES
Chartered Accountants
ICAI Firm's Registration No. 134427W

Sd/
Jitendra Sawjiany
Partner
(Membership No. 050980)
Place: Mumbai
Date: August 17, 2026
UDIN: 26050980VRWCJH6356

INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR PROMOTION OF ADOPTION AND CHILD WELFARE
AUDITED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2026
THE BOMBAY PUBLIC TRUSTS ACT, 1950, SCHEDULE IX C, VIDE RULE 32
Registered No. F - 2230

Name of the Public Trust : INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR PROMOTION OF ADOPTION AND CHILD WELFARE

Statement of Income liable to contribution for the year ending March 31, 2026		Rs. Ps.	Rs. Ps.
I.	Income as shown in the Income and Expenditure Account (Schedule IX)		1,93,61,003
II.	(i)Item not chargeable to Contribution under Section 58 and Rule 32 : Donations received from other Public Trusts and Dharmadas (As per "ANNEXURE -A" attached)	15,36,172	
(ii)	Grants received from Government and Local Authorities (As per "ANNEXURE-B" attached)	NIL	
(iii)	Interest on Sinking or Depreciation Fund	NIL	
(iv)	Amount spent for the purpose of secular education }	1,78,19,998	
(v)	Amount spent for the purpose of medical relief } As per Annx. V		
(vi)	Amount spent for the purpose of veterinary treatment of animals	NIL	
(vii)	Expenditure incurred from donations for relief of distress caused by scarcity, drought, flood, fire or other natural calamity	NIL	
(viii)	Deductions out of income from lands used for agricultural purposes :-		
	(a) Land Revenue and Local Fund Cess	NIL	
	(b) Rent payable to superior landlord	NIL	
	(c) Cost of production, if lands are cultivated by trust	NIL	
(ix)	Deductions out of income from lands used for non-agricultural purposes :-		
	(a) Assessment, cesses and other Government or Municipal taxes	NIL	
	(b) Ground rent payable to the Superior landlord		
	© Insurance premium	NIL	
	(d) Repairs at 10 per cent of gross rent of building	NIL	
	(e) Cost of collection at 4 per cent of gross rent of building let out	NIL	
(x)	Cost of collection of income or receipts from securities, stocks, etc. at 1 per cent of such income	1,93,610	
(xi)	Deductions on account of repairs in respect of buildings not rented and yielding no income, at 10 per cent of the estimated gross annual rent.	NIL	1,95,49,780
Gross Annual Income chargeable to contribution Rs.			**-1,88,777**

Certified that while claiming deductions admissible under the above Schedule, the Trust has not claimed any amount twice, either wholly or partly, against any of the items mentioned in the Schedule which have the effect of double-deduction.

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Sd/- **President** Sd/- **Hon. Secretary** Sd/- **Hon. Treasurer**

Dated at : 17.08.2026

UDIN : 26050980VRWCJH6356

Sd/-
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Chartered Accountants

THE BOMBAY PUBLIC TRUST ACT, 1950 **Registration No.: F2230**

SCHEDULE VIII

[(Vide Rule 17(1)]

Name of the Public Trust : INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR PROMOTION OF ADOPTION AND CHILD WELFARE

BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 2026

As at 31st March, 2025	LIABILITIES			As at 31st March, 2026
Rs.		Note	Rs.	Rs.
	TRUSTS FUNDS OR CORPUS :			
1,06,10,659	Balance as per last Balance Sheet		1,06,45,659	
	Adjustments during the year			
	Donation received towards Corpus Funds			
35,000	Life Membership Fees		-	
-	Transfered from Income & Expenditure		-	
1,06,45,659				1,06,45,659
	OTHER EARMARKED FUNDS :			
10,50,000	Earmarked Donations in the nature of Corpus		10,50,000	
	Grant from Women & Child Development for			
45,504	Bal Sangopan Yojna to the extent not spent		-	
1,24,74,391	Earmarked Donations to the extent not spent	A-1	1,10,71,606	1,21,21,606
1,25,19,895				
	CURRENT LIABILITIES :			
54,000	Security Deposit for Matunga Office			54,000
-	TDS payable			145
	INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT			
75,16,479	Balance as per last Balance Sheet		71,77,768	
-	Add : Surplus for the year		9,18,312	
3,38,711	Less: Deficit for the year		-	80,96,080
71,77,768				
3,14,47,322	**Total**		**Rs.**	**3,09,17,491**

The Accompanying Notes form an integral part of the Accounts (Annexure I to Annexure XI)

Regrouping of Head of Accounts is done wherever necessary

As per our report of even date

Shridhar & Associates

Chartered Accountants

Firm Registration No. : 134427W

Sd/

Jitendra Sawjiany

Partner Membership No: 050980

UDIN : 26050980VRWCJH6356

Place: Mumbai

Dated at : 17.08.2026

As at 31st March, 2025	ASSETS			As at 31st March, 2026
Rs.		Note	Rs.	Rs.
	PROPERTY, PLANT and EQUIPMENT			
1,39,935	Balance as per last Balance Sheet	A-XI	1,17,279	
22,656	Less : Depreciation		17,830	99,449
1,17,279				
	INVESTMENTS	A-II		
1,42,54,142	Fixed deposits for more than 12 months		1,77,54,142	
80,65,066	Mutual Funds		62,35,895	2,39,90,037
	CURRENT ASSETS			
15,000	Advances to Employees		3,000	
18,000	Telephone Deposits		-	
2,790	Electricity Deposits		2,790	
1,54,042	Tax deducted at source		1,84,529	1,90,319
1,89,832				
195	Excess TDS Paid			-
	CASH AND BANK BALANCES :			
	(a) In Saving Accounts	A-III		
8,58,681	-Shamrao Vithal Bank		10,91,992	
6,94,294	-IDBI Bank		13,20,914	
5,79,879	-State Bank of India		21,94,704	46,07,610
21,32,855				
66,74,118	(b) Fixed deposits for less than 12 months	A-II	20,24,094	20,24,094
13,835	(c) Cash in hand		5,981	5,981
3,14,47,322	**Total**		**Rs.**	**3,09,17,491**

The above Balance Sheet to the best of our belief contains a true account of the Funds & Liabilities and of the Property and Assets of the Trust

For and behalf of the Board of Trustees of
Indian Association for Promotion of Adoption and Child Welfare

Sd/	Sd/	Sd/
Mrs. Jagruti Mandavkar	Dr.(Mrs.) Sonal Bhasin	Mrs. Anjali Gokarn
President	Hon. Secretary	Hon. Treasurer

THE BOMBAY PUBLIC TRUST ACT, 1950 **Registration No.: F2230**

SCHEDULE - IX

[(Vide Rule 17(1)]

Name of the Public Trust : INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR PROMOTION OF ADOPTION AND CHILD WELFARE

Income & Expenditure Account for the year ending March 31, 2026

For year ended March 31, 2025	EXPENDITURE			For year ended March 31, 2026	
Rs.		Note	Rs.	Rs.	
6,43,661	**Establishment Expenses**	A-IV	5,86,839	5,86,839	
22,656	**Depreciation**	A-XI		17,830	
	Expenditure on objects of the trust				
-	Bal Sangopan Yojna Expenses		37,500		
1,63,11,401	Educational & Health	A-V	1,77,82,498	1,78,19,998	
1,63,11,401					
1,800	**Advance given w/off**			-	
	Balances w/off			18,025	
	Sub Total			1,84,42,691	
	Surplus Carried over to I& E A/c			9,18,312	
1,69,79,518	**Total**		**Rs.**	**1,93,61,003**	

The Accompanying Notes form an integral part of the Accounts (Annexure I to Annexure XI)

Regrouping of Head of Accounts is done wherever necessary.
As per our report of even date

Shridhar & Associates
Chartered Accountants
Firm Registration No. :134427W

Place: Mumbai
Dated at : 17.08.2026

Sd/
Jitendra Sawjiany
Partner Membership No:050980
UDIN : 26050980VRWCJH6356

For year ended March 31, 2025	INCOME			For year ended March 31, 2026
Rs.		Note	Rs.	Rs.
14,82,178	**1. Interest (realised)**	A-IX		15,07,158
	2. Dividend/Incomes	A-IX		
-	Unit Trust of India			-
4,11,056	Mutual Funds			3,32,584
	3. Grant From District Women & Child	A-VI		
-	**Development For Bal Sangopan Yojna**			37,500
1,22,64,960	**4. Donations**	A-VI		1,35,44,851
17,31,688	**5. Income from other sources**	A-VII		34,61,480
33	**6. Excess amount w/off**			
7,50,892	**7. Gain from Mutual Fund**			4,77,430
3,38,711	**8. Deficit Carried over to I & E A/c**			-
1,69,79,518	**Total**		**Rs.**	**1,93,61,003**

The above Income & Expenditure statement to the best of our belief contains a true account of the Income & Expenditure of the Trust
For and behalf of the Board of Trustees of
Indian Association for Promotion of Adoption and Child Welfare

Sd/	Sd/	Sd/
Mrs. Jagruti Mandavkar	Dr.(Mrs.) Sonal Bhasin	Mrs. Anjali Gokarn
President	Hon. Secretary	Hon. Treasurer

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

NAME	DESIGNATION
Mrs. Jagruti Mandavkar	President
Mrs. Najma Goriawalla	Vice President
Dr. (Mrs.) Sonal Bhasin	Hon. Secretary
Mrs. Anjali Gokarn	Hon. Treasurer
Dr. (Mrs.) Nilima Mehta	Member
Mrs. Veera Rao	Member
Mr. Harsh Moramkar	Member
Mrs. Rupali Desai	Member
Mrs. Yashodhara Deshpande	Member

Note: Executive Committee members do not receive any remuneration.
None of the Board Members are related to each other.
Number of meetings held:
Executive Committee Meeting - 5
General Body - 1
Minutes documented and circulated among the Executive Committee members.

IAPA Team:

Ms. Smita Zankar	Director – Programmes
Ms. Lakshmi Swaminathan	Programme Manager - Sponsorship
Ms. Laxmi Nair	Programme Manager - Foster Care
Ms. Nilima Karkal	Sr. Project Officer
Ms. Ashvini Yadav	Sr. Project Officer
Ms. Anita Chiplunkar	Social Work & Admin Associate
Ms. Yasmin Khan	Manager Accounts
Ms. Yogita Lavekar	Sr. Accounts Assistant
Mr. Sunil Talegaonkar	Sr. Office Assistant
Mr. Sudhir Navghare	Office Assistant

On Special Assignment

Ms. Savita Nagpurkar	Programme Manager - Adoption
Ms. Rupali Suralkar	Sr. Project Officer
Ms. Ashwini Vaidya	Project Officer
Ms. Anvi Shelar	Project Officer
Mr. Vijay Hamand	Administration Associate
Mr. Raju Talegaonkar	Office Assistant
Ms. Supriya Kanim	Field Worker
Ms. Anvi Shigvan	Field Worker

Psychological guidance and intervention

Dr. Laura Vaz for psychotherapeutic counselling services and guidance in pre- and post-adoption matters.

Vocational Training

Mrs. Farzana Ansari	Teacher - Tailoring Class

Aastha - Child Guidance Centre

Dr. Prashant Shah	Psychiatrist
Ms. Nanda Purohit	Psychologist
Dr. (Mrs.) Hutoshi Bana	Remedial Therapist
Ms. Shakti Poddar	Counsellor
Ms. Nileema Bhagat	Aid Worker

Project Asmita

Ms. Priyanka Halde	Teacher
Mr. Shailendra Borkar	Teacher - Physical Training

Mahesh C. Mathur & Co. - Chartered Accountants (Auditing Accounts till December 2025)
Shridhar & Associates - Chartered Accountants (Auditing Accounts for the F.Y. 2025 - 2026)
Mr. Ron Billimoria, CEO MiracleworX for designing and maintaining our Website gratis
Mr. Utkarsh Pandya - Investment Advisor.



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