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A WORLD WHERE IT SHOULD NEVER HURT TO BE A CHILD

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FROM
THE HOPE FOUNDATION'S DESK



We have been through difficult days at HOPE over the years but the news we received on the 11th of October 2020 was the absolute worst of all. It was in complete shock and devastation that I heard of the sudden death of our beloved Geeta, Former Director of the Hope Kolkata Foundation. There will never be anyone like Geeta, it is almost impossible to put this huge void in our lives into words. She was the most special of human beings.

I have had the privilege of knowing Geeta for most of her adult life, first meeting her in her early 20's. It was a brief meeting but even then I knew that she was going to be a rising star and had all the qualities of a leader, she was a person of great passion, humility, and integrity. Even at that young age she was prepared to take on the management of Hope Kolkata, building it to the organisation it is today, it could not have happened without her. Geeta was many things to me, a sister, a friend and colleague and most of all she was always just there, she was part of my family. We shared so many happy memories together.

Her vision and wisdom was ahead of her years. She made great sacrifices to the detriment of her own health for the poorest of the poor in our society, putting her beloved family so many times in second place. Geeta was a force of nature, she was fearless in her pursuit of her passion. She will be sadly missed by so many all over the world and by the thousands of children that loved her so much. My condolences to Geeta's husband Ravi and her son Harish and other family members.

Hope Kolkata Foundation stepped into its 21st year with The Hope Foundation. The power of partnership with our shared mission and vision nurtured over the years to build "A world where it should never hurt to be a child" had a profound effect on all the children we served making a lasting difference. In these sad and challenging times, we will continue to support each other determined to ensure that the great legacy that Geeta left will continue. We are part of an extended family of volunteers, students, staff, children, patrons, loyal supporters and donors from around the world. As we look back over the years, I have seen how powerful a partnership can be when we combine our good will with our skills here at home and overseas in India, we can have a lasting effect on lives. It really is only by uniting in solidarity with a common purpose that we continue to honour the promises we made to the children who still need our help. This we will do in your honour Geeta. "You have left the world a much brighter place for all, your light was no ordinary light, it has illuminated the lives of millions, it will live on".

I thank you all most sincerely for the generous support you have given to the children and people that Geeta dearly loved.

Maureen Forrest
Honorary Director - The Hope Foundation

FROM
HOPE KOLKATA FOUNDATION'S DESK



The world is going through challenging and uncertain times because of the pandemic. The marginalised section of the society in India has been the worst affected. HOPE began its outreach programme to support the people from the streets and slums of Kolkata during this pandemic.

The Former Director of Hope Kolkata Foundation, Geeta Venkadakrishnan who took lead role in this drive became a martyred of the corona virus. With a heavy heart we are continuing relief work and supporting the ongoing projects. Geeta was the heart and soul of Hope Kolkata Foundation. HOPE as a team will take her work forward to make her dream come true and continue the legacy she created.

In the 2019-2020 financial year, Hope Kolkata Foundation successfully continued its collaboration with Government Departments to support children's education and social mainstreaming. The Government Departments and the Department staff have been extremely supportive and I truly acknowledge their contribution.

I would like to thank Ms. Maureen Forrest, Founder Director, Ms. Jenny Browne, Overseas Director, and Ms. Annemarie Murray, Assistant Overseas Director of The Hope Foundation, Ireland for their constant support. HOPE is forever grateful for their dedication and continuous support. I would also like to extend my gratitude towards the staff of The Hope Foundation, Hope Kolkata Foundation and our collaborators. Their contribution over the last 21 years has made an ever-lasting impact on the lives of so many vulnerable children and communities in Kolkata.

We are grateful to our donors, volunteers, supporters and well-wishers from all over the globe who help us in creating better lives for those who live on the fringes of our society.

Sachidananda Das
Secretary, Hope Kolkata Foundation

ABOUT US

Hope Kolkata Foundation aims, with the help of partner organisations, to restore basic rights for vulnerable children living in extreme poverty in Kolkata, Howrah and rural West Bengal, to ensure a quality life with dignity.

Our Vision
A world where it should never hurt to be a child

Our Mission
Providing holistic care and development of underprivileged, marginalised children and adults
Protecting their human rights and ensuring their basic rights to education and health

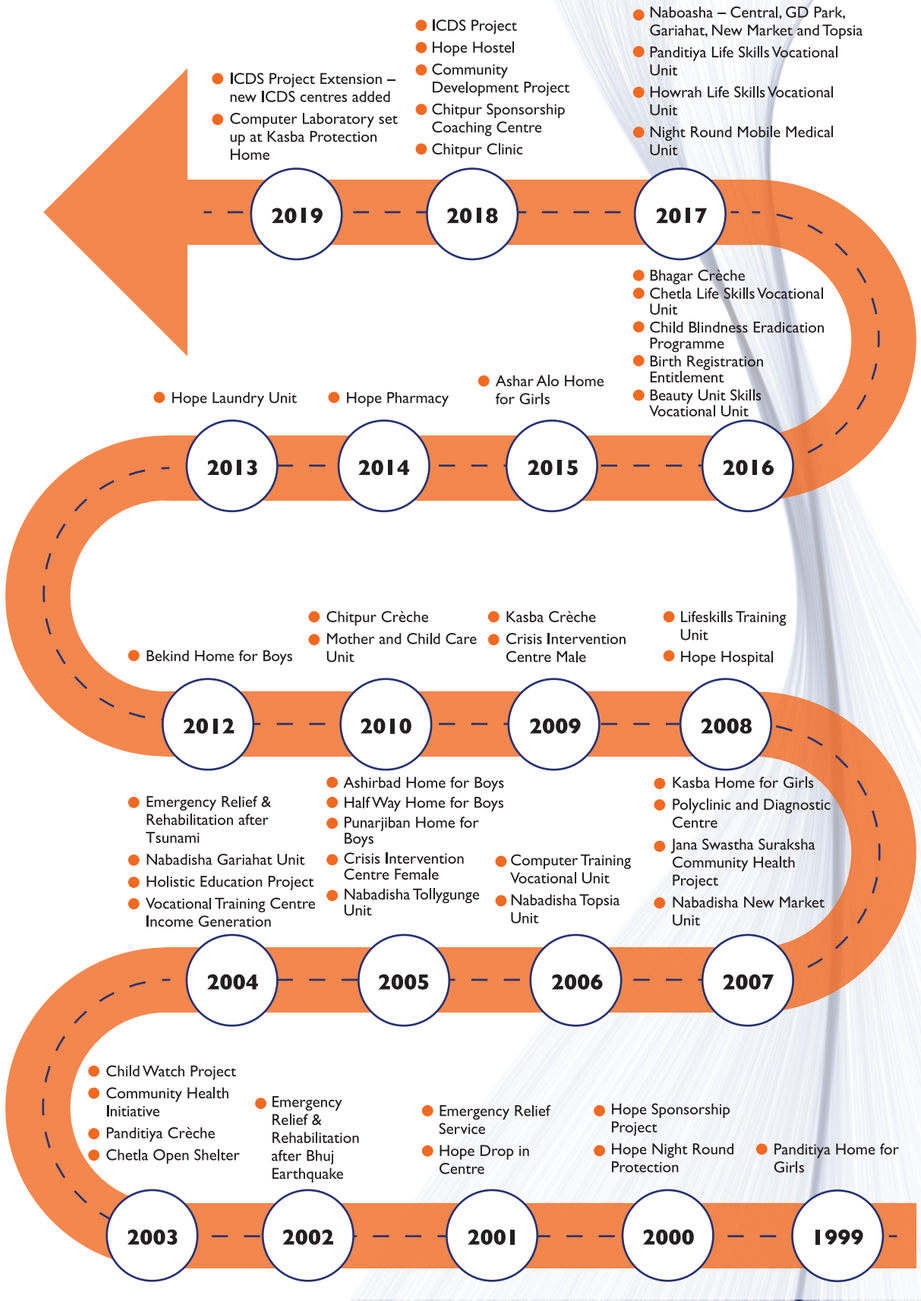
Our Objectives
- ★ Ensuring the rights of the children and quality of life for the vulnerable sections of society
- ★ Empowering women through social and economic development
- ★ Supporting local institutions that work for underprivileged children and families by providing technical assistance and capacity building support
- ★ Promoting sustainable change in the communities by providing sustainable solutions tackling the root causes of poverty
- ★ Sensitizing the local government to issues surrounding the health, education and protection needs of impoverished communities and developing effective relationships between local communities and impoverished communities and developing effective relationships between local communities and government agencies at different levels

Our Core Values
- ★ We celebrate the potential of all children and believe in a rights based approach to development
- ★ We are committed to social justice
- ★ We believe in being accountable and transparent to all donors and sponsors
- ★ We are committed to empowerment as a tool to break the cycle of deprivation

Hope Kolkata Foundation (HKF) is committed to providing sustainable development for the underprivileged and vulnerable population with special focus on children, and people living in difficult circumstances. We act as a facilitator through community development – providing education, vocational training, health awareness and service, shelter, nutrition, counselling, recreation, rescue and rehabilitation, capacity building, fundraising, repatriation awareness on rights, emergency relief, socio-economic, cultural and spiritual development, regardless of race, sex, religion or politics to achieve goals. We are committed to the holistic care and development of these groups of people. The four programmatic approaches the organisation caters to are - Protection, Education, Health care and Skill Based Training Programmes for becoming independent.

Our Reach Out:
- ● Street and slum children
- ● Children of sex workers
- ● Homeless children and people
- ● Children and people from disadvantaged communities
- ● Child labourers
- ● Child beggars
- ● Female children
- ● Children with HIV/AIDS

JOURNEY OF HOPE KOLKATA FOUNDATION



CHILD CARE PROGRAMME





CHILD CARE UNITS

The Child Care Units run by Hope Kolkata Foundation, strive to provide much needed care to the abandoned children, runaways, orphans, victims of trafficking, children of sex workers, street and slum children who are vulnerable and at risk.

Before we take any child under our Child Care Unit, they are produced before the Child Welfare Committee as per the Juvenile Justice Act. All our Child Care Units are licensed by the Directorate of the Social Welfare, Government of West Bengal. The Child Care Units were set up to help the vulnerable street children of Kolkata and its adjoining districts.

We firmly believe in a child's right within a family that leads an enriched social life. Therefore we focus on 'Extended Family Support' to build up on the confidence of the child. This unique feature of our support programme provides the child with a peaceful environment where her/his efforts are appreciated and she/he has a chance to grow in an environment free of abuse and violence. This also emphasises on a strong liaison and advocacy with our stakeholders, keeping them involved in our activities to bring a positive change in the life of a child.

What we do in our Child Care Units

- 24 hours protection in an environment filled with love and care, family like care given to children
- Access to formal school education and guidance support
- Nutritious meals
- Health care
- Counselling support for both the children and staff who are their care givers
- Recreational and cultural activities including dance, music, drawing/painting, violin, karate and swimming, sports activities like football and rowing
- Celebrations of birthdays & special events
- Awareness on child rights and life skills trainings
- Developing livelihood skills for employment through trainings and job placements
- Empowering the family through livelihood training, medical support for parents and educational support for siblings
- Integration in the family

Best Practices of the Child Care Units:

- 42 Safeguarding Committee Meetings (SGC) were conducted in these 8 Child Care Units to ensure the continued delivery of child safety and protection.

- Besides this, individual care plans, ways to ensure involvement of legal services and government provision to trace the families of the children and restoration of children in other states and other districts were also facilitated.

- 22 Home Management Committee meetings were held in the presence of Child Development Project Officer, a State Government Official, District Child Protection Officer and Legal Officer from District Child Protection Unit (under Integrated Child Protection Scheme), members from Juvenile Justice Board, members from Child Welfare Committee (as in Juvenile Justice Act 2015) for monitoring and tracking the progress of every child in the institution as well as addressing all issues related to the functioning of the Child Care Units.

Child Care Units in a nutshell as in 2019-2020

Sl No.	Name of the Protection Home	Started in Year	Category of Beneficiaries in Protection Home	Total number of Beneficiaries	In House Beneficiaries	Home Based Beneficiaries living with families	Home Based Beneficiaries living in hostels	Beneficiaries staying in other organisations	Beneficiaries above 18 years staying in Paying guests	Others
1	Kasba Girls Protection Home	2007	Girls below 14 years	62	52	3	7	0	0	0
2	Ashar Alo Girls Protection Home	1999	Girls above 14 years	64	44	9	11	0	0	0
3	Hope Hostel	2018	Girls above 18 years	24	22	0	0	0	2	0
4	Be Kind Boys Protection Home	2012	Boys below 14 years	25	25	0	0	0	0	0
5	Ashirbad Boys Protection Home	2005	Boys above 14 years	70	48	11	11	0	0	0
6	Punarjiban Boys Home	2006	Boys below 18 years	39	20	19	0	0	0	0
7	Half Way Home	2009	Boys above 18 years	21	6	6	2	2	5	0

Sl No.	Name of the Protection Home	Started in Year	Category of Beneficiaries in Protection Home	Beneficiaries rescued and placed in Crisis unit	Current Beneficiaries staying in Crisis unit	Home Based support for Beneficiaries	Restoration of beneficiaries in individual families	Beneficiaries staying in other organisations	Beneficiaries restored to Fit 18 years Organisations	Others
8	Crisis Intervention - Female	2006	Girls in Crisis	26	13	4	8	0	1	0
9	Crisis Intervention - Male	2007	Boys in Crisis	47	11	10	13	3	10	0

Sl No.	Name of the Protection Home	Started in Year	Category of Beneficiaries in Protection Home	Beneficiaries rescued and placed in Crisis unit	Current Beneficiaries staying in Crisis unit	Beneficiaries restored in families	Beneficiaries placed in other organisations	Home Based support for Beneficiaries	Home Based Beneficiaries living with families
10	Mother with children in Crisis	2010	Mother and Child Care Unit	38 Mothers: 16 Children: 22	6 Mothers: 3 Children: 3	15 Mother: 7 Children: 8	11 Mothers: 5 Children: 6	0 Mother: 0 Child: 0	NA

Total number of beneficiaries supported through Child Care Unit project: 408

Number of boys: 202

Number of mothers & their children: 38
16 mothers & 22 children

Number of girls: 168

Kasba Girls' Protection Home

Thrust area
Improved status of 62 Children in Need of Care & Protection (girls) aged 6 to 14 years

SDG Goal
UN Sustainable Development Goal 4 – Quality Education – To ensure quality education by linking the out-of-school street children to schools and motivating the families to arrange remedial educational support, as most of the children are first generation learners.

UN Sustainable Development Goal 5 – Gender Equality – To reduce gender discrimination and ensure equal education opportunities for the girl child.

Project objectives
1. 100% CNCP girls will be ensured their Right to Protection
2. 100% CNCP girls will be ensured their Right to Education

No of beneficiaries
62 girls have been supported in 2019-20 through this project.

Major Impact
1. 100% improvement in participatory skills, personality development and social skills for our girls
2. The results of 60 girls have been published who have been promoted to the next class
3. Access of 71% girls to bank account and other social & Government schemes
4. Access of 90% guardians to bank account and other social & Government schemes

Success story
Somali Shaw, the 9 years old daughter of Leela Shaw and Robin Shaw was rescued from the streets, suffering from acute malnutrition from Jadavpur (South Kolkata) by Institute of Psychological and Educational Research (IPER – an organization working with child rights and protection in Kolkata) and referred to Hope Kolkata Foundation Kasba Girls' Protection Home, with the order from Child Welfare Committee. While Robin (Somali's father) abandoned the family when Somali was very small, Leela (Somali's mother) made Somali beg on the streets near the bus stand at Jadavpur (South Kolkata). After Somali's induction in Kasba Girls' Home, she was supported with immediate counselling. She was also provided with care and support to get adjusted with the new environment. Somali's overall health and physical ability increased over time with nutritious food and immunisation.

At present Somali is studying in Class III at Bosepukur Dharmatala Primary School (in South Kolkata). Somali is a very active and energetic girl who loves to participate in different activities conducted in the Child Care Unit and in her school. Somali has recently participated in Teachers' Day celebration and performed a dance. She also celebrated Independence Day by singing songs with her friends and celebrated Diwali, the festival of lights with her friends in the Child Care Unit. She took the lead in decorating with Rangoli, Toran (a free-standing ornamental or arched gateway for ceremonial purposes), Wall Hangings, Diyas (oil lamp usually made from clay) and candles.

Somali is a very creative girl and loves to make small handicraft items. She is a courageous, well behaved and is always motivated to work hard. She also attends Spoken English and Computer classes every week, and is improving day by day.

Ashar Alo Girls' Protection Home

Thrust area
Improved status of 64 Children in Need of Care & Protection (girls) aged 14 to 18 years

SDG Goal
UN Sustainable Development Goal 3: Good Health and wellbeing – To ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages: Aligned with this goal, Ashar Alo Home aims to provide adequate nutritious food and health check-ups to identify and rectify gaps in physical growth.

UN Sustainable Development Goal 4 – Quality Education – To ensure quality education by linking the out-of-school street children to schools and motivating the families to arrange remedial educational support, as most of the children are first generation learners.

Project objectives
1. 100% CNCP girls will be ensured their Right to Protection
2. 100% CNCP girls will be ensured their Right to Education

No of beneficiaries
64 girls have been supported in 2019-20 through this project.

Major Impact
1. 100% improvement in participatory skills, personality development and social skills for our girls
2. The results of 62 girls have been published who have been promoted to the next class
3. Access of 91% girls to bank account and other social & Government schemes
4. Access of 100% guardians to bank account and other social & Government schemes

Success story
When Raziya's father remarried, Raziya was 5 years and her sister was 4 years. Unable to tolerate the daily domestic chaos and humiliation, Raziya's mother was compelled to come down to her maternal place with Raziya and her sister and set up a small house within the premises at Sonarpur (South 24 Parganas). Raziya's sister was shifted to one missionary home in order to avail protection, care and educational support while Raziya was taken under the care of Hope Kolkata Foundation at the age of 7 years in 2009. Gradually with multiple home visits and family counselling sessions, her mother was made to understand the importance and value of her life in her children's lives. Thus, Raziya's mother was motivated to support her children with full enthusiasm. At present, she earns Rs. 3000-4000 per month by selling rice in the local market. Raziya is extremely sincere and studious as a student. She understands the sacrifices her mother has made and aspires to pursue higher studies in order to support her family. Recently, she has completed Class X from Brahmo Balika Shikshalay (Brahmo Girls School) with 66% marks (1st division) and has taken admission in Class XI. Raziya aspires to pursue higher studies with Geography as her major. We wish Raziya all the best for her future endeavours.



Be Kind Boys' Protection Home

Thrust area
Improved status of 25 Children in Need of Care & Protection (boys) aged 6 to 14 years

SDG Goal
UN Sustainable Development Goal 4 – Quality Education – To ensure quality education by linking the out-of-school street children to schools and motivating the families to arrange remedial educational support, as most of the children are first generation learners.

UN Sustainable Development Goal 5 – Gender Equality – To reduce gender discrimination and ensure equal education opportunities for the girl child.

Project objectives
1. 100% CNCP boys will be ensured their Right to Protection
2. 100% CNCP boys will be ensured their Right to Education

No. of beneficiaries
25 boys have been supported in 2019-20 through this project.

Major Impact
1. 100% improvement in participatory skills, personality development and social skills for our boys
2. The results of 25 boys have been published who have been promoted to the next class
3. Access of 92% boys to bank account and other social & Government schemes
4. Access of 32% guardians to bank account and other social & Government schemes

Success story
While his father worked as a taxi driver and his mother as a domestic help, little Amit witnessed domestic violence on a regular level. He never made it to school and roamed on the streets in an acute vulnerable condition. Financial crisis led Amit's father engage with trafficking his own children, leading to judicial custody of both his parents. The Child Welfare Committee issued an order for Amit's stay at Hope Kolkata Foundation. On an immediate basis, he was taken to Bekind Home for addressing his severe health issues, thereby ensuring his holistic protection, care and education. At present, Amit is 6 years old and is in Upper Kindergarten (U.KG). Eventully, nurtured by the warmth and care of Hope Kolkata Foundation, Amit understood the importance of education and started aspiring for a better future. Previously he had severe attention span issues however with time and care, his overall approach towrads life is transforming. His sense of reasoning has developed quite well at this age along with empathy and understanding.



Ashirbad Boys' Protection Home

Thrust area
Improved status of 70 Children in Need of Care & Protection (boys) aged 14 to 18 years

SDG Goal
UN Sustainable Development Goal 3: Good Health and wellbeing – To ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages: Aligned with this goal, Ashar Alo Home aims to provide adequate nutritious food and health check-ups to identify and rectify gaps in physical growth.

UN Sustainable Development Goal 4 – Quality Education – To ensure quality education by linking the out-of-school street children to schools and motivating the families to arrange remedial educational support, as most of the children are first generation learners.

Project objectives
1. 100% CNCP boys will be ensured their Right to Protection
2. 100% CNCP boys will be ensured their Right to Education

No. of beneficiaries
70 boys have been supported through this project.

Major Impact
1. 90% improvement in participatory skills, personality development and social skills for our boys
2. The results of 68 boys have been published who have been promoted to the next class
3. Access of 62% boys to bank account and other social & Government schemes
4. Access of 71% guardians to bank account and other social & Government schemes

Success story
Rahul was only three years old when his parents passed away. He lived with his elder sister Rita in West Medinipur district. With dreams in her eyes and in search for better livelihood, Rita migrated to Kolkata with her brother. Rahul's sister started working as a domestic help and both of them lived in a slum. But Rita could not look after him properly and Rahul accompanied his sister to work since he had nowhere else to stay and began working with her from a young age. In 2008, Rita approached Hope Kolkata Foundation to provide education and nutritional care for Rahul and was placed in Ashirbad Boys' Protection Home through Child Welfare Committee, when he was seven years old. After Rahul was placed in Hope Child Care Unit, he initially faced some adjustment issues with other children of the home. However, the love, care and support that he received from the Child Care Unit, made him feel attached and comfortable. He was provided counselling support and gradually his communication skills improved significantly. His ability to make new friends and interact with them has improved over the years. Rahul enjoys drawing and karate and has been attending classes regularly. He plays football every day with his peer group. In 2019, he has cleared 10th Board Examination (Madhyamik Examination) from West Bengal Board of Secondary Education with 51% marks. He is confident that he will continue his education with Commerce subjects and has secured a seat in 11th standard in Gandhi Colony Higher Secondary School.



Punarjiban Rehabilitation Home for Boys

Thrust area
Rehabilitation and an independent life for 39 de-addicted boys below 18 years, from the streets and railway platforms of Kolkata and Howrah

SDG Goal
UN Sustainable Development Goal 3: Good Health and wellbeing – To ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages as the project aims to reduce prevalence of substance abuse among boys up to 18 years and ensure prevention and treatment for the boys affected with substance abuse, including narcotic drug abuse and harmful use of alcohol.

Project objectives
1. 100% CNCP boys will be ensured their Right to Protection
2. 100% CNCP boys will be ensured their Right to Education

No. of beneficiaries
39 boys have been supported through this project.

Major Impact
1. 100% improvement in participatory skills, personality development and social skills for our boys
2. The results of 19 boys have been published who have been promoted to the next class
3. Access of 15 boys to bank account and other social & Government schemes
4. Access of 12 families to bank account and other social & Government schemes

Success story
Having migrated from a neighbouring state, with his family who hardly had the scope to pay any kind of attention to Zainab and his sister, both of them underwent a rough and a brutal childhood. He along his sister used to collect polythene and plastic bottles from various dumping zones and his parents worked on a daily wage. His father died when Zainab was 12 years old and his mother started to work as a domestic help. The family of three people with nowhere to go started living at his maternal uncle's house in a slum near Howrah Railway station. With no reason or desire to survive in such a world with utmost bitterness, Zainab was forced to seek relief in addiction.

It was 2009 when Zainab was identified by Hope Drop in Centre of Howrah with major substance abuse and was thus shifted to Punarjiban (Rehabilitation Home For Addicted Children), at the age of 15 years. Being nurtured by the support and affection of Hope Kolkata Foundation, he felt the motivation to move ahead – not out of compulsion but, choice. With an aspiration to move ahead in life, he was admitted in Adarsha Hindu High School. Later in 2015, he was shifted to Half Way Home (a Hope Child Care Unit with an extended support to the children along an integrated vocational training course). With regular guidance and support, Zainab has recently sat for his Class X Board Examination, has scored good marks and has been promoted to Class XI.

Zainab is currently studying Commerce and is confident and focussed. He has also shown adept interest in possessing knowledge in computers and has joined a Computer Basics Training Course to deepen his interests. Besides studies, he has completed his photography course and having developed a profound interest for the same, he has now taken up part time work as a photographer as well.

Crisis Intervention Unit for Female

Thrust area
Improved status of 26 girls below 18 years, rescued from vulnerable conditions

SDG Goal
UN Sustainable Development Goal 3: Good Health and wellbeing – To ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages as the project aims to provide adequate nutritious food and health check-ups to identify gaps in physical growth.

Project objectives
1. 100% girls in crisis are reintegrated in the community
2. 100% girls access formal education after restoration

No of beneficiaries
26 girls have been supported through this project.

Major Impact
1. 100% improvement in participatory skills, personality development and social skills for our children
2. 1 child has been placed in a different organization for her further care and development
3. Access of 10 girls to bank account and other social & Government schemes
4. Access of 10 families to bank account and other social & Government schemes

Success story
When Rani crossed her adolescent age, her family considered her to be someone who should start earning in order to help her family. She was sent to Andhra Pradesh (a southern Indian state) in July, 2019, to stay with her distant cousin from her village in Odissa (a south eastern Indian state). She met a man there who promised her with a better life and employement oppurtunities. This man brought her to West Bengal and she was rescued by the Local Police Authority in October, 2019 in a traumatized situation, suffering from malnutrition and ill health. With an immediate order from Child Welfare Committee, Rani was placed at the Crisis Centre for Females under Hope Kolkata Foundation. After coming to the Crisis Centre, Rani was found as HIV+ and supported with both group and individual counselling sessions. She was under a lot of stress and anxiety and with gradual motivation and encouragement to aspire for a new life, Rani started to dream about a new life. In the meantime, regular networking was done with multiple organizations including Childline to trace her family in Odissa. Finally in February 2020, her village was discovered and her parents were identified according to which she had been restored to her family. Rani is very happy to reach her home and meet her close ones. After getting motivation from CIC Female, she is convinced to restart her education. She has also shown her interest to join a vocational training after completing her Higher Secondary level Education. Rani loves dancing and aspires to be a dancer someday.



Crisis Intervention Unit for Male

Thrust area
Improved status of 47 boys below 18 years, rescued from vulnerable conditions

SDG Goal
UN Sustainable Development Goal 3: Good Health and wellbeing – To ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages as the project aims to provide adequate nutritious food and health check-ups to identify gaps in physical growth.

Project objectives
1. 100% boys in crisis are reintegrated in the community
2. 100% boys access formal education after restoration

No. of beneficiaries
47 boys have been supported through this project.

Major Impact
1. 75% improvement in participatory skills, personality development and social skills for our children
2. 10 children have been placed in various organizations for their further care and development
3. Access of 8 boys to bank account and other social & Government schemes
4. Access of 75% of families to bank account and other social & Government schemes

Success story
Witnessing domestic violence towards her mother and step sister by his father was a daily activity for little Usman. Unable to cope with the daily frustation of regular financial crisis, Usman's father became depressed and sought refuge to alcohol that only increased the frequency of domestic abuse and daily violence. Not being able to bear any more torture, Usman's mother seeked refuge in Child Welfare Committee for basic protection and care of Usman, in 2019. Immediate support was provided by CWC as they transferred him to Hope Kolkata Foundation at Crisis Unit for Male. Usman was given care and protection, nurtutred with warmth and compassion. Food, shelter, clothing, health and education are the common needs of human beings. These are the minimum requirements of a person for decent standard of life. Human beings cannot survive in the absence of these things. There are physiological and additional needs also. Multiple counselling sessions were organized for both Usman and his mother to cope with the siuation and she participated in regular parents' meetings. Within a short span of time, Usman was able to dream of a better future. Additional advocacy was made with few Government hostels and Usman was finally enrolled with Rajabajar Kashimpur Polytecnic School – a Government Hostel with free education and hostel accomodation in 2020. He is currently in Class V and has scored 70% marks. Usman's mother has also secured a small clerical post in an organization and earns Rs 6000 per month. Usman loves dancing and he aspires to become a dancer in life.



Mother and Child Care Unit

Thrust area
Improved status of 16 mothers in distress with 22 children, rescued from vulnerable conditions

SDG Goal
UN Sustainable Development Goal 3: Good Health and wellbeing – To ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages: Aligned with this goal, Ashar Alo Home aims to provide adequate nutritious food and health check-ups to identify and rectify gaps in physical growth.

Project objectives
1. 100% abandoned and run-away mothers are reintegrated in the community with their children
2. 100% Mothers without family access fit institution for long term rehabilitation

No. of beneficiaries
16 mothers and 22 children have been supported through this project.

Major Impact
1. 100% improvement in participatory skills and social skills for our children and mothers
2. 5 mothers and 6 children have been placed in various organizations for their further care and development
3. 3 mothers and 7 children have been linked with the nearby ICDS centre to access health, nutrition and immunization support for her children

Success story
A victim of child marriage, Bobita ran away from her village in Bihar (neighbouring state of West Bengal) with 4 children owing to severe domestic abuse. She first went to her grandmother's house who could take the responsibility of her eldest daughter only. With nowhere else to go, Bobita came to Kolkata with her remaining 3 children and started living on the pavements near Sealdah Station (one important railway terminal in Kolkata). One morning she got into a local confrontation which created quite a fuss as the local police got involved. The Police Authority intervened and passed an order to transfer Bobita and her 3 children to Hope Kolkata Foundation - Mother and Child Care Unit. Domestic violence against women is an all-pervasive phenomenon considered to have serious health consequences for women.



The exposure of the children to the domestic violence can produce a multitude of psychiatric difficulties in subsequent life. There have been reports of moderate to a strong association between the exposure to domestic violence and internalizing symptoms such as depression and anxiety and externalizing behaviors such as aggression and trauma-related symptoms in children and adolescents. Taking these things into consideration, Bobita and her 3 children were supported with intensive counselling support with medication, as approved by psychologists. In the meantime, advocacy and networking were done to get connected with Bobita's maternal family members. Finally, we got in touch with her husband also and with proper counselling sessions, he agreed to start a new life with Bobita and their children. Finally, Bobita returned with her children and husband to their village, witnessed by the local Police Authority.





EDUCATION PROGRAMME



EDUCATION

Crèche (Remedial coaching support for children on streets and slums)

Thrust area
Increased school enrolment and retention of 226 children living in the slums

SDG Goal
UN Sustainable Development Goal 4 – Quality Education – To ensure quality education by linking the out-of-school street children to schools and motivating the families to arrange remedial educational support, as most of the children are first generation learners.

UN Sustainable Development Goal 5 – Gender Equality – To reduce gender discrimination and ensure equal education opportunities for the girl child.

Project objectives
1. Increased safety and protection of 226 children of working parents living in the slum
2. Increased school readiness among 226 children of working parents in Panditiya slum

No. of beneficiaries
226 children have been supported through this project.

Major Impact
1. 101 children from the crèche with age specific knowledge have been enrolled in schools
2. 197 parents are taking care of their children's education & 193 parents are practicing saving habits
3. 140 children are able to maintain hygiene independently, 143 children can communicate independently, 143 children can express themselves independently, 140 children have improved knowledge on safety and 150 children have independent fine & gross motor skills.

Success story
Akash (name changed) started attending the Panditiya Crèche when he was 2-years'-old. He was a very quiet and timid boy for his age group and rarely spoke to his peers or teachers. After his father abandoned the family, little Akash started staying at his maternal grandparent's home with his mother - the only earning member in the family. Akash always cried after coming to the Creche as he longed to be with his mother. He hardly communicated with the other children of the Creche and sat at one corner of the room, observing everyone in the class. When the teachers identified this feature, they started involving him in multiple activities by engaging him. Group activities helped him to engage with her peers. A lot of group activities conducted by the teachers helped Akash to follow her peers and become more aware of her surroundings. After some time, changes were observed. He opened up more to his peers as well as his teachers and became more involved in activities. He now speaks up regularly and communicates well. Previously, teachers found it challenging to address Akash's situation as they didn't know how to encourage him to be more engaged in the class. Akash is now able to express himself with much clarity and affirmation. The teachers have encouraged his mother to motivate him for a better life ahead. Akash will be enrolled in a school by the beginning of the next academic year and we are too happy with his progress.

Education in Govt. Schools & Resource Centres

Thrust area
Improved Learning Environment through Child Friendly Schools through Quality Education Programme in Kolkata and Howrah

SDG Goal
UN Sustainable Development Goal 4 – Quality Education – Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education as promote life-long learning opportunities for all.

Project objectives
1. To ensure 5439 disadvantaged children aged between 6-14 years will complete elementary education in a child-friendly and inclusive environment
2. To ensure 47 Child-friendly schools and 11 Child-friendly resource centres education where human dignity of a child is respected
3. To strengthen educational rights are put on the political agenda of educators and decision makers

No. of beneficiaries
5439 children (4806 children with learning gaps and 633 children with special needs) have been supported through this project.

Major Impact
1. 80% identified Child with Special Needs (CWSN) have been enrolled with 10 Govt. Resource centres and 94% improvement noticed for CWSN receiving therapies
2. 760 children with learning gaps have improved & 99% of school teachers are using Positive reinforcement.
3. 98% child cabinet members are empowered & 84% parents attended the Parent Teacher meetings

Success story
International Day of Persons with Disabilities, December 3, is an international observance promoted by the United Nations since 1992. The observance of this day aims to promote an understanding of disability issues and mobilize support for the dignity, rights and well-being of persons with disabilities.



Hope Kolkata Foundation took the initiative to celebrate this day with Barisha Vivekananda High School (Resource Centre), in collaboration with Samagra Shiksha Mission in Kolkata (Government Department of Education), trying to bring smiles for special children by organizing a joyful Tram Ride. The tram, decorated with balloons, coloured balls, ribbons and other decorative items, was from Tollygunge Tram Depot to Ballygunge Tram Depot. A musical journey was organized along with a fun magician show. The best part of the ride was the excellent performance of some of our special children who danced, sang and participated in group elocutions. This was a celebration - one of a kind as it promoted awareness in terms of inclusion, participation and acceptance.

Naboasha – Remedial coaching support for children on streets and slums

Thrust area
Improved educational status of 531 children (6-14 year olds) from the streets and slums in Kolkata

SDG Goal
UN Sustainable Development Goal 4 – Quality Education – To ensure quality education by linking the out-of-school street children to schools and motivating the families to arrange remedial educational support, as most of the children are first generation learners.

Project objectives
1. 332 street children, 199 slum children and 25 children placed in different hostels & protection homes (6-14-year-old) will have regular access to formal education
2. 531 Street Children will be able to cope in class

No. of beneficiaries
531 children from the streets and slums have been supported through the project.

Major Impact
1. 208 children have been enrolled in school and 151 irregular children improved their attendance in school
2. 260 fathers attended parents' teachers meetings in school & are saving money for their wards
3. 13 children have been referred to Child Care Units and 12 children have been placed in hostels
4. 531 children have shown learning improvement and 484 children have been promoted to the next class
5. 303 children have been linked with scholarships & other Govt. Schemes

Success story



Ratan lives with her parents in a slum near Park Circus (Central Kolkata). Both his parents are daily wage workers for which they have no choice but to leave the child all alone for the entire day. Little Ratan thus roamed on the streets aimlessly, playing alone here and there. The family was living in a vulnerable condition, barely making a living. Ratan was discovered by our Naboasha team staff members during a survey. After interacting with her parents, our team understood their complete lack of awareness for education. Multiple family counselling sessions were conducted to motivate them. The teachers of Naboasha ensured Ratan's parents that he will be getting the proper support and guidance from Naboasha. In this way a child who was kept alone at home and was not receiving any education now received the right care and education in the Noboasha centre. After interaction with the teachers of Naboasha, Ratan started coming to Topsia Naboasha centre where he received non formal education. He had never been to a school before and thus was a beginner. After receiving basic non- formal education in Naboasha for two months, he was enrolled in a school named Adi Ballygunge Vidyalaya (South Kolkata) in Class II. At present, Ratan is in class II and he is a very good student who is able to identify both English and Bengali alphabets and numbers. Besides his studies, he is interested in painting and is one of the most active children in the class.

Girl2B – Education Support Unit & Empowerment Programme

Thrust area
Improved educational status of 30 adolescent girls below 18 years and empowerment of 26 girls above 18 years, with skills-based trainings and employment

SDG Goal
UN Sustainable Development Goal 4 – Quality Education – To ensure quality education by linking the out-of-school street children to schools and motivating the families to arrange remedial educational support, as most of the children are first generation learners.

UN Sustainable Development Goal 5 – Gender Equality - To reduce gender discrimination and ensure equal education opportunities for the girl child.

Project objectives
1. 30 girls aged up to 18 years, going to school, have better knowledge of English and Mathematics with improved progress at school.
2. 26 girls above 18 years under empowerment project have access to income generation training and are placed in suitable jobs.

No. of beneficiaries
56 girls (30 adolescent girls below 18 years and 26 girls above 18 years) have been supported through this project.

Major Impact
1. 70% improvement in participatory skills, personality development and social skills for our girls
2. Improvement of 20 girls in English and Mathematics in Education Support Unit
3. 26 girls have access to higher education – 13 girls are only studying and 13 girls are studying and working
4. 11 girls have been supported to get admission in colleges and university

Success story
Arzoo, one of our students of Education Support Unit, is 10 years old and has been promoted to Class III in Tollygunge Adarsh Hindi High School. She got enrolled in our centre in 2019. Though she has been an introvert, she participated in every activity with full enthusiasm. With time, she started opening up and participated actively in all types of group activities. She has secured the 1st position in Class II. She always scores good marks in monthly assessment at Education Support Unit and her attendance record is also above 85%. Arzoo enjoys coming to class and is always ready to learn new things. Her mother has always been supportive towards her daughter's education and is happy to send her daughter to the Education Support Unit.











HEALTH PROGRAMME



HEALTH

Hope Hospital – A cashless initiative to support the homeless population

Thrust area
Ensuring proper medical treatment for underprivileged people below poverty line and who are deprived of required medical treatment, in and around Kolkata

SDG Goal
UN Sustainable Development Goal 3 – Good health and Wellbeing – To ensure healthy lives and promote wellbeing for all at all ages.

Project objectives
1. To increase professional commitment for the prevention of health deterioration by providing services to treat children and adults from marginalized sections of society with health issues
2. To encourage medical support for the needy people living on the streets
3. To organize awareness camps among government schools in Kolkata, Howrah, North 24 Parganas and Bankura on eye care facilities and services in Kolkata and the suburban areas
4. To treat underprivileged people with eye related diseases by organizing specialized outdoor eye clinics

No. of beneficiaries
24,400 patients have been supported through this project.

Major Impact
1. 12,964 patients benefited through Night Round Service & 11,469 patients were treated at outdoor clinics
2. 11,628 patients benefited from 48 free eye check-up camps conducted in Kolkata and suburbs
3. 3731 medicines & 5155 spectacles were provided, free of cost, during these eye check-up camps
4. 4525 patients have benefited through the medical clinic in Chitpur ICDS centre run by Hope Hospital
5. 758 surgeries were conducted and 11 trainees have completed nursing training from Hope Hospital

Success story
Ram Kumar Sharma was identified by Night Round Medical Team during their visit at Sealdah Station with maggots and past unhealed wounds mostly in his left leg. The doctor referred him to Hope Hospital for his proper treatment. He was admitted at Hope Hospital by the Social worker of Hope and post counselling, it was found that he was living on the streets for many years. He has left his home many years ago and does not recall his whereabouts. And due to his financial crisis he has been unable to do his treatment. Thus, Hope hospital took the responsibility of operating his leg and the operation was successful. He was discharged after 35 days from the Hospital. Then he was rehabilitated at Premdan, Park Circus so that he can live rest of his life with dignity and respect.



ICDS PROGRAMME

ICDS–Early Childhood Care and Education for Children from communities & slums

Thrust area
Improved school readiness through holistic development of 4391 children under the age of six by providing infrastructure and facilities to enhance the effectiveness of 65 Anganwadi centres in Kolkata and Howrah

SDG Goal
UN Sustainable Development Goal 4 – Quality Education – To ensure quality education by linking the out-of-school street children to schools and motivating the families to arrange remedial educational support, as most of the children are first generation learners.

Project objectives
1. 1. Infrastructure development in 12 ICDS Centres as per government guidelines along with successful collaboration and involvement of Government Officials
2. Learning improvement for 1205 children attending the Anganwadi centres
3. Engagement of 63 Anganwadi workers in practicing Activity Based Learning Method
4. 100% increased community involvement and engagement in running and supporting local ICDS

No. of beneficiaries
4391 children (2123 children from Howrah and 2268 children from Kolkata) have been supported through this project.

Sl No.	Time Slot	Activity
1	15 mins	Preparoty work and preparation of activities
2	45 mins	Welcome and free play
3	20 mins	Snacks
4	20 mins	Prayer, songs, free conversation & tag ditribution
5	10 mins	Break
6	20 mins	Physical activities
7	20 mins	Language development activities
8	30 mins	Creative activity
9	40 mins	Meal time/Preparation for next day
10	30 mins	Record keeping

Major Impact
1. Child friendly environment in all 12 ICDS centres with toilet, kitchen infrastructure and exterior & interior painting
2. 100% Improvement of attendance of the children in all 12 ICDS centres after centre refurbishment
3. Active participation of 545 community members and 2550 mothers & women in the community meetings & events

Success story
According to Jayanti Basu, AWW of AWC 6 in Howrah, Sonali Satra, AWW of AWC 46 from Howrah and Dolan Seal AWW of AWC 0624 in Kolkata, an Anganwadi centre was more like a 'Khichri School' for children receiving meals. According to them it was impossible to conduct any learning activity in the centre because of the uncontrolled chaos. After being a part of the BLC project and with the introduction of child friendly methodologies and ECCE activities, they started to understand the importance and value of an ICDS programme for a child. There has also been a remarkable change in their work approach. Recently, Jayanti Basu and Sonali Satra have been awarded by ICDS project of Howrah District for 'Exemplary Performance during the Evaluation Programme on Pre School Education Activities' and Dolan Seal has been awarded by ICDS project of Kolkata district for the 'Best performing Anganwadi worker for running ECCE curriculum during the year 2019-2020'. All the 3 Anganwadi workers create their own action songs and then practice with the children. They are encouraging all community mothers to send their children to the Anganwadi centres for ensuring their children's development with respect to social-emotional skills, communication skills and school readiness skills.



SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME –
EDUCATIONAL & NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT



SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME – EDUCATIONAL & NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT

Thrust area
Improved educational status and health conditions of 1336 children and young adolescents with educational and nutritional support

SDG Goal
UN Sustainable Development Goal 4 – Quality Education – To ensure quality education by linking the out-of-school street children to schools and motivating the families to arrange remedial educational support, as most of the children are first generation learners.
UN Sustainable Development Goal 5 – Gender Equality – To reduce gender discrimination and ensure equal education opportunities for the girl child.

Project objectives
1336 children and young adults are supported with educational and need based nutritional support.

No. of beneficiaries
24,400 patients have been supported through this project.

Major Impact

Name of the Project	Male	Female	Total	Country	Number of Sponsor	Number of children
HKF Child Care Units	150	173	323	Ireland	612	642
Outreach	240	250	490			
Bhagar Education	105	120	225	UK	430	445
Education	34	14	48			
Naboasha	78	23	101	USA	19	178
Chitpur coaching	55	25	80			
Khidderpore	15	17	32	India	18	50
Sundarban	25	12	37			
HKF Child Care Units	702	634	1336	Germany	1	5
				Tokyo	1	16
				6 Countries	1081	1336

Success story
Zakat from a poverty-stricken family in the remote villages of Sundarbans, lived with his parents and younger brother. Her father is a daily wage worker who worked in the local farmlands to earn a livelihood. His mother was a cancer patient and could not support the family, financially. With his small income, he struggled hard to manage their regular meals and educational expenses of his children. Zakat, being an intelligent child was deprived of education all of a sudden as one day his father could no longer support his educational expenses. Based on an examination where he performed exceptionally well, he was identified as a child with immense academic potential. Sponsorship support was extended to him, and he proved himself worthy of every support he received from the programme. Zakat secured 96% in his Madhyamik examination (Class X Board Examination). His dedication and perseveration did set an example to all the other children of his area. After acing his Madhyamik, Zakat has enrolled for Higher secondary education and opted for Science stream. He aspires to become a doctor and serve his community. We are really proud of Zakat.



CHILDWATCH PROGRAMME

Childwatch – Education & protection for children on streets

Thrust area
Creating protective and learning environment for the Street Children living on the streets of Kolkata

SDG Goal
UN Sustainable Development Goal 4 – Quality Education – To ensure quality education by linking the out-of-school street children to schools and motivating the families to arrange remedial educational support, as most of the children are first generation learners.

UN Sustainable Development Goal 5 – Gender Equality - To reduce gender discrimination and ensure equal education opportunities for the girl child.

Project objectives
1. 460 Children will have access to education, skill training and alternative care
2. Increased involvement of parents of the children attending school
3. Creation of community safety net in collaboration with government and civil society organizations

No. of beneficiaries
460 children have been supported through this project.

Major Impact
1. 124 children have been enrolled in a formal school and 113 children will take admission in schools
2. 113 children are regular in school & 16 children have been enrolled with vocational training
3. 124 fathers are motivating their children to continue their education
4. 37 children rescued from critical cases like, early marriage, child labour etc., in need of care & protection
5. 72 Community Watch Group (CWG) and 53 Child Vigilance Group (CVG) members have participated in the Annual meeting to strengthen the safety net for children across the city

Success story
Kajoli Pal, 11 years old, lived on the pavements of Central (Central Kolkata) with her two younger siblings and parents. She was identified by the Childwatch team and eventually became the youngest member of the Child Vigilance Group in her area. She enthusiastically participated in every awareness session and made it a point to invoke consciousness amongst her community in terms of self-esteem, personal boundaries and safe touch. Domestic violence was a regular event and one day as her intoxicated father, tried sexually abusing her, she somehow escaped from the environment and shared the whole traumatic incident with her mother and Childwatch team. The Childwatch team conducted intensive counselling sessions with his mother who requested for a safe stay for Kajoli and her two sisters. The Childwatch team immediately got connected with Loreto Rainbow Home for placing her and her two sisters. Kajoli and her two sisters are staying at Loreto Rainbow Home and are in Class V, Class III and Class II respectively. Kajoli's mother is really happy to see her daughters aspiring for a beautiful future.










LIFE SKILLS PROGRAMME

Hope Life Skills Unit – Vocational skills for young adolescents

Thrust area
Developed skills of youth and women (aged 16 to 42) for independent living for the underprivileged population in Kolkata and its suburbs

SDG Goal
UN Sustainable Development Goal 4 – Quality Education – To ensure quality education by linking the out-of-school street children to schools and motivating the families to arrange remedial educational support, as most of the children are first generation learners.

Project objectives
1. To improve self-dignity and enhance knowledge in different expertise-based areas of culinary, tailoring, beauty & hair dressing and Computer Applications & Spoken English for 547 young adolescent trainees
2. To improve socio-economic conditions for 547 trainees who are able to able to support their families in terms of financial aid that includes their educational expense and medical support

No. of beneficiaries
547 adolescents and young adults have been supported through this project.

Major Impact
1. 10 trainees have completed training on Food & Beverage and earning Rs 10,000-12,000 in average
2. 40 trainees have completed training in Tailoring and are earning Rs 3,000–12,000 from home, in average
3. 75 trainees have completed training in Beauty & Hair dressing and are earning Rs 3,500–8,000 from home, in average
4. 422 trainees have completed the computer course and among them, 77 trainees are placed in full time employment & 134 trainees are working as part timers, earning Rs. 5,000-12,000 in average

Success story
Srimoyee Halder has completed her Polytechnic in Electrical Department under West Bengal Technical University where she has been provided scholarship for her polytechnic because she was the top scorer in Higher Secondary exam & Polytechnic Entrance exam. Her father is an idol painter whose income is not sure as he earns only during puja season. Her mother works as domestic help to support the entire family. She has been one of the most deserving candidates of our Computer Training Programme. Besides being a regular student, Srimoyee was extremely punctual and regular as a student. She has joined Electron Pvt Ltd after completing her course in 2019, as a PCB Designer and Developer (Print Circuit Board LED light circuit board designer). She is earning Rs. 12500/- with allowance for provident fund and medical insurance. She is utilizing her knowledge to maintain the organization inventory and make the best use of her potential. She is financially supporting the rent expenses along with her & brother's educational expense. Srimoyee aims to pursue higher studies and dreams of a better future with her family.

SCHOOL SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY: 2019-20

Through participation in various school events organised for a social cause, students understand the need for sharing and helping the community. This fosters empathy and helps the students cope with stress and improve their interpersonal skills. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the schools who understood the importance of their civic responsibility.

Sl No	Name	Sl No	Name
1	Calcutta International School	7	Heritage High School
2	Modern High School for Girls	8	Lakshmipat Singhania Academy
3	Mount Litera Zee School – Maheshtala	9	Sri Sri Academy
4	Shri Shikshayatan School	10	Future Campus School
5	Mahadevi Birla World Academy	11	Birla Bharati High School
6	South City International School	12	Calcutta Public School

FUNDRAISING & OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS CONDUCTED DURING 2019-20

We had the opportunity to conduct and organize these fundraising events during:

Sl No	Fundraising Events
1	Know how Quiz - In collaboration with Calcutta Public School & HSBC
2	School Immersion Programme
3	Calcutta Run 2019
4	Daan Utsav
5	International Day for street children in collaboration with HSBC & Cognizant
6	Annual Foundation Day - 2019
7	Golf Classic -2019
8	Blanket distribution for street population
9	Christmas Lunch sponsored by Hotel Hindustan International for all Child Care Units
10	Lunch for children from Naboasha Programme at Westin Rajarhat, Kolkata

VOLUNTEERING WITH HOPE

Throughout the year, our volunteers and interns join us to be a part of our HOPE family and to enrich their part by contributing their valuable efforts and time.

250 Indian volunteers & interns

- ★ 223 interns & 27 volunteers have supporrted us
- ★ 64% of these volunteers & interns are girls

31 international volunteers worked in various projects

- ★ They spend quality time with the children and supported various projects in HOPE by sharing their skill-set

VOLUNTEER'S EXPERIENCE



My time in 'Life Skill' was a learning experience. My role was to prepare an English curriculum and to teach English to the students of 'Life Skill'. I am humbled by my co-ordinator Sabitri Ma'am, all co-teachers, and students. It was a unique experience which enriched me to think how our educators silently invest in our life. I must appreciate and congratulate 'Life Skill' for such initiative.

It was a thought-provoking and challenging responsibility as the English curriculum demanded a thorough understanding of the student's socio-cultural and economical background. These students are underprivileged children of our society and many are state-migrants but their talents know no boundary. During teaching time, I got ample occasion to dialogue with the students, while sharing their life stories they revealed their longing to achieve excellence and their stories helped me to develop the curriculum. The Student's love and gratitude towards 'Life Skill' for such a learning window and passion to rise above their socio-economic situation is praiseworthy. Equally, 'Life Skill' is also devotedly encouraging and planting the seed of optimism by sharping the skills of the students.

I am grateful for the responsibility to convey English as a 'language of opportunities' to the students, which will prepare them compete with the outside world. Truly, a "transformative" step by 'Life Skill' to boost the inner confident and exhibit student's deservingness in the job market. I am thankful to Jhulan Ma'am for such opportunity and boundless awe-inspiring experience. I wish all the best to all the students.

Pinaki Burman
SHUATS



"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others." — Mahatma Gandhi.

After forty years of travelling to India on business it was no surprise that my volunteering time with HOPE in Kolkata, was not a culture shock. What however was a shock was the personal satisfaction and happiness I found during this time volunteering. Never in my life have I felt so fulfilled and the above quote from Gandhi been so true.

From the moment of arriving in Kolkata, I felt part of a team; everyone was genuinely so kind and welcoming. Orientation time travelling to see the various projects were excellent, a real eye opener, with the scope of the HOPE projects truly remarkable.

I enjoyed working in the crèche with such talented and wonderful children, but found I could contribute most when working with the children in the homes. I conducted a series of lectures on Professional Development and Entrepreneurship in the Life Skills units.I was privileged to be invited on Christmas day to one of the homes. This was truly an amazing and memorable Christmas. The children were so happy and excited and put on such a wonderful show. The toughest time was saying goodbye to the children. Flowers and cake were a nice surprise.

There is not a week that goes by without me thinking of the children in Kolkata, and I honestly can't wait to return.

The lasting impression was one of happy and very talented children being given the opportunity to fulfil their potential.

Derek Wright, Ireland







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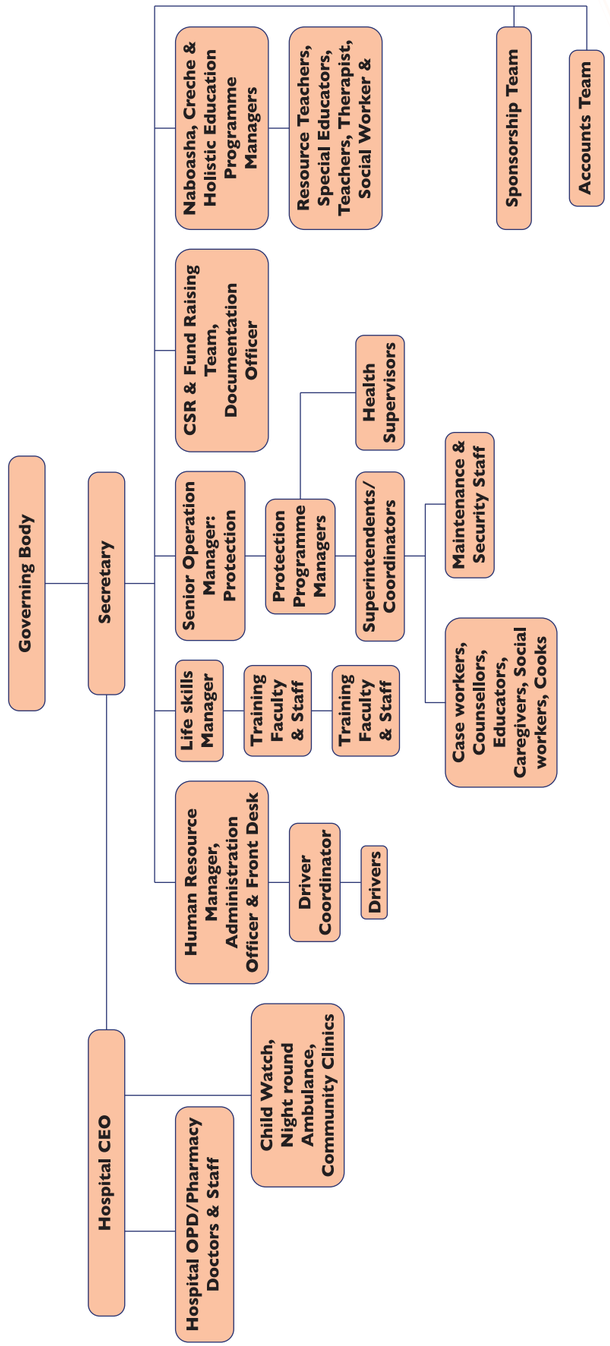

ORGANISATIONAL INFORMATION

Names and addresses of the members of the Executive Committee/ Governing Council of the association, including the Chief functionary in the following manner for the year 2019-2020.

Sl No.	Name	Name of Father/ Husband	Nationality	Occupation	Office held	Relationship in the association with office bearer, if any
1	Joy Kar	Late Amalendu Kar	Indian	Business	President	NO
3	Geeta Venkadakrishnan	Late C.S.Venkitaraman	Indian	Social Worker	Secretary	NO
4	Dipak Biswas	Late Arobinda Biswas	Indian	Service	Treasurer	NO
5	Swaran Chaudhry	Late Mr.Madan Mohan Chaudhry	Indian	Service	Member	NO
6	Ujjwal Kanti Debnath	Late Uddharan Debnath	Indian	Doctor	Member	NO
7	Sheila Banerjee	Dr.Ujjal Banerjee	Indian	Psychologist	Member	NO
8	Surya Narayan Saha	Partha Narayan Saha	Indian	Service	General Member	NO
9	Sachidananda Das	Late Rashik Lal Das	Indian	Service	General Member	NO
10	Samiran Mallik	Hiralal Mallik	Indian	Service	General Member	NO

None of the Hope Foundation Board Members are related by blood or marriage. Hope Kolkata Foundation held four board meetings, spaced suitably around the year 2019-2020.

Friends of hope advisory/ cultural and communication board

- Mr. Biswajit Mitra
- Mrs. Sonali Mitra
- Ms. Tavishi Kanoria
- Ms. Chitra Roy
- Mrs. Sukanya Das
- Ms. Punam Kataria
- Mrs. Swasti Dhanuka

The commiitee memebers are the great supporter and patronage who was always been with Hope Kolkata Foundation. We are great ful for their contribution with kindness and generosity. They have been always been an enthisiastic Volunteer in all the activities of Hope Kolkata Foundation.

Transparency disclosures

- No travel reimbursement is made to board members, attending board meetings and other office meetings
- Details of the board members who have received remuneration / reimbursement during the last financial year: One board member Mr. Samiran Mallik working as the CEO of Hope Hospital gets remuneration per month for his services
- The National travel by the staff during the year is made for the purpose of Restoration

Staff details as on December 2019

Full time staff	**247**
Part time	**110**
Consultant (Full time)	**40**
Total Staff	**397**

- Lowest paid staff

Head of the Organization	Amount in (Rs)	Per month
Highest Paid	87, 107/-	YES
Lowest Paid (Full time)	7, 087/-	YES
Lowest Paid (part-time Staff)	1,000/-	YES

Salary Distribution		Salary Range		
	Men		Women	Total
<5000	02		11	13
5,000-10,000	34		59	93
10,000-25,000	107		157	264
25,000-50,000	07		13	20
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	156		241	397

Awards and Recognition Received

Recognition and Awards	Source	Year	Relevant Activity/ Work for which received
Rashtriya Swayamsiddhi Samman Award	JSPL	2020	Sports Category
Inspire Awards	BWW, Parivartan	2019	Leadership & Vision
NGO Leadership Award	Devang Mehta National Education Award	2017	Kolkata NGO Leadership Award
Certificate of Merit	American Indian Foundation	2016	Child health
Contribution to the Society	Vocational Skill Programme	2015	Rotary International -District 3291
Certificate of Appreciation	American Indian Foundation	2015	Child health
Individual Contribution for Social & Economic Growth	Bharat Udyog Ratna Award	2014	Global Achievers Foundation
Individual Achievement for Social & Economic Growth	Rashtriya Pragati Award	2014	All India Business Development Association, New Delhi
Certificate of Appreciation/ Award	10th ALLMEDIA person' Welfare Association & South 24 Parganas Journalists Association Award for Social Service	2013	For Social Service
Certificate of Appreciation/ Award	Karma veer Puraskar International Confederation of NGOs	2012	Karma Veer Puraskar on Life long fight for Social Justice
Certificate of Appreciation	Commissioner of Police, Kolkata	2012	Good Samaritan
Certificate of Appreciation	ACC Cement and BIG Fm 92.7 on Jan 2012	2012	Big Salute towards women entertainer development in empowering through a cause
Certificate of Appreciation	Channel 10	2009	Nari Samman – Protection For Unprivileged Children and Women
Certificate of Appreciation	14th Bharat Nirman Award	2007	Hope Foundation Work towards the under privilege children



Administrative Information

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Legal Relevant Document Details

Document	Reference	Registration / Valid till (DD/MM/YYYY)
Society Registration Act XXVI 1961 West Bengal	SO 096057 of 2003-2004	Yearly Renewal Last Submitted on 18.11.2019
Section 12 AA of the IT Act. 1961	DIT(E)/S-107 8E/228/2001-02 Dated 01.04.2001	One Time
Tax Deduction Account No (TAN)	CALH02329F	One Time
Permanent Account No. (PAN)	AAAAH1789A	One Time
GST Number	19AAAAH1789A1ZU	One Time
Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act 1976 (FCRA)	Registration No. 147120622, Dated 25.07.2003	Renew in every 5 years. Last Renewal dated 17.08.2016
Section 80G(5)(VI) of the IT Act 1961	DIT(E)/1428/8E/228/2001-02, Dated 21.04.2010	From Assessment year 2013-2014, (Perpetual as per Income Tax Circular No. 7/2010 dated 27.10.2010)
Credibility Alliance	CA/13/2018	Valid from 28.06.2018 to 27.06.2023
Darpan Niti Ayog Unique ID	WB/2017/0176254	One Time

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Every contribution counts. Hope Kolkata Foundation's work over the last 18 years has been successful thanks to the unwavering support from countless individuals and key institutional donors who have partnered with us in our journey to transform lives. Some options to donate are

FCRA Bank Account Details:

Bank Name	Axis Bank Ltd.
Branch Name & Address	Branch – Rashbehari Avenue Branch Address: 41B, Rashbehari Avenue, Kolkata – 700026
Account No	913010033022376
Name of Account (Cheque to be made in the name of)	HOPE KOLKATA FOUNDATION
9 digit MICR No	700211019
Type of Account	Savings
Swift Code/ Remittance Instructions	AXISINBB253
IFS CODE	UTIB0000253

Non FCRA Bank Account Details:

Bank Name	Standard Chartered Bank
Branch Name & Address	Branch: Gurusaday Road Branch Address: 23 Gurusaday Road, Kolkata – 700019
Account No	32111017525
Name of Account (Cheque to be made in the name of)	HOPE KOLKATA FOUNDATION
9 digit MICR No	700036020
Type of Account	Savings Account
Swift Code/ Remittance Instructions	SCBLINBB
IFS CODE	SCBL0036087

THANK YOU

Hope Kolkata Foundation would like to thank everyone who has been a part of our journey this year. With your help we have made a huge difference in the lives of thousands of children and vulnerable people.

ABRIDGED BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31st MARCH 2020

	SCHEDULE	Current Year Amount in Rs	Previous Year Amount in Rs
Sources of Fund :			
General Fund	1	10,42,25,157.78	11,22,06,892.83
Specific Project Fund	2	2,20,88,502.09	-
Current Liabilities	3	46,14,319.06	33,00,234.42
TOTAL		13,09,27,978.93	11,55,07,127.25
Application of Funds :			
Fixed Assets	4	9,82,39,935.50	9,44,56,688.70
Current Assets	5	46,91,755.26	39,30,836.41
Loans & Advances	6	14,09,725.38	11,74,270.85
Cash & Bank Balances	7	2,65,86,562.79	1,59,45,331.29
TOTAL		13,09,27,978.93	11,55,07,127.25

Place: Kolkata
Date: 12/12/2020

In terms of our Report of even date Annexed,
For, T. K. Biswas & Co
Chartered Accountants
Firm Registration No : 322435 E
T. K. Biswas
Proprietor
Membership No : 056569
UDIN : 20056569AAAACL9343

ABRIDGED INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT AS ON 31st MARCH 2020

	SCHEDULE	Current Year Amount in Rs	Previous Year Amount in Rs
Income :			
Grant & Donations	8	11,12,81,144.96	13,10,16,018.47
Own Resources	9	3,16,29,146.00	48,87,138.82
Interest	10	5,06,175.88	2,25,21,873.00
Income from Others Sources	11	1,45,12,833.38	-
TOTAL		15,79,29,300.22	15,84,25,030.29
Expenditure :			
Programme Cost	12	11,73,56,364.88	15,67,54,182.17
Consumable Goods	13	1,41,77,453.90	-
Administrative Expenses	14	70,44,949.18	33,53,920.00
Personnel Expenses	15	1,03,92,374.00	-
Hospital Expenses	16	98,60,993.00	67,488.59
Indirect Expenses	17	85,32,783.34	51,38,259.58
Financial Expenses	18	65,853.68	-
Depreciation	19	50,30,780.20	-
TOTAL		17,24,61,552.18	16,53,13,850.34
Excess of Expenditure over Income		(1,45,32,251.96)	(68,88,820.05)

Place: Kolkata
Date: 12/12/2020

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ABRIDGED RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED ON 31st MARCH 2020

Receipts	Amount in Rs	Payments	Amount in Rs
Opening Balances :			
Cash in Hand	3,55,483.70	Project Expenses	11,69,28,202.88
Cash at Banks	1,55,89,847.59		
		Financial Expenses	65,853.68
Grant & Donation Received During the Year	13,33,65,546.05		
		TDS Deducted by Bank	51,305.00
Bank Interest	4,04,427.00		
		Statutory Deduction (EPF ESI,P.Tax & TDS)	2,17,79,160.63
Income Tax Refund from IT Department	31,059.00		
Statutory Deduction (EPF ESI,P.Tax & TDS)	2,17,60,671.60	Indirect Expenses	37,00,044.31
		Payment for purchase /Sundry Creditors	1,59,73,912.44
Income from Own sources	2,75,68,221.00		
		Oustanding Audit Fees paid	3,20,749.00
Income from Other Sources	1,33,86,060.48		
		Administrative Expenses	69,95,899.18
Grant Received for Purchase of Fixed Assets	64,48,170.00		
		Personnel Expeneses	95,05,514.00
Refund of Advance	42,211.00		
		Hospital Expenses	97,55,077.00
		Purchase of Fixed Assets	72,22,579.00
		Programme Advance paid	66,837.51
		Closing Balances :	
		Cash in Hand	2,68,345.00
		Cash at Bank	2,63,18,217.79
TOTAL	21,89,51,697.42	TOTAL	21,89,51,697.42

Place: Kolkata
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