

Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled

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FROM THE FOUNDER



“Since its inception, Samarthanam has come a long way, moulding the lives of the disabled and the needy, providing opportunities and bringing a change in the social perception towards the disabled. With your help, we still have more to do.”

As an organization working for the welfare of people with disabilities, Samarthanam is always on the forefront advocating their rights and spreading awareness about the significance of inclusion. On the same road, this year presented us with a brilliant opportunity to share our work on a larger stage at the 52nd Regular Session of the Human Rights Council in Geneva. It was a big responsibility representing India and talk about the post-pandemic scenario and the effect on the disabled including the job market, lifestyle, education. As part of my brief speech at the Council I was able to present a picture of the work done by our organization and the much-needed support for the development of the disabled community. Our mission is to empower the disabled and create an inclusive world, and we look forward to witnessing a change.

This year all the verticals at Samarthanam have shown great progress with growing reach, impact, and innovation. Education program has launched many smart labs, science labs and stem facilities encouraging young students to adopt focused learning. The new skilling centre and the numerous

job fairs organized show promise to the youth with disabilities in finding suitable employment. The women cricketers are making it big in the blind cricket world and kudos to their unrelenting efforts. The community projects have essentially focused on the learning and therapy needs of many rural children. The men blind cricketers have been working hard and winning the 3rd T20 World Cup was a remarkable achievement. The Indian Blind Cricket team were felicitated by Hon President of India, and various eminent ministers which proved to be a true honor.

As we mark 26 years of Samarthanam, we are grateful to the support received from various organizations, corporate, Government and people, who never stopped believing in our cause. I am truly grateful to the generosity of our stakeholders who have been standing with us all through. Our employees are the reason behind our accomplishments whose commitment, persistence and dedication go beyond expectations. We work together, this year and every year, and continue to effort for a better and inclusive world.

Dr Mahantesh G Kivadasannavar

Founder Managing Trustee, Samarthanam
Chairman, Cricket Association for the Blind in India

ABOUT US

Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled is a non-profit organization that is engaged in empowering persons with disabilities and the underserved in socio-economic-cultural fronts through its various initiatives on Education, Livelihood, Environment, Health and Nutrition, Sports, Culture and Rehabilitation. It was established in the year 1997 by Founder Managing Trustee Dr Mahantesh G Kivadasannavar along with his schoolmate and childhood friend, Late. Nagesh SP.

Headquartered in the city of Bengaluru, Karnataka, India, this pioneer organization is working towards building an inclusive society, devoid of discrimination towards the disabled and the underprivileged. For more than two and half decades Samarthanam has changed the lives of millions of people with disabilities and the underprivileged across various fronts. Samarthanam is affiliated to the World Blind Union and is one of the few Non-Profits to receive the Special UN Consultative Status in 2015 by the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC).

The founders, being visually impaired and having witnessed various challenges, have together conceptualized Samarthanam, an organization which would cater to people with disabilities, including visually impaired and underserved.



VISION

Build an inclusive society free from discrimination where persons with disabilities become contributing members, living with dignity and respect.



MISSION

To empower visually impaired, disabled and underprivileged people through developmental initiatives focusing on educational, social, economic, cultural and technological aspects.



VISION 2030

Samarthanam envisions to touch a MILLION lives by 2030, providing comprehensive solutions to the disabled and underserved communities.

CORE VALUES

- o Accessibility
- o Inclusion
- o Disability rights
- o Education
- o Women empowerment
- o Employment
- o Zero hunger
- o Reduced poverty
- o Equality
- o Technology
- o Environment protection
- o Transformation



Samarthanam Barrier-free Residential School

SAMARTHANAM TRUST



22,415
kids
educated



30,743
youth trained,
67% employed

25,199
youth participated
in job fairs




1,359
tonnes dry-waste
recycled


2,120
Saplings planted



30,000
blind cricket
players
supported,
30 Indian states
affiliated

26 years
of service to the
disabled communities

 **13** centers
across India

7 major 
interventions and many
community welfare programs



100,000
people with disabilities and
the poor reached

BY THE NUMBERS (since inception)



1600+
visually impaired
artists
supported



5100+
women
empowered



30 million
mid-day meals
served across
government
schools



18,000+
volunteers involved



150+ corporate
companies support via CSR



Moving towards
Vision 2030

OUR YEAR



TECHNOLOGY

TINKER LABS

Tinker Labs are inclusive and technology embedded labs by Samarthanam focusing on modern learning via Coding, Microbit, 3D printing, Games and Animations, Mobile Apps, Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence, Robotics among school students.

The inauguration of Tinker Labs in Bangalore created an ideal space for students to nurture their learning, promote innovation, and transform novel ideas into reality.

38 schools covered across
6 cities benefiting
33671 students

Cities covered

Bangalore, Pune, Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Delhi NCR

DIGITALIZATION

Digitalization of schools and installation of smart boards was to provide technology-rich education facilities to students hailing from various backgrounds.

42 schools covered across
8 cities benefiting
42848 students
42 Smartboards installed

Cities covered

Bangalore urban, Devanahalli, Doddaballapur, Chikkaballapur, Ramnagar,
Mysore, Mumbai, Pune, Bangalore rural

MINI SCIENCE CENTERS

Mini Science Centers is an initiative to provide quality education through STEM learning in Government Schools across various cities in India

94 Science centers launched to facilitate
67279 students across
12 cities

Cities covered

Pune, Thane, Kolkata, Mumbai, Delhi and Delhi NCR, Gaya, Chennai, Bangalore, Tirunelveli, Hyderabad, Guntur



TECHNOLOGY

AWARENESS CONCLAVE

Samarthanam Trust cohosted an 'Awareness Conclave on Assistive Technology for People with Disabilities' bringing together various stakeholders who took part in panel discussions on significance of assistive technology.

1500 digital and non-digital assistive devices were given away to those in need



Awareness Conclave on Assistive Technology



EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

JOB FAIRS

The job fairs organized across India was an ideal platform for the employers to meet skilled and talented youth with disabilities and direct them towards suitable job opportunities.

78 mega job fairs across
26 locations
25199 youth participated
7472 received placements

A new skilling centre launched in Bhopal

ACCESSIBLE FACILITY

An accessible building opened in Dharwad to serve as a hostel and a skilling centre for the youth with disabilities, training them to get job ready and launch a successful career.



Nazraana, the musical fundraiser at Massachusetts

INCLUSION

Advocating inclusion and diversity, Dr Mahantesh GK, Founder Managing Trustee of Samarthanam traveled to the United States, spoke at the prestigious Harvard Business School, and met with global associates.

At the United Nations Human Rights Council (HRC52), Samarthanam's Founder, Mahantesh GK, emphasized on the post-pandemic scenario of the disability sector, the need to increase budget allocation for disabled and Samarthanam's measures to mitigate the impact of the pandemic.

Dr. Mahantesh met prominent global representatives including those from WTO, UNESCO, and Indian Ambassador to France, among others, at the Human Rights Council in Geneva.



OVERSEAS

NAZRAANA

“Nazraana” was a fundraiser by Samarthanam USA, Juju Productions and India Association of Greater Boston held at Hanover Theater & Conservatory in Massachusetts. The event was a huge hit with prominent musicians on the stage like Vijay Prakash, Anuradha Juju, Kamlesh Bhadkamkar and others. More than 1300 people attended the concert to show support.



Mahantesh GK at the United Nations Human Rights Council



COMMUNITY INCLUSIVE PROGRAM

INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

The Inclusive Education project which provides education, health and therapy needs to people with disabilities in Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka Districts, India. Education support included home tuition, teacher training, assignments, online classes, counselling, day care, sponsorships.

Introduced a compact audiometry device to assess hearing loss among school students. Nearly 2000 students from various schools were assessed.

40+ government schools and colleges served
200 CWDS, 200 students, 400 adults supported
200 school admissions facilitated
500 beneficiaries health assessments
210 assistive and mobility devices provided

In 4 years, the reach increased by 400% moving from
200 beneficiaries to 800

HEALTHCARE AND THERAPY

Therapy included health assessments, physiotherapy, rehabilitation, assistive aid distribution, medical referrals, post operative therapy, and parents sensitization

179 children with disabilities supported
463 adults with disabilities supported

A therapy session in progress



BLIND CRICKET

The 3rd T20 World Cup Cricket Tournament for the Blind was an international tournament with 6 participating countries, and India took home the winning trophy after defeating Bangladesh in the Finals.

The International Conclave on Blind Cricket included panel discussions by experts who spoke on blind cricket, its increasing prominence, scope, reach, people and influencing factors.



DISABILITY
SPORTS

WALKATHON

Walkathon 2022 was organized to commemorate the International Day of Persons with Disabilities. And this year, more than 10,000 people walked together to support blind cricket, promote the 3rd T20 World Cup Cricket Tournament, and further motivate blind cricketers across the globe.

The walk was graced by Sapthami Gowda, Lead actress of Kantara Film, the Brand Ambassador of Walkathon.

10000 participants for the walk
16th annual walk to support the disabled

Walkathon 2023





Samarthanam Barrier-free Residential School

INCLUSIVE EDUCATION

It is quite remarkable that the young minds at Samarthanam Schools have shown the flair to excel in various fields like sports, cultural shows, art, and music competitions, science fairs, and importantly, the students have a keen interest in learning technology, computers, modern science, along with everyday schooling. Samarthanam Schools are being a home to these little geniuses, encouraging their innate skills, grooming their talents, shaping their bright future, and inspiring the lot. Alongside, since Samarthanam's schools, hostels, and programs are designed to be accessible, it increases the learning space for students with disabilities.

Residential Barrier-free Higher Primary School

- STEM education is a priority at Samarthanam and the Tinker Labs, Mini Science Centres, Smart Classes are examples of the digital advancements at the school. These have been up and running for two years and they continue to capture the interest of students, fostering knowledge and skills among students from higher grades.
- Along with regular classes, physical, social and emotional well-being is addressed via sports, volunteering interactions, arts and crafts, health interventions, fitness regime and yoga sessions.
- Among health camps, dental camp, eye camp, general health awareness workshops and checkups were held for the students and staff regularly throughout the year.
- The students were supported with necessary learning gear including books, shoes, school bags, textbooks, stationery, uniforms, along with food, hostel, medical kits, and that helped the children focus on the education.
- The National Science Day which was introduced at Samarthanam this year was a huge success, bringing together science enthusiastic minds who worked on more than 30 science models.

School for Children with Speech and Hearing Impairment

- Samarthanam launched the School for Children with Speech and Hearing Impairment (SHI) especially for students from Grade 1 to 5. These kids received foundation classes and primary education as per the National Education Policy 2020. To promote holistic development of SHI children, yoga, life skills, sports and co-curricular activities were largely encouraged.
- The school bridged the gaps in the academic, social, communicative potential of the hearing-impaired children and guided them to comprehend, learn the subjects and participate in the class.
- At SHI School, the various sports, cultural and literary competitions, and other activities showcased the abilities of hearing-impaired students and helped in expressing themselves. This further led to improved self-confidence and capacity building.

175 Primary School students

30 students with SHI

School for Children with Intellectual Disability

- Samarathanam school imparts special education to children with intellectual disabilities and trains them in life skills, and vocational skills.
- At the school, special children received care for their physical, emotional, and social wellbeing via sports, cultural activities, health and nutrition, yoga, and meditation classes every day.
- The Physiotherapy Centre at Samarathanam is a facility for these children who need regular physical training. Also, orthotic needs were addressed for children with motor disability/cerebral palsy.
- Participating in quizzes, sports, and hands-on educational activities helped in furthering their confidence, communication, coordination, and learning.
- The program is helping many children progress at various levels like improved learning ability, mental health, cognition, and vocational skills.
- They were introduced to 'Summer Carnival' this year that created an artificial space for the kids exposing them to real-life situations. Socializing was introduced via grocery shopping, food identification, money transactions, which enhanced cognitive development and logical thinking.

High School

- The higher-grade students were exposed to various prospective career making fields, encouraging them to become active learners, problem solvers, and future innovators.
- The clubs and committees that were arranged focused on environment, health, science, sports, ELC, marketing, consumer court and culture.
- The incorporation of Smart classes, Smart boards, Next Learning Platform (NLP) personalized the learning regime, and introduced experiential learning, and project-based learning.
- Volunteers and the teaching staff involved the high schoolers in workshops that have increased their awareness on mental health, menstrual hygiene, fitness, environment, and personality development.

98 high school students

Bangalore ID School

102 students

Belgaum ID School

30 students

Mysore ID School

30 students

2 new

Schools for Children with Intellectual Disabilities launched in Belgaum and Mysore

Going Further

- For the next year, Samarathanam is prioritizing reaching out to more children with disabilities and encouraging them to pursue formal education.
- Since innovation and technology embed education is important, strengthening of the facilities like Tinker labs, STEM learning science programs is underway.
- The National Science Day, introduced this year, will be an annual event.
- The School for Children with Intellectual Disabilities is planning on extending the vocational training unit with additional activities. The school will also have a Winter Carnival, like the Summer Carnival which began this year.
- The High School team will be aiming to achieve improved results in the Board Exams and to offer career support.
- The School for Children with SHI will be introducing speech therapy, audiometric assessments, sign language, and computer classes.



Higher Education Program

- The program supported students from economically challenged backgrounds and those with disabilities with tuition, hostel, study gear, audio books, scribes, and the much-needed motivation. The disabled were provided with tabs, laptops, assistive and learning aids like wheelchairs, hearing aids, smart canes, walkers, crutches, as per the need.
- These students have higher aims to study at premier institutions and their goals were buttressed with all the necessary support.
- The students received online classes, career guidance, counseling sessions, soft skills, interview guidance, communication skills and computer training. They were introduced to the various job fields and prospective employment opportunities via workshops.
- Physical, emotional, and social wellbeing of students were focused on through participating in sports, cultural activities, fitness, health, and nutrition programs.

5191 higher education students

12 cities in India



OUR SUPPORTERS SAY

Delcy Ajit

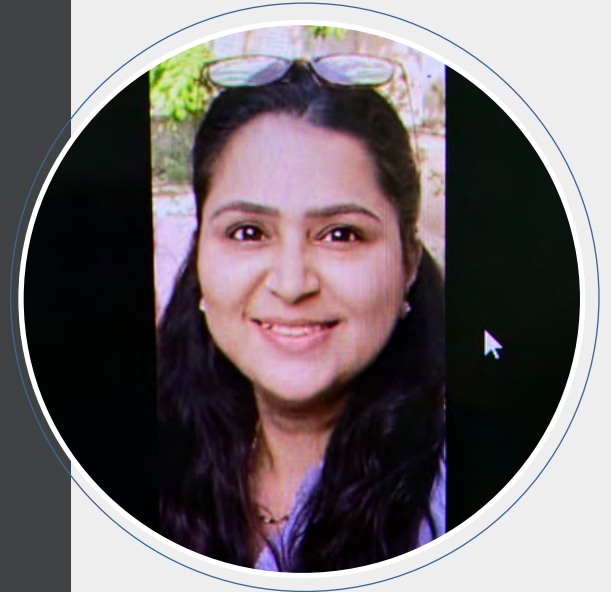
CSR Investment and Operation Management
Atos Prayas Foundation

Atos Prayas Foundation and Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled, have been working together for the past few years on improving the education and sanitation facilities for school children across Government schools. Introduction of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math through STEM labs to the students along with guidance received from their teachers enabled knowledge building, and practical learning. The students received an opportunity to benefit from the latest technology education in a better learning environment.

Atos Prayas Foundation in partnership with Samarthanam is implementing 'WASH' program across 50 government schools in the states of Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, and Karnataka. The program aimed at improving the sanitation facilities in the schools by building new toilets for boys ,girls and exclusive disabled friendly toilets for children with disabilities. The team is also involved in educating the school students on sanitation, menstrual hygiene, and personal hygiene. By providing access to a cleaner school environment, the larger goal was to bring in more kids to schools and improve the literacy rate from marginalized communities of Pune, Bangalore, Tirunelveli, and Chennai.

33 STEM labs which were installed across Bangalore, Tirunelveli, and Chennai, helped the students with an innovative and interactive approach towards learning.

Samarthanam has done an outstanding job in implementing these projects and we appreciate their efforts towards bettering the education system. We look forward to collaborating on more projects soon.



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SKILLING

Every year, Samarthanam skilling centres churns out thousands of individuals who are more confident, trained with certain skillsets, improved personality, communication, and positive attitude. It is not just the self-independence that the organization is rebuilding but also the financial stability of an entire family associated with one trained and employed individual. Along with the training module, the class gets to acquaint themselves with various working environments via corporate visits, industrial tours and the interactions with volunteers coming in from diverse sectors. Samarthanam takes pride in these young and confident individuals who leave behind disabilities and take a step into the professional world. Kudos to all the corporates and organizations who have said yes to inclusion, and equality, giving an equal chance to every deserving candidate.

Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled Chennai received the “BEST ORGANIZATION AWARD” at the ALERT BEING AWARDS 6th edition.

- This year, Samarthanam expanded geographically by launching a new Skilling Centre in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh. The centre introduced the training module to the youth with disabilities and those from lower economic backgrounds in the city via mobilization camps.
- Also launched was a project to train 20,250 beneficiaries across India within 3 years under BFSI Trade along with Partner Agency, EduBridge Learning Pvt. Ltd.
- Inclusive job fairs were conducted across the country through our training centers and availed livelihood opportunities for youths with and without disabilities.
- Employment opportunities were traced in mainstream companies and availed jobs to the trained candidates across the country. Local placements were done to the candidates who were unable to re-locate to the urban areas.
- Women self - employment programs were promoted through tailoring training and free sewing machine distribution.
- On “World Skill Day” seven trainees from Bangalore Centre received “Hunarbaaz Award” from honorable former Chief Minister of Karnataka, Basavaraj Bommai and Dr. Ashwathnarayan, Minister for Higher Education, IT & BT, SCI & TECH, skill development, entrepreneurship & livelihood.
- A big thank you to the wide network of stakeholders who played a significant role in the progress made by the Skilling division and the many beneficiaries.





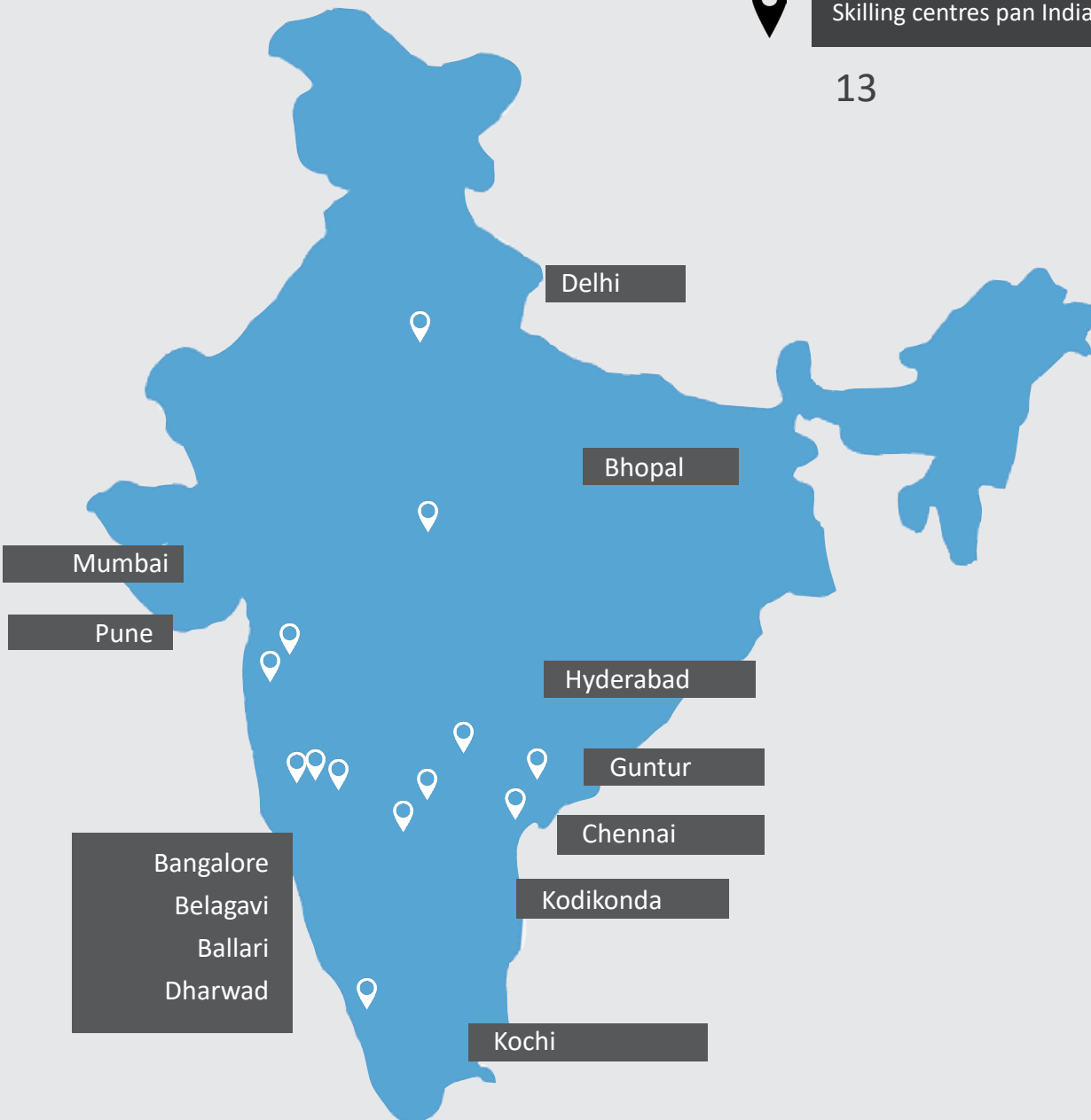
Trained underprivileged youth & youth with disabilities

2005



Skilling centres pan India

13



1315



Placements received



New Skilling centre launched in

Bhopal



JOB FAIRS

78 Job fairs across 26 locations

200+ employers participated

25199 job-seekers attended

7472 received placements



TAILORING UNIT

204 women beneficiaries



BFSI TRAINING

4868 received training

IMPACT NUMBERS

7077 beneficiaries reached

66% employed

01 new skilling centre launched

Going further

- The next year, Skill Training centres are being planned to be set up at Mysore (Karnataka), Kolkata (West Bengal) and Coimbatore (Tamil Nadu). These centres will be offering job training sessions and placement support for the youth with disabilities in these regions with a focus on rural areas.
- New Domains will be introduced for Skill Training for an enhanced approach towards skill-building.
- Samarthanam Skill training centres will continue to sensitize the society about inclusion and increasing the job opportunities for the disabled community.



SAMARTHANAM DIGITAL LIBRARY

Samarthanam's Digital Library is moving ahead with a vision to serve the print disabled community. The facilities set up in two cities of India reach out to the visually impaired students and support them with audio books, braille books and others. The students with visual impairment, verbal processing difficulty and dyslexia make use of these accessible facilities which are a boon in improving their learning aptitude. The library is run by a team who assist in the production and distribution of books, along with bringing in volunteers who contribute their time for recording and making audio books. Samarthanam's Digital Library is first of its kind facility set up and run in the country assisting the students with disabilities.

Highlights

- A registration drive organized at various locations helped in raising awareness and increasing the users of Digital Library services.
- An awareness program on the benefits and effective utilization of Sugamyapustakalya and audiobooks was organized for visually impaired beneficiaries at Samarthanam.
- 'Braille it up' was an activity organized for volunteers who have learnt to teach the reading and writing of Braille.
- A training activity for learning the Kibo device was organized for visually impaired students at a college in Jayanagar. Also, mobile library services were provided to the students from various schools and at public places in Bangalore.
- Audio books and braille books were given away to HEP students of Samarthanam.
- Government officials and corporate executives visit the recording lab at the Digital Library and contribute a byte of their recording. Prominent visits this year were the one by Honorable Governor of Karnataka, Shri Thawar Chand Gehlot and Honorable Justice, Shri B S Patil, Karnataka Lokayukta.
- For the next year, the mobile library services are undergoing an upgrade and it will be spread to more locations, mobilizing people, and improving the reach. Since the volunteer count is increasing with a high interest in recording books, the library team will make necessary arrangements to implement the same.

8200 Regular books

802 Braille books

4922 Audio books

02 Libraries (Bengaluru and Guntur)



OUR BENEFICIARIES

Surya

Samarthanam Primary School

“I want to become a police officer,” says a smiling and shy Surya who is currently pursuing his second grade at Samarthanam School.

Surya belongs to a family of five who moved to Bangalore from Tamil Nadu in search of better work opportunities. Surya’s father worked as a tailor in Tamil Nadu, but his income was not sufficient to cater to the needs of the family. Seeing that the financial difficulties were growing, he moved to Bangalore a few years ago and started driving an Autorickshaw. Despite the minimum income Surya’s father continued to support his kids education but as they moved to higher grades he was unable to pay the school fee for three kids any longer.

Surya and his two brothers were brought to Samarthanam Primary School where Surya was enrolled into second grade. He, initially, was a very timid boy who showed minimal interest in learning and was unable to communicate with his friends. “Surya was always very sleepy in the classroom and was not interested in any activities in the beginning, but he improved very quickly,” says Surya’s teacher. “Though his writing and learning were poor he improved them in a short span of time,” the teacher says.

Surya loves to be a part of school activities now. He improved his academics and wants to participate in sports, music, and drawing activities. “Samarthanam teachers and Surya’s friends have together helped him cope and we are happy at his progress,” says his parents.



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Surya’s parents



Indian cricketer, Yuvraj Singh, the Brand Ambassador of 3rd T20 World Cup

SPORTS

Blind cricket is not just a mere sport but it is a medium that promotes social, economic, emotional and educational progress among visually impaired cricket players. Cricket Association for the Blind in India (CABI) is the sports arm of Samarthanam, one of the major interventions of the organization, and the apex body governing cricket for blind in India. It is affiliated to World Blind Cricket Ltd (WBC).

CABI has taken the game of Blind Cricket onto the global stage and accomplishments received were remarkable. It has been organizing Blind Cricket tours and tournaments, training the blind cricket players, encouraging new talent, and raising awareness on blind cricket. Today, CABI is proud of the progress made, with 5 world championships, 20 Blind Cricket tournaments, hundreds of regional matches and coaching camps, inspiring numerous players on the way. Blind cricket for women which was initiated by CABI, and it successfully reached out to many aspiring visually impaired women cricketers. These women players have been creating a history for themselves since the beginning of the first National Tournament.

Blind Cricket aims to create livelihood opportunities, sustainable employment, quality education, gender equality, and promote empowerment of blind women. The multiple tours by the cricket team played across various countries help in building their leadership skills, socialization, skill training, and overall building a positive attitude.

Alongside, by involving corporate volunteers in friendly cricket matches and the World Cup Tournaments, CABI believes that the participation will provide an opportunity for the employees to socialize with the blind cricketers and promote inclusion of the players in the larger society.

CRICKET MATCHES

861 beneficiaries

BLIND CRICKET CONCLAVE

300 beneficiaries

BLIND CRICKET COACHING

130 beneficiaries

SKILLING AND CRICKET

1730 beneficiaries



1237

men cricketers



1784

women cricketers

3rd T20 World Cup Cricket for the Blind Tournament

Indian Blind Cricket team have created a history for themselves by winning every World Cup T20 Tournament organized by CABI. This year, the 3rd T20 World Cup Cricket for the Blind Tournament was organized to mark the World Disability Day celebrations universally. The mega World Cup Tournament which was played by teams from six countries including Australia, Bangladesh, Nepal, South Africa, Sri Lanka, and host India, was an exciting and energy filled experience.

Brand Ambassador for the 3rd T20 World Cup Cricket was the former Indian world-cup winning cricketer Yuvraj Singh, who offered his guidance, encouragement and greatly admired the conviction shown by the players.

The inaugural ceremony was held at Tau Devi Lal Stadium, in the presence of Sandeep Singh, Honorable Minister for Sports & Youth Affairs, Govt. of Haryana, Brand Ambassador of the 3rd T20 World Cup Cricket, Yuvraj Singh, Raymond Moxly, Secretary General, World Blind Cricket Ltd. (WBC), Sumed Marwaha, MD Unisys India, Asiya Khan, Head, IndusInd for Sports, Dr Harsh Vinayak, Head, Global Digital Asset Management, Global Innovation Headquarters- NTT Data Corporation, Dr. Mahantesh G K, President, CABI & Founder

Managing Trustee, Samarthanam Trust and other dignitaries.

Sandeep Singh, Hon. Minister for Sports & Youth Affairs, Govt. of Haryana, appreciated the efforts of CABI and said, “We, as a state are committed to support both abled and specially abled sports persons and we are in the process of developing a stadium specifically for the specially abled in Gurugram and Faridabad.”

Former India cricketer Yuvraj Singh said, “When CABI first approached me, the first thought that came to my mind was that even when I was half-awake during my active playing days, I would not dare to face a ball, then how do these cricketers do it. They are real-life heroes. I feel blessed and honored to be amongst them and as brand ambassador.”

Defending champions India faced the first-time finalists Bangladesh in the finals of the 3rd T20 World Cup played at the M. Chinnaswamy Stadium, Bengaluru. India beat Bangladesh by 120 runs and won their third consecutive title. Honorable Governor of Karnataka Thawar Chand Gehlot presented the winners and runners-up trophies.



5th Edition of the IndusInd Bank Nagesh Trophy National T20 Cricket Tournament for the Blind 2022-23

Launched in the year 2018, in honor of late SP Nagesh, Founder President of the Cricket Association for the Blind in India and Founder Trustee of Samarthanam, the Nagesh trophy is a national level blind cricket tournament bringing together aspiring and skilled visually impaired cricket players.

The 5th edition of Nagesh trophy was played across 7 different cities of India, Chandigarh, Belagavi, Pondicherry, Chennai, Ajmer, Jabalpur, and Hyderabad who hosted 69 matches. The tournament was played by teams from 28 states, union territories and a team from Indian Railways.

The blind cricket players from all the teams showed great energy on the field with the audience cheering and applause. Group matches followed by super 8 matches were played and the qualifying teams made it to the semifinals. Andhra, Karnataka, Gujarat and Odisha were in the semifinals, of which defending champions Andhra Pradesh and last edition's runners-up Karnataka made it into the finals. The final match had to be cancelled due to rain and Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka were declared joint winners of the National T20 Cricket for the Blind 2022 -23.



“The visually impaired women cricketers are diligent, hard working, focused and passionate about blind cricket. They are learning and accomplishing major targets with great precision in a short period.”

John David, Secretary of CABI

IndusInd Bank Women’s National T20 Cricket Tournament for the Blind 2023 - 3rd Edition

The 3rd edition of IndusInd Bank Women’s National T20 Cricket tournament, organized by Samarathanam Trust for the Disabled and Cricket Association for the Blind in India (CABI) has seen the participation of 224 players and 16 blind women’s cricket teams from 16 states of India. Harmanpreet Kaur, Indian Women’s cricket team captain supported the IndusInd Bank Women’s National T20 Cricket tournament as Brand Ambassador.

The inaugural ceremony was held with the unveiling of the trophy by Dr Nandan Kumar J.V, Private Secretary to Minister for Mines & Geology, Women & Child Development, Empowerment of Differently Aabled & Senior Citizens, Government of Karnataka and H.G Prabhakar, Private Secretary to Minister of Sericulture, Youth Empowerment & Sports, Government of Karnataka along with Dr G.K Mahantesh, President CABI, at Vividus Hotel in Bengaluru, Karnataka.

16 teams were divided into 4 groups and 27 matches were played across four venues in Bengaluru city. In the final match, Odisha was crowned as champions of the IndusInd Bank Women’s National T20 Cricket Tournament for the Blind 2023, beating defending champions Karnataka by 8 wickets.

Training and Cricket Coaching of Women Blind Cricket Teams

The program was organized to improve the opportunities for women cricketers in India and facilitate their cricket training. The Cricket Coaching camps for the Women’s Blind Cricket Teams were held in 6 states, and the objective of the camp was to train the State teams before the Women’s National T20 Tournament 2023. The camps were held in Andhra Pradesh, Delhi, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, and Telangana. The best players were selected and further trained to represent their state in the National Tournament. These residential coaching camps also run sessions on life skills, provided cricket kits, gear, shoes, uniform, and an expert coach to guide them all through.



National Coaching Camp for men blind cricket players

The blind cricket players have coaching camps organized by Samarthanam and Cricket Association for the Blind in India (CABI) which helped them improve their cricketing skills, learn techniques, focus on their nutrition, receive expert guidance, socialize and skill training in general. These camps also aid in selecting the players for the upcoming national and international tournaments.

This year, Indian Men's Blind Cricket team underwent two National Coaching Camps which were held to monitor and evaluate the players to finalize the squad for the 3rd T20 World Cup. The Selection Committee of the Cricket Association for the Blind in India led by John E David selected the top 56 players based on their performances in the last National Tournaments. These 56 players underwent coaching and the top 29 players proceeded to another rigorous Cricket Coaching and fitness assessment for 12 days in Bhopal.

The second Coaching Camp was held in Bangalore lead by John E David, General Secretary of CABI and Coach Asif Basha. The players received training from many former players and prepared for the World Cup. The camp helped CABI to monitor and evaluate the players' performance to select the final squad for the World Games.

Annual General Body Meeting

The 12th Annual General Body meeting of Cricket Association for the Blind in India was held in Bangalore with 48 delegates and CABI officials from 22 affiliated State Cricket Boards. The members at the meeting discussed some new initiatives for blind cricket, reviewed last year's activities, evaluated the progress chart for the next year, reviewed the financials, and set goals for the upcoming year.

John David, General Secretary of CABI hosted the meeting and Dr Mahantesh GK, President, Cricket Association for the Blind lead the gathering and spoke on the events organized by CABI to promote Blind Cricket in India. The 3rd T20 World Cup schedule was discussed, and he also spoke on the importance of experience and nurturing the budding talent in cricket. He appreciated the effort of committee heads towards coordinating events and thanked the supporters for making the events possible.



Empowering and transforming blind men through skilling and cricket

As part of the project, visually impaired men from various states of India were given an opportunity to strengthen their cricketing skills, and digital literacy as well. 320 visually impaired men were provided with 15 days of training in life skills, soft skills, and digital and financial literacy aiming at enhancing the skills, potential and confidence of the visually impaired youth. This improved their scope of being employable and adequate to be a part of the workforce in any suitable job sector.

International Blind Cricket Conclave

Blind Cricket Conclave is an annual meet organized by Cricket Association for the Blind in India (CABI) and Samarthanam Trust where a stage is set for cricket veterans, blind cricket players, industry experts and corporates to converse on the various focus areas of blind cricket.

The Blind Cricket Conclave 2022 was launched in Delhi at the hands of Dr Mahantesh G Kivadasannavar, Founder of Samarthanam and President of CABI, Vishnu Datt Sharma, Hon Member of Parliament and State President of BJP Madhya Pradesh, Ridhi Bhatia, Strategic Program Lead- CSR, Tammy de Wright, Political Counsellor, Australian High Commission, New Delhi, Raymond Moxly, Secretary General of WBC, George Abraham, Founder WBC, ACBI, Shaym Sharma, DDCA, Dr Ragavendra Sharma, State BJP Office In charge Madhya Pradesh and E John David, General Secretary of CABI.

This year's conclave included panel discussions on topics like Positive Journalism for Inclusive Sports- Do They Have the Space for You?, the Reach of Cricket for the Blind – have we evolved ourselves for a Revolution?, and Passion, Dignity, and Pride- Who are we?

The first panel was moderated by Geetha Shankar - National President Public Relations Council of India, and the Panelists were Vijay Lokapally Sports Journalist and Author, Dr Vimal Mohan,

Sports Editor NDTV India, Dr Mahantesh GK, Founder Samarthanam Trust, Siddarth Sharma – Founder & Managing Partner Foundations PR and Sonu Golkar - Cricketer - Indian Blind Cricket Team, who discussed on how the media can become more inclusive towards specially abled sports, the team and individual performances.

The second discussion was moderated by Raymond Moxly - Secretary General – of WBC, along with George Abraham - Founder of WBC, ACBI, Ridhi Bhatia -Strategic Program Lead - CSR, Dr Mahantesh GK, Founder Managing Trustee - Samarthanam Trust, President - Cricket Association for the Blind in India, E John David Director, Global Development WBC General Secretary CABI, Pawan Ghimire - Director Finance- WBC, and Bhawani Persad - First Vice President WBC who spoke on the further steps for improvement.

The third panel was a one-on-one discussion initiated by D Ranganathan, a mentor and Thought Leader with the Blind Cricketers and officials.

The conclave presented a clear picture of the blind cricket scenario today, its increasing reach, the significance of media in providing the right exposure, and the areas that need focus in strengthening the reach.



Going further

- Cricket for the Blind has grown remarkably over the last two decades reaching out to thousands of young aspiring disabled cricketers. The initiative has been quite exceptional and outreaching with multiple programs made for the progress of the disabled cricket community. The impact number is proportionately higher than last year with new projects helping in promoting Blind Cricket and building an inclusive society through sports.
- In the year 2023, Indian Men's and Women's Cricket teams will be participating in the World Blind Games 2023 which will be organized in Birmingham in the month of August.
- Samarthanam and CABI will be working together on bringing out the women cricketers and grooming their skills for the upcoming tournaments.
- The corporate cricket matches will continue to raise awareness on cricket for the blind.





30,000

BLIND CRICKETERS

30

INDIAN STATES/UT AFFILIATION

20

BLIND CRICKET TOURNAMENTS

5

WORLD CUP CHAMPIONSHIPS

BLIND CRICKET SO FAR

2012

First T20 World Cup Cricket Championship

2014

India-Australia Series

Fourth ODI World Cup Championship

2015

India-England Series

2016

T-20 Asia Cup Blind Cricket

2017

Second T20 World Cup Cricket Championship

2018

Fifth ODI World Cup Championship

India vs Sri Lanka Bilateral Series

India-England-Sri Lanka Bilateral & Triangular Series

2019

First Nagesh Trophy National Cricket Tournament

Bilateral Series at Jamaica

India-Nepal Series

First Womens National Cricket Tournament

2020

Second Nagesh Trophy National Cricket Tournament

2021

Third Nagesh Trophy National Cricket Tournament

Fourth Nagesh Trophy National Cricket Tournament

IndusInd Bank Bilateral Cricket Series for the Blind

2022

Women's National T20 Cricket Tournament for the Blind

Triangular Blind Cricket Series UAE

2023

Third T20 World Cup Cricket for the Blind

IndusInd Bank Nagesh Trophy National Cricket Tournament

Fifth National T20 Cricket Tournament for the Blind

IndusInd Bank Women's National T20 Cricket Tournament



ENVIRONMENT

Samarthanam Parisara is the green team who work on various environmental causes, raising awareness and promoting recycling across the country. It is the dry and e-waste management system collecting, segregating, and recycling various forms of waste in the city of Bengaluru, Karnataka. Parisara collects dry waste from various companies, corporate, industries, educational institutions, apartments, and recycles the same. Since environmental conservation is an everyone responsibility, Parisara goes to every door to educate public on source waste segregation, involves volunteers in city beautifying activities, organizes street plays and various other awareness programs. Parisara being an efficient waste management model the program largely contributes to reducing the burden on the landfills.

WASTE RECYCLED

1359242 kgs

BBMP WARDS COVERED

5

HOUSEHOLDS COVERED

51000+

SAPLINGS PLANTED

2210

CORPORATE REACHED

50+

POURAKARMIKAS TOUCHED

875+



PARISARA INITIATIVES

BEAUTIFICATION OF THE CITIES

Spreading awareness among the public regarding waste management and restoring the littered regions. Protecting the environment from soil, water, and air pollutants and hazardous chemicals.

5 regions
in Bengaluru covered



PLANTATION PROJECT

Planting of saplings program to increase greenery and protect the environment, which was implemented with the help of volunteers and corporates.

2210 saplings
planted



SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

Providing solutions on proper waste management at source level and sensitizing the waste handlers on its management. Improving the recycling rate and reducing the load on landfills.



1386 tonnes of
waste collected



1359 tonnes of
waste recycled

SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT

A sewage water treating system helping in treating wastewater and contributing towards environment protection. It processes 8000 litres of water per day.



2920000 liters of
water treated in
one year

SUCHITA

A food waste converter which helps in converting food waste to organic manure.



25480 Kgs of food
waste composted

REWARE

Bringing a change in the community towards source waste management and improving the livelihood of waste handlers.

50595 houses propagated

6486 awareness activities

16 street plays

14 blackspots beautified



Going further

- Parisara team is aiming to increase the recycling of waste to 2000 tonnes and plant 20,000 saplings across the country.
- Creating awareness on waste management at source level is crucial and Parisara will be targeting more than 200000 households for the coming year.
- Educating the communities and organizations on proper waste management system will be implemented and reaching out to more MNCs, educational institutions and apartments is on the agenda.
- Beautifying the waste ridden areas in the cities will be a priority and at least ten major landfilled garbage areas will be targeted for a makeover.

OUR SUPPORTERS SAY

Nimmi Sebastian

Head Corporate Brand & CSR
Tesco Bengaluru

In 2021, the Tesco Group purpose was revised after an extensive process. 'Serving our customers, communities and planet a little better every day' is a reflection of our commitment to a sustainable future. Over the last year, we've evolved our community strategy to sharpen our focus on the causes we know really matter to our customers and colleagues.

Waste management has been at the forefront, not just in Bengaluru but in the world at large. TESCO's project 'REWARE', in association with Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled, aims to bring about a behavioural change in citizens by sensitizing them towards segregation of waste at source, to enable better recycling, and to reduce the quantum of waste that end up in landfills. REWARE focuses on 5 wards in Bengaluru comprising of 75,000 households with over 3,00,000 individuals. The project is in collaboration with BBMP to train waste workers and rag pickers to improve the waste collection system, covering all segments such as households, schools, hospitals and commercial establishments. I am delighted with the collaboration we have built with Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled as we aim to focus on our core purpose in the communities we serve.



“‘REWARE’, in association with Samarthanam, aims to bring about a behavioural change in citizens by sensitizing them towards segregation of waste at source...”

ARTS AND CULTURE

The artists with disabilities at Samarthanam are an exceptional group who have mastered the grace and elegance of Indian classical arts. Sunadha artists deliver performances across the globe in classical music, classical and folk dance, and musical instruments with increasing recognition each year. These artists portray finesse and poise in their performances and the rendition always ends in a standing ovation from the audience.

Sunadha is empaneled with Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) which is a part of Ministry of External Affairs (MoEA), Government of India. Sunadha receives support from the Department of Kannada and Culture, Government of Karnataka for its activities.

ARTISTS SUPPORTED

175

PERFORMANCES DELIVERED

110+

This year;

- Sunadha diversified into new dance forms like fusion Yakshagana, theme-oriented dance and shows elucidating Indian mythological sagas, instrumental renditions, and vocal percussions like beatboxing.
- The Art and Culture Centre at Bengaluru provided dance and music training for the higher education beneficiaries of Samarthanam.
- The artists at Sunadha are diligent and passionate about their work and they received great support from Samarthanam in their pursuit.
- Sunadha continued to raise awareness on their program and encouraged young budding artists with suitable training workshops.





Performances to remember

- The World Women's Day event was organized by the team of HAL Ladies Association and Sunadha marked the day with a beautiful performance.
- A performance by Sunadha in an event at the disabled friendly park, Lalbagh received appreciation from the Hon Governor of Karnataka.
- A performance at Samarthanam's Annual Blind Cricket conclave and Donors meet celebrations was organized.
- The COVID Warriors Award Program, a government organized program at Bengaluru, included the Sunadha show.
- Prominent regional festival celebrations like Srirangapatna Yuva Dasara and the celebrations at Mysore, every year, invite Sunadha for their classical dance rendering.
- 'Sing for Glaucoma' was an event at Orion mall hosted by Narayana Nethralaya and Sunadha performance was a part of the show.

Going further

- The Sunadha team received appreciation on each stage by various audience. Be it events organized by corporate, government, festivals, temples, stage shows, inaugurations or musical fests, the performances by Sunadha add elegance to these events.
- The Yakshagana fusion dance form, created by Sunadha, got special recognition from a newspaper in Delhi.
- Sunadha artists are working on developing a dance/drama concept which would be talking about women empowerment, safety and social security of women, environmental issues and other prominent topics.

OUR BENEFICIARIES

Shoaib Aalam

Skilling Centre- Delhi

“Though I completed graduation I was clueless on how to approach for a job,” says Shoaib Aalam who was a trainee at the Samarthanam Delhi Centre.

Shoaib is a 23-year-old individual with big plans for his future. He wanted to support his family and be a provider for them since both his parents were into low-income jobs. After completing graduation in Political science from Delhi University, Shoaib wanted to begin working in the corporate. But because of his disability Shoaib was unable to gather the confidence to apply for interviews. “I always knew that I needed to improve my skills, but I was not sure on how to proceed?” says Shoaib.

Shoaib learned about the training and placement assistance provided by Samarthanam Skilling Centres and approached the Delhi Unit. He enrolled into the training program and focused on improving his English proficiency, knowledge in various computer applications, BPO operations and so on. The various interactions with volunteers and mock interviews helped him get ready to face the job world.

After completing the training, it did not take much time for him to get an offer letter from a big corporate as Process Executive. “I am happy and thankful to Samarthanam for helping me improve my skills and knowledge. I am employed and independent individual now and all thanks to the Skilling team at Samarthanam,” says a jubilant Shoaib.



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Shoaib

SAMARTHANAM

Swadhara Gruha

A home for women in distress

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Women beneficiaries at Swadhara Gruh

REHABILITATION

Samarthanam Swadhara is home for many women who need support towards establishing an independent livelihood and seek emotional support. As we talk about women empowerment, Samarthanam goes an extra mile in contributing to the welfare of women who approach Swadhara looking forward to rebuilding their lives.

The women at Swadhara receive shelter, vocational training, guidance counseling, and their children are provided with education, nutrition, medical and other requirements. Swadhara assists in the rehabilitation of the women who have gone through trauma and distress. These women also explore the various job and training opportunities based on their aptitude, interest, and skillset. Healthcare, motivational sessions, skill training, mental health and recovery sessions are offered.

Swadhara receives support from Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India. The project is currently helping women between the age of 18 years and 45 years coming from various regions of Karnataka.

Highlights of the year

- Swadhara introduced dance therapy, English language learning, exposure visits to places of interest, games, and tourist trips were organized.
- The beneficiaries at the home received expert counselling which helped them reconcile with their families. By pointing in the right direction, motivating, and supporting their abilities, many women at Swadhara have begun their economically independent journey.
- Further, Swadhara will focus on the learning needs of the children, training activities and strengthening the program's reach.

WOMEN SUPPORTED

91



Working Womens and Students Hostel

To support the women who are pursuing their higher education, and working in various organizations, Samarthanam has set up a hostel in the city of Bengaluru. Working women with disabilities, economically poor women and those preparing for competitive exams in the city are provided with a safe residential facility along with food, tuition, healthcare, assistive aids, electronics, scholarships, travel needs and other requirements.

- Since the pandemic many working women had to work remotely and at the hostel, the necessary arrangements were made for the residents with an uninterrupted working set-up.
- Many students who are preparing for exams received support with their learning practice, giving tests according to their schedule and scribes for the visually impaired, if required.

- Apart from their routine, the hostel residents were encouraged to take part in art, music, sports, fitness, and other activities of choice.
- All festivals were celebrated, and the women took part in all major events organized by Samarthanam like Blind Cricket matches, silver jubilee celebrations, annual sports day.
- Volunteers from Samarthanam organized sessions on mental health, gardening, yoga, meditation, soft skills, personality development and self-defense.

WOMEN RESIDENTS

50



OUR SUPPORTERS SAY

Oracle

Oracle offers integrated suites of applications plus secure, autonomous infrastructure in the Oracle Cloud.

Oracle invests in nonprofit and social impact organizations whose work is critical to solving the challenges facing society today—and tomorrow. For more than eight years, Oracle has donated millions of dollars annually to support nonprofit and nongovernmental organizations working to advance education, protect the environment, and strengthen communities in India. Our grant making in India primarily supports underserved populations through education and community projects, including digital literacy and remedial classes, life skills and vocational training, employment assistance, healthcare services, and water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) initiatives.

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A sumptuous meal for students at Samarthanam

HEALTH AND NUTRITION

Samarathanam schools take care of the education and other learning needs of children along with facilitating them with assistive devices, healthcare, and medical support. On the health and nutrition front, the students at Samarathanam and other government schools in the city receive a nutritious balanced diet every day as part of the initiative Vidyaprasad, the midday meal program.

Vidyaprasad is run by an expert team who cook meals and deliver across the city everyday. The meals, prepared in a centralized facility, comprises of mechanized steam-heated boilers, built to cook the best and nutrient-rich food liked by the children. The kitchen undergoes an upgrade every year in the process of upscaling.

This year;

- Vidyaprasad increased its reach this year by serving meals to 200 more children, improving their nutritional status.
- By reaching out to more schools, the midday meal program not only lowered the malnutrition rate among students but also encouraged the habit of sharing common food at the same table. This practice is also helping the students to ignore the social barriers of disability and class.
- This year, the food menu additionally included eggs, bananas and a sweet treat given to students based on their choice.
- Volunteers often join hands to contribute to the cooking process as part of the 'cook a meal' activity and serve the kids.
- Vidyaprasad team took care of serving food to the participants at Samarathanam events like blind cricket tournaments, annual walkathon, anniversary celebrations and so on.

Going further

Vidyaprasad implements the very important duty of feeding thousands of children each day and the program received great appreciation from the government officials. Further, the team is working on maintaining the quality of food, increasing the number of schools served, and improving the school attendance among children.





OPERATIONS

HUMAN RESOURCES

Samarthanam, being an organization working for the welfare of the disabled communities, the workspace has always been a thinking pot for diverse, inclusive, and progressive ideas. The organization encourages knowledge building opportunities, workshops, celebrations, healthcare, team building activities and outdoor visits as an indispensable part. With a bit of everything, Samarthanam has created a work friendly atmosphere and the Human Resources department plays the instrumental role in keeping the organization culture strong.

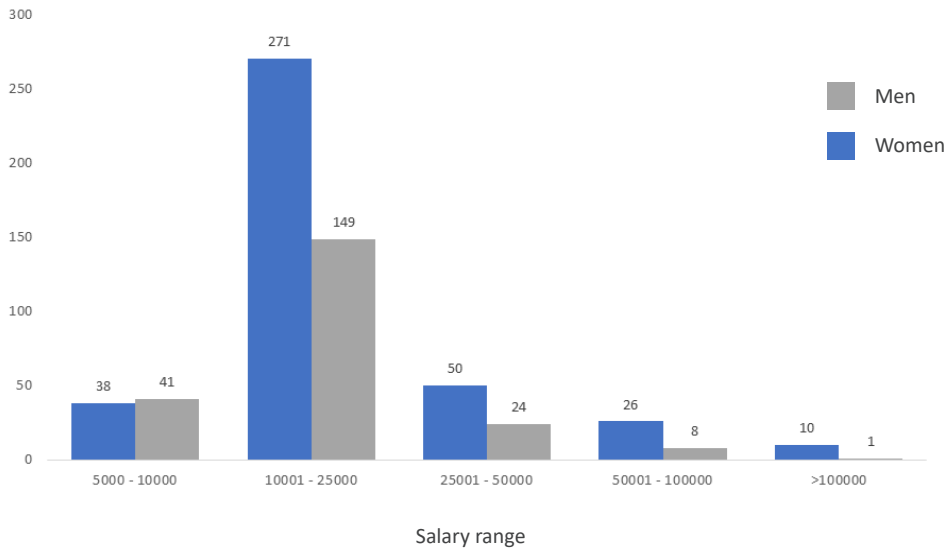
The organization has centres pan India, running hundreds of projects and more in the making, with employees working at various levels and keeping the services steady all through the year. The HR department ensured an ideal working environment for all the diverse divisions by taking care of talent management, compliance, recruitment, culture building, payroll, policies, and volunteer management. Employee appreciation and recognition were delivered to the deserving teams, motivating larger groups.

A blind cricket tournament, called SPL Tournament, was organized by the HR team for the Samarthanam staff that brought together cricket enthusiasts from all offices to have a fun game. The Silver Jubilee, Annual Day, Sports Day, regional festivals, and many other important days were grandly celebrated. Since most of the projects and initiatives by Samarthanam were large scale, they have received help from the HR team relating to the logistics, implementation, and processing. Multi-city job fairs, Walkathon, World Cup cricket, Nagesh trophy, COVID campaign were a few. A child protection and anti harassment committee was formed and an orientation was presented to the employees. Workshops on self-defense, yoga and meditation, health and fitness were fun, interactive, and informative.

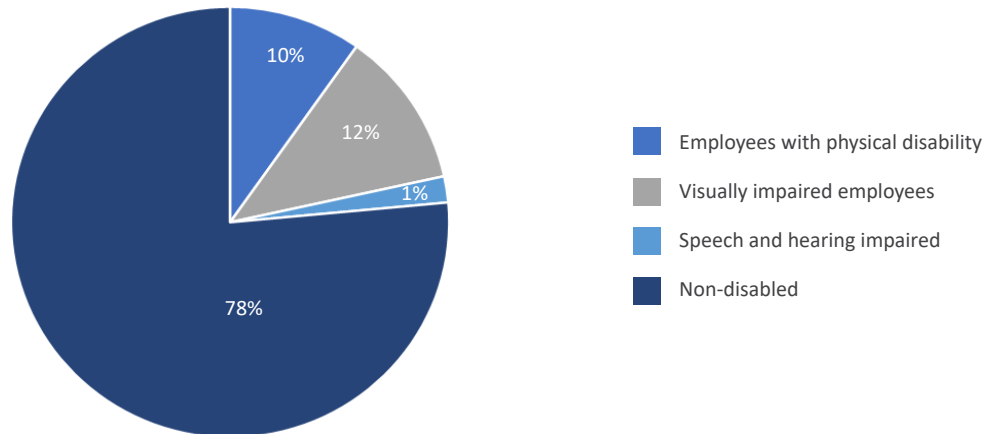
On the tech side, 'People Works' tool was introduced for an organized staff database management.



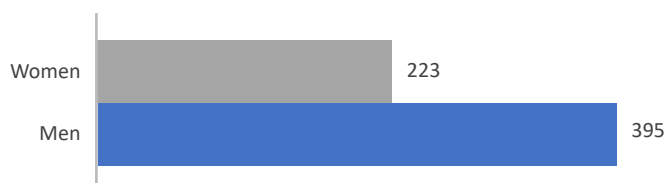
CATEGORIZATION OF STAFF BASED ON SALARY



CATEGORIZATION OF STAFF BASED ON DISABILITY



CATEGORIZATION OF STAFF BASED ON GENDER



COMMUNICATIONS

Samarthanam's beneficiaries' success stories talk a lot about the change, progress and empowerment under the support of the organization. Our beneficiaries have a lot to say to the disabled communities and inspire the millions out there. Their hardships, the odds that they overcome, and their achievements are a true motivation. With an effective media and communications team in place Samarthanam shared success stories, messages, updates to the audience in an effective way. A perfect communication and portrayal of Samarthanam's initiatives also brought in more followers, supporters, and volunteers, increasing the reach and impact. The media and communications team, this year, has worked on bettering the publications with a clearer picture of the work done, reached out to the followers on social media platforms, recorded the recitals of the Sunadha artists, and engaged supporters in social campaigns and funding initiatives.

The extensive events this year including the T20 blind cricket tournament, walkathon, cricket conclave, silver jubilee celebrations and overseas events, were

duly supported by the media and communications team with branding, digital marketing, PR, advertising, and broadcast. Campaigns were designed to promote the cause, raise funds, and connect with the audience. Apart from special events, the team worked on everyday social media promotions, presentations, media reports, print media and website management. Using a wide range of digital tools to articulate Samarthanam cause and to make it reach the right audience was accomplished with a notable increase in follower count on all the social media platforms.

Samarthanam is indebted to its donors for their benevolence and as part of a complete communication, the team sent out thank you notes and success stories of beneficiaries to the donors to let them know that their contribution was rightfully utilized.



INFRASTRUCTURE

As Samarthanam is working on advocating accessibility among organizations, in creating spaces which are barrier-free and user-friendly for all, the NGO believes that this accessible infrastructure will make the utilization of education facilities, jobs, commute, and other services easy, in turn improving opportunities for the disabled. Samarthanam's offices and facilities are built to be completely barrier-free with elevators, ramps, corridors, floors, designed to accommodate everyone. The new constructions at Samarthanam, Accessible Art Centre, facilities at Dharwad, Kodikonda, and Dodaballapur, are underway. Along with the new buildings, the team at Samarthanam worked on the upkeep of all the facilities including the skilling centres, hostels, schools, offices, across the 13 cities.

Highlights

- The Accessible Art Centre which is under making at Bengaluru is a five storied building for the cultural activities of Samarthanam. The basement, ground floor and first floor's roof slab were cast, and

the work is picking speed. With about 40% of the construction done, the Centre will be operational by 2024.

- The facility at Dharwad, which is going to be a Skilling Centre and hostel, is being built on a 4000 Sq feet area and about 70% of the construction work is completed.
- The Doddaballapur project is ongoing and the plan to accommodate various activities like sports, agriculture and others is on the go.
- Under the Kodikonda project, a new animal shed was constructed, and the girls dormitory floor plan is being done too.
- The Beautification Project at 4 locations in Bangalore was completed.
- Samarthanam's plans for expansion with new accessible centres at more locations are proceeding as the team is exploring and surveying suitable sites.



ACCOUNTS

The vital responsibility of revenues, expenses, budgeting, records, taxes, and other financials is led by the accounting team. Primarily for an organization with offices all over the country, numerous projects running simultaneously, and large teams working, the process of accounting followed a set of rules and measures which helped in staying accountable to the sponsors. The team worked on making the best use of the resources for a financially healthy organization and met the goals for the year. A detailed report is presented in the financials section of this report.

FUNDRAISING

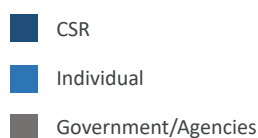
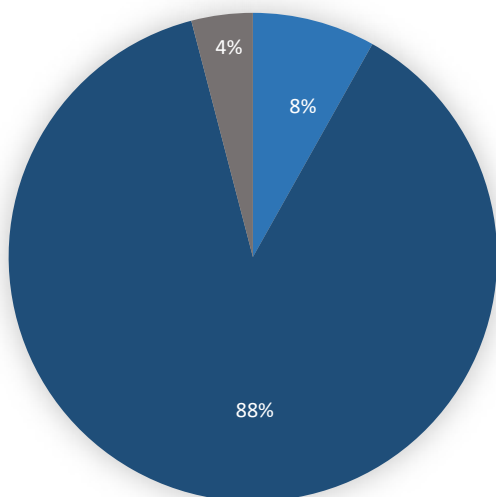
Samarthanam's journey as an NGO is majorly shaped by the Fundraising division which plays a vital role in bringing in revenue to support the programs, raises awareness on the cause, promotes a sense of unity in the society, strengthens relationships, motivates and efforts towards a common goal. The fundraising team at Samarthanam makes the organization stronger and successful in accomplishing its mission for the disabled communities. Being a pan India Non-Profit Organization with initiatives covering education, technology, skilling, environment, arts, sports, community welfare and more, the target community is large and widespread. Fundraising has been the backbone of the organization, essentially fueling these hundreds of projects, with the support of stakeholders.

Though the supporters are dedicated they would not know how to contribute if the mission statement is not convincing. This crucial responsibility of effective communication was undertaken by the fundraising team excellently, increasing the NGO's

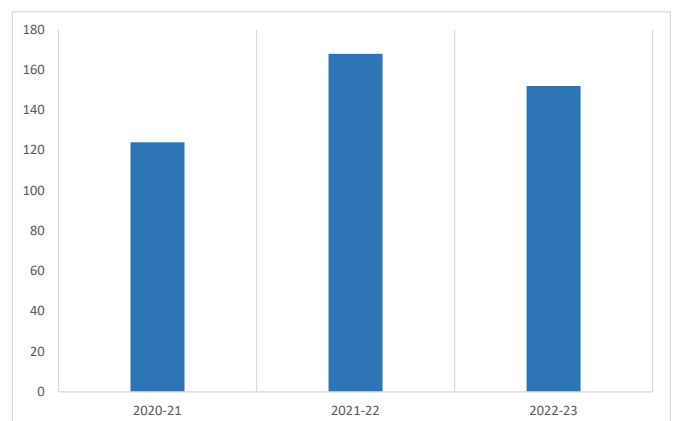
reach, impact, and services. With an organized and connected team who work diligently and act as the glue holding all the interventions together, the focus was laid on well-defined goals across multiple projects.

This year, Samarthanam increased the number of skilling centres, Smart Classrooms, Tinker Labs, Science Centers, for better education opportunities. The men's World Cup Blind Cricket Tournament, women's blind cricket, coaching camps, national level cricket matches, are a few events which involved large audiences and big promotions. The plethora of programs run by Samarthanam received a large share of funding from corporate CSR. Samarthanam developed quality relationships with sponsors and partners, who believed in the common goal. The team is grateful to the entire supporter base including corporate, government, individuals, and organizations who have contributed their time and money creating a positive impact.

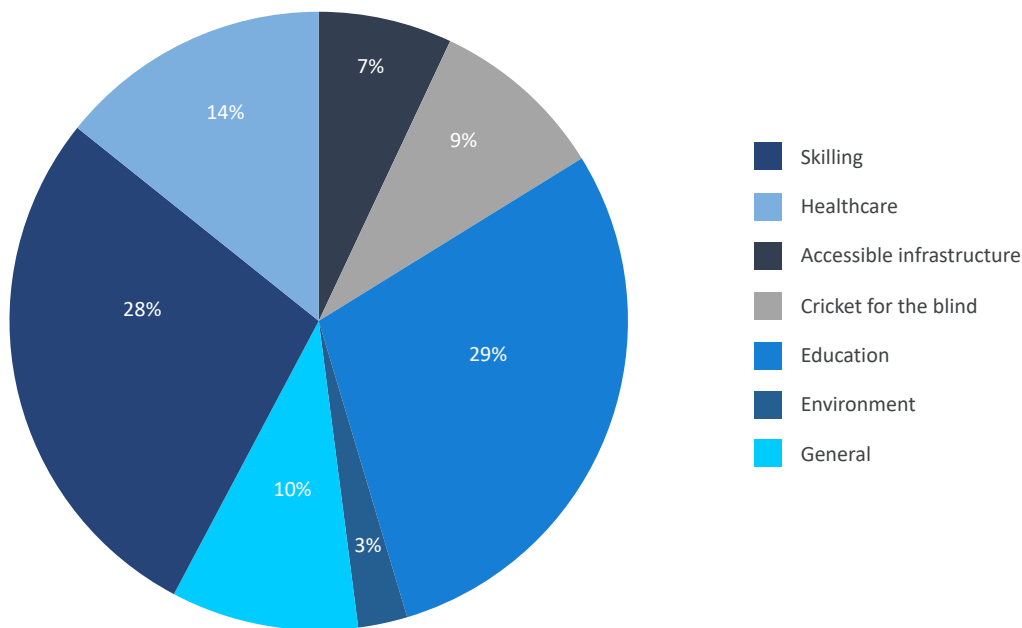
REVENUE SOURCES



CORPORATE SUPPORTERS - IN 3 YEARS



CSR SPLIT - PROJECT WISE



INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Samarthanam schools, skilling centres, digital libraries, audio books, web applications, projects like digitalization, smart labs, science centres and in-house operations across all the facilities of the organization largely lean on state-of-the-art technology requirements. These are facilitated by the IT team of Samarthanam who are instrumental in the uninterrupted running of the programs, virtual and in-person. The beneficiaries greatly benefited from the technological applications, and tools which are introduced to them along with their regular requirements. Events, launches, inaugurations, press meets were handled by the team along with the everyday IT needs of the employees. Accessible technology is of primary importance and the team, along with other units in the organization, worked on incorporating accessibility in most of the applications implemented at Samarthanam.

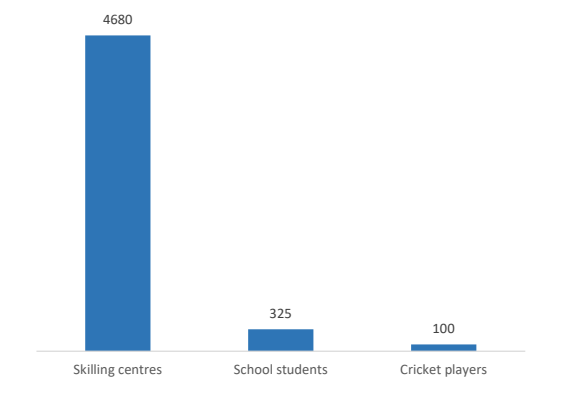
TRANSPORTATION

The schools, mid-day meal program, ID school tours, Kodikonda project involving the education and therapy needs of the disabled, and the various campaigns organized by Samarthanam, require the transportation facility regularly. Samarthanam fleet of vehicles are accessible, enabling easy transportation for persons with disabilities, primarily the school children. The midday meals were efficiently transported to the city schools in customized vehicles, hygienically. Since the launch of the Inclusive Education and Therapy project at Kodikonda, a few vehicles were dedicated and customized to serve the children alone. The department, along with facilitating transportation services for the everyday needs, also serves cricket teams, campaigns, Sunadha artists, volunteers and other travel needs.

VOLUNTEERING

Samarthanam's volunteering vertical is one of the largest and most energetic sections with volunteers coming in from various corporate organizations, educational institutions and contributed their time and expertise. Being an NGO with many diverse initiatives involving a lot of learning, the inputs received by the volunteers were valuable and greatly helpful in amplifying the outcome. Samarthanam's mission of creating a positive change in society received great support via the activities carried out by the volunteers. Since most of the volunteers came from corporate businesses, interactions with these professionals helped the beneficiaries understand the corporate culture and etiquette along with learning from the workshops organized by them. The sessions on personality development, interview skills, computers applications, operations were a few which were regularly set up.

- This year, Cook-A-Meal activity, tree plantation activity, blood donation camp, Braille-it up activity, Audiobook recording and skill activity for LRC were held.
- Volunteering individuals and corporate volunteers make a profound impact on the beneficiaries through their time, skills, resources, and guidance.
- The volunteers in return learn about the beneficiaries, understand their abilities, foster inclusion, and contribute to creating a society that values diversity and provides equal opportunities for all.
- The sessions have helped in skill development, empowerment, awareness, social integration, and alliances.



VOLUNTEERING IMPACT NUMBERS

VOLUNTEERS INVOLVED

7793

CORPORATES INVOLVED

74

VOLUNTEERING ACTIVITIES

202

VOLUNTEERING HOURS

27721

INTERNS

121



CORPORATE INVOLVED IN VOLUNTEERING

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- Consilio
- DaMensch
- Dell
- Delta technology
- DHL/ Sattva
- DNA
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- E&Y
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- First Source
- Fiserv
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- SK University
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- TransUnion
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- Volvo
- ZS Associates India PVT Ltd
- Welingkar Institute

OUR VOLUNTEERS SAY

Sai Shruthi Guwala

MBA, JAGDISH SHETH SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT

I had the honour of working with students with intellectual disabilities as well as speech and hearing impairments under the skilled leadership of the Education Vertical. It has been a tremendously fulfilling experience that has helped me learn and develop.

As an intern in the education vertical, specializing in 'Speech and Hearing Impairment,' I acquired knowledge of sign language (Hands) and gained an understanding of how individuals in this community interpret communication through facial expressions, body gestures, and hand signs.

These observations led me to recognize that individuals with disabilities have the capacity to enhance the efficiency and speed of their remaining senses as a means of compensation.

The commitment to empowering individuals with disabilities is genuinely motivating, and I consider myself fortunate to have gained knowledge and inspiration from them.

I would like to sincerely thank Samarthanam Trust for granting me this invaluable opportunity. The organization's dedication to inclusivity and empowerment is praiseworthy, and I feel privileged to have contributed to their mission.

I am deeply appreciative of the chance to have a positive influence on the lives of people with disabilities, and I am eager to carry on along this path in the future.



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- Acuity Knowledge Centre (India) Private Limited
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- DXC Technology India Private Limited
- EIT Services India Private Limited
- ESI Software India Private Limited
- ExxonMobil company India Private Limited
- Fine Organic Industries Limited
- FIS Solutions India Private Limited
- Future Generali India Insurance Company Limited
- General Insurance Corporation of India
- Give Foundation (Thermo Fisher)
- Give India Foundation
- GKN Aerospace Engine Systems India Private Limited
- Hinduja Global Solutions Limited
- Hudson's Bay Services Private Limited
- IFFCO Tokio General Insurance Company Limited
- India Shelter Finance Corp Limited
- Indian Institute of Foreign Trade
- IndusInd Bank Limited
- Intel Technology India Private Limited
- International Association for Human Values/Blue Yonder
- Intertrustviteos Corporate and Fund Services Private Limited
- Iron Mountain Services Private Limited
- ITC WoW
- J C Penney Services India Private Limited
- Kintetsu World Express India Private Limited
- Kluber Lubrication India Private Limited
- Komatsu India Private Limited
- L & T Technology Services Limited
- L & T Thales Technology Services Private Limited
- Lake Chemicals Private Limited
- LIC Housing Finance Limited
- Lubrizol India Private Limited
- Maharashtra Enviro Power Limited
- MAN Energy Solutions India Private Limited
- Mandiant Cybersecurity Private Limited
- Manhattan Associates (India) Development Centre Private Limited
- Marketboats Consulting Private Limited
- Marlabs Innovations Private Limited
- Mediatek Bangalore Private Limited
- Menzies Aviation Bobba (Bangalore) Private Limited
- Micro Focus Software Solutions India Private Limited
- MIQ Digital India Private Limited
- Momentive Performance Materials (India) Private Limited
- Morgan Stanley Advantage Services Private Limited
- NetApp India Private Limited
- Nike India Private Limited
- NTT DATA Global Delivery Services Private Limited
- NTT Data Information Processing Services Private Limited
- Nutanix Technologies India Private Limited



- Nuviasemi India Private Limited
- O9 Solutions Management India Private Limited
- Online Giving Foundation
- Oracle Financial Services Software (OFSS)
- Osram Lighting Private Limited
- Otis Elevator Company (India) Limited
- Otis Global Services Centre Private
- Pfizer Healthcare India Private Limited
- QS Quacquarelli Symonds India Private Limited
- Qualcomm India Private Limited
- RBS Services India Private Limited
- RMSI Private Limited
- Rzpx Private Limited
- Sandisk India Device Design Centre Private Limited / Western Digital
- Savynt India Private Limited
- Signify Innovations India Limited
- SLK Software Private Limited
- Smarsh India Private Limited
- Standard Chartered Bank
- State Street Corporate Services Mumbai Private Limited
- Tesco Bengaluru Private Limited
- Thoughtspot India Private Limited
- TPI Advisory Services India Private Limited
- Transparent Value Private Limited
- Tredence Analytics Solutions Private Limited
- Uflex Limited
- UK Online Giving Foundation (Adobe,Google,World Bank Group,Microsoft,Salesforce,PayPal,BlackRock,Apple)

- Unisys India Private Limited
- United Way Bangalore
- United Way Mumbai (Coca Cola)
- United Way Mumbai (Future Generali)
- United Way Mumbai (Saint Gobain)
- United Way of Chennai
- United Way of Hyderabad
- United Way of Mumbai (Disney Star India)
- United Way of Mumbai (ICICI)
- United Way of Mumbai (Moon Frog)
- United Way of Mumbai (TIAA)
- UST Global Welfare Foundation
- XL Health Corporation India Private Limited

GOVERNMENT SUPPORTERS

- Chief General Manager (Ele) Corporate Affairs
- Director Department of Empowerment of Differently abled & Senior Citizens Govt of Karnataka
- Director General Sports Authority of Karnataka
- Department of Kannada & Cultural
- Women & Child Development Govt of Karnataka
- Zilla Panchayat Bangalore Urban District Bangalore

OUR SUPPORTERS SAY

Manisha Khosla Sinha

Head Corporate Social Responsibility, Brand and Communications
BNP Paribas India

Samarthanam is one of our key philanthropic partners in India, and we are committed to supporting their vision of empowering persons with disabilities.

BNP Paribas is committed to building inclusive communities and the various initiatives of Samarthanam align with our CSR approach seamlessly.

We look forward to working closely with Samarthanam through our philanthropic grants as well as volunteering efforts in the future.



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FINANCIALS

RECEIPTS

Financial Year	2022-2023		2021-2022	
Particulars	Amount (Rs in lakhs)	Percentage	Amount (Rs in lakhs)	Percentage
Opening Balance	1,735.35	15.42	1,280.57	13.00
Earned/Self generated income	111.10	0.99	101.94	1.03
Donations from Indian Sources (General)	1,220.73	10.85	917.58	9.32
C.S.R & Specific Donations	5,413.24	48.11	5,445.77	55.28
Government Grants	344.07	3.06	264.62	2.69
Corpus fund	7.02	0.06	6.04	0.06
Donations from International Sources	1,663.28	14.78	1,122.87	11.40
Loans/payables	301.94	2.68	80.61	0.82
Deposits & Advances	446.36	3.97	621.49	6.31
Other Receipts	7.90	0.07	8.97	0.09
TOTAL	11,250.99	100.00	9850.46	100.00

Audited Consolidated Financial Statements for the Year ended 31st March 2023

PAYMENTS

Financial Year	2022-2023		2021-2022	
Particulars	Amount (Rs in lakhs)	Percentage	Amount (Rs in lakhs)	Percentage
Capital items/assets	2,407.26	21.40	649.50	6.59
Programme Staff Salaries, benefits, Consultants Fee	1,539.88	13.69	1,184.18	12.02
Programme	5,696.48	50.63	5,596.47	56.81
Staff Travel	70.54	0.63	52.08	0.53
Office Support/Admin	469.61	4.17	433.95	4.41
Others	0.33	0.00	16.64	0.17
Deposits & Advances	153.63	1.37	87.69	0.89
Loans/Payables	205.29	1.82	94.61	0.96
Closing Cash and Bank Balance	707.97	6.29	1,735.34	17.62
TOTAL	11,250.99	100.00	9850.46	100.00

INCOME

Financial Year	2022-2023		2021-2022	
Particulars	Amount (Rs in lakhs)	Percentage	Amount (Rs in lakhs)	Percentage
Earned/Sell generated income	111.67	1.19	104.43	1.07
Donations from Indian Sources (General)	1,220.80	12.98	946.89	9.73
C.S.R & Specific Donations	5,461.94	58.05	6,943.70	71.33
Government Grants	344.07	3.66	264.62	2.72
Donations from International Sources	1,663.28	17.68	1,474.32	15.15
Other Income	7.94	0.08	-	-
General fund account	598.84	6.36	-	-
TOTAL	9,408.54	100.00	9733.96	100.00

EXPENDITURE

Financial Year	2022-2023		2021-2022	
Particulars	Amount (Rs in lakhs)	Percentage	Amount (Rs in lakhs)	Percentage
Programme Staff Salaries, benefits, Consultants Fees.	1,539.88	16.37	1,184.18	12.17
Programme	5,696.48	60.55	5,596.47	57.49
Staff Travel	70.54	0.75	52.08	0.54
Office Support/Admin	469.61	4.99	439.23	4.51
Others	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditure	7,776.51	82.65	7,271.96	74.71
Depreciation	222.71	2.37	194.06	1.99
Excess of Income over expenditure	1,409.31	14.98	2,267.94	23.30
TOTAL	9,408.53	100.00	9,733.96	100.00

ASSETS

Financial Year	2022-2023		2021-2022	
Particulars	Amount (Rs in lakhs)	Percentage	Amount (Rs in lakhs)	Percentage
Fixed Assets	5430.48	81.38	3245.93	56.01
Deposits & Advances	376.34	5.64	653.27	11.27
Receivables	158.36	2.37	160.41	2.77
Cash and Bank Balances	707.97	10.61	1735.34	29.95
TOTAL	6673.15	100.00	5794.95	100.00

LIABILITIES

Financial Year	2022-2023		2021-2022	
Particulars	Amount (Rs in lakhs)	Percentage	Amount (Rs in lakhs)	Percentage
Capital Fund (unrestricted fund)	3,984.32	59.71	2,315.20	39.95
Corpus and endowment fund(s)	44.68	0.67	37.66	0.65
Building Fund	576.31	8.64	576.31	9.95
Advance Grants		-	48.35	0.83
Payables	621.39	9.31	512.35	8.84
Reserve Fund	37.14	0.56	37.13	0.64
Excess of Income over expenditure	1,409.31	21.12	2,267.95	39.14
TOTAL	6,673.15	100.00	5,794.95	100.00



TOWARDS A BRIGHTER FUTURE

Goals for the next year

- Vision 2030 – To reach 1 million People with Disabilities by the year 2030.
- The education team at Samarthanam will be focusing on expand-ing the learning facilities across the country technology as the primary focus area, Tinker labs, Smart classes, Mini Science Centres and Digital education will be provided to students across more schools in India.
- Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths will be largely encouraged among school children.
- Samarthanam will advocate for inclusive workspaces, job opportunities for people with disabilities and accessibility in every sector.
- New Skilling Centres will be launched in three more cities and will continue to organize mobilization camps.
- Job fairs will be run in every city regularly, which are going to help the people with disabilities find employment suitable for their skills.
- Digital Libraries are aiming to expand to other cities and with the help of volunteers, the book recording is going to pick speed.
- The men and women blind cricket teams are working hard as they would be participating in the World Blind Games 2023 in Birmingham
- Women blind cricket players are beginning to gain reputation and encouraging their cricketing skills, more tournaments will be orga-nized in the coming year and more players will be involved in the matches.
- As Parisara continues to work on their environment projects, the team is aiming to increase the numbers significantly including its reach, waste segregation rate, black spots beautification, recycling and public awareness.
- The artists at Sunadha are conceptualizing various fusion dance forms and will be presenting the same, going further.
- The Accessible Art Centre is going to be a home to nurture young artists and their endeavors.
- Samarthanam's launch in Canada and Singapore.
- Swadhara will offer vocational courses to more women in need, support them, and help them transition into successful independent people.
- Mid-Day Meal Program will be aiming for reduced malnutrition among children and will provide meals to children from more schools.
- Samarthanam is collaborating with an African NGO to improve the lives of specially abled people and is discussing partnerships with Afghanistan and Iran to promote blind cricket.



OUR BENEFICIARIES

Varsha U

Blind Cricket Player

At just 23 years of age, Varsha U has already made a mark as a prominent figure in Indian Blind Cricket. Born on January 2, 2000, in Chitradurga, Karnataka, Varsha is a graduate with a degree in BA History and Political Science. Her journey as a B1 category sportsperson, born with Retinitis Pigmentosa, is an inspiring tale of determination and achievement.

Varsha's tryst with cricket began when she observed her school seniors playing blind cricket. Her enthusiasm for the sport was evident, and she quickly rose through the ranks. She is an all-rounder, holding a remarkable record of runs not only at the district level but also in the State and National levels of Women's Blind Cricket.

One of her standout achievements is being the only player in India within the B1 Category to score 38 runs in the first-ever national tournament held in Delhi, conducted by CABI. Varsha's sports prowess extends beyond cricket. She is an accomplished marathon runner and a dedicated member of the inaugural Indian Blind Women's Cricket Team.

Varsha has represented India in the Women's National T20 Cricket Tournament for the Blind in 2019, 2022, and 2023, where she clinched Player of the Series titles and Player of the Match awards multiple times. She has also been part of the Women's Bilateral T20 Cricket Series for the Blind in Nepal.

Her journey to success has been a challenging one, marked by selection trials, training sessions, and international matches. Despite facing formidable opponents, Varsha remains determined to shine on a global stage. Her sights are set on the World Blind Games in Birmingham in August 2023, where she hopes to make India proud.

Varsha's achievements are a testament to her talent and unwavering dedication. Her family, friends, and teammates have been her pillars of support, encouraging her to pursue her dreams in both education and cricket. Her goal of becoming an established sportsperson continues to receive unwavering support.

Under Varsha's leadership, the Indian Women's Blind Cricket Team achieved a remarkable feat by winning the IBSA World Games. Her exceptional leadership and her team's remarkable skills brought home the championship title. Her contributions to Indian sports have not gone unnoticed, earning her recognition and honors from both state and central government authorities. Varsha's journey embodies the power of sports to inspire and unite a nation, making her a true success story and a role model for aspiring athletes.



"She has always liked to play blind cricket and wanted to run in marathons. This enthusiasm led her to participating in various sports events."

Varsha's parents

WALL OF FAME



'Sri Pabbaraju Venkateshwara
Rao Rajyalakshmi Memorial
Humane Service Award'
2022



'Sevaa Dharmik Award 2022'
from Latha Raja Foundation,
Hyderabad
2022



GC Surana Transformation
Leadership Award
2022



Honorary Doctorate from
Kuvempu University,
Karnataka
2022

- Best Organization Award for Training and Placement under DDU-GKY Program 2021
- Mahantesh GK conferred an Honorary Doctorate by the Brampton International University 2021
- Rotary Karnataka CSR Award - CSR Implementation Excellence in Skill Development and Livelihoods 2020
- Sri Sathya Sai Award for "Human Excellence in the category of 'SPORTS' 2019
- Indian Blind Cricket team nominated for the "Team of the Year" Award by Times of India Sports Award 2020
- Mahantesh GK, finalist for "Namma Bengaluru Award 2019" under the Best Citizen of the Year category 2019
- Open-Republic TV Award 2019 under the Special Jury Mention- Category 2019
- NAB Sarojini Trilok Nath Award 2019
- CNBC TV18 India Business Leader Award 2018
- CavinKare Ability Award for Eminence 2018
- National Award for Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities received from Shri Ram Nath Kovind, Hon President of India 2017
- NASSCOM Social Innovation award for use of technology in skilling for persons with disability 2016
- Spirit of Humanity Award for excellence in the field of eyecare by AmeriCares India 2015
- National Award for Child Welfare in the institution category received from Dr. Pranab Mukherjee, Hon President of India 2014
- PMI Award for Successful Project Management of World Cup for the Blind 2013
- Winner of 15th NCPEDP- Shell Helen Keller Award 2013
- Nominee for "Indian of the Year - Public Service" by CNN-IBN 2012
- Vajrakumara Award for excellence in the field of providing a better lifestyle for PwD 2011
- NDTV Spirit of Sports Award for lifetime achievement 2012
- National Award for Child Welfare by Ministry of Women & Child Development received from Smt. Pratibha Patil, Hon President of India in 2010
- Aryabhata International Award in recognition of the excellent contribution and services in the field of Visually Impaired 2009
- State Award in recognition of services rendered for persons with disability, 2007 and 2009

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T20 World Cup for the Blind: India beat Bangladesh to claim third successive title

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NEW DELHI: Brilliant centuries by skipper Ajay Kumar Reddy and Sunil Ramesh helped India beat Bangladesh by 120 runs in the final and win their third successive T20 World Cup for the Blind title at the M Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru on Saturday.

The title victory was truly deserving for hosts India as they remained unbeaten throughout the tournament. Sunil was declared Man of the Match in the final and also received the Man of the Series in the B3 category.

Ajay was adjudged Man of the Series in the B2 category while Bangladesh's

CAMPUS CANVAS

Kuvempu University Confers Honorary Doctorate on Dr. Mahantesh GK

On its 32nd convocation, Kuvempu University chose Dr. Mahantesh G. Kivadasannavar, Founder Managing Trustee, Samarathanam Trust for the Disabled for his contributions in the field of sports. Dr Mahantesh, a social change agent, disability leader and role model for the last 25 years has positively impacted the lives of thousands of persons with disabilities through his service and achievements.

A lover of sport in general and cricket in particular, he started Cricket Association for the Blind in India, to empower the visually impaired community by understanding their inherent skill and taking the much popular game of cricket to every individual player with visual impairment. The Cricket Association for the Blind in India (CABI) organizes and conducts cricket for the blind across India and is affiliated to World Blind Cricket Ltd (WBC) which governs cricket for the blind in India and abroad.

Accepting the honorary degree from Governor Thawar Chand Gehlot, who is chancellor of the university, Dr Mahantesh said, "It is a privilege to be awarded the honorary doctorate by Kuvempu University. It's a big honour for a Kannadiga like me. I am a great fan of Kuppali Venkatappa Puttappa - Kuvempu - the poet who redefined Kannada literature and who was a champion for social equality."

Kuvempu University, a public state university in Shankaraghatta, Bhadravathi taluk, Shivamogga, was established in 1987 and has a distinctive academic profile, of blending commitment to rural ethos with modern spirit.



Chennai Collector launches Samarathanam's Smart Class rooms at Govt HSS, Saidapet

Chennai, Mar 16: In order to promote Digital literacy in Government School, Samarathanam's Smart Class room with the support from DXC Technology, a Tech-enabled CSR initiative has donated smart class rooms to Government School in Tamil Nadu.

Chennai District Collector Dr. J. Vijaya Rani inaugurated the smart class rooms at Government Model Higher Secondary School Anna Salai, Saidapet. Angelyn Jayaseelan, DXC India CSR Lead, S. Mars Chief Educational Officer, Chennai District K. Rose Nirmala Chief Educational Officer Chengalpattu District, Shri P. Ravichandran, DEO, Chennai District, R. Bharathidasan Educational Officer Greater Chennai Corporation K. Shanmugasundaram Head Master Govt. Model HSS, Saidapet, Smt. Vasanti Savanur Trustee Samarathanam Trust, Ms. Amudha Michael (DXC Programme Manager), Head Masters and Head Mistresses of various Government Schools were present at the event.

This Project supported by DXC Technology, aims to disseminate knowledge in general academics and computers by giving access to digital equipment for learning, by training Teachers in capacity building, collecting and storing of digital academic books for reference and bring an overall change in Social, intellectual and voluntary activities as per NEP 2020

Indian NGO Raises Post-Covid Impact On Persons With Disabilities In UN

'Social distancing isolated them and they emotionally felt loneliness. There was no interaction from the outside community with them,' said Samarathanam Trust Chair

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Geneva: In an oral intervention in the general debate on persons with disabilities at the 52nd Session of the Human Rights Council, Samarathanam Trust for the disabled raised awareness about the impact of post-Covid on persons with disabilities.

'It was a kind of imprisonment for them without any interactions. Some persons with disabilities particularly women and girls with disabilities were abused (physically, sexually, mentally, emotionally) and subjected to exploitation and violence all over the world' said Dr Mahantesh G Kivadasannavar, Chairman and Founder Managing Trustee of Samarathanam.

The first and second waves of COVID19 had adversely affected globally to persons with disabilities. Thousands of persons with disabilities lost their lives due to infection of COVID19, starvation, and hunger, without medication and treatment, rehabilitation services and got secondary complications without therapeutic interventions.




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They organised a side event during the ongoing 52nd Session of the UN Human Rights Council with a theme titled 'Impact of Covid-19 on Disabled in India' in Geneva on Wednesday.

Dr Mahantesh G Kivadasannavar, Chairman of Samarathanam International told ANI, "The main reason for coming to UN and participating in HR Council is to talk about what Samarathanam is doing and what the Government of India is doing for persons with disability".



Dr Mahantesh G Kivadasannavar, Chairman of Samarathanam International

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'How the rights of Persons with Disability is protected and also learn how other countries are doing and also tell the UN to add more provisions, increase the budget allocation and also raise the needs of the persons with disabilities because people with disability are most marginalised in all the development agenda, disability is the last. So, how can we bring it up so that people with disability will get the best of the facilities', he said.

'ಅಸಿಸ್ಟಿವ್ ಟೆಕ್ನಾಲಜಿ ಎಲ್ಲರಿಗೂ ತಲುಪಲಿ'

ಪ್ರಜಾವಾಣಿ ವಾರ್ತೆ

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು: 'ನಗರದಲ್ಲಿ ಎಲ್ಲ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆಗಳನ್ನು ಅಂಗವಿಕಲರಾದ ಸೇವಕರಿಗೆ ತಲುಪಿಸುವ ಸಮಗ್ರ ಯೋಜನೆಯನ್ನು ಅನುಷ್ಠಾನಗೊಳಿಸಲಾಗುತ್ತಿದೆ' ಎಂದು ಐಟಿ-ಬಿಟಿ ಅಲಾಬ್ ಸಚಿವ ಡಾ. ಸಿ.ಎಸ್. ಅಶ್ವತ್ಥನಾರಾಯಣ ಹೇಳಿದರು.

ಸಮರ್ಥನಂ ಹಾಗೂ ಡಿಎಸ್ಐ ಟೆಕ್ನಾಲಜಿ ವತಿಯಿಂದ ಆಯೋಜಿಸಿದ್ದ 'ಸಾಮಾಜಿಕ ತಂತ್ರಜ್ಞಾನಗಳ (ಅಸಿಸ್ಟಿವ್ ಟೆಕ್ನಾಲಜಿ) ಕುರಿತು ಬಾನ್ಸಾ ಸಮಾವೇಶವನ್ನು ಗುರುವಾರ ಉದ್ಘಾಟಿಸಿ ಅವರು ಮಾತನಾಡಿದರು. ನಗರದ ಯಾವುದೇ ಭಾಗಕ್ಕೆ ಅಂಗವಿಕಲರು ತಲುಪಲು ಸುಗಮ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆಯನ್ನು ಕಲ್ಪಿಸಲಾಗುತ್ತಿದೆ. ಈ ನಿಟ್ಟಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಎಲ್ಲರೂ ಒಂದೇ ರೀತಿಯ ಬದ್ಧತೆಯಿಂದ ಒಟ್ಟಾಗಿ ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡಬೇಕು. ಅಂಗವಿಕಲರು ಎಲ್ಲ



'ಸಾಮಾಜಿಕ ತಂತ್ರಜ್ಞಾನಗಳ' ಕುರಿತು ಬಾನ್ಸಾ ಸಮಾವೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಸಚಿವ ಡಾ. ಸಿ.ಎಸ್. ಅಶ್ವತ್ಥನಾರಾಯಣ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಸಮರ್ಥನಂ ಸಂಸ್ಥಾವಿನ ಡಾ.ಮಹಾಂತೇಶ್ ಜಿ. ಶಿವಮನ್ಯಪ್ಪರ ಸ್ವಾಗತ ನೀಡಿದರು. ಎನ್‌ಎಲ್‌ಎಸ್ ಕುಮಾರಿ, ನೀಲೇಶ್ ದೇಶಪಾಂಡೆ ಇದ್ದರು. ರೀತಿಯ ಸಾಮರ್ಥ್ಯದಿಂದ ಜನನ ನಡವಳಿಯಾಗಬೇಕು ಎಂದು. ಸಿಎಂಎಚ್‌ಎಚ್‌ಸಿ. ಈ ನಿಟ್ಟಿನಲ್ಲಿ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ತಂತ್ರಜ್ಞಾನದ ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಎಲ್ಲ ರೀತಿಯ ಸರ್ಕಾರ ಪರಿಹಾರಗಳನ್ನು ಒದಗಿಸುವಲ್ಲಿ ಮುಂದೇನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ದೇಶ ಹಾಗೂ ವಿಶ್ವಕ್ಕೆ ಪರಿಹಾರಗಳನ್ನು ನೀಡುತ್ತದೆ.

ಸಿಎಸ್ ಸರಿಪಡಿಸುವುದನ್ನು ಎಲ್ಲರಿಗೂ ತಲುಪಿಸಲು ಆಗದಿದ್ದರೆ ಸಂಪರ್ಕ ಸೇವಕರ ಬೇಕಿದೆ. ಸಾಕಷ್ಟು ಪ್ರಯತ್ನಗಳಾಗಿದ್ದರೂ, ಅದು ಸಾಕಾಗಲಿಲ್ಲ. ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಬಡ್ಡಿಗೆ ಬೇಕು. ಕೆಲವೇ ಜನರನ್ನು ತಲುಪಿಸದ ಸಾಧನವಾಗಿದೆ. ಅಂಗವಿಕಲರು ಎಲ್ಲ ಪರಿಹಾರ ಯೋಜನೆ ಬೇಕಾದರೂ ಬರಬಹುದು. ಹೀಗಾಗಿ ಸಮಾವೇಶ ಎಲ್ಲ ದಿನಗಳೂ ಪರಿಹಾರಗಳು ತಲುಪಬೇಕು. ಪ್ರಯತ್ನ ಬೀರ್ಣಕಾಲಿಕವಾಗಬೇಕು' ಎಂದರು.

ಅಲಾಬ್ ನೌಕರರು, ವೈದ್ಯರು, ವಿಶೇಷ ಬೇಕಿನ ಕಾಲೇಜು ಶಿಕ್ಷಕರು, ಎಸಿ ಸ್ಟಾಫ್ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು, ಹೂಡಿಕೆದಾರರು, ಸರ್ಕಾರಿ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳು, ಉದ್ಯೋಗದಾತರು ಸೇರಿದಂತೆ 300ಕ್ಕೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಜನರು ಭಾಗವಹಿಸಿದ್ದರು. ಸಹಾಯಕ ತಂತ್ರಜ್ಞಾನಕ್ಕೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದ ವಸ್ತುಪ್ರದರ್ಶನ ಆಯೋಜಿಸಲಾಗುತ್ತಿತ್ತು. ಡಿಎಸ್ಐ ಟೆಕ್ನಾಲಜಿ ಮುಖ್ಯಸ್ಥ ಲೋಕೇಶ್ವರ ಸೇಠಿ, ಡಿಎಸ್ಐ ಟೆಕ್ನಾಲಜಿಯ ಮಾನವ ಸಂಪನ್ಮೂಲ ವಿಭಾಗದ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕ ನೀಲೇಶ್ ದೇಶಪಾಂಡೆ, ಅಂಗವಿಕಲ ಮತ್ತು ಹಿರಿಮೆ ಸಾಹಿರಕರ ಸುಬೀಶ್‌ಕರ ಅಲಾಬ್ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರಾದ ಎಸ್.ಲತಾ ಕುಮಾರಿ, ಮೈಟ್ರೋಸಾಫ್ಟ್ ಇಂಡಿಯಾದ ಹಿರಿಮೆ ಪ್ರಧಾನ ಸಂಶೋಧಕ ಡಾ.ಮನೋಹರ ಸ್ವಾಮಿನಾಥನ್, ಕಂಪ್ಯೂಟರ್ ಎಂಜಿನಿಯರಾದ ಡಾ.ಕೆ.ಶ್ರೀಕಾಂತ್ ಹಾಗೂ ಎಎಸ್‌ಐಐಎಲ್ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥಾಪಕ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕ ವೆಂಕಟರಮಣ ಉಪಸ್ಥಿತರಿದ್ದರು.

Samarthanam walkathon sees good turnout

BENGALURU, DHNS
Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled held its annual walkathon on Saturday and over 10,000 people showed up as a mark of support for the cause. The Kanteerava stadium was overflowing with students from several colleges and institutions, corporates, and volunteers from different NGOs. The Samarthanam charity, which was started in 1997, holds a walkathon with a specific theme and the theme this year was "A walk to promote blind cricket." The walk was to show support for the Indian blind cricket team and to raise awareness of the upcoming T20 world cup for the blind, which will begin on December 5 in India. The Indian team, which has won the championship twice, will vie for the top honours with six other teams, this year. Yuvraj Singh, former India batsman, is the brand ambassador for the tournament. Dr Mahantesh G K, founder of Samarthanam Trust, said that the



Over 10,000 people take part in Samarthanam walkathon, organised to promote the T20 World Cup for Blind, at Sree Kanteerava Stadium in Bengaluru on Friday. DH PHOTO/PUSHKAR V

society cannot exist without inclusivity and bringing people with disabilities into the society's fold must be encouraged. "Our goal is to ensure inclusivity, launch a global rehabilitation programme for the millions of people who are visually impaired, and help them overcome obstacles by improving their confidence," he said. The brand ambassador for the 16th walkathon was Kantara-fame actor Saphthami Gowda. Bangalore Central MP P C Mohan, IAS officer KS Latha Kumari and IPS officer Kala Krishnaswamy among others were present.

Conclave on assistive devices for disabled

BENGALURU, DHNS: Persons with disabilities, entrepreneurs and government officers came together at the Awareness Conclave on Assistive Technology 2023 to discuss ways to make assistive devices accessible in rural areas, making them affordable, and investing more in developing them. Speaking on the occasion, Science and Technology Minister Dr C N Ashwath Narayan said the government will support initiatives that use technology to develop assistive devices for people with disabilities.

A WALK TO SUPPORT BLIND CRICKETERS

NOBLE CAUSE: To support and empower blind cricketers across the globe and initiate public engagement into meaningful action, NGO Samarthanam on Saturday organised a walkathon at Kanteerava Stadium. The theme was "Let's walk to support blind cricket". The event aims to promote the upcoming third T-20 World Cup for the blind scheduled from December 5 to 17 in India.



Social Impact Day celebrated

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SOCIAL Impact Day reminds us to look around our society and bring in intentional, positive changes in people and the environment to make the world a better place for everyone to live. 09 solutions to create a substantial social impact, celebrated "09 Social Impact Day" recently with Samarthanam Trust for the Dis-

abled as its implementing partner. Two hundred volunteers participating in the activity cleaned Lalbagh, the Botanical Garden. The Vice President of 09 solution, Narasimha Kamath was present with many of his colleagues, who participated actively. The Facility Manager, Akulappa, Maintenance Manager, Chetan and Marimallahaiah, Treasurer of Lalbagh, were also present. 09 donated 25 roller dustbins and 130 coconut brooms,

Speaking to the media, Kamath said, "Social impact is a deliberate attempt to effect positive change. We can make a difference if we take it as our responsibility." Dr Mahantesh, Founder Managing Trustee of Samarthanam Trust, says, "Social impact actions lead to change soon, even if the effort feels small at first. Samarthanam joins organizations to make a difference in the world and creates meaningful solutions."

ಅಂಧ ಮಹಿಳೆಯರ ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್ 9ರಿಂದ

ಪ್ರಜಾವಾಣಿ ವಾರ್ತೆ
ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು: ಭಾರತ ಅಂಧರ ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ ಮತ್ತು ಸಮರ್ಥನಂ ಟ್ರಸ್ಟ್ ಜಾರ್ಜ್ ದಿ ಡಿಸೇಬಲ್ಸ್ ಸೆಂಟರ್‌ನೊಂದಿಗೆ ಇದೇ 9ರಿಂದ 13ರವರೆಗೆ ಇಂಡಿಯನ್ ಬ್ಲೈಂಡ್ ಮಹಿಳಾ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಟಿ20 ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್ ಟೂರ್ನಿ ಆಯೋಜಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಟೂರ್ನಿಯ ಲೀಗ್ ಮತ್ತು ನಾಟ್ಸ್ ಮಾದರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆಯಲಿದೆ. 16 ರಾಜ್ಯಗಳ ತಂಡಗಳು ಸ್ಪರ್ಧಿಸಲಿವೆ. ಬರ್ಮಿಂಗ್ ಹ್ಯಾಮ್ ನ 2023ರ ವಿಶ್ವ ಅಂಧರ ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಭಾಗವಹಿಸುವ ತಂಡವನ್ನೂ ಈ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಆಯ್ಕೆ ಮಾಡಲಾಗುವುದು. ಶುಕ್ರವಾರ ನಡೆದ ಪತ್ರಿಕಾಗೋಷ್ಠಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಈ ಕುರಿತು ಮಾಹಿತಿ ನೀಡಿದ ಸಮರ್ಥನಂ ಟ್ರಸ್ಟ್ ಸಂಸ್ಥಾವಿನ ಜಿ.ಕೆ. ಮಹಾಂತೇಶ್, 'ಭಾರತದ ವಿಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಅಂಧರ ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್ ಇವತ್ತು ವಿಶ್ವಮಟ್ಟಕ್ಕೆ ಬೆಳೆದಿದೆ. ನಮ್ಮ ದೇಶದ ತಂಡವೂ ವಿಶ್ವ ಚಾಂಪಿಯನ್ ಆಗಿರುವುದು ಹೆಮ್ಮೆಯ ವಿಷಯ. ಇದೀಗ ಮಹಿಳಾ ತಂಡವೂ ಅಮೋಘ ಸಾಧನೆ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದೆ. ಇದರಿಂದಾಗಿ ಈ ವಿಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿಯೂ ಉತ್ತಮ ಬೆಳವಣಿಗೆ ಇದೆ. ಎಲ್ಲ ರಾಜ್ಯಗಳ ಪ್ರತಿನಿಧಿಗಳ ಉತ್ತೇಜನಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ಅಂಧ ಮಹಿಳೆಯರ ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್ ಟೂರ್ನಿ ಆಯೋಜಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ನಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆಯಲಿದೆ ಎಂದು ತಿಳಿಸಿದರು. ಈ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ತಂಡದ ನಾಯಕಿ ವರ್ಷಾ ಹಾಗೂ ಅಲ್‌ಠೌಂಡ್ ಕಾವ್ಯಾ ತಮ್ಮ ಅನುಭವ ಹಂಚಿಕೊಂಡರು. ಟೂರ್ನಿಯ ಉದ್ಘಾಟನೆಯ ಗಾಂಧಿನಗರದಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಜನವರಿ 8 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 6:30 ಕ್ಕೆ ವಿವಿಡಸ್ ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್ ಅಕಾಡೆಮಿಯಲ್ಲಿ 24 ಲೀಗ್ ಪಂದ್ಯಗಳು ನಡೆಯಲಿವೆ. ಸೆಮಿಫೈನಲ್ ಮತ್ತು ಫೈನಲ್ ಪಂದ್ಯಗಳು ಕ್ರಮವಾಗಿ ಜನವರಿ 12 ಮತ್ತು 13 ರಂದು ಅಲಿಯೋರ್ ಸ್ಪೋರ್ಟ್ಸ್ ಗ್ರೇಸ್ ಜಾರ್ಜ್ ನಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆಯಲಿವೆ ಎಂದು ತಿಳಿಸಿದರು.



ಲೇನಾಟ್ ಅಂಧ ಮಹಿಳಾ ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್ ತಂಡದ ಅಲ್‌ಠೌಂಡ್ ಕಾವ್ಯಾ (ಎಡ), ನಾಯಕಿ ವರ್ಷಾ ಅವರೊಂದಿಗೆ ಸಮರ್ಥನಂ ಟ್ರಸ್ಟ್ ಸಂಸ್ಥಾವಿನ ಕಾರ್ಯನಿರ್ವಾಹಕ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕ ಜಿ.ಕೆ. ಮಹಾಂತೇಶ್ ಇದ್ದಾರೆ -ವಜ್ರವಾಣಿ ಚಿತ್ರ ಹೋದ ವರ್ಷ ನಮ್ಮ ರಾಜ್ಯ ತಂಡವು ಚಾಂಪಿಯನ್ ಆಗಿತ್ತು' ಎಂದರು. ಬೆಂಗಳೂರಿನ ನಾಲ್ಕು ಮೈದಾನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಪಂದ್ಯಗಳು ನಡೆಯಲಿವೆ. ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ಅಲಿಯೋರ್ ಸ್ಪೋರ್ಟ್ಸ್ ಗ್ರೇಸ್ ಜಾರ್ಜ್, ಸಚಿನ್ ತೆಂಡೂಲ್ಕರ್ ಟ್ರಸ್ಟ್ ಗ್ರೇಸ್, ರಾಮನಗರ, ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್ ಬಜೆಟ್ ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್ ಅಕಾಡೆಮಿಯಲ್ಲಿ 24 ಲೀಗ್ ಪಂದ್ಯಗಳು ನಡೆಯಲಿವೆ. ಸೆಮಿಫೈನಲ್ ಮತ್ತು ಫೈನಲ್ ಪಂದ್ಯಗಳು ಕ್ರಮವಾಗಿ ಜನವರಿ 12 ಮತ್ತು 13 ರಂದು ಅಲಿಯೋರ್ ಸ್ಪೋರ್ಟ್ಸ್ ಗ್ರೇಸ್ ಜಾರ್ಜ್ ನಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆಯಲಿವೆ ಎಂದು ತಿಳಿಸಿದರು. ಈ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ತಂಡದ ನಾಯಕಿ ವರ್ಷಾ ಹಾಗೂ ಅಲ್‌ಠೌಂಡ್ ಕಾವ್ಯಾ ತಮ್ಮ ಅನುಭವ ಹಂಚಿಕೊಂಡರು. ಟೂರ್ನಿಯ ಉದ್ಘಾಟನೆಯ ಗಾಂಧಿನಗರದಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಜನವರಿ 8 ರಂದು ಸಂಜೆ 6:30 ಕ್ಕೆ ವಿವಿಡಸ್ ಕ್ರಿಕೆಟ್ ಅಕಾಡೆಮಿಯಲ್ಲಿ 24 ಲೀಗ್ ಪಂದ್ಯಗಳು ನಡೆಯಲಿವೆ. ಸೆಮಿಫೈನಲ್ ಮತ್ತು ಫೈನಲ್ ಪಂದ್ಯಗಳು ಕ್ರಮವಾಗಿ ಜನವರಿ 12 ಮತ್ತು 13 ರಂದು ಅಲಿಯೋರ್ ಸ್ಪೋರ್ಟ್ಸ್ ಗ್ರೇಸ್ ಜಾರ್ಜ್ ನಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆಯಲಿವೆ ಎಂದು ತಿಳಿಸಿದರು.

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2,334

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1,766

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40,877

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GLOSSARY

Accessible / Accessibility

Accessibility is the design of products, devices, services, or environments for people with disabilities

ASHA

Accredited Social Health Activist

Assistive Technology

Technology used to assist a person with disability

Barrier-free

Design for people with disabilities, involving the provision of alternative means of access to various facilities

BBMP

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike

CABI

Cricket Association for the Blind in India (CABI), the apex body governing cricket for the blind across India

COVID19

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is an infectious disease caused by a newly discovered coronavirus.

CRISIL

Credit Rating Information Services Of India Limited

CSR

Corporate Social Responsibility, a mandate by the Indian Government to corporates to spend a part of their income on social initiatives

DDU-GKY

Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana, an Indian Government youth employment scheme

Digital Library

An online database of digital objects including text, still images, audio, video, or other digital media formats

Dry Ration Kit

A kit containing groceries made to be distributed to the poor families affected by COVID

Early Intervention

Early intervention is a support and educational system for very young children with developmental delays or disabilities

ICCR

Indian Council for Cultural Relations

ID School

Intellectually Disabled School, a school for students with intellectual disabilities by Samarthanam

ITC

India Tobacco Company Limited

KPSC

Karnataka Public Service Commission

LRC/Skilling Programme

Livelihood Resource Centre, a training centre by Samarthanam for the youth with disabilities to improve their skillset and broaden employment opportunities

MoEA

Ministry of External Affairs

MOU

Memorandum of understanding

PwD

Person with Disability/Persons with Disabilities

Parisara

A dry waste management programme by Samarthanam providing sustainable waste management services

PKs

Pourakarmikas, a person who cleans the city premises

PPE

Personal Protective Equipment designed to protect against the viruses/bacteria

Special Olympics Bharat

It is an officially recognised programme of Special Olympics International which operates in India

Suchitha

A food waste to organic waste converter set-up at Samarthanam premises

Sunadha

A group of artists with disabilities at Samarthanam, who excel in Indian classical and folk dance forms

Swadhara

A home by Samarthanam for women in distress and their children who are supported to reconcile

SWMP

Sewage Waste Management Programme is an environmental initiative by Samarthanam to promote source segregation in the city

STP

Sewage Treatment Plant set-up at Samarthanam

Vidyaprasad

A mid-day meal programme by Samarthanam where healthy nutritious food is served to students from Government schools in and around Bangalore

WoW

Well-being out of Waste, a recycling programme which ensures proper segregation and recycling of waste

WBC

World Blind Cricket Ltd

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CA: 39, 15th Cross, 16th Main, Sector 4, HSR Layout, Bengaluru - 560102

National Office

B-89, Amar Colony, Lajpat Nagar IV near Ragunath Temple, New Delhi - 110024

Mumbai Division

Plot No. 210, Atomika CHS LTD, Sector-17 Nerul, Navi Mumbai - 400 706

Pune Division

Shri Prashanti Nilayam, BAIF Road (Sambhaji Nagar), Opp Mart Inn, Wagholi, Pune - 412207

Chennai Division

No. 39, Anna Street, State Bank of India Colony Chitlapakkam, Tambaram, Chennai - 600064

Guntur Division

#125-2-60, Rupa Enclave, Road opposite Hosanna Ministries, Beside St Anns degree college, Gorantla Guntur - 522034

Kodikonda Division

Kodikonda Check Post, Opp HP Petrol Bunk (NH-44), Chilamathur (Mandal), Sri Sathya Sai (District) - 515 601

Hyderabad Division

Plot No 4, 1st Floor, Sri Sai Nagar Colony, Lane Behind Ambedkar Statue, Old BSNL Lane, Picket, Secunderabad

Kochi Division

Door No. 5/32-D, Karichira, Karumalloor P.O, Ernakulam - 683511, Kerala

Bhopal Division

Plot #10, New MP, MLA, Colony Jawahar Chowk Bhopal - 462003, Madhya Pradesh

Ballari Division

Door No - 17/1, Beside Maddikere Bhimayya School, Moka Road, Gandhi Nagar Main Road, Ballari- 583103

Dharwad Division

Plot No 22/A, Ward No 21, Vanasiri Nagar, Sattur Near Radhakrishna School, Dharwad - 580009

Belagavi Division

H.No 777/4, Banup Compound, Opp Jairaj gym, Near Bigbazar, Khanapur Road, Tilakwadi, Belagavi - 590006

Mysuru Division

#3104, High Tension Double Road, Near Hoysala Circle, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, Mysuru - 570017

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