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Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled

Annual Report

2012-13

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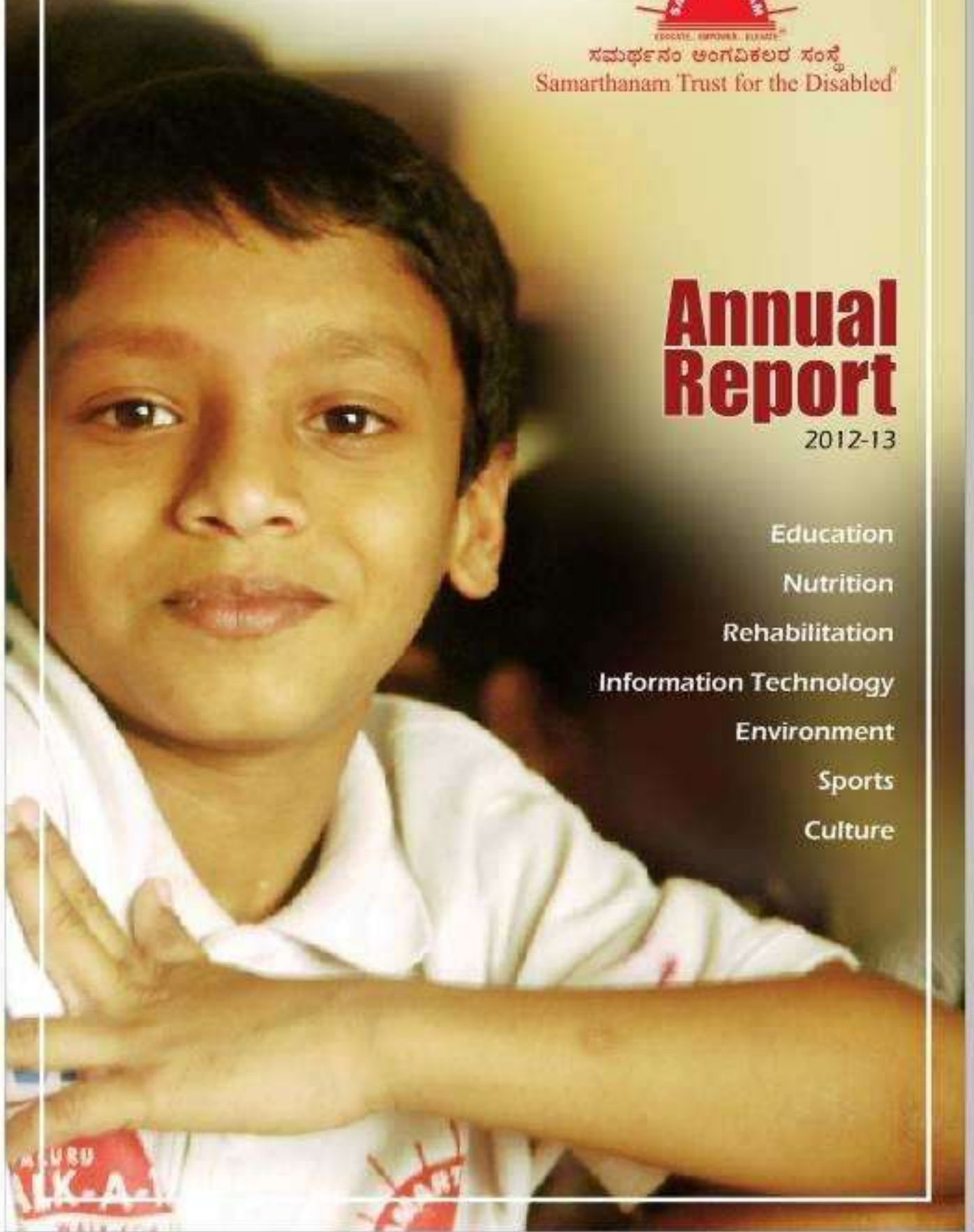
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Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled has been working since 1997 towards empowerment of the visually challenged, the disabled and the underserved.

Samarthanam believes in providing opportunities in the form of quality education, accommodation, nutritious food, vocational training and livelihood support to people with disabilities and enable them to become active contributors to the society.

Samarthanam promotes an inclusive society which provides equal opportunities—without any discrimination—for the development of the visually challenged, disabled and underserved.

The trust is affiliated to the World Blind Union and Rehabilitation International.

Mission

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

Vision

An inclusive society, free of discrimination against the disabled, where people with disabilities, especially the visually challenged, enjoy equal opportunities and an enhanced quality of life.

Objectives

- To promote primary and higher education among the visually challenged, disabled and underserved people.
- To increase accessibility to education and employment opportunities through assistive aids and technology and providing comprehensive vocational training.
- To reduce instances of disability caused due to malnutrition.
- To foster artistic, cultural and recreational avenues for persons with disabilities.
- To encourage sports and games for people with disabilities, especially the visually challenged.
- To promote eco-friendly living and introduce sustainable waste management practices as innovative vocational opportunities for the disabled.
- To establish and maintain community based rehabilitation centres for special target groups like destitute women and neglected children.
- To work at national and international levels to achieve the objectives of UN Convention on Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

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Foreword



Mahanish G. Khudasanavar, Founder & Managing Trustee

Dear Friends of Samarthanam,

With great pleasure and pride I present the Annual Report for the year 2012-13 which has been another landmark year in the history of Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled. The year saw a number of first time activities and programmes being organised while the regular operations of the organisation continued with the same exuberance and enthusiasm.

The first phase of the ambitious completely accessible inclusive residential school at HSR layout is on the verge of completion and should be operational by end of 2013. This would mean that the 600 plus students under our education programmes would have access to better infrastructure and accommodation. 175 students in the school fared quite well during the academic year and moved on to next grades scoring good marks. 34 students accessing hostel facilities and higher education also

did very well during the academic year. Two of students completed their higher education with flying colours from IIM Kolkata and IIM Lucknow while some of them scored above 80% and completed their graduation. Some new hidden talents were unearthed during the year and nurtured.

Samarthanam's IT training wings Techvision and Srushti continued to bridge the gap between disability and technology. Drawing lessons from the two centres the year saw establishment and formalisation of livelihood resource centres through which disabled people will be provided livelihood training and placement support in newer sectors like hospitality, retail etc along with IT and IT enabled services. Samarthanam is envisioning training and placing 1,000 disabled young women in the BPO sector beginning coming financial year. More details follow in the various segments of the report.

Samarthanam's income generation projects Parisara and Kirana have continued to do well. 25 new clients were added enhancing the income by 20% during the current financial year which largely contributed to our programmes for the disabled and the under served people. This year, Hubli Dharwad Urban Development Authority (HUDA) allotted land to Samarthanam, in appreciation of its work in the region over the past four years. Here we propose to construct a barrier free training facility towards which the Hon. Chief Minister of Karnataka announced aid of Rs. 1.5 Crores in his budget for 2013. The entire Samarthanam family and leadership thank The Hon. Chief Minister, M.P. of Dharwad Mr. Prahlad Joshi, MLA Sri Chandrakanth Bellad and Mr. Lingaraj Patil of HUDA for their support.

The major highlight of the year by far was organising the T20 World Cup Cricket for the Blind which was an event of unprecedented scale and impact for Samarthanam. With the encouragement of our patrons, Member Parliament Mr. Oscar Fernandes and Mr. Syed Kirmani, Mr. Adam Gilchrist and the team of Kings XI Punjab, the support of the State Government of Karnataka, Honourable Chief Minister Shri Jagdish Shettar, British High Commission, World Blind Cricket Council and generous encouragement

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of our Brand Ambassador, Mr. Saurav Ganguly, the T20 World Cup for Blind 2012 was an event that had us hosting teams from nine nations spanning from our very own subcontinent to the far end of the Atlantic. The journey began in May 2011, with Cricket Association for Blind in India securing the hosting rights, and spanned to the unveiling of the most important instrument of the game - the Ball in February 2012 to the selection of the final teams representing nine countries, to the ceremonies and matches. The glorious victory of Indian team in the finals and lifting the World Cup was the biggest reward which opened up several avenues and opportunities to employment for the players having a direct impact on the visually impaired youth and their immediate families. The players were met with and felicitated by the President of India, Chief Ministers, title sponsors State Bank of India and many others. The government bestowed honours on them, apart from jobs and cash awards. A detailed narration of the event occupies spotlight in the report.

All this has been possible only due to the partners and supporters of Samarthanam which include government institutions, corporate organizations, the media, our well-wishers in India and U.S. - both individuals as well as organizations who continue to support us in all our endeavours. Everything we have achieved has been possible due to the dedication of our staff and unstinted support of volunteers. I must mention my fellow trustees S.P. Nagesh and Vasanti Savanur who share my dream and have been with me on this journey since the beginning. With them on board, Samarthanam has managed to improve on past records and surpass expectations every year.

Samarthanam is deeply committed to helping people with disabilities gain skills to be able to participate fully in their communities and become tax payers. Today, Samarthanam runs the entire gamut of operations and supports people with disabilities and the underserved right from primary education, nutrition, to higher education, specialised training in vocational skills, job placements while also encouraging and providing training opportunities in sports and arts equally.

We immensely value your friendship and walking with us while we work towards our dream of an equitable society for persons with disabilities and the under served. As we look forward to a new year, we renew our commitment to provide a level-playing field and empower the underserved and people with disabilities to be equally part of the mainstream society.

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People with Disabilities – Facts and Challenges

In a developing country like India persons with disabilities belong to the most excluded and poorest of the poor sections of the society. More often than not they are unheard, unseen and unaccounted for in the development actions and processes. Attitudinal, institutional, environmental and structural barriers coupled with lack of access to information contribute heavily to their exclusion and impoverishment. Though India has fairly good policies and institutional frameworks to promote and protect the human rights of persons with disabilities, there is a wide gap between policy and implementation.

Decennial census of India, 2001 states that people with disabilities constitute 2.13% of the country's population. But the data was strongly disputed by the disability sector based on their own micro studies, surveys and research according to which a conservative estimate states people with disabilities constitute 6% of the population in the country. Various studies conducted by state and non-state actors clearly indicate that people with disabilities form a sizable minority of the country that have remained unheard, unseen and unaccounted for in the development process.

Education is the key to empowerment and development for any individual equally so for people with disabilities. But Children with disabilities are usually among the most excluded group from right to education. Crippling attitudes coupled with acute poverty, compounded by the institutional and environmental barriers profoundly deny their right to education. Various Scholastic studies have established that the chances of a child with disability dropping out of school or education is three times higher than children belonging to Dalith [Lower caste] social group for example. [World bank report on the situation of people with disabilities in India-May 2008].

In India less than 5% of children with disabilities have access to elementary and secondary education. This percentage drastically drops further down when it comes to higher and vocational education [Situation of disabled people in six states of India, Action Aid 2001-2004]. There is no dearth of policies and legislations to emphasise the need for promoting inclusive education for children with disabilities but the basic and under lying problem lies at the implementation stage. Though, Education for

all [Sarva Shiksha Abiyan-SSA] has appropriate and adequate focus on inclusion of children with disabilities in regular schools and Home Based Education for children with severe and profound disabilities, unfortunately these policies and legislations have not been translated on the ground by the implementing machineries at the grass root level.

Some alarming facts about people with disabilities in India

- There are at least 60 million people with disabilities in the country
- 80% of people with disabilities live in rural areas or urban slums with no access to basic rehabilitation services.
- 82% live below poverty line without appropriate access to elementary, higher, professional and vocational education.
- Less than 15% have accessed basic entitlements
- Not more than 3% are engaged in gainful and meaningful livelihoods of whom 87% are engaged in daily wage labor
- Less than 5% children with disabilities have access to primary education

The above stated factors significantly contribute to the low educational, economic, health and social outcomes which has been highlighted in the World Report on Disability by World Bank and World Health Organisation. The same report reveals that the rate of exclusion and marginalisation of people with disabilities is four times more than the sections of other excluded and marginalized communities. Even though we have signed and ratified the UNCRPD, the purpose and spirit of the same is yet to be translated on the ground in letter and spirit towards making significant differences in the lives of millions of disabled people of this country.

In this context and backdrop, Samarathanam Trust for the Disabled has been striving to bring quality change in the lives of people with disabilities through a wide range of actions and processes. The annual report at hand presents a summarised glimpse of the changes observed in the lives of people with disabilities in the next few pages.

Rajendra KR
CEO, Samarathanam Trust for the Disabled

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Programme Report EDUCATION "Two lines of education"

Primary school

At the Samarthanam residential primary school in HSR Layout, Bengaluru, 175 children with disabilities and those from under serviced communities are studying in classes 1 to 7. They are provided free education, accommodation and nutritious food. Apart from academics, the students are provided training and opportunities in art, dance, music and sports. The school is recognised by the Government of Karnataka.

In the Spotlight

Devaraj has been with Samarthanam for over 12 years and heads the primary school operations.

Our students excel academically as well as in extra-curricular activities. Bright, energetic and happy, these children are brimming with confidence. This year, Mani acted in a film 18/9, Suhas was part of a T.V. serial, and Anjaneya participated in a T.V. program called Super Kid on Samaya channel. Our children are truly special!

A field trip to Mysore was organized. It was an educative and enjoyable experience; the children soaked in the history and came back to school enthused.

40% of staff at Samarthanam's Primary school are PeDs

School strength went up by 16% this year

Samarthanam would like to thank Target International for contributing towards its education programme.

Future Plans

- Continuous Teacher Training: Facilitating Ongoing Learning by enlisting teachers in training programs.
- Shifting to state of the art completely accessible facility by end of 2013
- Target to increase enrolment by 30% in 2013-14
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High school

At the Samarthanam High School in Hulimavu, Bengaluru, 94 children study from std. 8 to 10. The school is recognised by the Government of Karnataka.

The pass percentage this year is a whopping 94.11%; up from 58% compared to last year. The school topper, Mouneshwara Gugurkar, scored 84.8%.

"None of us here look at ourselves differently because of our disability. We take it as a challenge and never let it come in the way of our growth," says Yogaraj, who is also a national-level athlete. This young student aims to join the Karnataka Administrative Services.

"I want to become a professor and help not only the visually disabled but the economically backward as well," says Sameer, while Bhagyshri is keen on studying English literature.

Students dedicate a large part of their success to the volunteers who spend a lot of time with them. "The integrated approach bringing the visually impaired to the mainstream has helped everyone in the classroom", says Ms. Shobha Chittaranjan, who started volunteering with Samarthanam four years ago.

Krishnaiah, the headmaster of the school, with over 9 years of experience, also oversees end to end operations of Vidyaprasad, Samarthanam's nutrition programme that reaches out to 54 mainstream schools in and around Bengaluru.

Higher Education

Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled has been carrying out this activity since its inception. What started as an initiative to support visually impaired students passing out of 10th standard to continue higher education has come a long way supporting them to reach highest possible degree one wants to achieve. Disability and poverty go hand in hand and are both cause and consequence. We at Samarthanam believe education can break this vicious cycle and bring quality change in the lives of persons with disabilities.

Towards this Samarthanam provides assistance to around 150 visually impaired young adults pursuing higher academic and professional courses. We provide financial support, laptops, digital audio books, scribes and tutors to support students enrolled in several renowned institutions. Samarthanam also provides free hostel facilities – this enables young men and women from rural Karnataka to pursue their education in the city and thereby access to better opportunities.

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We bring to you the journey of some such diligent students at Samarthanam.

Nandini Twenty year-old Nandini is perusing her B.A. in History and aims to be a lecturer. She likes to participate in sports, singing and theatre. Savitha comes from a poor agrarian family in Chikkaballapura district. Her parents encourage her pursuits and her brother who is also visually impaired.



Savitha Twenty-four year-old Savitha has taken up an online XL course after joining Samarthanam, and enjoys participating in dance programmes. She is from an agricultural family in Davanagere district. She plans to continue her master's degree with support from Samarthanam and wants to be a Kannada lecturer. She has received a scholarship for her pursuits from Kuvempu University. She was totally blind when she came to Samarthanam. After treatment at Sankara Nethralaya, she gained 20% sight. She has two younger brothers, one of whom is also visually impaired.

Vasanti Savanur, Trustee, is passionately involved with all the students, mentoring and guiding them, and instilling self-confidence in their abilities. Adored by all she spends most of her waking hours with the students ensuring a good balance in their moral and educational upbringing.

Samarthanam thanks ING Vysya Foundation, Heart, Hand and Handicapped Foundation for supporting higher education programme.

Future Plans

Expanding Higher Education support to young adults with disabilities in multiple locations

Digital Library

Samarthanam produces books and study materials accessible to the print disabled by converting them to a digital format. Recording of 91 books was completed this year with the help of 25 volunteers. Over 300 students benefitted from the DAISY recorded books. In addition, 71 books were scanned and edited.

NUTRITION

Vidyaprasad

Samarthanam provides nutritious midday meals to 7500 children in 54 government schools across Bengaluru city, under the Akshara Dasoha program supported by Government of Karnataka and India. The programme has completed 10 years of successful implementation. Centralized kitchens, mechanised cooking and an efficient distribution system ensures 2,50,000 hygienic meals are delivered every month by a team of 14 dedicated members.

This year, the centre was shifted from Kalena Agrahara to Singasandra where a well-furnished kitchen has been set up. We continue to receive positive feedback from schools on quality of food.
A Day at Vidyaprasad

- Provisions are sourced from APMC Yeshwantapura.
- Vegetables are purchased from K.R. Market on a daily basis.
- At 7.00 p.m. Chopping of vegetables starts.
- 2.30 a.m. Mechanized cooking process begins at kitchen and goes on until 8.00 a.m.
- 8.45 – 9.15 a.m. Food is loaded onto four vehicles for transportation and delivered to 54 schools.
- 12.20 to 1.00 p.m. Meals are served to 7500 children.

During the World Cup the Vidyaprasad team and unit provided quality food on schedule to Central college ground throughout the tournament without any hitches and received appreciation.

Future Plans

To cater to more children, while maintaining hygiene and quality.

Janan Vikas

This is a rural library initiative since 2002 through which Samarthanam has set up libraries in six government schools through which 2333 children from economically challenged backgrounds are able to access study materials and general books in both local language and English. This has helped them enhance their learning and language skills. These libraries also act as venues for conducting various skill development camps for the children. Initially this project was receiving some funding support from abroad which has now been discontinued. In spite of best interest these libraries today are on the verge of closure due to fund crunch.

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INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

IT Training



At Samarthanam's Techvision centers, 427 young adults with disabilities and from underserved communities received training in computers and soft skills essential for preparing them for jobs. As many as 402 trainees are persons with physical, visual, hearing and other disabilities. This is a huge increase from last year's 83 trainees.

Trainees Speak...

"I am so proud to be associated with Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled. After coming here, I realised the need for higher education. Now I'll pursue my graduation..."

-Geeta Wari

"I study at Dharwad's renowned J.S.S. College. At the same time I pursue my computer training in JAWS at Samarthanam. It gives me an extra edge and confidence. I dream of becoming a lecturer one day..."

-Nizamuddin Khazi, visually impaired Techvision trainee pursuing higher education with support from Samarthanam

BPO Training



At Shrishti, Samarthanam's BPO Call centre training units in Dharwad, Peenya and JP Nagar Bengaluru, as many as 200 visually

impaired and physically challenged youth received BPO training this year.

92% of Shrishti trainees have been placed in reputed companies like Tech Mahindra, Aditya Birla Group, LIC, Aegis, First source Solutions while others are pursuing higher education.

100% placement achieved for the sixth and seventh batches of the BPO training centre at Dharwad.

Triya Solutions, who assisted us in finding employers such as Tech Mahindra and Hinduja Global Solutions were all praise for the team. The Founder of Triya Solutions, Mr. Shashidhar, spoke of the outstanding performance of the candidates placed in Tech Mahindra.

Trainees Speak...

"I had a degree in hand, a goal ahead of me. However there was a gap in the skills I possessed. English was a hard nut to crack and that's where Samarthanam helped...In the next 10 years I see myself in the middle management position of an MNC"

-Prakash Walikar, now employed at Firstsource Solutions Ltd Hubli. Visually impaired.

"I owe my life to Samarthanam. It has transformed my life... I opted for the training to learn English and computers. Today I work with a company that is one of

the biggest in India"

Santosh Marvi, currently working with Aditya Birla Retail

Techvision and Shrishti...Conducted Training of Trainers program to enhance the quality of training both in-house and in collaboration with partners. Workshops and Guest Lectures by industry experts were organised to enhance the quality of inputs to the trainers.

Trainees won accolades in sports for physically disabled conducted by the State Department for Welfare of the Disabled.

Rama Rao heads the Livelihood resource centre and is also the IT head. A IT professional himself, he has been actively involved with Samarthanam since its inception running training projects across Karnataka.

Future Plans

Shrishti and Techvision are working towards:

- Expansion of Livelihood Resource Centre (LRC) model
- Samarthanam units in Belgaum and Gadag.
- Initiate newer market driven trades for training in addition to the existing
- Inclusion of more organizations for placement
- Sensitization of potential employers and creating awareness through media

Samarthanam expresses thanks to the Deshpande Foundation, United Way and TE Connectivity supporters of Shrishti BPO Training programme.

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BRINGING CHANGE – IMPACTING LIVES!

Special mention

Three of Samarthanam's visually challenged students are at IIMs in Bengaluru, Kolkata and Lucknow.

Samarthanam's Ms. Rajani is India's first visually challenged Chartered Accountant. Rajani came in contact with Samarthanam in the year 2000 by when though she had completed Inter in Chartered Accountancy was idle for almost eight years due to her disability. She started her association with Samarthanam as a student learning JAWS software and other computer applications. When her actual interest in accountancy was identified she was motivated to re-start her attempt in completing the course which she did and passed with flying colours. Today she is a successful Chartered Accountant and works in one of the international development organisations after gaining good amount of experience in couple of MNCs.

At first glance, Jyothi appears like any other seven-year old girl. It is only when your eyes travel down to her arms that you realise something is amiss. Jyothi's father is no more. After being deserted by their mother, Jyothi and her two sisters were kidnapped and forced to beg. When Jyothi protested and tried to resist, both her arms were broken. Rescued by the police, Jyothi was taken to Balamandira, Gulbarga. First aid was administered at Gulbarga Government Hospital. She required surgery which was estimated to cost about 2.5 lakhs. It was at this point that she came to Samarthanam and we raised funds for surgery. The first surgery has been performed, but many more are required for Jyothi to recover completely. This change has scope to impact her life positively!

11 years old Suhas was born with twisted limbs. His parents shifted from a remote village in Hubli to Bengaluru hoping for better prospects for their child in the city. They enrolled Suhas in Basava Gangothri residential school. But his mobility issues proved to be too much to overcome. He was referred to Samarthanam's disabled friendly school by a family friend. Samarthanam facilitated the process of medical and surgical intervention for Suhas to enhance his mobility. A team of Doctors lead by Dr Manohar Babu from Apollo Hospitals at Bannerghatta road successfully conducted the required surgical treatment at the cost of Rs. 2.25 lakhs. Samarthanam raised majority of the funds through a network of philanthropists and welfare organizations to meet the expenses with the parents also contributing about

one lakh. Today Suhas, an intelligent and inquisitive child, is studying in the 6th grade and doing quite well both academically and in extracurricular activities. One day he wants to become a scientist and find solutions that would benefit the society.

Shekar Naik is the captain of the Indian Blind Cricket team. The twenty-seven year-old all-rounder hails from Shimoga, Karnataka. He was born blind and started playing cricket at the age of twelve in 1998. He was selected for the Karnataka team in 2000. After a knock off 249 against Kerala, he was selected to play for India in 2002. In 2005, he joined Samarthanam and that, he says, changed his life. He toured the United Kingdom (UK) in 2007 for a series against England. Since then, he has successfully lead the Indian side in several international tournaments, the latest being the T-20 World Cup Cricket for the Blind, organized by Samarthanam and CABI and lifted the World Cup for India. He is today a well known personality and has been honoured by the President of India.

Anjani has no arms, but he makes up for it with his feet. Samarthanam identified the bright young boy and enrolled him to its primary school. The 11 year old is simply brilliant and it almost seems like he does not recognize he is disabled at all. Anjani writes with the help of his feet. His writing is beautiful and much better than most! Apart from being outstanding in academic activities, he is very good at drawing and painting too. His art is quite matured for his age and has received rave reviews from many.



11-year-old Anjani has no arms but uses his legs to paint.

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BPO/Call Center Unit



Kirana, Samarthanam's BPO centre at Bidadi was set up in 2011 with the objective of empowering skilled rural youth and those with disabilities. The 100-seater BPO hosts disabled-

friendly workstations, and boasts state-of-the-art infrastructure, technology & resources at par with the best in the industry. Kirana made an excellent start in 2011, with work orders from financial institutions and IT majors. In its second year, Kirana made further inroads into the insurance, banking and beverages sectors.

Kiran heads the BPO working with clients and creating opportunities for people with disabilities. A Bachelor of Engineering Graduate, Kiran gave up a thriving career in the corporate world to be associated with Samarthanam and the Kirana BPO since the inception.

Kirana has transformed the lives of several disabled youth by providing gainful employment and bolstering their faith in their own abilities.

Changing Lives: Employees Speak

"My name is Nagaveni. I joined Kirana in November 2011. I am visually impaired. Kirana helped me stand on my own feet. This is a really fantastic initiative from Samarthanam that employs the visually impaired, physically challenged, rural and underserved. It is a corporate environment,

REHABILITATION

Women's Empowerment



92 women from difficult circumstances were with us this year at 'Swadhara', Samarthanam's home for women in distress. Samarthanam provides accommodation, food, counselling, vocational training, clinical and legal assistance, with aid from the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India. During this period of financial and emotional support, they are also sufficiently trained in IT, BPO, spoken English, catering, tailoring or other vocational skills. The women are assisted in finding employment, and are self-reliantly.

In October 2012, the Ministry of Women and Child Development conducted a workshop at Swadhara, on the Domestic violence act.

These women are resilient and inspiring – whether it is the lady who secured a bank job, or those who went on to teach at schools.

Seetha, who is currently at Swadhara, says: "I want to



professionally managed, with enablers like JAWS software, effective training and residential facilities. The working atmosphere here is very good and the infrastructure is completely disabled-friendly. We have separate accommodation for men and women. The hostel facility enables people from different places to come and work here without any difficulty at the disabled-friendly setup.

"My best wishes for Kirana to expand and provide more and more opportunities to the visually impaired. All the best to Team Kirana."

"My name is Muniyappa. I am from Kengeri. I am visually impaired. I feel proud to work here at Kirana. It is a new experience for me. I am enjoying the work here and working with friends is great. I have never seen this kind of BPO where visually impaired and physically challenged people are employed in a disabled-friendly atmosphere. I lead a team at Kirana and have received an award for excellence. My team members work hard together to achieve the targets. As a lead, I provide support and motivate them. I would like to see all my team members in a good position; that is my aim. I would like to thank each and everyone responsible for this setup and for providing me the opportunity."

"Complete my education with good results. With the help of Samarthanam I am continuing my education, I have improved my health, and now I feel I am also a capable person in this society. I want to get a good job to support my family."

Nagajyothi says, "After I came here, counselling gave me a lot of self-confidence. Residents and staff motivate me and Samarthanam provides me with everything I need. I want to get suitable job and would like to serve in a service-oriented organisation." Nagajyothi holds a degree in MCA and used to work as lecturer before she became a victim of domestic violence.

Champa says, "At present, I depend on Samarthanam for my college fees, scribe facility, classes from volunteers, food, accommodation and books. In a few years, I want to get government job and lead an independent life".

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Vocational Training



Vividha
enterprises

Vividha, one of the rehabilitation wings of Samarthanam, is a self-sustained unit wherein the disabled and underserved are trained and employed to service outsourced job work orders. Training is provided in soldering, packing, reconditioning of printer cartridge and assembling.

ENVIRONMENT



Parisara, Samarthanam's waste management wing, collected and recycled dry waste from 50 apartment complexes, several residential units and 75 corporate locations, this year – twice that of last year.

75 tonnes recycled per month

The programme aids in empowering the disabled by providing employment opportunities. The revenue generated is used for Samarthanam's welfare development activities.

This year, Parisara tied up with Rashi e-waste, which recycles CFL bulbs/tubes, thus bringing in more funds to the organization. Discussions are on with tetra-pack recyclers and e-waste recyclers.

Parisara is headed by Girish, who started his career with Samarthanam and has been actively involved since its inception in different roles. Girish has always been inclined towards the cause of environment. Under his leadership, the program not only generates funds for the organisation but also creates employment opportunities for the disabled, making the society at large morally responsible towards environment.

Future Plans

Parisara targets an increased collection next year, and aims to extend services to more locations.

Printer Cartridge Recycling Unit

Samarthanam's Printer Cartridge Recycling Plant where refilling/remanufacturing is carried out, brings high-quality compatible toner cartridges to the market place, compatible with all major products. Samarthanam Parisara is a registered re-processor/recycler of printer cartridges, authorized and licensed by Karnataka State Pollution Control Board.

SPORTS

Samarthanam has actively promoted sports for the visually impaired over the last decade, both as a rightful pursuit and as a platform for their physical and social development. Sportspersons from Samarthanam have regularly participated in National and International athletic events, cricket and chess tournaments. This includes three Cricket World Cup tournaments and tours to Pakistan and England.

Chandrashekar, an international sportsman himself who has represented Samarthanam and the country in many blind sports tournaments, and an alumni of Samarthanam, today heads the Sports and Purchase departments in Samarthanam which he manages along with a team of dedicated visually impaired friends.

Samarthanam students took part in the march-past held on Republic Day at Maneckshaw Parade Grounds, Bengaluru. It is with great pride that we share with you news of our team winning the first prize for its disciplined march-past. Platoon commanders along with the instructor received the award from the Governor of Karnataka Shri. Hansaraj Bharadvaj.



Cricket Association for the Blind in India (CABI)

Cricket Association for the Blind in India (CABI) is an initiative of Samarthanam that runs cricket for the blind across the country.

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T-20 World Cup Cricket for the Blind – A Report

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Mr. Saurav Ganguly, T20 World Cup for Blind 2012 was organised almost flawlessly. What has been very heartening is the overwhelming response and support that the event received from the media before and during the tournament. The World Cup involved a massive exercise in Public Relations. LIN Opinion was hired to augment Samarthanam's PR effort. Print and electronic media coverage helped garner publicity for the event. CNN IBN, NDTV, Jet Airways, Hindustan Times, The Hindu, The Times of India, Deccan Herald, The Indian Express and several other vernacular and regional media carried articles on the World Cup. Social media, website and other online communication channels were tapped effectively. Fifty hoardings were strategically placed across the city of Bangalore. Thousands of volunteers from colleges and corporate organisations supported throughout the event.

State of the art arrangements were made for the event:

- Air-conditioned Volvo buses were made available to transport players courtesy BMTC
- Move n' pick hotel & Spa with five star luxury and trained staff to manage visually challenged provided boarding and lodging for the participating teams
- MS Ramaiah Hospital were the medical partners
- Tata Docomo was on boarded as communication partner
- Bisleri Mountain served as drinking water partner
- Indian Express as print media partner
- Red FM 93.5 was the radio partner
- ATE Air travel was the official travel partner
- Security – The Karnataka police provided excellent security for the event.
- Raj Events was hired to manage the event.
- Two grounds were identified keeping several aspects in mind and were made available exclusively for the event. Central college cricket ground was exclusively prepared and made conducive because of its location advantage. Ground B – Aditya Global was selected because of its class, to give the visiting teams a feel of the grounds in India. Both grounds had turf wickets. Each hosted 18 league matches from 2nd to 10th Dec. Ground A Central College witnessed two semi final matches and the grand finale on the 13th.
- Officials picked were BCCI qualified umpires and scorers.
- Walkie Talkies were provided to enable seamless communication.

No effort was spared to make the event successful and memorable.

The Event-Inaugural Ceremony

After months of anticipation, the T-20 World Cup for the Blind was declared open with a grand

inaugural ceremony. The World Cup was flagged off on December 1st with a formal flag hoisting ceremony followed by a march past which saw participation from the Navy and Army forces. Among the other dignitaries present were Director General of ICCR, Ms. Jennifer McIntyre, David Holly, Australian Consul-General to South India who expressed their heartfelt wishes. A colorful display of cultural performances was presented by 2012 kids from Bangalore's schools. Syed Kimani, who due to health reasons could not make it, sent his best wishes to all the participating nations. Legendary cricketer BS Chandrashekar presided over the function and declared the event open.

In his acceptance speech, Mr. Mahantesh, Founder Managing Trustee of Samarthanam and the General Secretary of Cricket Association for the Blind in India (CABI) said, "After months of speculation, the day is finally here. All the teams have practiced with all their heart and soul. I am glad that we have the support of such eminent members from our country to support the T20 Cricket World Cup for the Blind. The tournament is a free show as we want everyone to rejoice and boost up the morale of all the cricketers participating from the nine different teams across the world. My good wishes to all of them." The first match had the honour of Jennifer Mc Intyre tossing the coin.

The Final Match

Following the league matches spread over nine days at two grounds, on the 12th of Dec, in the semi-finals, Pakistan defeated England and India beat Sri Lanka to make it to the finals. Two most popularly watched countries were ready to contest for the World Cup. On December 13th the crowds witnessed a challenging and most anticipated India-Pakistan clash. India defeated Pakistan by 29 runs in the T20 World Cup for the Blind at the Central College grounds, Bangalore. It was a very closely contested match with India restricting Pakistan with their excellent fielding and bowling. The hosts India retained the trophy in a thrilling match that was telecast live on national television.

Outcomes

The following are some of the outcomes as a result of the tournament:

- Extensive media coverage by local and global agencies
- Global presence for visually impaired players in the field of sports
- Interface interactions with eight countries from across the globe
- Sensitised mindsets of the community, thousands of people from diverse cultures and backgrounds
- Increased involvement of the community through

volunteering with persons with disability
Annual general meeting of World Blind Cricket Council conducted with a set agenda followed by successful election of managing committee of WBCC
Development of referral networks for providing support to the players
Enhanced knowledge bases (capacity building) of community, stakeholders and beneficiaries

Cricketer's Lives Post World Cup Victory

From what was a distant dream to play cricket for the country, the World Cup saw the blind cricketers lift the World Cup which was the utmost actualisation of any player's dreams. Playing for the country, interacting with the likes of Adam Gilchrist and picking up tips from world class cricketers can only be termed as dreams coming alive. The endorsement and presence of legends like Ranatunga, Kris Srikkanth, Kimani and BS Chandrashekar motivated not just the squad, but also scores of budding young players. The talented players won acclaim from the stalwarts and recognition from media. The team also won themselves a huge fan club and thousands of supporters cheered them on. The game has had a huge impact on their rehabilitation and integration into the mainstream too. Several avenues and opportunities for employment have opened up, having a direct impact on the visually impaired youth and their immediate families.

Felicitation by President of India

Hon. President of India Shri Pranab Mukherjee felicitated the victorious Indian Blind Cricket team at Rashtrapati Bhavan. The Hon. President appreciated and congratulated the players and said "You all have made us proud and our country proud. I salute your indomitable spirit. You have not allowed your physical disability come in your way. You all deserve support and encouragement from everyone."

Mr. Mahantesh, General Secretary of CABI, presented a memorandum to the President requesting him to consider awarding the captain of the Indian team Shekar Naik with Arjuna Award and a special award to the association for organizing the event and in his words "...each one of them gets rewarded and recognized for the tremendous effort during the tournament and also a special note of gratitude to CABI."

Sports Minister Shri Jitendra Singh also felicitated the team and assured the contingent that he will consider the request of awarding Rs 30 lakh each to the players and Rs 10 crores to promote cricket for the blind in

India through Cricket Association for the Blind in India (CABI). Shri. Arun Jaitley, Leader of the Opposition in Rajya Sabha and Vice President, BCCI, invited the players to his residence, and met with them. He agreed to requests made by the team to speak to the BCCI for recognition of blind cricket, and with the Gujarat government to recommend cash awards and govt. jobs for the five blind cricketers from the state, as done in Karnataka.

Chief Minister State of Karnataka presents cash award to players from the state

Chief Minister of Karnataka Shri Jagadish Shettar presented a cash prize of Rs 3 lakhs to each of the three players from Karnataka - Shekar Naik, Prakash Jayaramiah and S Ravi. He also felicitated the team members at his residence, promised job opportunities to the three players from the state. Shri Baldev Krishna, IAS, Director, and MK Meena, Secretary, Department of Sports and Youth Services, also joined in felicitating the players and the organizers.

Chief Minister of Odisha felicitates players

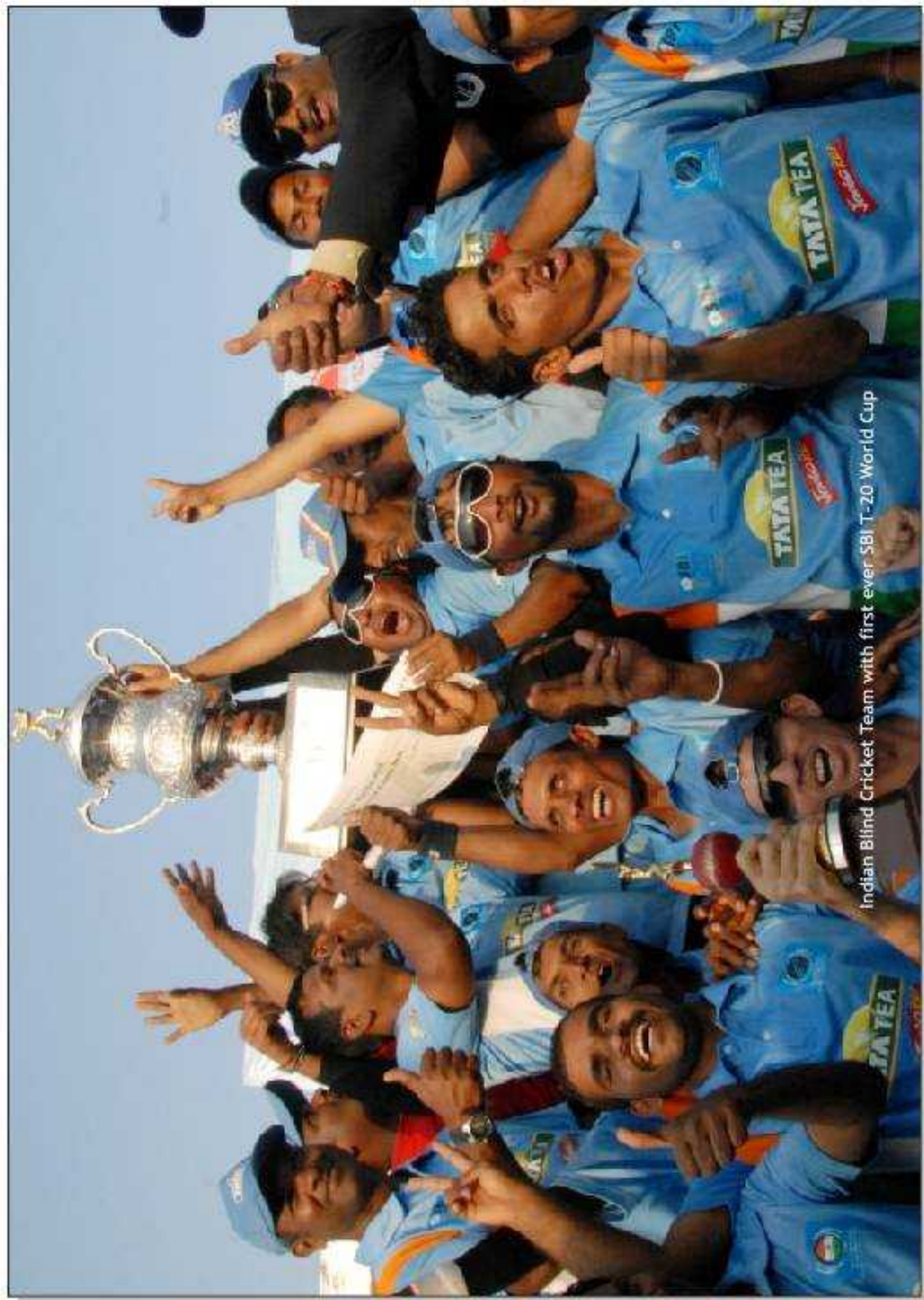
Orissa Chief Minister Shri. Naveen Patnaik felicitated Mohammad Zafar Iqbal and Pankaj Bhoi, who were a part of the Indian team which won the T-20 World Cup for Blind in Bangalore. The players received a rousing welcome in Bhubaneswar airport. Thousands of young supporters lustily cheered the T20 Blind World Cup winners. Waving fans and placards, they accompanied them to the Chief Minister's office.

Other Felicitations and recognitions

- Brigade group organized an event to honor the cricket team at Orion Mall.
- Cricket bat signed by England's blind cricket team was auctioned at the Queen's Birthday Party hosted by British Deputy High Commissioner Ian Felton. Proceeds from the auction went towards Cricket Association for the Blind in India (CABI).

The team also had an opportunity to participate in "Chitra Santhe" organized at the Chitrakala Parishat in Bangalore with the World Cup trophy showcased and blind cricket players interacting with the crowds. The Chief Minister Jagadish Shettar, Deputy Chief Minister R. Ashoka, and Minister for Kannada and Culture Govind Karjol were present at the event. T20 World Cup winning blind cricketers from Karnataka, captain Shekar Naik, Prakash Jayaramiah and S. Ravi, had eager fans

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Indian Blind Cricket Team with first ever SBI T-20 World Cup

Important milestones and dates

- May 2011 - Hosting rights attained
- September 2011 – Selection of Indian team initiated
- February 25th 2012 – Unveiling of the cricket ball
- April 29th 2012 – Interaction with Adam Gilchrist and Kings XI Punjab
- August 25th 2012 – Launch of tournament logo
- September 2nd 2012 – Unveiling of Mascot by Brand Ambassador Saurav Ganguly
- Sep 25th & 26th – Meeting mainstream cricket team in Sri Lanka
- September 27th – British Deputy High Commissioner organised high tea for corporate companies
- October 2012 – Final team selection process completed
- November 17th 2012 – Walkathon for propagation and fundraising
- November 20th 2012 – Sri Oscar Fernandez addresses National Press regarding the T20 World Blind Cricket Tournament
- 1st December 2012 – Grand opening ceremony to the tournament
- 13th December 2012 – Lifting of the T-20 World Cup by Indian Team

CULTURE



Samarthanam encourages talent among disabled youth, nurturing their skills in art, music & dance and providing opportunities to perform on stage. 'Sunadha', Samarthanam's cultural troupe comprising visually impaired artists, has given classical and folk dance performances across the country, the U.S. and U.K.

Samarthanam's 'Sunadha' took part in the All India Dance Competition 2012 for the Visually Challenged at Kolkata. The troupe from Samarthanam won the second place in the classical group dance competition, and Lingaraj won the first place in the solo classical dance competition.

Sunadha toured Thailand and Malaysia in the months of April and May 2012:

- At the Rotary International Convention at Bangkok, in the presence of 30,000 delegates from different parts of the world, Nobel Prize winner, Professor Muhammad Yunus, came across personally to congratulate the troupe.
- At the Indo-Thai Culture Center: The Indian Ambassador to Thailand, His Excellency Anil Wadhwa, stayed on to watch the dancers perform beyond the time that had been earmarked by the consulate for him. The audience watched the 1.5 hour performance and the Samarthanam documentary in rapt attention, and were moved to tears.

Sunadha performed 13 times over a period of 2 weeks covering all major cities across the entire west coast of Malaysia, Articles published in Malaysian media.

Sunadha also performed in several educational, cultural and corporate centers in Mumbai, Kolkata and other parts of the country.

We are thankful to all the sponsors and organizers for giving us the opportunity and making it possible.



Sunadha performance

NEWS FROM NORTH KARNATAKA

Realising the need for employment based rehabilitation in North Karnataka, Samarthanam expanded to cities like Dharwad, Gadag and Belgaum in North Karnataka in 2009. It was a modest beginning with 6 students in a small room that has grown to state-of-the-art IT and BPO training centres leading to 300 people with disabilities being absorbed into the corporate workforce. Samarthanam has also been instrumental in impelling higher education among PWDs.

In appreciation of Samarthanam's work in the region over the past four years, government agencies allotted land to Samarthanam. The registration process is complete and Samarthanam is the recipient of 2245.32 sq meters of land that will help serve the community better. Samarthanam proposed construction of a barrier-free facility towards which the Hon. Chief Minister of Karnataka announced aid of Rs. 1.5 Crore in his budget 2013.

The entire Samarthanam family and leadership thank The Hon. Chief Minister, M.P. of Dharwad Mr. Prahlad Joshi and Mr. Lingaraj Patil of HDUDA for their support.

Mr. Chandrakant Bellad, an MLA from North Karnataka, has been a great moral support for Samarthanam's initiatives in North Karnataka and has been present at our events. He was actively involved in the site registration and signed as witness.

Samarthanam is supported by the Deshpande Foundation. The North Karnataka model of the Deshpande Foundation named 'Sandbox' has Samarthanam as the sole partner propelling higher education, vocational training, art and sports for the differently-abled.

Team Dharwad along with Mr. G.K. Mahantesh, Mr. K. R. Rajendra and Ms. Lalitha from Bengaluru participated in Deshpande Foundation's

Development Dialogue - an international seminar focusing on accomplishments of partner NGOs in the 'Sandbox' (several districts of North Karnataka) and exchange of best practices from organizations across India, US and Canada. Mr. G.K. Mahantesh was on the panel for a discussion on 'Exclusion Addressed: Sustainable models of Mainstreaming disadvantaged and at risk communities'. Others on the panel were Dr. Shiban Ganju, Founder, Save a Mother, Mr. Adam Woodward- Director Kalkeri Sangeet Vidyalaya and Mr. Steven M Rothstein, President, Perkins School for Blind.

The delegates of Deshpande Foundation US and Canada visited Samarthanam. The 50 member team were all praise for the organization.

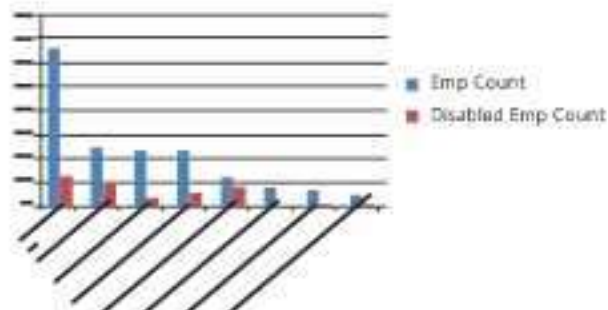
Marketing and Public Relations unit of Samarthanam Dharwad attended the CSR Congress Meet in Mumbai.

SUPPORTING UNITS

HR and Placement

As the organization grows, the Human Resources unit plays an increasingly important role in strengthening organizational structure.

164 employees and 3000 volunteers



• Women employees constituting 40% of the workforce

• 34% of PwDs among the staff

• Attrition rate of 0.2339%

Volunteering

Samarthanam has a dedicated department that exists to manage and facilitate volunteers and ensure their time with us is well-spent. Samarthanam greatly values the contribution of the 1000 volunteers from organizations in the corporate sector, international agencies, Rotary and Lioness Clubs, and interns, passionate individuals who worked with us through the year.

This year many positive measures were taken:

- Samarthanam now has an extremely capable and experienced professional as CEO
- Capacity Building by enrolment of staff in training
- Adoption of standard parameters to assess employee performance
- Organisation restructure

Several activities are planned for next year focussing on employee engagement and best practices to keep motivational level high.

The placement cell works towards finding employment opportunities for the disabled.

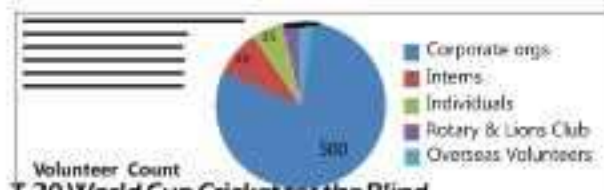
This year, PwDs were gainfully employed at several organizations, carrying out functions like data entry, tele-marketing, call-centre work or as service personnel. They are also employed in the hospitality industry and in the garmenting division to carry out front office or help desk tasks, tailoring or packing.

Organizations like CISCO, IBM, TARGET, DELL, ACCENTURE, ACI WORLDWIDE, BOSCH, PRM, SHELL, ADOBE, SAP, SKF, AFDIL, ARM, GOLDMANSACHS, TRIVIUM, ADOBE, ABB, HP, IBM DAKSH, ANZ, MTS, INFOSYS, ALJAS NETWORKS, HYPERCITY, MEENAKSHI MALL, SIEMENS, MPHASIS, ARCOT/CA SYSTEMS, BIOCON, THOMSON REUTERS, UNINOR, EUREKA FORBES, L&T INFOTECH, WIPRO, DELOITTE, HONEYWELL, ING VYSYA, MAX NEW YORK, MICROSOFT, NETI, K, SYMPHONY, 3DPLM, HIS,

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Agencies like iVolunteer, AIESEC, FSL, ICDE and Youth for Seva help direct volunteers to Samarthanam, apart from interested individuals who have established contact with us and gone on to develop a long-standing relationship with Samarthanam.



T-20 World Cup Cricket for the Blind

35% of the effort for the T-20 World Cup Cricket for the Blind came from volunteers. Volunteers were also involved in all events.

IWO Kyung-gi Volunteer Program

A group of twenty enthusiastic volunteers from Korea arrived at Samarthanam through International Volunteers Trust (IVT-India). The Korean students interacted with Samarthanam students over a period of ten days, facilitating cultural exchange and activities focused on health, environment, career and recreation.



Together, the Korean and Indian students engaged in several enriching activities. The traditional sports, dance, music, art and authentic Korean dishes were thoroughly enjoyed by everyone! Wall painting, cast-molding, face-painting, soap-making, recycling and mini-Olympics were great fun!



Volunteers Speak

Sreelatha Yegneshwar says "I have personally found it very invigorating being involved as a volunteer at Samarthanam for more than a decade..."

Gian and Marius

"We, Gian (19) and Marius (20), from Germany decided to volunteer at Samarthanam's Primary School in HSR Layout, Bengaluru. The school does not only provide basic education, but also shelter and three meals a day for around 200 children between 4 and 17 years, including visually impaired, intellectually & physically challenged children, adolescents and adults, orphans or children from economically disadvantaged families. Also some of the teachers are physically disabled. After having spent six weeks (Gian) and two weeks (Marius), we got the impression that the children live a safe, regulated and good life without suffering hunger or fear."



Samarthanam would like to thank all our volunteers who share their time and skills. We sincerely appreciate their passion and dedication.

Future Plans

- Mentor-mentee program
- Documentation upgradation and presentations
- More workshops by volunteers for staff and students
- To honour volunteers who are our ambassadors with certificates and mementoes.
- T-shirts with logo for those involved in field work.

PR, Communication & Branding

In Samarthanam's numerous initiatives and events, the Communications and Branding team plays a vital role, with the following functions:

- **Marketing** - Brochures and other promotional material
- **Publicity** - Networking with media to ensure visibility and awareness.
- **Branding** - in line with the values and policies of the organization

Kishore Joseph who was an active volunteer with Samarthanam at the time of its inception 16 years ago later joined Samarthanam's and today, he heads Samarthanam's PR team.

Publicity for the World Cup

The extent of success of the World Cup was because of the support extended by media across all channels, viz. print, online, social media networks, radio, road shows, and of course, word of mouth. RD 320 Bikers club hit the road to promote the event. Radio jingles celebrated the event on-the-go. An online campaign on social media, TV coverage and print media - regional, national and international -

ensured the event got the attention it deserved. Celebrities lent their star power with Saurav Ganguly batting for the T20 World Cup for the Blind as its Brand Ambassador releasing the mascot and legendary cricketers Syed Kirmani and BS Chandrashekar unveiling the T-20 World Cup logo.

Our major media partners this year have been:

Electronic Media: Major channels CNN-IBN, Times Now, NDTV covered Samarthanam programmes. RED FM 98.3, Kasturi 24/7, Janasri Channel, Samaya TV, Suvarna TV, News-9, TV-9, E-TV, Uday TV, Raj Music, DD Chandana also covered activities.

Print Media: Hindustan Times, Times of India, Vijaya Karnataka, Deccan Herald, Deccan Chronicle, DNA,

The Hindu, Indian Express, Economic Times, Hindustan Times, Bengaluru Mirror, "The Voice of Fod" India's First Magazine on Disability, City Plus, Nimma Bengaluru, Malayalam Manorama, Prajavani, Kannada Prabha, Andhra Prabha, Andhra Jyothi, Udayavani, Prajamukhi, Hosadiganthi, City Buzz, Bengaluru Beat, Praja Mukhi, Neramathu, Rajasthan Patrika, Dinathanthi, Dinamalar, E-Nadu, Dinakaran, Sarjivani, E-Sanje

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Fundraising

The Fundraising team works diligently to translate dreams into reality. Corporate and individual contributions, institutional funds and government grants help us achieve what we have. Samarthanam has a dedicated department and a streamlined approach to fundraising with different verticals like Individuals, Corporate, Trusts & Foundations. Kumar who joined Samarthanam in 2009 after a stint in the corporate sector, has since then headed Samarthanam's various fundraising initiatives. The Fundraising team is in the process of expansion currently.

Samarthanam USA is registered as a legal entity, and Samarthanam is considering to dedicate more resources to overseas fundraising activities.

Samarthanam works with external agencies in its fundraising efforts and uses mechanisms like telemarketing, & tele-calling. Some of Samarthanam's ventures are self-sustained or revenue-generating, while some like the IT Training and School Library Programme are in need of funds.

All donations to Samarthanam are tax exempt.

Finance and Accounts

The accounts department plays a crucial role managing and disbursing funds to the various projects and initiatives. Complete transparency and accountability is maintained in all transactions and operations.

Samarthanam operates from multiple facilities. To manage the range of programmes and projects, Samarthanam has a fleet of about 12 two and four wheeler vehicles for movement of personnel and goods.

IT

Samarthanam has a strong team to manage the IT needs of the organization. Headed ably by Sunil under the guidance of Ramarao this department ensures 170 staff in the organisation function smoothly using various technologies like laptops, computers, internet, Fax, printers etc.

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Events & Highlights

Samarthanam now has a presence in Delhi

Samarthanam Bengaluru Walkathon (17 Nov 2012)

The Samarthanam Bengaluru Walkathon was organized in aid of the World Cup, as an awareness campaign and fundraising event. The walkathon was in partnership with Karnataka Sports Association for Physically Handicapped. The 3.5 km long walkathon had 10,000 participants from various walks of life. The entire Indian Blind cricket squad comprising of seventeen players took part in the walkathon to promote the World Cup.

Job Fair

An exclusive job fair was conducted for the disabled with over 26 companies offering jobs on the spot to more than 500 disabled unemployed youth. The fair was organised by five NGOs - The Cheshire Disability Trust, The Samarthanam Trust, Association of people with Disability, Vocational Rehabilitation centre and NASSCOM Foundation.

The employers included corporates like HCL, IBM, Infosys, Oracle, ANZ, ING Ysysa Bank, TCS, Agies, DELL, Accenture, Tryo Solutions, among others.

Mr. G.K. Mahantesh, Samarthanam Founder-Managing Trustee said technology has made a difference to people with disabilities and substantially removed the barriers that come in the way of their work performance. He welcomed the recent trend of companies showing a ready acceptance for offering employment to people with disabilities in all sectors. He suggested that organizations should also explore the possibility of providing reasonable accommodation and work place solutions to such disabled employees.

Mr. Appa Rao, company secretary of ING and ardent supporter of Samarthanam, made his presence felt at the job fair and created a platform for many NGOs and corporate firms to come together, thus creating job opportunities for the less-given.

Looking ahead to 2013-2014

Samarthanam seeks to expand its operations and have a pan-India presence in the coming years. Conduct visioning exercise for 2020

CABI will continue pursuing the plea for BCCI to affiliate and recognise cricket for the blind.

Another international event is on the cards – the Women's Cricket World Cup.

Samarthanam's cultural troupe 'Sunadha' is set to tour Dubai in September 2013.

Samarthanam in association with The Resource Alliance India, conducted a workshop on "Fundraising, Transparency and Accountability in Communication" to aid small and medium NGOs in capacity-building.

The Resource Alliance is an international charity with offices in India whose mission is to build the global network for fundraising, resource mobilization, and philanthropy. Samarthanam is Resource Alliance's South India partner, actively participating in promotion of the NGO awards, and is part of the assessment team which evaluates NGOs for credentials pertaining to the NGO Awards.

Samarthanam is a member of ICONGO, acronym for the Indian Confederation of NGOs. ICONGO is a citizen movement to sensitize & create awareness amongst people at large about socio-political issues, to build individual social responsibility and encourage citizen action for social justice through the people sector (i.e. NGO's).

Executive Director of Deshpande Foundation, Raj Melville, on a trip to India from Massachusetts, made time to tour all centers of Samarthanam.

Siddharth Jayakumar and Sabria visited Samarthanam and motivated the students with an inspiring talk about confidence and self-belief. Siddharth was affected by cerebral palsy early in his childhood. Other than involuntary movements and a slight slur when he talks, he is just like anyone else and that is what he tries to emphasize. Siddharth is a Certified Documentary Credit Specialist (CDCS) from Institute of Financial Services, UK and India's first CDCS with cerebral palsy. He was honoured with the National award in 2008 and the Helen Keller award. Sabria is a motivational speaker and a visually impaired friend of Samarthanam who has participated as panellist and speaker at many corporate events and forums. Samarthanam students benefited greatly from the interaction, they now have more role models to look up to!

Barrier-Free school

A 100% accessible residential school under construction in Bengaluru
Envisaged as a state-of-the-art facility that can cater to around 700 disabled & under serviced students
Built-up area of 35,000 sq.ft at a cost of 8.25 Crores
35,000 sq. ft. of land granted by the Government of Karnataka, and Rs. 1 Crore for construction.

Highlights of Proposed School:

Improved Accessibility:

Lifts and ramps
Carpeting and acoustic tiling
Sign boards to aid the hearing impaired
Lighting and paint schemes to help the visually impaired
Information provided through Braille and in large print

Lectures on audio tapes
Assistive Technology - Interactive keyboards & whiteboards, Touch-screen computers

Meditation hall, yoga centre, gymnasium and computer lab.

Inauguration of the first building was done by TIMKEN, and foundation stone for the next phase was laid. The school is expected to be functional by the end of the year 2013.

Samarthanam would like to express heartfelt gratitude to TIMKEN and Sandisk for their contribution towards construction on the school building.



Barrier-Free School at HSR Layout

Awards & Recognition

Green Award



Parisara, Samarthanam's environmental wing, won the Star Green Award for its waste management initiative. The awards were initiated by Procam International to mark the 5th edition of TCS World 10K.

Mr. G.K. Mahantesh, Samarthanam founder managing trustee, along with Girish MN received the award from Sandalwood star Puneet Rajkumar, at a function held at ITC Windsor Manor Hotel. Among the dignitaries present on the occasion were Mr. E. S. Chakravarthy, Centre Head, Bengaluru, TCS, Murray Clushaw, Founder Chairman, Bengaluru Cares, Charity Partner, Atul Bhalia, GM of ITC Windsor, Vivek B. Singh, Jt. MD of Procam International, the promoters of the event.

Parisara was declared the winner out of five shortlisted entries on the basis of public voting (30% weightage) and jury (70%). The eminent jury comprised Mr. Karan Bhalia (WWF-CCO), Mr. Hem Pande (Joint Secretary, MOEF), Dr. Anil Kumar Dikshit (IIT Bombay), Prof. Damodaran (Prof IIM - Bengaluru) and Mr. Vivek B Singh (Joint Managing Director, Procam International) who screened the final five to judge the winner. The criteria for the award were idea, innovation, scale and impact.

The Hindustan Times coffee table book, India Awakened:

Featured in a Coffee Table Book by Hindustan Times
INDIA AWAKENED -Agents of Change

Agents of Change, has a section dedicated to Mr. G K. Mahantesh's journey with Samarthanam, and the odds that were overcome during this extraordinary journey



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The book was released in New Delhi by Shri. Jairam Ramesh, Hon' Minister of Rural Development Govt. of India along with Dipankar Gupta, NAC member Aruna Roy, HT Editor-in-Chief Sanjoy Narayan, BJP leader Nirmala Sitharaman at Delhi. This book honors heroes from different walks of life for their outstanding contribution to society.

The book features 25 ordinary Indians who brought about change in their local economies, education, health and issues of human rights – often at great personal cost.

The job of "scaling up their work should be done by the government, not the private sector," said National Advisory Council member Aruna Roy. "Even if the government is inefficient or corrupt we can hold it accountable," Roy said, participating in a panel discussion that followed the book release.

Sociologist Dipankar Gupta said the stories of the change-makers, which appeared in one of India's leading dailies, Hindustan Times between January and April, offered the government with specific models for emulation. They can also be replicated by the political class as well as corporates, said BJP spokesperson Nirmala Sitharaman.

Print Media Coverage



Central Minister Jairam Ramesh responds to query from Samarthanam Founder



The government will soon announce new norms for disabled people, substantially easing the criteria for disability, Rural Development Minister Jairam Ramesh said.

Currently, the law requires a government doctor to certify 80% disability in a person seeking to be declared 'disabled' and benefit from relevant government programmes.

"It's very difficult to get a certificate for 80% disability. It should be eased to 30% or 40%," Ramesh said.

His comments came in response to a question from Samarthanam Founder and Managing Trustee GK Mahantesh.

Samarthanam Founder on CNN-IBN Live News. Samarthanam Founder Managing Trustee Mr. G.K. Mahantesh appeared on the news bulletin of the T.V. channel CNN-IBN Live. Mr. Mahantesh spoke about Samarthanam alumni Girisha's Paralympic win and the forthcoming T-20 World Cup Cricket for the Blind.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2uWpeMWrur8>



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Message from Sathesh Heddese Director and Site Head, SanDisk India



The first time I met Samarthanam folks was when I was in Bay Area (CA USA) and they were on a fund raising tour. I was very impressed with their mission and even more so by the blind kids performing

Bharathanatyam on stage – despite all odds, this group is striving hard to change the life of underserved and physically challenged kids! While I did make a small donation then during one of their fund raising events, the thought of helping out in a bigger way lingered on with me. When I moved back to India, I had an opportunity at SanDisk India to sign up signature partners for our CSR activities and when I presented Samarthanam's case it got overwhelmingly accepted by our Corporate HQ. We at SanDisk India are very glad to be one of the corporate sponsors helping Samarthanam with the construction of their boarding school. All the best to Samarthanam!

Sathesh Heddese heads the SanDisk R&D Center in Bengaluru. SanDisk, a Fortune 500 and S&P 500 company, is the world's largest dedicated provider of flash memory storage solutions.

Message from TIMKEN India: TIMKEN India's relationship with Samarthanam has been further strengthened in recent months. TIMKEN has committed to sponsoring two floors of the barrier-free accessible school building being constructed at HSR Layout, Bengaluru. Here is what Ms. Shirley, their representative, had to say on the association with Samarthanam:

At Timken, we believe in extending our support to organizations that we feel are genuinely working at the grass root level. Timken India's association with the prestigious Samarthanam Trust will always be cherished. We really appreciate the earnest efforts made by the trust that strives to make a difference in the lives of the differently-abled and the underserved. What distinguishes Samarthanam is its mission to change lives not only through economic means but also developing educational, social, cultural and technological aspects. As an organization, Samarthanam has achieved several milestones but we appreciate the fact that the zeal of the organization to serve the society has never diminished.

We feel proud that we have also become a part of a major project - Timken has contributed funds towards the disabled-friendly school building in HSR Layout to bring children from various backgrounds under one roof and provide them the best of education and infrastructural support. The experience of working with the people at Samarthanam has also helped our associates grow as better human beings. They have a vision of a society free of discrimination. We would like to extend our heartiest and best wishes to Samarthanam to keep up the noble work. We look forward to work with them hand in hand in their future endeavors, and take this relationship to new heights.

Message from ING Vysya Foundation : ING Vysya has had a long and fruitful relationship with Samarthanam. ING Vysya supports our higher education program, outsources business to our BPO, recruits our IT and BPO graduates. Volunteers from ING Vysya Foundation have been very closely involved in many of our projects and activities. Here is what Ms. Joyatri, their representative, had to say on the association with Samarthanam:

Higher Education program: We believe that everyone has a right to education, regardless of where they live, how they live, their physical and mental condition. Education is imperative to growth and development. Every individual should be given an opportunity to realize their right to education. Towards this objective, ING Vysya Foundation funds the higher education of 50 aspiring Samarthanam youth with disabilities.

Volunteer initiatives: provide a platform for our employees to interact with children and youth, under the care of Samarthanam. The objective of such programs is to provide employees with an opportunity to contribute to a social cause that can help these children grow and develop as responsible tax-paying citizens of India. This also provides an opportunity for our employees and the Samarthanam children to share space and get to know each other well.

Inviting children to perform is an opportunity:

For children to explore a corporate environment that often builds up their aspirations and makes them more confident.

For employees to understand that there is nothing called 'disability'

We are all differently-abled with different kinds of skills and talent to showcase, which makes this universe diverse and beautiful. Respecting diversity is a value that we uphold

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- . Central Bank of India
- . Mantri Developers Pvt Ltd
- . TE Connectivity
- . Accel India Management Co. Ltd

Volunteer with Us

Samarthanam immensely values your contribution in bringing positive change in the lives of persons with disabilities and those from underserved communities. We firmly believe in the philosophy of volunteering, which forms our operational core, making each volunteer a catalyst in accelerating the life change experience of the person with disability. If you have the passion and would like to make a difference, you can start by sharing your valuable time and skills with us.

Donate

Donate online through our website www.samarthanam.org

Send cheques or drafts in favour of Samarthanam Trust for the Disabled.

Write to us at support@samarthanam.org

Call us @ +91 9449864784 or +919449864775

Financials for the Year ended 31st March 2013

Details of Board Members as on 31/03/2013

Name	Position on Board	No. of meetings attended	Remuneration and reimbursements in Rs.
Mahantesh G K	Founder Managing Trustee	5	Zero
Nagesh S P	Trustee	5	Zero
Vasanti Savanur	Trustee	5	Zero

Distribution of staff according to salary levels as on 31/03/2013

Slab of gross salary plus benefits (Rs per month)	Male (Nos)	Female (Nos)	Total (Nos)
<5000	38	19	57
5,000 - 10,000	46	25	71
10,000 - 25,000	21	12	33
25,000 - 50,000	05	0	5
50,000 - 1,00,000	-	-	-
1,00,000 >	-	-	-
Total	110	56	166

Staff Details

Gender	Full Time	Part Time	Paid Consultants
Male	110	-	6
Female	56	-	2
Total	166	-	8

Trustees & staff travel expenses

Total cost of international travel by all personnel (including volunteers) and Board members

Name	Designation	Destination	Purpose	Amount (Rs.)
Mahantesh G K	Founder Managing Trustee	Bangkok	Education & Cultural Exchange Programme	26997
Vasanti Savanur	Trustee	Bangkok	Education & Cultural Exchange Programme	34165
Anuradha Suresh	Cultural coordinator	Bangkok	Education & Cultural Exchange Programme	29677
Geetha Kivadasannavar	Dance Teacher	Bangkok	Education & Cultural Exchange Programme	29677
Suma B D	Artist	Bangkok	Education & Cultural Exchange Programme	63842
Sridevi	Artist	Bangkok	Education & Cultural Exchange Programme	34165
Manasa	Artist	Bangkok	Education & Cultural Exchange Programme	34165
Ishwar	Child Artist	Bangkok	Education & Cultural Exchange Programme	29202
Harish	Artist	Bangkok	Education & Cultural Exchange Programme	29677
Lingaraju	Artist	Bangkok	Education & Cultural Exchange Programme	29677
Roopa	Artist	Bangkok	Education & Cultural Exchange Programme	29677
Shresta	Child Artist	Bangkok	Education & Cultural Exchange Programme	22669
Arjuna Ranathunga	T-20 World Cup Guest	Srilanka	T-20 World Cup	34052
	Total			427642

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Total cost of national travel by all personnel (including volunteers) and Board members

Name	Designation	Destination	Purpose	Amount (Rs.)
Mahantesh G K	Founder Managing Trustee	Delhi, Mumbai, Pune, Kolkata	Conference & Seminar	72055
Mahantesh G K	Founder Managing Trustee	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	126765
Nagesh S P	Trustee	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	138000
Vasanthi Savanur	Trustee	Delhi	Conference & Seminar	9315
Rajendra K R	CEO	Kolkata, Pune	Conference & Seminar	30265
Rajendra K R	CEO	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	245664
Kumaraswamy C R	Manager - Fund Raising	Mumbai	Conference & Seminar	12128
K N Chandrashekar	Sports Coordinator	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	36668
John David	Liaison Officer	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	74196
Shekar Naik	Cricket Captain	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	16045
Udaykumar	Coordinator - North Karnataka	Mumbai	Conference & Seminar	7036
Anjanappa	Volunteer	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	15040
Partharudra	Volunteer	Kolkata	T-20 World Cup	31779
Prateek	Volunteer	Kolkata	T-20 World Cup	14510
Sarika & Malini	Volunteer	Chennai	Conference & Seminar	19502
Shashi Abraham	Volunteer	Chennai	Conference & Seminar	4828
Venugopal	Volunteer	Delhi	Conference & Seminar	13602
George Abraham	T-20 World Cup Guest	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	17115
Patrik	Cricket Coach	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	10555
Ahmed	Cricket Player	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	42197
Ajaya Reddy	Cricket Player	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	9587
Dunnavenkatesh	Cricket Player	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	7464
Hitesh	Cricket Player	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	29980
Hanuman	Cricket Player	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	11064
Ketan	Cricket Player	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	27642
Maneesh	Cricket Player	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	5350
Ramesh	Cricket Player	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	9975
Vikas	Cricket Player	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	23275
Vikas Patel	Cricket Player	Delhi	T-20 World Cup	9411
	Total			1071013

	Name	Designation	Remuneration in Rs.)
Operational Head of the organisation: (including honorarium):	Mahantesh G K	Founder Managing Trustee	Zero
Highest paid person in the organisation (staff or consultant):	Kishore Joseph	Manager- PR & Communication	37000
Lowest paid person in the organisation (staff or consultant):	Rathna	Librarian	1790

For the Financial Year 2012- 2013

Balance Sheet		
	All figures are Rs in lacs	
Assets as on	3/31/2013	3/31/2012
Fixed assets	794.14	381.56
Investments	76.57	84.21
Loans and advances	5.03	5.41
Cash and bank balances	39.90	21.36
Other current assets	38.87	4.71
Excess of expenditure over income (if any)	-	-
Total Assets	954.51	497.25

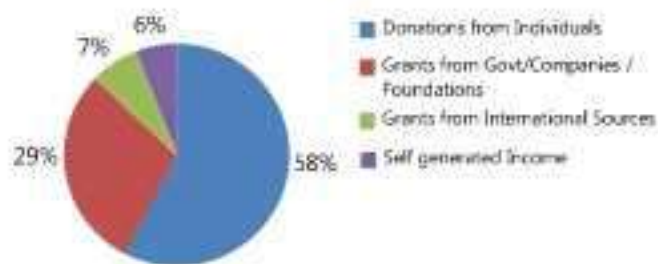
All figures are Rs in lacs		
Liabilities as on	3/31/2013	3/31/2012
Trust/ Society/ Share holder funds	-	-
General fund (unrestricted fund)	425.66	281.54
Corpus and endowment fund(s)	272.79	173.99
Restricted/ Earmarked funds	-	-
Grant balances	-	-
Loans and borrowings	256.06	41.72
Current liabilities and provisions	-	-
Excess of income over expenditure (if any)	-	-
Total Liabilities	954.51	497.25

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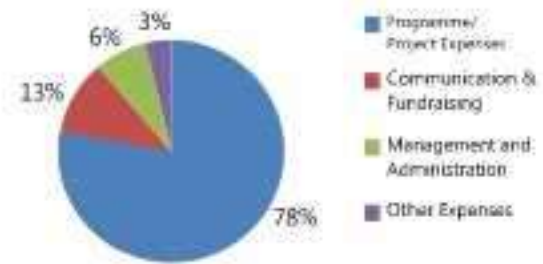
Income & Expenditure Statement	All figures are Rs in lacs	
Income for the year ended on	3/31/2013	3/31/2012
Earned/ Self generated income	58.14	48.73
Donations from Indian sources	614.00	478.48
Grants from Indian sources	309.98	81.18
Donations from International sources	68.87	54.17
Grants from International sources	-	-
Other income	0.03	0.30
Total Income	1,051.02	662.86

	All figures are Rs in lacs	
Expenditure for the year ended on	3/31/2013	3/31/2012
Programme	685.38	408.47
Public education and fundraising	112.36	120.12
Management and administration	52.23	46.35
Payments to Beneficiaries	-	-
Other expenses	22.60	2.40
Total Expenditure	873.57	577.19
Surplus/ Deficit	144.11	65.40

Breakup of Funding Source



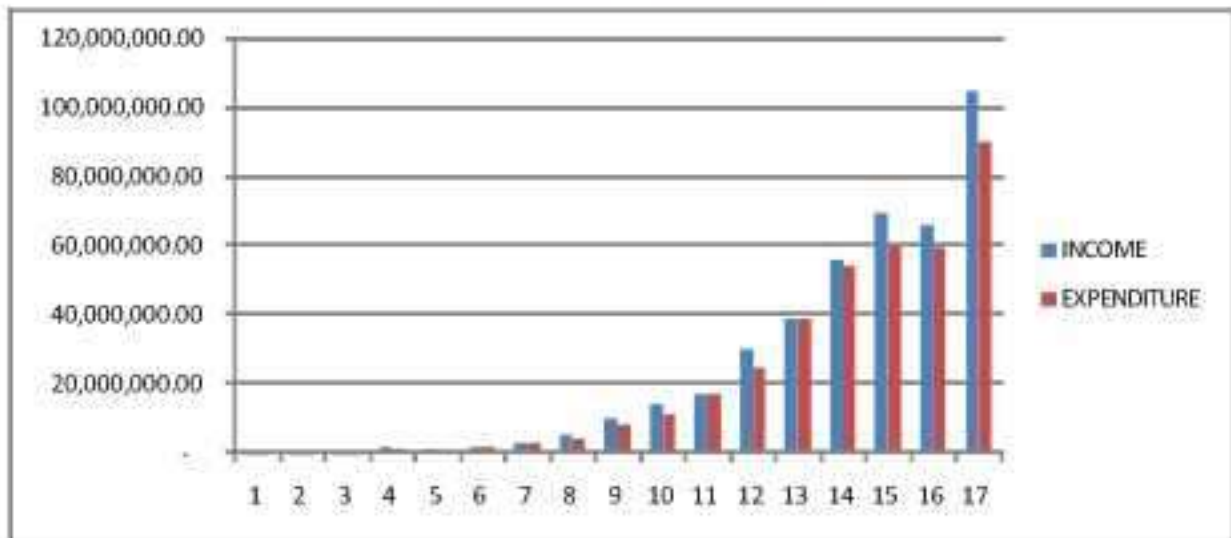
Distribution of Expenditure



Receipts & Payments Account	All figures are Rs in lacs	
Receipts for the year ended on	3/31/2013	3/31/2012
Opening Cash and Bank Balance	21.35	73.21
Earned/ Self generated income	57.30	48.71
Donations from Indian sources	604.23	537.70
Grants from Indian sources	309.98	138.90
Donations from International sources	143.68	54.17
Grants from International sources	-	-
Sale of investments/ assets	-	-
Loans	230.93	12.15
Other receipts	33.58	25.23
Total Receipts	1,401.05	890.07

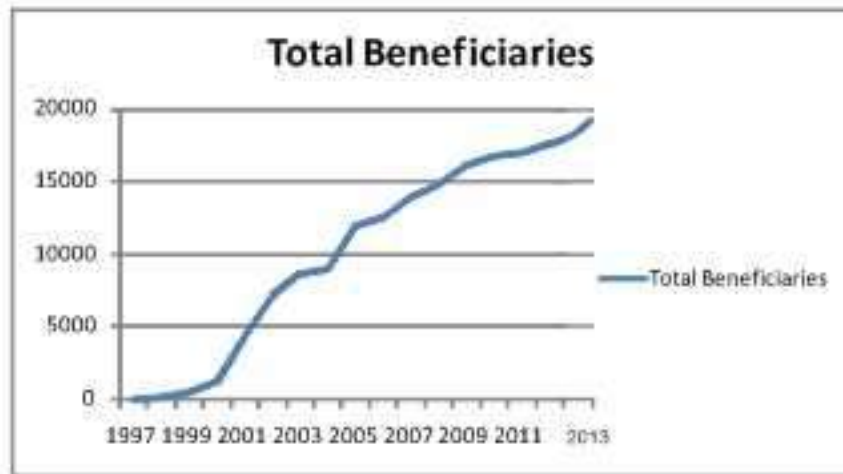
	All figures are Rs in lacs	
Payments for the year ended on	3/31/2013	3/31/2012
Capital items/ assets purchased for the organisation	442.61	227.39
Capital items/ assets purchased for beneficiaries	3.29	1.66
Purchase of investments	5.19	-
Grants/ donations to other organisations	-	-
Loans and advances	211.1	62.18
Other payments	888.95	577.49
Total Payments	1,361.15	868.72
Closing cash and bank balance	39.90	21.35
TOTAL PAYMENTS	1,401.05	890.07

Samarthanam's Growth story



Year	Total Beneficiaries	Programmes launched
1997	3	Education & Sports
1998	103	Girls Hostel
1999	506	Computer Education
2000	1200	IED
2001	4500	
2002	7200	Jnanavikas
2003	8600	Vidyaprasad
2004	9000	High School
2005	12000	Parisara
2006	12600	
2007	14001	Swadhara
2008	14800	Primary School
2009	16200	Expansion to North Karnataka
2010	16800	Shrishti
2011	17003	CABI - Kirana Rural BPO
2012	17650	T-20 World Cup For The Blind
2013	19850	

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