

ANNUAL REPORT



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

2022 – 23



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MISSION

- To rehabilitate the orphaned or abandoned child through the preferred alternative family based options
- To preserve and strengthen the child's family that is in crisis or lacks adequate resources; by providing assistant 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

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.



Family-based Services for CHILDREN since 1970

Adoption

Educational Sponsorship

Family Support

for orphaned, abandoned, underprivileged children

Child Guidance Centre, Medical Assistance and Project ASMITA
for Mental Health, Physical Health and all-round development of children

Vocational Training and Livelihood Support

**Annual Report
and
Audited Statement of Accounts
for the year ending 31st March 2023**

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President's Message

IAPA Executive Committee and team members are happy to present this Annual Report 2022 - 23. All our programmes got back on track this year! Thanks to our professional and administrative teams, students interning with IAPA, and volunteers. We are grateful to our donors, well - wishers and every individual who whole - heartedly associated with IAPA.

Our three main programmes under family preservation, viz. - Adoption & Pre - adoption foster care, Educational Sponsorship (in Mumbai and Dapoli district, Maharashtra), Alternative Family / Kinship - care started functioning with the same fervour as before the pandemic. So also the supportive services which are presented in this report.

Due to a revised policy on foster care under the Vatsalya scheme we saw a drop in the number of children being referred to IAPA. This Issue is being pursued with the authorities for amending the regulation.

On the other hand, the number of registrations by Prospective Adoptive Parents (PAPs) was on the increase. This was on account of IAPA's professional services as perceived by them. Our adoption counselling cell too provided fruitful guidance in pre - adoption and post adoption matters.

It is heartening to know that students under our Educational Sponsorship programme are benefiting from the financial support and other intervention. Many activities and sessions on different knowledge building topics, skill enhancement factors, and recreation for the students were conducted. Students aspiring for higher education and professional courses was a positive trend.

At the Educational Sponsorship programme in Terewayangni village, Dapoli town of Ratnagiri District, English Conversation classes continued to be effective in developing familiarity with the language, and building confidence to converse. The success of the educational sponsorship for the girl students resulted in Chance of Life, Germany extending support to 100 more girls. The ground work for identifying new villages began this year. The implementation would start in the next financial year.

The substantial increase in the financial support provided to the children under the Bal Sangopan Yojana (BSY) was a welcome decision! Meeting the gap in the support provided under the BSY and IAPA's Alternative family care programme will be a big challenge ahead.

The Child Guidance Centre (CGC) continued to provide therapeutic intervention for behavioural, academic, emotional concerns. The services under the Asmita programme were expanded with the provision of teachers to take additional subjects. The livelihood support service was stalled due to lack of funding. The same is likely to begin from the next financial year.

We hope to see IAPA forging ahead with its programmes and services.

Mr. Sanjay Chore,
President.

ADOPTION and PRE- ADOPTION FAMILY CARE

The Adoption and pre-adoption family care programme experienced a few challenges. On account of a change under the Vatsalya guidelines on Foster Care, referrals of children (surrendered or found abandoned) in care of IAPA were suspended. This resulted in a marked drop in the number of children coming in IAPA's pre-adoption family care. This crucial matter is pending a final decision, following several representations to the concerned authorities.

Overcoming these challenges, IAPA provided services to prospective adoptive families, guiding them with their registration, submission of documents, preparing Home Study Reports, preparing the families for placement of the child, legalization and mandatory follow up. In addition orientation meetings were conducted with the parents to help them gain first hand experience of adoptive parenting. Adoptive families volunteered as resource persons to guide the prospective adoptive families by sharing their adoption experiences.

In all six children (three boys, three girls) were cared in IAPA's pre - adoption foster care. Three children continued to be in care from the previous year and three were new admissions. Two boys and two girls were placed in adoption post the legalization. One male child was restored to his birth family.

On the adoption front, IAPA received several phone calls enquiring about the adoption process, with a few physical visits to the office. There were a total of 15 new registrations. Fifteen home studies were completed and 4 HSRs were revalidated (in case of validity period lapse). The reports were uploaded on the Child Adoption Resources Information & Guidance System (CARINGS) portal. Home Study Reports (HSR) were prepared after conducting a thorough assessment of the families. All these PAPs were part of one of the three orientation meetings arranged to guide them in their journey of adoption. Six pre-legalization follow ups (children placed with PAPs after signing the petition for adoption) were conducted and 31 mandatory post adoption follow - ups were completed.

All is well...

We are happy to share a positive experience - as a basic principle of 'family for every child', baby Rohan was restored to his birth family. Rohan's mother, a single parent initially placed him in IAPA's foster care. Meanwhile, she continued exploring the possibility of Rohan's father owning his responsibility as a parent. With no favourable response she moved in to stay with her mother. This was the time when she approached IAPA seeking Rohan's custody. After positive assessment of her intentions, abilities and financial capacity and her mother's support Rohan was united with his mother. The restoration happened with statutory process in the presence of CWC members. Timely follow -up visits as advised by the CWC were conducted. Rohan is growing well in his birth family.*

Positives in personalized care

A child was born to a young girl below 18 who had to take the decision of surrendering her rights over her child. To ensure the child's safety and proper care, the medical social worker at the maternity hospital contacted IAPA. The child was handed over to IAPA's social worker through a legal process undertaken by the Child Welfare Committee (CWC). The child was immediately placed with IAPA's foster carer. Challenges we faced were to help the under - weight child gain good weight. The nurturing foster family provided timely nutrition and personal stimulation with guidance from IAPA. Within 4 months this little new born bundle responded positively, gaining age-appropriate weight. Soon thereafter the child found a lovely family and is growing well in her adoptive home.

* Names changed for maintaining confidentiality

ADOPTION and PRE - ADOPTION FAMILY CARE ... *Contd.*

Sessions and activities under the Adoption and Foster Care Programme:

- Celebrating **75 years of India's Independence** - foster mothers participated in the activities, sang the national anthem and various patriotic songs on **14 and 15 August 2022**, organised by the Department of Women and Child Development (DWCD)
- A meeting was organised by Central Adoption Resource Agency (CARA) and State Adoption Resource Agency (SARA) officials in Pune to brief concerned social workers on **New Adoption Regulations 2022 on 19 October 2022**
- **Session on Challenges of Adoption - Growing up Years** was organized for the adoptive parents and PAPs on **27 November 2022**. Resource persons, **Dr. Laura Vaz** and **Dr. Sulabha Subramaniam** gave valuable insights which provided as a guide for better parenting
- **An online session on Adoption - Role of CARA/ SARA/ Placement agencies/ Specialised Adoption Agencies (SAA) and Regulations 2022** was conducted with the students of College of Social Work NirmalaNiketan (CSWNN) studying 'Diploma in Child Rights and Child Protection' on **28 March 2023**
- Sessions for Foster families:
 - **Resume Writing** was conducted on **6 May 2022** for children of foster carers
 - The Mandatory **medical checkup** for all the foster family members was done in collaboration with 'Thyrocare' in **May 2022**. The pathology laboratory provided a decent concession to IAPA. A total of **22** members from 6 foster families underwent the medical check - up. All reports were normal. This check-up is done once in two years.
 - '**Appropriate Nutrition for Infants**' was held on **18 November 2022** for foster carers
 - '**Stress Management in day to - day life**' on **18 February 2023** for foster carers
 - Exposure to '**Residential Home and School for Special and Autistics**' **Sangopita and St. Clarate's Anaath Aashram for Dying Destitute** was held on **25 February 2023** - This was a first such visit for our foster carers. They all returned with rich experience and learning
 - On **20 October 2022**, Mrs. Sangita Gala on behalf of her family Trust, Tokershi Velji Vaghani Manav Rahat Nidhi, shared her experiences as a foster carer. She was keen on hearing the experiences of IAPA's foster carers. It was an emotional and happy moment with some gifts being given to the foster carers.

ADOPTION and PRE-ADOPTION FAMILY CARE ... *Contd.*

Adoption Awareness Week Activities (AAW):

Adoption Awareness Week (AAW) was observed around Children's Day, in November (14-20). This year IAPA designed a symbol and shared it as a post on IAPA's different social media handles. IAPA planned varied sessions, and also participated in activities arranged by the Department of Women and Child Development (DWCD).



1. A brief activity was planned for '**Pratiksha**' members an online group for IAPA's PAPs awaiting the arrival of a child in their family. The PAPs shared their views on considering legal adoption.
2. '**Anmol**' is an online support group for IAPA's adoptive parents and children. The families were encouraged to share their experiences of adoption.
3. To explore safe and legal surrender of children as part of outreach, an online meeting was conducted with **AROHAN** - (a project of CSWNN working in Palghar District of Maharashtra).
4. An article on **New Adoption Regulations 2022** in the Marathi daily, **Loksatta** by Mrs. Savita Nagpurkar, Adoption Manager was published on 26 November 2022.

Adoption Counselling Service

- IAPA's pre-adoption and post-adoption counselling services helped enhance the adoptive families' psycho-social health, parenting skills and support to the adopted children. As in the previous years, Dr. Laura Vaz - psychotherapist provided therapeutic intervention to adoptive parents and children seeking counselling.
- Twenty counselling cases were handled during the period under review, addressing issues ranging from pre-adoption counselling (for first time adoptive parents as well as those who have a biological/adopted child), healthy parenting and understanding the psychology of children, non-cohesive parent-child relationship, anger management, and inappropriate behaviour of children.
- *Roots Search*

IAPA had three requests from older adopted persons searching for their roots. These were appropriately handled through guidance and counselling. In fact, in one case efforts were put in to locate the birth mother. However, it was found out that she had moved to another state. This was communicated to the adopted person in a sensitive manner.

EDUCATIONAL SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME *Urban*

Education is a basic right that provides knowledge and skills thus preparing the child for the future. It has been IAPA's experience that formal learning along with guidance, encouragement and support equips the child to face the varied challenges in life. IAPA, through its individual sponsors and institutional donors, based in India and abroad has aimed at education for children from poor socio-economic backgrounds - children who are unable to continue their education or seek higher education due to circumstances beyond their control.

Our Educational Sponsorship programme since 1995 has striven to sustain the school education of the children, encouraging them for higher education and professional courses. This financial support along with allied services has enabled better opportunities for the children and their families. Sponsorship provides a platform to sponsors to extend their support to underprivileged students.

The financial support provided is an entry point to have regular follow - up with the child and the family. This along with visits to the school and home helps to understand their situation better. Counselling and other professional service, where required has gone a long way in sustaining their education. Students are guided to cope with studies in school and college, prepare for exams, choose careers as per their aptitudes, deal with peer pressure and so on. Supportive service of the Child Guidance Centre, Vocational guidance and training, support for medical needs to the child as well as his family members has helped many students successfully complete their education.

Financial support is given to students primarily from Municipal Schools in A, B, C, D and E wards of Mumbai. IAPA has also expanded its services to school and college students from villages in Dapoli taluka of Ratnagiri District, Maharashtra. This programme not only supports their education, it also works towards children's all-round development.

Our Sponsors -

Terre des Hommes (TdH), Denmark: *Since 1995*

Terre Des Hommes (TdH) continues to be one of IAPA's earliest sponsor. The association formed has resulted in some of the TdH sponsors providing additional financial support for medical and other needs of the students. Financial support from TdH sponsors also ensured higher studies and coaching class fees. A total of **105** students received sponsorship.

Case Stories

Preventing dropout - For Pankaj, the after effect of the lockdown was dropping out of studies. Pankaj lost his father at the beginning of the lockdown due to kidney failure. His mother who sells cloth material on the road side was unable to pay his college fees. Resources were generated, and Pankaj's college fees were arranged for. This ensured no break in his studies. Pankaj was also supported for coaching class fees. He appeared for his T.Y.B. Com exam. With the guidance from IAPA, Pankaj and his brother have taken up part time jobs.*

Sky is the limit

Having completed her Bachelors in Management Studies (BMS) with first class marks, Payal is continuing her post - graduation in Business Management. Along with the sponsorship support she was provided additional help for her college fees. She was also helped through our vocational programme to learn typing and basic computer course (MSCIT). Her father works as a cook while her step - mother works as a domestic help. Payal's sponsorship began since she was a student of Std. 4th. Payal has taken a part time job which is helping the family cope with the expenses.*

EDUCATIONAL SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME *Urban ... Contd.*

The Kanta Foundation: *Since 1997*

Mr.Satish Chatwani (Director at Kanta Enterprises Limited) and his family continued to support education of students under The Kanta Foundation based in the United Kingdom. In all **70** students were supported.

Case Stories

Neha's grit & determination - Neha has been under IAPA's education sponsorship since 2016. A clever and responsible girl, she is pursuing her post-graduation in Commerce. Determined to get in to the State Administrative Services, she has appeared for the Maharashtra Public Service Commission (MPSC) exam in the month of March 2023 and is awaiting the results. Neha's belief that education was the only option to get out of the challenging family situation is commendable. She received timely support from IAPA and the sponsor. Neha appreciated the support she received enabling her to forge ahead.*

Chinmay's trials and tribulations - Chinmay could overcome the hardship in life due to the financial support he received for his education. Ever since his father took ill, his mother was forced to find work. Her meager income had to take care of the family's basic needs and Chinmay's father's medical expenses. Chinmay would have had to give up his studies. However, financial aid for his studies helped him complete his graduation. IAPA's intergrative programme provided the required support for his father's medical needs and his elder sister's college fees. Today, both, Chinmay and his sister have completed their graduation.*

Chance auf Leben e.V. [Chance of Life (CoL)], Germany: *Since 2005*

The support by CoL continues to empower girls and women for their education and through allied activities. In addition to the girl students in urban areas, the support is extended to rural Maharashtra. During the period under review **81** girls were supported by various donors through this programme in Mumbai. One such donor, Mr. Siecermann, supported a group of **30** girls.

The girls aspire for higher education due to the support and encouragement received. CoL's President, **Ms. Rita Steinau's** personal interest in individual students has been a real source of encouragement to the girls. Ms. Steinau is in touch with the past sponsored girls via a WhatsApp Alumni Group. She visited the IAPA Mumbai office on 7 October 2022 and met with some sponsored girls from Mumbai and a few from our rural programme. This interaction was a big encouragement for the students and also helped Ms. Steinau get first - hand information about the students' academic progress and their personality.

Case Stories

Jagruti is a hard - working and intelligent girl who has been consistently performing well in academics. She has been receiving sponsorship support from Chance of Life since 2010. She has completed her post - graduation in Financial Management and has been graded B+ in her final examination. Her father is a roadside fruit vendor. Her mother having multiple health issues is able to take up limited work. Despite the challenging situation at home she scored well in her exam. Jagruti being mindful about her studies equipped herself with Marathi and English typing and an advanced computer course under support from CoL. Her determination helped her secure a job thus contributing towards the family expenses.*

We are heartened to report Sanika's success at completing a Digital Marketing Course. She has started working in a firm abroad. This was possible under the support she received from CoL. Sanika hails from a conservative family where she lacked support for education. This was a challenge she overcame with her determination, counselling and moral support from IAPA.*

EDUCATIONAL SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME *Urban ... Contd.*

Samriddhi* and her family's happiness knew no bounds when she completed her Engineering in Electronics & Telecommunications and secured a job in a leading firm as Trainee Engineer. She was receiving sponsorship support since 2010. She lost her father to a debilitating disease. Thereafter, her mother has been shouldering the responsibility of her family by working as a domestic worker. Samriddhi was assisted through the CoL funds in completing computer courses. This further enhanced her job prospects and helped her in securing the job. Her mother who is severely diabetic was also helped with the medications through the project funds. The timely support given in the form of college and coaching class fee during the crucial years of her education helped her pursue her ambitions. She is able to support her family's needs including her younger brother's educational expenses.

Individual Sponsors: *Since 1995*

There were **47** individual sponsors supporting **116** students in 2022-23. Many of the sponsors have been with us for numerous years supporting the students throughout their education. In times of need they have gone beyond the annual sponsorship amount providing for medical needs and higher education fees. This gesture has motivated children to do better in life and has provided opportunity to fulfill their dreams, which otherwise would not have been possible in their circumstances.

Moral support from the sponsor - Sagar* completed his B.A.M.S.(Bachelor in Ayurvedic Medicine Studies) this year and is working in a private hospital. Sagar's father works in a cable company. In addition to IAPA's intervention, Sagar received moral support from his sponsor, who was keen to meet Sagar. This gesture meant a lot for Sagar. His confidence was boosted, and helped him to overcome hurdles in his way. He believes in working hard and is motivated to pursue his dreams. His younger brother sees him as his role model and has enrolled for B.H.M.S. (Bachelor in Homeopathic Medicine Studies).

S.P. Hope Foundation: *Since 2019*

S.P. Hope Foundation has been supporting girl child education. This year **41** girl students received assistance for their education. In 2022-23, 8 students successfully cleared their Std. 10th board exams, 3 students completed their Std. 12th Exams and 2 students completed graduation.

Late Meera Srinivasan Scholars: *Since 2005*

This support initiated by Mr. T. Srinivasan in memory of his late wife, Mrs. Meera Srinivasan, a staunch well-wisher, supporter of children's education and an IAPA colleague covered **13** students. **Mr. T. J. Sairam**, late Mr. T. Srinivasan's brother has continued the support.

Details of students covered under the Educational Sponsorship Programme 2022-2023 [Urban]																	
Sponsors	School Going		Junior College		Regular Graduation		Specialised Graduation		Post Graduation		Professional Course		Vocational Course		Diploma Course		Total
	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	
Terre des Hommes, Denmark	37	23	9	7	8	11	2	0	1	0	2	3	1	0	0	1	105
Kanta Foundation	15	13	8	6	8	5	1	1	3	1	0	0	0	1	2	6	70
Chance of Life, Germany	1	0	14	0	32	0	14	0	9	0	6	0	3	0	2	0	81
Individual Sponsors	41	23	17	6	12	3	2	2	0	1	1	2	0	0	2	2	114
S. P. Hope Foundation	25	0	5	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	37
Meera Srinivasan Scholars	3	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
TOTAL	122	60	55	20	66	19	20	3	13	2	10	5	4	1	6	9	415

EDUCATIONAL SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME - Rural

In the year 2022 - 23 the ill effects of Covid - 19 pandemic on rural communities and on the education of children started fading out. IAPA's Educational Support Programme in rural Maharashtra gained momentum, the focus continued to be holistic development of children.

Financial Support Programme:

IAPA initiated its financial support for education in close association with Kamalakartatha Bhai Javkar Vidya Mandir (KJVM), in Terewayangani. Now it has spread to over 4 high schools of Terewayangani, Agarwayangani, Talsure and Umbarle in Dapoli district of Maharashtra. The aim of this initiative was to encourage children to pursue education and improve their life prospects. IAPA reached out to students from weak economic background, and those from disturbed families whose parents were unable to support their education.

Financial support was provided to **145** students from underprivileged families across **17** villages of Dapoli Taluka, District Ratnagiri. The support received from IAPA's partners helped in reaching the desired goal.

Terre des Hommes (TdH), Denmark has been associated with IAPA since the inception of the Rural Programme. The support was provided to **34** students of KJVM, Terevayangani.

A new school named A.G. High School - Umbarle Bhagshala was identified and **14** students from the nearby villages studying here were provided financial support for their education. Our **individual donors** Mr. Shakir Machhiwala and Ms. Aditi Machhiwala extended the financial support for the education of these 14 students from Std. 7th to Std. 10th.

Generally, after completing the SSC Board Exams, the boys would move to Mumbai in search of employment to earn a living and support their families. For the last 3 years, IAPA has financially supported the education of the boys motivating them to aspire to study further.

Chance auf Leben e.V. [Chance of Life (CoL)], Germany: Since 2005 has been supporting girls' education in the rural communities, since education of girls does not get priority. About 10 years ago, girls in the age group of 17 to 19 were sent to Mumbai to work as domestic help or were married off. As a result of which the girls would have limited aspirations. IAPA's intervention helped in changing the stereotypical mind-set of the girls and their families.

CoL, Germany has been our partner in this endeavour. Their financial aid to support the education and self-dependence of girls has motivated the girls to pursue further education and have ambitions in life.

IAPA's intervention with children/adolescents and their families have helped them broaden their horizons and tap opportunities through informed decision making.

Positive change now is that the girls move to Mumbai not to work as domestic help but to complete graduation or pursue a vocational course. Girls stay in hostels or with relatives, adjust to fast life in metropolitan city, cope with change of medium from Marathi to English and try to accomplish what they aspire for!

IAPA with the support from CoL has planned to expand its work related to girl child education in 15 more villages in the interior parts of Dapoli Taluka.

EDUCATIONAL SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME - Rural ... Contd.

This area is hilly and as far as 35 kms from Dapoli town. The facilities of transport and education are scarce and therefore there is greater need of intervention. Lack of resources and employment opportunities for parents, remoteness of the area and less exposure to the world outside makes the issues related to girl child education more complicated in this area. We have made primary survey, contacted the school authorities and community members to initiate our work in this geographical area. With this ground work we will be able to launch the programme for girl child education from next academic year June 2023.

Details of students covered under the Educational Sponsorship Programme 2022-2023 [Rural]																	
Sponsors	School Going		Junior College		Regular Graduation		Specialised Graduation		Post Graduation		Professional Course		Vocational Course		Diploma Course		Total
	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	
Terre des Hommes, Denmark	19	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34
Chance Of Life, Germany	5	0	44	0	13	0	2	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	4	0	73
Individual Sponsors	7	7	0	15	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3		38
TOTAL	31	22	44	15	13	6	2	0	1	0	4	0	0	0	4	3	145

Activities for Holistic Development

Life Skills Education Programme

Life Skills session for Std. 10th students from four high schools across the above mentioned villages were aimed at instilling knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary during adolescence and to prepare them for adulthood. These programmes also addressed concerns related to physical changes, menstruation, reproduction, health, and nutrition. Five sessions were conducted with more than 100 students of 4 different high schools.

Film screening and discussions

In October 2022, shortly after the end of the first term exam, IAPA organized a movie screening in Terevayangani High School followed by a discussion session for students in KJVM for Std. 8th to 10th. The movie chosen for screening was 'Gunjan Saxena - The Kargil Girl'. 65 students of this school attended the screening. A girl from an ordinary middle class family overcomes obstacles to become a pilot in the Indian Air Force. During her training period, she is subjected to gender discrimination and other social issues. Despite these difficulties, she was able to undertake great responsibility during the Kargil War. Students, particularly female students, were inspired by the movie.

EDUCATIONAL SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME - Rural ... Contd.

Enhancing English communication skills

This activity was initiated in 2021 considering the need for improving communication in English language. Since the students get minimal exposure to the English language, their comprehension is affected. Mrs. Mohini Patil conducted English language sessions on Sundays across two months where she focused on spoken English with the use of audio clips. Most of the students showed their willingness in learning the language and made efforts to enhance their English language skills. In all, 10 sessions were conducted for more than 40 students from Std. 8th to 10th in two separate batches. This activity had a positive effect resulting in the improvement of their performance.

Additional Activities for engaging students -

- Encouraging book reading through library Books
- Participating in Essay writing and Elocution competitions
- Performing Skits and Plays

As in the past, this year too, we were able to provide 2 sets of school uniforms to 21 students of Std. 8th. This was supported by our long-time well-wisher, **Mr. Parag Telang**

Throughout all our programmes we try and address the problems witnessed by the children in term of illness, loss of family member, accident and such others. Counselling the students who face emotional problems, issues with parents, friendship and relationship issues is an ongoing process which was done even in this year.

Suchitra a student supported by CoL, completed a one- year course in patient assistance and nursing in Mumbai. Suchitra secured first rank in her class. From November 2022, Suchitra has been working with a renowned hospital in Mumbai. She provides post discharge care to the patients. It's comforting to see her personality change after finishing the course and finding employment.*

ALTERNATIVE FAMILY CARE

In keeping with the IAPA mandate of promoting family-based care, children at risk of being neglected and / or separation from their families are placed in Alternative / Kinship Family Care. Families facing crisis due to death, desertion, debilitating disease or any such similar situation, forces them to seek institutionalization for their for their children. To ensure continued nurturance in a family environment, conducive for a healthy physical, emotional and psychological growth, preservation of the birth family and / or care within the kinship circle is endeavored. Financial assistance for their education, medical aid and nutrition is provided to prevent family disintegration and strengthening family as a nurturing unit in the interest of the child.

Bal Sangopan Yojana (BSY): Since 1995

IAPA has been operating the Government of Maharashtra's Bal Sangopan Yojna (Foster Family Care Scheme) where the focus has been to prevent insitutionalization of children. These children are referred to IAPA by the CWC under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act 2015, amendment 2022J.J. Act for an assessment. The social worker endeavors to see that the child remains within the birth family or in the extended family. This assistance is provided up to 18 years of age. On approval of the assessment report by the CWC, financial assistance is provided to the families where majority of them are single parents. The family receives further assistance through IAPA's supportive services such as the CGC; vocational training; livelihood support; financial aid for coaching class and such others.

Children under Bal Sangopan Yojana (BSY)

Gender, Age and Educational Status of Children:

Age				Educational status			
Male		Female		Male		Female	
0-10 yrs	11-18 yrs	0-10 yrs	11-18 yrs	School going	College going	School going	College going
9	29	8	39	22	16	28	19
Total: 85				Total: 85			

Family Status of Children:

Orphans	Destitute	Single parents	Both Parents HIV+ve/Handicapped	Parents in jail	Total
6	11	51	15	2	85

Status of Care Givers:

Biological Parents	Relatives	Total
68	17	85

Health Status of Parents and Children:

Health status	Parents	Children	Total
HIV +ve	21	2	23
Hearing and Speech Disability	0	1	1
Paralysis	1	0	1
Handicapped– Polio	2	0	2

ALTERNATIVE FAMILY CARE ... *contd.*

Success Stories

Rukhsat is being supported since 2017 under the BSY. She and her two siblings had to face many challenges. There was a time when she was looked after by her paternal uncle and aunt as they did not have children. Rukhsat's father too had taken to alcoholism resulting in irregularity at work. This affected the family income. Unfortunately, Rukhsat's uncle and aunt both tested HIV+. Both of them passed away one after the other. Rukhsat went back to her parents. She started falling ill and the test results indicated HIV +ve status. This was the time when her mother was diagnosed with cancer. Rukhsat's father left the family in the lurch, unable to cope with the situation and the expenses. The financial support under the BSY guided the family to overcome these challenges. During her treatment at Tata hospital, Rukhsat's mother managed to get a job at the rehabilitation center.*

In addition, IAPA provided medical and nutritional support for Rukhsat. Rukhsat's mother considered Rukhsat's marriage as an option to overcome financial challenges. Rukhsat and her mother were counseled to drop this idea and ensure continuation of her studies. They were also counselled about the appropriate measures to deal with her HIV +ve status. All this bore good results - Rukhsat agreed to continue her studies in fashion designing through a government recognized ITI course. Currently, she is pursuing a diploma in fashion designing. Her status and her family situation have improved. Hence, the case was terminated.

Veena successfully cleared her HSC Board exams with 66.60 percent. With the timely guidance provided by the social worker she was able to get herself enrolled in Auxiliary Nursing and Midwifery (ANM) course in a private college in 2022. Financial aid was given towards her first - year fees. She appeared for her final exam and is awaiting her results. Veena is keen on completing her diploma in ANM and pursuing General Nursing and Midwifery (GNM). Her mother has been shouldering the responsibilities of Veena and her sister since her father passed away when Veena was just 5 years of age. Her mother prepares papad for Lijjat Papad to support the family. Veena's younger sister (16 years) has borderline mental retardation and is studying in an Elementary school. Despite the financial constraints, Veena's mother is hopeful that she will be able to educate her daughters.*

Assistance under Private Funding: *Since 1996*

IAPA has been reaching out to more children under Alternative / Kinship Family care with the help of private funding. During the period under review **Baccarose Perfumes and Beauty Products Pvt. Ltd.** supported **100** children who were orphans, destitute or from mother headed families facing crisis situation. IAPA received referrals from municipal schools in BMC wards B to E, other NGOs and hospitals. Children who are orphaned and/or abandoned as they lose their parents to debilitating diseases like TB, HIV - AIDS etc. are parented by their grandparents or relatives who are themselves struggling to survive. In addition to the financial support numerous services for the child's holistic development were provided.

ALTERNATIVE FAMILY CARE ... Contd.

**Chetan's case was referred from Angan Trust. He lost his father in 2007 due to liver failure. His mother earns a living by having people feed a cow outside a temple earning approximately Rs.200 per day. Sometimes, she receives alms in the form of grains. Adding to their woes is her arthritis which becomes painful when she sits for long in one place. Chetan indicated lack of self-confidence and refrained from appearing for his Std. 12th Board Exam. Counselling and guidance for Chetan proved crucial and beneficial. Another hurdle the social worker worked with was Chetan's decision to discontinue studies. Appropriate counselling helped change Chetan's approach. He agreed to continue studying, and enrolled for a government Diploma in Computer Operations. The support and guidance provided by IAPA's intervention seems to strengthen the family to secure his future.*

Children under 'Baccarose Perfumes and Beauty Products Pvt. Ltd.'

Gender, Age and Educational Status of Children:

Age				Educational status			
Male		Female		Male		Female	
0-10 yrs	11-18 yrs	0-10 yrs	11-18 yrs	School going	College going	School going	College going
12	40	11	37	42	11	43	4
Total: 100				Total: 100			

Family Status of Children:

Orphans	Destitute	Single Parents	Both Parents (HIV +ve)	Total
15	17	62	6	100

Status of Caregivers:

Care Givers	Biological Parents	Kinship Family	Total
No. of Children	70	30	100

Health Status of Parents and Children:

Health status	Parents	Children	Total
HIV +ve	7	2	9
Brain Tumor	1	0	1
Physically Challenged	1	0	1

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

- **Child Guidance Centre (CGC) 'Aastha': Since 2002**

The CGC is one of the supportive services dealing with the emotional, behavioural, academic and psychological problems / concerns faced by the children. Students who came from poor socio - economic backgrounds coped with myriad challenges. The problems on their home front were reflected in their academic performance as well as their overall behaviour.

IAPA's CGC 'Aastha' comprising of a professional team of Psychiatrist, Psychologist, Remedial Therapist and Counsellor reached out to around 80 cases. These were coordinated by our case aid worker with guidance from the Social Worker. The intervention focused on academic, behaviour and psychological issues. Children's Apperception Test (CAT), Thematic Apperception Test (TAT), Intelligence Quotient (IQ) and Emotional Quotient (EQ) were few psychological tests conducted to assess the children and provide appropriate guidance and therapy. Apart from the therapeutic intervention in these cases social workers also sought guidance to deal with students concerns. Where necessary, students were referred for further tests to Municipal Hospitals.

During the period under review the effects of the lockdown could be seen in the following aspects

- 1) Students' inability to cope with studies
- 2) Students' addiction to mobile phones
- 3) Parents' inability to handle these behaviours in children

In addition to one-on-one therapeutic sessions, the team reached out to **150** students and their parents through group sessions.

Students of the Municipal School (where the agency office is located) were assisted in their studies by using varied games and multiple projection techniques. A total of **21** students were referred to CGC by the school teachers for concerns such as academic performance, inappropriate behaviour, anger management and more. A few of the students visited the centre regularly. With time and guidance, the children showed substantial progress in their behaviour.

Success Story

Asif a seventeen - year - old boy who had appeared for Std. 12th came to the CGC as he had severe stomach pain. He was finding it difficult to study for long hours. He was not getting relief despite treatment and tests. This further frustrated him. A good student after passing Std. 10th with 80% marks he aspired to pursue MBBS. His father realised that his son had the potential and tired to help him even though he did not have the financial capacity. However, when the results were declared, Asif had just managed to pass with 45% marks. He decided to take a break for a year to prepare for the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET) exams. Through his psychological evaluation it came to light that Asif's stomach ache was psychosomatic in nature - he had doubts and fears about his future. He is continuing his treatment.*

Sessions conducted during the year -

Apart from the regular work the team conducted outreach through sessions on various topics with parents, teachers and students -

- **Dealing with students' behaviours in school** - 17 August 2022
- **Coping with challenges post the lockdown** - 13 October 2022
- **Coping with Studies and Exam Stress** - 8 December 2022

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES ... contd.

-Adolescent issues, Health and Addiction - 23 December 2022 & 31 January 2023

-Anger Management - 26 December 2022

-Emotional Vocabulary Enrichment - 2 January 2023

-Awareness about Emotional Well-being - 9 January 2023

-Career Guidance Session - 25 February 2023

-Positive Attitude towards Education and Self Concept - 6 March 2023

Vocational Training: *Since 2004*

Vocational training and guidance are provided to students who are likely to drop out of the formal education system. **CoL** has been supporting vocational training for girls. During the period under review **45** girls were helped to take up varied courses like Typing, Government Certified MS-CIT Computer course, Advance Excel course, Advance Tally with GST, Interior Designing, Beautician, Fashion Designing, 2D Auto - Cad course, Mehendi and Advance Tailoring course. The in-house tailoring course which resumed from December 2021 continued in 2022-23. This six months course designed by the teacher in consultation with IAPA, equips the young girls and women to learn basics in tailoring and gradually stand on their feet. **Fifteen** girls took the training with **4** new enrolments. **Four** girls completed the course.

In-house basic training in computers continues through the year with support from **Terre des Hommes, Denmark**. This training has been possible due to the donation by 'Window Master' through the kind recommendation of **Ms. Dina Rosenmeier**. High School and College students facing financial challenges from the vicinity of our office are trained in basic **computer and tally courses**. The students were charged a nominal fee which was refunded on completion of the course.

A total of **41** students enrolled for **Basic Computer Training** and **Tally** out of which **29** students took training for **Basic Computer Application**, **7** learned **Tally** and **5** enrolled for **both** the courses.

KamalUdwadia Foundation: *Since 2006*

KamalUdwadia Foundation provides financial assistance for medical tests of children affected with a neurological disorder. Assistance is provided for various investigations and expensive treatment costs. This project is supported by **Dr. Anaita Udwadia - Hegde** and **Dr. Hemanth Hegde**.

During the period, April 2022 to March 2023 total **65** children (**Boys 41 and girls 24**) were supported. Few of them were provided financial aid more than once. The cases were referred from Society for Rehabilitation of Crippled Children Hospital (SRCC), Bai Jerbai Wadia Hospital for children as well as Jaslok Hospital.

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES ... contd.

Project Asmita: Since 2009

This Project has been focusing on enhancing the students' competencies in academic subjects along with extracurricular activities of dance, physical training and computer. The activities are conducted for the students of Mumbai Public School West Khetwadi Marathi, where the IAPA office is located.

- Twenty - two students trained by our dance teacher made the school proud by winning the first prize in Balakotsav - inter-school dance competition organized by BMC.
- IAPA also introduced a basic tailoring / stitching session for the students. However, the students didn't take a liking for the same, and the sessions were stopped.
- Keeping in mind the nutritive needs of the children, healthy snacks such as peanuts - jaggery chikki, puffed rice chikki were given to the students on a regular basis.
- A few story telling sessions were conducted by Ms. Latha Ramchandram from December 2022 to March 2023. The sessions were organized for students between Std. 1st to 8th. Ms. Ramchandran made the sessions interactive by using props that encouraged students to learn while having fun.
- In addition, workbooks were provided to the students of Std. 1st to 8th.
- Shri. Tokershi Velji Vaghani Manav Rahat Nidhi donated sports equipment which was useful for physical training classes. Mrs. Sangita Gala of Shri Tokershi Velji Vaghani Manav Rahat Nidhi organized a calligraphy session for 85 students followed by a Diwali Party.

Through this project, IAPA engaged 3 teachers for academic teaching and 2 teachers for extra-curricular activities for the students.

Medical nutritional- support: Since 2010

IAPA assisted children and their families with medical and nutritional support. Various institutional and individual donors supported IAPA for this service. The children and their family members were guided for under going different diagnostic tests and for the timely intake of prescribed medication. In addition, nutritional support to boost their immunity post the illness was provided.

Ion Foundation support: Since 2020

In order to ensure that students do not discontinue higher education due to financial constraints IAPA networks with funding sources for additional support for students covered under Educational Sponsorship & Alternative Family Care Programme.

IAPA has been collaborating with Ion Foundation which is a CSR initiative of Ion Exchange. This Collaboration extends additional support for higher education to our students.

During the period under review **28** students were supported by Ion Foundation for pursuing higher education / specialized courses in various streams like Engineering, BMM (Bachelors in Mass Media), BAF (Bachelors in Accounting & Finance), BMS (Bachelors in Management Studies), BSC Nursing and also certain Diploma courses .

DEVELOPMENTAL ACTIVITIES:

- Students were taken on an educational excursion to **Chatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya** (CSMVS) Fort, Mumbai in September 2022. Students got an exposure of the history of India, different movements that took place during the freedom struggle of our country, the rich culture and heritage that our nation beholds during the tour of the museum. This educational trip was organized in collaboration with '**Connect for**' and '**CSMVS**'.
- **Awareness on Child Sexual Abuse (CSA)** - Safety of children is as important as loving and nurturing them. IAPA in coordination with Arpan, (an NGO working towards prevention of CSA) organized a session about **CSA** in **November 2022**. The session was conducted for the teachers of Mumbai Public School West Khetwadi Marathi and IAPA staff members where they were acquainted with information about CSA.
- **A Dental Camp** was held in **February 2023** at West Khetwadi BMC School for children covered under IAPA's various programmes. **Dr. Sonal Bhasin**, a dentist and IAPA's executive committee member, along with her associate conducted a dental check-up of more than 100 children. Toothbrush & toothpaste were given to the children as goodies.
- In **February 2023**, IAPA got an opportunity to display its publicity material and items tailored by the tailoring class at **Manthan** and '**QuinTISsence**' Fest, **TISS**.
- **Summer Camp Delight** - A summer camp was held in **April 2022** for the students of Mumbai Public School West Khetwadi Marathi. The fun-filled camp was planned and organized under IAPA's '**Project 'Asmita**'. Fun and learning activities like painting, craft, planting saplings, drama, story-telling, games and visit to the local post office and the police station, kept up the students level of excitement. A big 'Thank You' to IAPA's friend, Ananya Kulkarni and his team, for managing most of these stimulating activities. A party on the last day with musical chairs and dance was the cherry on the cake that added to the overall happy experience!
- **Talent Hunt** - A talent hunt to bring forth the students talents in drawing and essay writing was held in **September 2022** at the Mumbai Public School West Khetwadi Marathi. The students also performed a group dance, sung songs, participated in elocution sessions. Sports equipment was gifted for use by the students through the Shri Tokershi Velji Vaghani Manav Rahat Nidhi. The event was organized by the student social workers.
- **Report on Session with HIV +ve Parents** - A session with parents of the children living with HIV was conducted in **March 2023** at Mumbai Public School West Khetwadi Marathi. The resource persons provided valuable insights about HIV and the approach one can use to add days to their life. The session ended on a positive note with meaningful interaction.
- **Session on stress management - STRESS!** - the bane of today's fast paced world, often triggered by one's struggle to balance personal and office related responsibilities within a limited time frame. The resource person, Ms. Lamika Karunakaran conducted a capacity building session on 'Stress Management' for the entire team of IAPA in **July 2022**.
- **A session on 'Understanding the psychology of clients and parenting challenges** on use of internet' was held in November 2022. Another session on '**Building Interpersonal Relationship as a key to Effective Communication**' was held in December 2022. Dr. Laura Vaz, visiting psychotherapist at IAPA was the resource person for both the sessions.

Newsletter

Two e-issues of the Newsletter with information and photographs of different activities, events were circulated via email.

Annual Family Meet 2023

After a two-year break due to the pandemic, IAPA held its Family Meet at G.S.B. Sports Pavilion on Saturday, 7 January 2023. The Programme began with a welcome video. Activities for children included balloon bursting, fancy dress competition, painting session and dance. More than **50** families participated in the fun - gathering. The family meet gave parents an opportunity to meet the other families and IAPA team. Three young persons shared their adoption experiences.

Children grooved to dance moves on peppy songs choreographed by Mr. Karan Solanki. The tattoo artists didn't have any respite as children were lining up to get their favorite tattoos painted on their hands. A selfie-corner with a variety of sparkling hairbands and dazzling props was set up for the children and their parents. The pavilion's atmosphere was filled with smiles, laughter, enthusiasm, action, music and exchange of positive vibes.



Annual Sponsorship Day Programme

The high point of school reopening is meeting with friends in person but another reason is to participate on the Annual Day. Annual Sponsorship Day programme was held on 5 March 2023 at Kamathipura BMC School for **320** sponsored children. Tributes were paid to Late Mrs. Kaumudi Telang. Two students hosted the programme. A cultural programme was organized for the students wherein they participated in large numbers. The cultural programme included solo and folk - dance performances, demonstrations of dump-bells and Goan folk dance, Karate demonstrations and bicycal stunts. Icing of the day was a captivating magic show. Our executive committee members, Dr. Sonal Basin, Mrs. Jagruti Mandavkar and Mrs. Najma Goriawalla encouraged students to forge ahead. The children savored the snacks and lunch topped up with ice-cream. Students who had passed their 10th, 12th and graduation with flying colours were felicitated for their achievements while the students and IAPA staff applauded with happiness.



Students' placements -

- **Thirty** students of **CSWNN** oriented to IAPA's different programmes and activities on 12 July 2022 at the Khetwadi office.
- **Eight** post graduate students from Tata Institute of Social Sciences (**TISS**), College of Social Work Nirmala Niketan (**CSWNN**) and Shreemati Nathibai Damodar Thackersey Women's University (**SNDT**) were placed at IAPA Matunga and Khetwadi offices for field work experience. This year too, the students' placement was a boon to IAPA having reciprocal benefits.
- **Two** students studying M.A. in Psychology at **SNDT** college interned with the CGC between July 2022 and March 2023 and gained experience of handling various cases of children facing psychological, social emotional and physical concerns.
- **Two** students studying BMM at St. Xavier's College volunteered with IAPA between October 2022 and November 2022. Their contribution benefitted in the preparation of promotional material for outreach purposes.

THANK YOU!

We are grateful to our official authorities, sponsors, donors and well-wishers who have been associated with us in our journey.

State and Municipal Authorities:

Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA)
State Adoption Resource Authority (SARA)
Government of Maharashtra, Women and
Child Development (WCD)
District office - Department of Women and
Child Development, Mumbai City
Child Welfare Committee - Mumbai City I & II
District Child Protection Unit (DCPU)

Pre - adoption family care:

JM Financial Foundation
Shri Tokershi Velji Vaghani Manav Rahat Nidhi
Mr. Devendraraj Shenai
Ketto

Adoption Programme:

Adoption placement agencies in and out side Mumbai,
for extending their cooperation in adoption and allied
services:

Health Department - BMC Offices:
Parel & Dadar (G - North)
Sangopita - Badlapur
Loksatta, Lokmat and Sakal newspapers

Adoption Counselling:

Dr. Laura Vaz
Dr. Anuradha Prabhudesai

Foster Carers- For child care of children awaiting adoption

Medical Fraternity:

Hospitals, doctors, pediatricians and social workers for their
assistance and devotion to the children
Cama & Albless Hospital
Holy Family Hospital
Sparsh - Children's Hospital
Dr. Anaita Udwadia Hegde
Dr. Suresh Shah
Dr. Sanjay Sharma
Dr. Bharat Agrawal
G.S.B.S. Medical Trust
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Infrastructure and Office Equipment:

Reliance Foundation

Schools:

Head Master & Teachers of the Mumbai Public School
West Khetwadi Marathi and other Municipal School of
A, B, C, D & E wards
Head Master & Teachers of Kamlakar JanardanTatha
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Mr. Noordin Ebrahim
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Mr. Shakir and Mrs. Aditi Machhiwala

**Alternative Family Care Programme :
(Kinship Foster Care)**

Government of Maharashtra
Bal Sangopan Yojna (BSY)
Baccarose Perfumes & Beauty Products Pvt. Ltd.

Vocational Training

Chance auf Leben e.V. [Chance of Life (Col)], Germany

**Medical support for Children suffering from
Neurological Disorders:****KamalUdwadia Foundation**

Mr. Darius & Mrs. Nergis Udwadia
Dr. Anaita Udwadia - Hegde
Dr. Hemanth Hegde, H & H Pharmaceutical Pvt. Ltd.

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Sponsorship and Family Preservation programme:****Institutional Donors**

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Ion Foundation

Child Guidance Centre:

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**AUDITED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2023**

**REPORT OF AN AUDITOR RELATING TO ACCOUNTS AUDITED UNDER SUB- SECTION
(2) OF SECTION 33 & 34 AND RULE 19 OF THE BOMBAY PUBLIC TRUST ACT.**

Registration No. **F-0002230 of 1994**

Name of The Public Trust : **INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR PROMOTION OF ADOPTION & CHILD WELFARE**
For the year ending **31st March, 2023**

(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 agreement with the accounts ;	YES
(d)	Whether all books, deeds, accounts, vouchers or other documents or records required by the auditor were in produced before him ;	YES
(e)	Whether the 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 the various 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 ;	NIL
(i)	Whether tender 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)	Alienation, if any, of the immovable property contrary to the provision of section 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 monies 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 trustee 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 ;	N.A.
(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

Dated at 11/09/2023

UDIN : 23005880BGWSJU2509

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INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR PROMOTION OF ADOPTION & CHILD WELFARE
AUDITED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2023
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 & CHILD WELFARE

Statement of Income liable to contribution for the year ending March 31, 2023	Rs.	Ps.	Rs.	Ps.
I. Income as shown in the Income and Expenditure Account (Schedule IX)			1,50,86,335	
II. Item not chargeable to Contribution under Section 58 and Rule 32 :				
(i) Donations received from other Public Trusts and Dharmadas (As per "ANNEXURE -A" attached)	4,45,200			
(ii) Grants received from Government and Local Authorities (As per "ANNEXURE-B" attached)		88,045		
(iii) Interest on Sinking or Depreciation Fund		NIL		
(iv) Amount spent for the purpose of secular education } (v) Amount spent for the purpose of medical relief } As per Annx. V		1,48,81,059		
(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		NIL		
(c) 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		1,50,863		
(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.		<u>NIL</u>	1,55,65,167	
Gross Annual Income chargeable to contribution Rs.			<u><u>NIL</u></u>	

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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 Matunga (W), Mumbai 400 016.
 Telephone # 2437 4938

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 President

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Sd/-
 Hon. Treasurer

MAHESH C MATHUR & CO.

Chartered Accountants

Firm Registration No. : 105800W

Sd/-

(MAHESH C MATHUR)

Membership No.5880(1963)

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THE BOMBAY PUBLIC TRUST ACT, 1950
SCHEDULE VIII
[(Vide Rule 17(1)]

Registration No.: F2230

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

BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 2023

Last Year Rs. Ps.	FUNDS & LIABILITIES	This Year	
		Rs. Ps.	Rs. Ps.
	TRUSTS FUNDS OR CORPUS :		
1,05,75,659	Balance as per last Balance Sheet	1,05,80,659	
	Adjustments during the year (give details)		
	Donation received during the year towards		
-	Corpus Funds	-	
5,000	Life Membership Fees	20,000	
-	Patron Membership Fee	-	
-	Transferred from Income & Expenditure	-	1,06,00,659
<u>1,05,80,659</u>			
	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	45,504	
	Earmarked Donations to the extent not spent		
<u>1,39,77,674</u>	(As per Annexure - I)	<u>1,33,28,375</u>	1,44,23,879
1,50,73,178			
	CURRENT LIABILITIES :		
<u>25,018</u>	TDS payable	<u>19,352</u>	19,352
25,018			

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Last Year	PROPERTY & ASSETS	This Year	
Rs. Ps.		Rs. Ps.	Rs. Ps.
	IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES		
41,186	Balance as per last Balance Sheet	37,068	
<u>4,119</u>	Less : Depreciation for the year @ 10%	<u>3,707</u>	33,361
37,068			
	INVESTMENTS :		
2,81,35,660	(As per Annexure -II)		2,97,82,565
	Note : The market value of the above investments is not known - not quoted		
	FURNITURE & FIXTURES :		
43,981	Balance as per last Balance Sheet	39,584	
<u>-</u>	Additions during the year	<u>-</u>	
43,981		39,584	
<u>4,398</u>	Less : Depreciation upto date @ 10%	<u>3,958</u>	35,626
39,583			
	OFFICE EQUIPMENT (TOTAL)		
86,613	Balance as per last Balance Sheet	76,342	
<u>5,580</u>	Addition during the year	<u>35,400</u>	
92,193		1,11,742	
-	Less: Sale during the year	-	
	Less: Depreciation upto date		
3,496	Computers @ 40%	9,178	
<u>12,355</u>	Others @ 15%	<u>10,665</u>	91,899
76,342			

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 2023

FUNDS & LIABILITIES		This Year	
Rs.	Ps.	Rs.	Ps.
INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT			
59,27,401	Balance as per last Balance Sheet	71,27,161	
11,99,760	Add : Surplus per Income and Expenditure Account	-	
-	Less: Deficit as per Income and Expenditure Account	<u>5,08,802</u>	66,18,359
<u>71,27,161</u>			
<u>3,28,06,016</u>		Rs. <u>3,16,62,250</u>	

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

MAHESH C MATHUR & CO.
Chartered Accountants
Firm Registration No. : 105800W

Sd/-
(MAHESH C MATHUR)
Membership No.5880(1963)

Dated at : 11/09/2023

Last Year	PROPERTY & ASSETS	This Year
Rs. Ps.	Rs. Ps.	Rs. Ps.
	ADVANCES :	
430	Professional Tax excess paid	-
28,800	Advances to Employees	44,800
2,000	Advances to Foster Parents	1,500
18,000	Telephone Deposits	18,000
<u>2,78,361</u>	Tax deducted at source	<u>1,73,071</u>
3,27,591		2,37,371
	CASH AND BANK BALANCES :	
	(a) In Saving Accounts	
41,88,235	(As per Annexure III)	14,65,135
	(b) Cash in hand	
1,537	(As per Annexure III)	16,293
<u>41,89,772</u>		
<u>3,28,06,016</u>		Rs. <u>3,16,62,250</u>

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

President Sd/-

Hon. Secretary Sd/-

Hon. Treasurer Sd/-

THE BOMBAY PUBLIC TRUST ACT, 1950**SCHEDULE - IX**

[(Vide Rule 17(1)]

**Name of the Public Trust : INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR PROMOTION OF ADOPTION & CHILD WELFARE
Income & Expenditure Account for the year ending March 31, 2023**

Last Year	EXPENDITURE	This Year	
		Rs. Ps.	Rs. Ps.
	1. Establishment Expenses		
6,43,134	(As per Annexure - IV)		6,86,060
	2. Depreciation		
4,398	Furniture @ 10% p.a.	3,958	
4,119	Office Premises @10% p.a	3,707	
	Office Equipment :		
3,496	Computer System @40%	9,178	
12,355	Others @15%	10,665	27,508
<u>24,368</u>			
	3. Expenditure on objects of the trust		
-	Bal Sangopan Yojna Expenses	88,045	
1,25,55,994	Educational & Health (as per Annexure - V)	1,47,93,014	1,48,81,059
<u>1,25,55,994</u>			
-	4. Excess payment of Professional Tax W/off		430
14,108	5. Loss on Mutual Fund		-
-	6. TDS tax excess paid		80
11,99,760	7. Surplus Carried over to Balance Sheet		
<u>12,13,868</u>			
	Notes to the Accounts - (Annexure VIII)		
<u>1,44,37,365</u>			<u>Rs. 1,55,95,137</u>

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

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Last Year	INCOME	This Year
Rs. Ps.		Rs. Ps.
10,46,066	1. Interest (realised)	9,49,772
	2. Dividend/Incomes	
3,656	Unit Trust of India	3,971
5,23,402	Mutual Funds (As per Annexure IX)	5,12,036
	3. Grant From District Women & Child Development For Bal Sangopan Yojna	88,045
-		
1,02,18,845	4. Donations in cash or kind (As per Annexure - VI)	1,08,55,732
	5. Income from other sources (As per Annexure VII)	24,26,913
25,26,072		
36	6.Sponsorship Fund W/Off	5,850
1,19,288	7. Gain from Mutual Fund	2,42,922
-	8. Excess TDS deducted W/off	1,093
-	9. Deficit Carried over to Balance Sheet	5,08,802
<u>1,44,37,365</u>		Rs. <u>1,55,95,137</u>

President Sd/-

Hon. Secretary Sd/-

Hon. Treasurer Sd/-

Dated at : 11/09/2023

On Special Assignment

Ms. Meherangiz Baria	Co - ordinator, Resource Mobilisation (Part-Time) [Contract ended on 11.10.2022]
Ms. Ashwini Vaidya	Project Officer
Ms. Rupali Suralkar	Project Officer
Ms. Shilpa Rane	Sr. Social Worker
Ms. Ishwari Palav	Social Worker [Contract ended on 10.08.2022]
Ms. Anvi Shelar	Social Worker
Ms. Shweta Warde	Project Associate
Ms. Tanvi Jadhav	Social Worker [Contract ended on 04.04.2022]
Ms. Gayatri Dhargalkar	Coordinator - Resource Mobilisation
Ms. Dulcine Irani	Sr. Office Administrator (Part-time)
Mr. Vijay Hamand	Administration Associate
Mr. Raju Talegaonkar	Office Assistant
Ms. Neha Bhadvalkar	Field Assistant

Honorary staff

Vocational Training

Mrs. Farzana Ansari	Tailoring Teacher
Ms. Komal Dhotre	Computer Teacher [contract ended]
Ms. Sayli Wadekar	Computer Teacher [contract ended]
Ms. Priyanka Chavan	Computer Teacher [contract ended]

Child Guidance Centre

Dr. Prashant Shah	Psychiatrist
Ms. Nanda Purohit	Psychologist
Dr. (Mrs.) Hutoshi Bana	Occupational Therapist
Ms. Shakti Poddar	Counselor
Ms. Saloni Narvekar	Aide Worker

Project Asmita

Ms. Pooja Patil	Marathi Teacher
Ms. Namrata Patil	Maths Teacher
Ms. Yuti Mehta	English Teacher
Mr. Pravin Kadam	Dance Teacher
Mr. Shailendra Borkar	P.T. Teacher
Mr. Nilesh Chibade	Dance Teacher



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