



Deepak  
Foundation

## ANNUAL REPORT 2022-23



**DIVERSITY, INCLUSION  
AND EQUALITY**







*In the loving memory of our Founder*



**Shri C. K. Mehta**

April 6, 1932 - July 3, 2023



Shri C. K. Mehta was amongst the few first-generation entrepreneurs who understood the importance of social responsibility. His aspiration to usher social change inspired Deepak Group to look beyond business needs. He has been instrumental in initiating wide-ranging Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives and establishing Deepak Foundation, the CSR arm of Deepak Group. Built with a vision to empower women and provide healthcare facilities and livelihood opportunities to the local communities, Deepak Foundation has expanded its footprint to 5 states and touched the lives of over 2 million people in the past 41 years.

Shri C. K. Mehta's journey has been an inspiring one. He is a great role model as an entrepreneur who dares to think big and achieve his dreams with passion and perseverance. His mantra of 'Nation Building by Serving the Society' lives on as he continues to shine and guide all of us at the Deepak Foundation as we remember his illustrious life filled with inspirational moments.

We are sure all our esteemed stakeholders shall join us in paying tribute to our Founder, Shri C. K. Mehta. We, at Deepak Foundation, shall ever be inspired by his thoughts on ethics, governance, undaunted spirit of achieving goals and indomitable desire to excel in what we do. His legacy will continue to guide us in all spheres of life.





## OUR VISION

Empowering underprivileged and unreached communities to ensure holistic development, economic stability, and a life of dignity.

## OUR MISSION

Create a socially inclusive and sustainable environment for the vulnerable, specially-abled, underprivileged, and unreached communities by providing health care, education, skills building and livelihood opportunities. We envisage a society free of distress, disease, deprivation, exploitation and subjugation and overall well-being of the family and community.





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## MESSAGE FROM TRUSTEE

### *Nurturing a Culture of Care for All*

Today, we reflect on the journey of Deepak Foundation and our unwavering commitment to nurturing a culture of care for all individuals, communities, and our planet. As we navigate through challenging times, our dedication to giving back to society remains our guiding star.

At Deepak Foundation, we take immense pride in our passionate workforce and deep-rooted connections to ground realities. Together, we strive to empower individuals to become agents of change, driving progress and prosperity for our nation. Our focus on healthcare, education, nutrition, livelihoods and support to individuals with special needs, aims to improve the quality of life for underprivileged segments of society.

The Foundation's origins date back four decades, emerging from the aftermath of a devastating dam breach in Morbi, Gujarat. Since then, we have been at the forefront, providing aid during the global pandemic, introducing digital learning, and extending services to marginalized communities and individuals with disabilities. Our journey has taught us that there is always more to be done. Our initiatives have begun to transform lives and communities. In the past year, we deepened our focus on strategic areas such as Tuberculosis elimination, Farmers Producers Organizations and other government scheme convergence, thus working with the national and state governments to further the agenda of development for all. Tuberculosis (TB) remains a significant challenge, and we are committed to its elimination by 2025. We operate Mobile Diagnostic Units, designated Microscopy Centers, and provide comprehensive care to patients and families. FPOs play a pivotal role in uplifting rural economies and farmers in India. Our

forums encourage collaboration and develop strategies that benefit farmers and enhance their produce.

We believe in integrated models that create a socially inclusive and sustainable environment. One of our earliest models at Nandesari displays this integration that aims to uplift an entire household through convergence of various interventions. Through Deepak Medical Foundation (DMF), we provide access to subsidized multi-specialty healthcare services, benefiting the rural community around Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation (GIDC). Health-nutrition education is promoted through Anganwadi centers, promoting mother and infant young child nutrition (MIYCN) and water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) practices. The Foundation focuses on early childhood care and education (ECCE), empowering local women educators through the Vivek Vidya Project and providing remedial coaching to secondary school children. Initiatives like Deep Jyot Mahila Cooperative Credit Society (DJMCCS) uplift over 4000 households through entrepreneurial activities.

Our efforts extend beyond the above initiatives. Project Vivek Vidya empowers underprivileged children through access to age-appropriate quality story books and reading materials, improving cognitive and social competencies. Project Sangaath increases convergence of eligible households under government schemes and social safety net programs, empowering communities for sustainable development.

Our Founder Trustee, Late Shri C. K. Mehta, whom we lost recently, was a visionary philanthropist and esteemed business leader, who left an indelible mark on countless lives through his compassion, humanity, and foresight. His values were deeply rooted in elevating underprivileged communities and giving back to society, viewing Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) as philanthropy and sharing prosperity with the marginalized, especially women and children. For him, it was a progressive roadmap toward nation-building. Over the past 41 years since its inception, with his blessings, Deepak Foundation has touched the lives of millions of individuals across the nation, engaging in grassroots initiatives encompassing various sectors. Firmly believing in "Nation Building through Serving Society," his life story remains a beacon of social progress, guiding Deepak Foundation's endeavors.

We are committed to continue making a meaningful difference. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has supported Deepak Foundation on this transformative journey. Let us embrace the challenges ahead, preserve the present, and envision a better future for all.



 **SHRI DEEPAK C. MEHTA**  
Trustee, Deepak Foundation

आत्मनो मोक्षार्थं जगद्धिताय च। सर्वे भवन्तु सुखिनः, सर्वे सन्तु निरामयाः॥

"For one's own liberation and for the welfare of the world. May all beings be happy, may all beings be healthy."



## FROM DIRECTOR'S DESK

**A**s we complete four decades of our glorious services in the development sector, we continue to align our services with emerging national agendas, be it catalyzing the last mile reach of the government's social safety net programs through Project Sangaath or the elimination of tuberculosis (TB) by the year 2025.

As we celebrate Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav, over the last year, we forayed into the formation of farmer producer organizations (FPO), and women's enterprises. We aim to set up a successful model of women entrepreneurship across locations and support them with market linkages under the Brand de India Express and *Devapi*. Our clinical services continue to be delivered through our Mobile Health Units and hospitals like the Deepak Medical Foundation in Nandesari Industrial Area in Vadodara, where we have been successfully providing services to the needy.

In the SEZ area of Dahej, where diagnostic facility is rare and people have to go to Bharuch all the way, our state-of-the-art Deepak Pathology Laboratory & Diagnostic Centre provides diagnostic services and industrial/occupational diagnostic services through pathology lab, audiometry, spirometry, and other radiological services. We have also taken the initiative to establish an Animal Health Care Centre in Nandesari.

Samaj Suraksha Sankul, a one of the first Public-Private-Partnership initiative in Gujarat between Department of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of Gujarat, and Deepak Foundation. The Foundation is engaged in the operations and holistic management of child care institution for boys, "Samaj Suraksha Sankul", located in Vadodara, Gujarat. Navi Pahal is out of school programme for urban slums focusing on the continuity of education, skill-training and social stability and prepare them for adulthood. I believe that "collaboration over competition" remains our core motto.

With a formidable and dedicated in-house team, the Foundation works tirelessly across different sectors, with a key focus being the empowerment of women and vulnerable groups like tribal populations, underprivileged children, and people with disabilities.

We have also started working with various start-ups and social enterprises to help them with the last-mile connectivity to the grassroots level. This agility is what keeps the giant organization relevant in changing times.

Wishing our associates, partners & team members all the very best in future!

**Dr. JAI PAWAR**  
Director, Deepak Foundation





## OUR TRUSTEES



Shri Deepak C. Mehta



Smt. Ila D. Mehta



Dr. Riddhi Mehta



Dr. Ruchi Mehta



## MEMBERS OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### *Dr. P. N. Khandwalla*

Dr. P. N. Khandwalla served as the Director of Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad until 1996. His teachings and research in organizational theory, design, and restructuring of organizations for management excellence, effective management of public enterprises and governmental organizations, creativity and innovation has been of paramount importance in designing the Foundation's organizational framework. He is also on the advisory council of Aspire Circle.



### *Shri S. R. Wadhwa*

A Tax Management Consultant and Advocate, Shri S. R. Wadhwa is the former Chief Commissioner of Income Tax, and Chairman, Income Tax Settlement Commission. He plays a pivotal role in guiding the Foundation towards financial management and achieving its overall goal of sustainable growth in the sectors of public health, skill building, livelihood generation, children with special needs and education.



### *Shri A. M. Tiwari, I.A.S.*

Retired as Additional Chief Secretary, Home Department, Government of Gujarat, Shri A. M. Tiwari has held diverse portfolios. He held important positions such as Principal Secretary in Education, Social Justice & Empowerment, Tribal Development, and has been the Managing Director of Corporations like GACL, GSFC and GNFC etc. As he has an immense interest in the development sector, he is guiding the Foundation with his technical expertise in the field of livelihood and strategising the implementation activities.



### *Dr. Dileep Mavalankar*

Dr. Dileep Mavalankar is the Director of Indian Institute of Public Health, Gandhinagar, since 2012. His work experience includes faculty and research positions at the National Institute of Health in Bethesda, USA; Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad, and Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University, NY, USA. He has worked as consultant to many organizations, including Columbia University, WHO (Geneva, Western Pacific Regional Office), UNICEF (New Delhi), UNDP/World Bank (India) etc. Since 2005, he is an advisor to Deepak Foundation on its research and development activities.



### *Dr. N. C. Patel*

Former Vice Chancellor, Anand Agricultural University (AAU), Dr. N. C. Patel did his Ph.D. in Agricultural Engineering with specialization in Crop Process Engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur in 1993. Recipient of many prestigious awards, he has been the director of key state government corporations. He is guiding the Foundation with his technical expertise in the development of agro-processing equipment and technologies and livelihood initiatives.





## MEET THE THINKERS, MAKERS & DOERS



Dr. Jai Pawar  
Director



Dr. Akash Kumar Lal  
Deputy Director (Public Health)



Ms. Sushma Bhonsale  
Head (Accounts)



Mr. Shardul Acharya, Head  
(Monitoring & Evaluation)



Ms. Smita Maniar, Head  
Research and Development



Mr. Suketu Parmar, Manager  
(Human Resources)



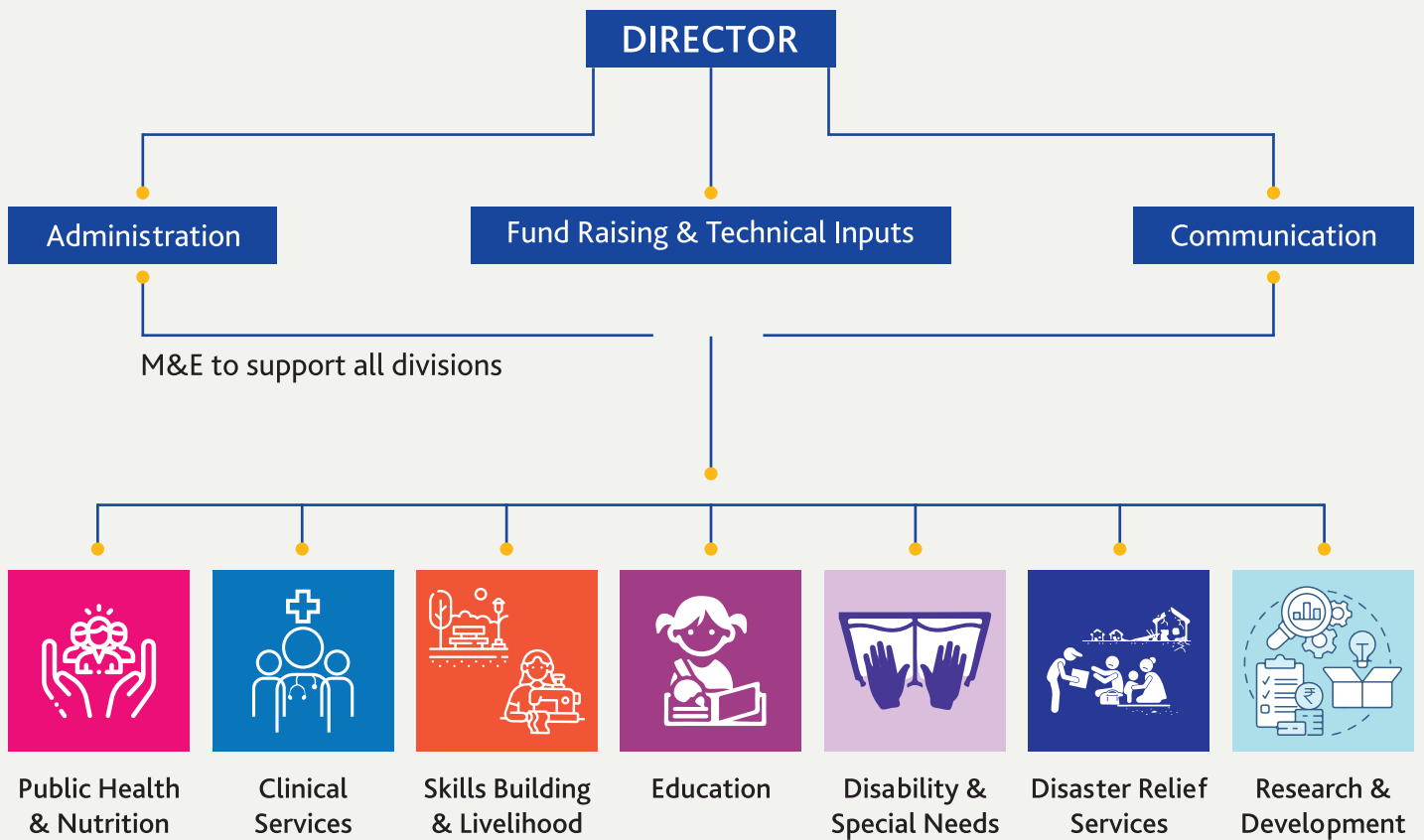
Mr. Santosh Surve  
In-charge (Education)



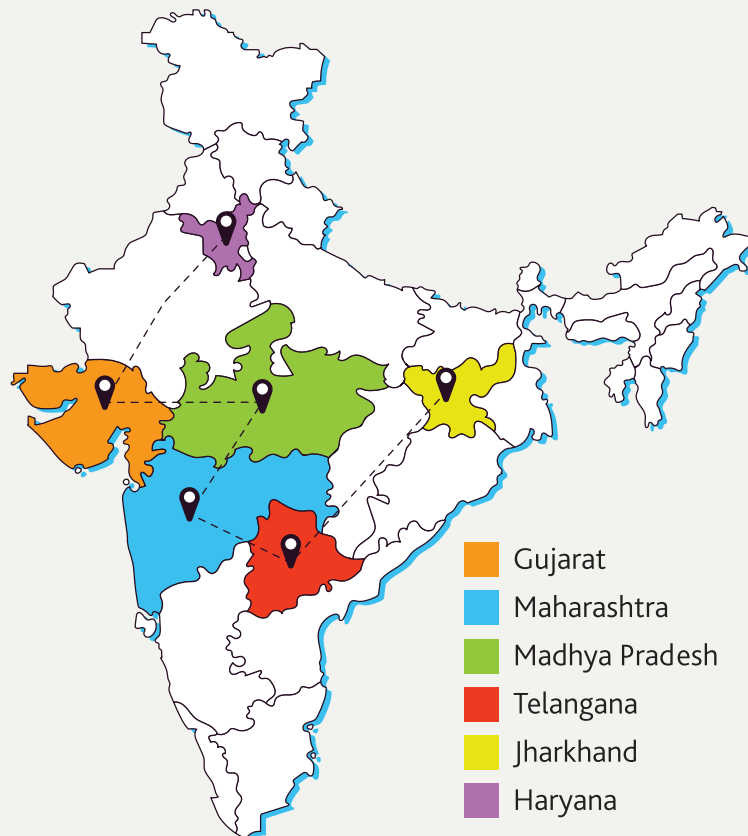
Ms. Manorama Jaiswal  
Program Manager Women Collectives



# THE WAY WE WORK - OUR ORGANOGRAM



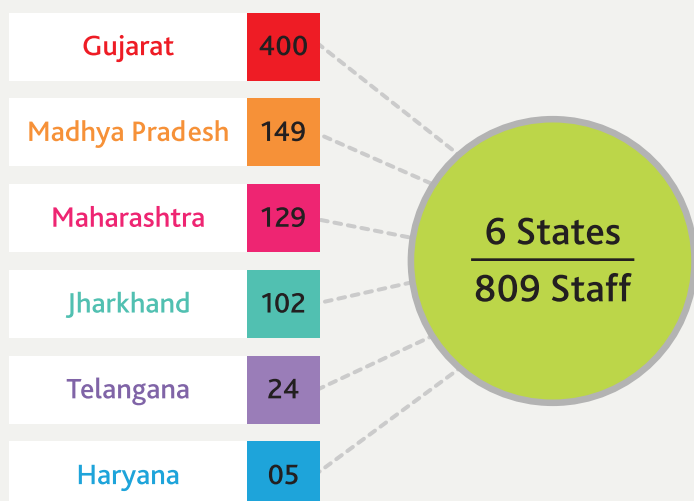
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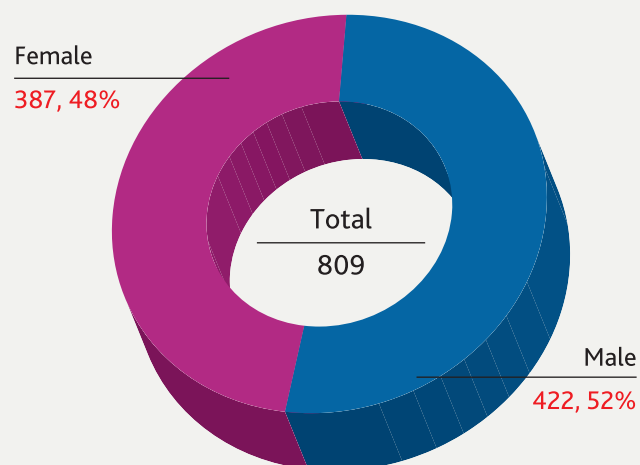


# OUR STRENGTH

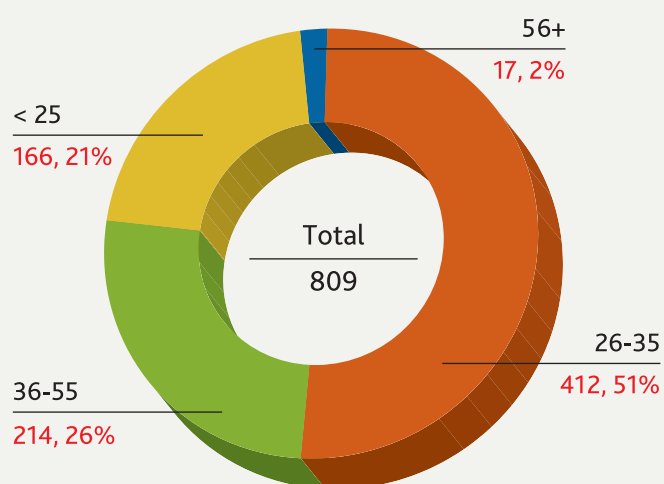
## State wise staff distribution as on March 2023



## Gender wise bifurcation of staff as on March 2023



## Age wise staff distribution as on March 2023



## Department wise staff distribution as on March 2023



Deepak Foundation celebrated its 40th Foundation Day on October 2, 2022.



## CELEBRATING WOMEN: DIGITAL - INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY FOR GENDER EQUALITY



Deepak Foundation celebrated International Women's Day by felicitating shining examples of women empowerment. 4th Smt. Kantaben Mehta Memorial Awards were given away to 14 awardees. The guests on the dais were Mrs. Ila Mehta, Trustee Deepak Foundation, Army officer Lt. Col. Praveen Kaur, Dr. Niti Chopra, Dean Faculty of Journalism and Communication, Ms. Renu Seth, State Head of Pratham, HD Tuwar, Police Inspector, Crime Branch and Dr. Jai Pawar, Director Deepak Foundation. The visually impaired children from Samaj Suraksha Sankul, managed by Deepak Foundation enthralled the audience with their power packed performance.





# ACCREDITATIONS & AFFILIATIONS

## QUALITY POLICY

The Foundation is committed to contributing its share in social development with compliance to the statutory and regulatory requirements, wherever applicable. We are committed to quality, integrity, and excellence in all areas of social services. We pledge to monitor our performance as an on-going activity and strive for continual improvement.

## REGISTRATION

- Bombay Public Trust Act, 1950- No. E.3122-BARODA dated November 22, 1982.
- Registered under Foreign Registration Act (FCRA), 1976 - No. 041960088 dated June 17, 2011.
- The Foundation was accredited in 2011-12 by Credibility Alliance and ISO 9001:2015.

## ETHICS COMMITTEE

- Institutional Ethics Committee is registered under New Drugs and Clinical Trials Rules, 2019  
Registration No. ECR/901/Inst/GJ/2017/RR-20.

Members of Ethics Committee	Role/Designation in Institutional Ethics Committee
Dr. Shagufa Kapadia	Chairperson
Dr. Parvati Patel	Medical Scientist
Dr. Nikhil Kharod	Clinician
Dr. Nandita Maitra	Clinician
Dr. Akash Kumar Lal	Social Scientist
Mr. Shailesh Patel	Legal Expert
Dr. Meenakshi Mehan	Member
Dr. Sandeep Soni	Member Secretary
Ms. Urvi Thakkar	Lay Person

## DRUGS & THERAPEUTIC COMMITTEE

Deepak Foundation constituted a multidisciplinary experts' committee in 2015-16 in order to rationalise the use of pharma products, ensure compliances to regular SOPs laid down by the Medical Council of India and other Government of India regulatory bodies. The objective of Drug and Therapeutic Committee (DTC) is to promote quality of patient care by rationalizing the use of drugs. The DTC ensures that patients are provided with the best possible cost-effective and quality care by functioning in the following ways:

- Providing advice on all aspects of drug management.
- Developing drug policies.
- Evaluating and selecting drugs for the formulary list.
- Developing (or adapting) and implementing standard treatment guidelines.
- Assessing drug use, specifically antibiotic prescription, to understand drug prescription pattern.
- Apprising and educating medical staff on guidelines of the government and Medical Council of India.
- Promoting allied medicines such as AYUSH in conditions and cases deemed appropriate.

## A. PUBLIC HEALTH

- Recognized by State Institute of Health and Family Welfare, Government of Gujarat, and three years with Government of Jharkhand for capacity building of grassroots health functionaries.
- Established Drug and Therapeutic Committee to screen procurement and supply of pharma products.
- Partnership with The Union as "Corporate Partnership for Elimination of TB".
- Partnership with the Department of Health and Family Welfare, Government of Gujarat, since year 2012.

## B. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

- Recognized as Scientific and Industrial Research Organization (SIRO) by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India.
- Recognized by the Department of Rural Development, Govt. of Gujarat as an authorized implementing agency for undertaking various research and developmental projects.
- Empanelled by General Administration Department – Planning, Government of Gujarat, for research in social sector.



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- Conducting interventions like prescription audits to improve drug use.
- Managing adverse drug reactions and medication errors.
- Adherence to government regulation and promoting government schemes and programmes.

### C. SKILLS BUILDING & LIVELIHOODS

- Empanelled with Ministry of Women & Child Development for imparting training programmes / workshops under Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition & Redressal) Act 2013.
- Affiliated with Domestic Workers Sector Skill Council under Skill India, Government of India (Gol), for conducting Gol approved courses on Housekeeping and Housekeeping-cum-Cook (Training Partner ID – DWTP2017/0092).
- Affiliated with Health Sector Skill Council & National Skill Development Corporation, Govt. of India for conducting Gol approved course on Home Health Aide.
- Recognized by National Health Systems Resource Centre, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, for 'Public Health Research' and as 'National Training Site for ASHA and Community Processes Programme'.
- Affiliated with Directorate of Employment & Training, Ministry of Labour & Employment, Government of Gujarat, for providing vocational training on Bedside Assistant & Nursing Aide.
- Affiliated with Directorate of Industrial Safety and Health (DISH), Department of Employment and Labour, Government of Gujarat, for undertaking industrial trainings on topics like Silicosis, HIV/AIDS, Byssinosis, Tobacco Awareness, etc.
- Registered (PRN: GJ2016RT13589) under Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) of National Rural Livelihoods Mission (NRLM) of the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India.
- Empanelled with the National Rural Livelihoods Mission as Project Implementation Agency (PIA) to implement Start-up Village Entrepreneurship Programme (SVEP) in Gujarat (GUJ4B0018400101).
- Empanelled as Resource Institutions (RIs) for Promoting Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), with Small Farmers' Agribusiness Consortium (SFAC), a society promoted by the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Government of India.

### D. CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

- Registered with Ministry of Corporate Affairs for undertaking CSR activities [Registration No. CSR00000353].
- Empanelled with Gujarat CSR Authority, Government of Gujarat, as CSR Implementation Agency.
- Empanelled with National CSR Hub at TISS under Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises, Government of India, for conducting CSR activities.

### E. MONITORING, EVALUATION AND DOCUMENTATION

- Empanelled with NABARD Consultancy Services Private Limited (NABCONS) for Monitoring, Evaluation and Documentation of TDF projects in Gujarat.
- Empaneled with Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) for providing various services pertaining to CSR projects ranging from "Assessment of project proposals, undertaking gap analysis study, designing projects for implementation, handholding implementing agencies to fulfil the project objectives and produce expected results, concurrent monitoring & evaluation including impact assessment study of ongoing REC CSR projects".

### F. OTHERS

- Member of Executive Committee of Sajjata Sangh.
- Member of the Internal Complaints Committee on Prevention of Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace Act in more than 15 companies and institutes.
- Registered under the NGO Partnership System of Planning Commission [Registration No. GJ/2009/0008944].



## EVENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS



The Foundation celebrated 90th birthday of Shri C.K Mehta, Founder-Deepak Foundation on April 6, 2022. On the occasion, we pledge to plant ninety-one banyan trees around Vadodara along with it we are augmenting the Namo Vad Van Drive to thrive for a healthier earth.



Deepak Foundation is working with FPOs consisting of nearly 500 farmers in selected 10 villages of Savli block in Vadodara district of Gujarat. To further support the member farmers and the community, integrated development through Project Samanvay was rolled out in Savli block in Vadodara district by Shri A. B. Gor, IAS, Collector, Vadodara.



Deepak Foundation celebrated its 40th Foundation Day on October 2, 2022. Trustee, Deepak Foundation Dr. Riddhi Mehta also graced the occasion.



## EVENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS



Project Sangaath is implemented by Deepak Foundation since 2020 with the aim of creating a sustainable model of development by strengthening the Government service utilization and empowering communities for change. It is operational in three states (Gujarat, Maharashtra & Haryana) in 7 districts covering 144 villages, and is funded by Deepak Group of Companies. Stakeholders Dissemination Workshops at Morbi, Bharuch, Dahej and Naswadi, Chhota Udepur were organized.



Deepak Foundation, as an action oriented CBBO, conducted the workshop entitled, "Farmer Producer Organizations: Current Scenario, Challenges & Way Forward on March 4, 2023, to support GoG's initiatives. The objective was to solicit engagement with various stakeholders to ensure stability, sustainability, and scalability of FPOs promoting in Gujarat with possible solutions for way forward. Senior state level govt. officials and policy makers, representatives from leading civil society organizations especially those engaged in working with FPOs across India and premiere academic institutions, from Gujarat and other states participated in the workshop.



Deepak Foundation in collaboration with The Union under USAID/India supported iDEFEAT TB Project organized a "National Conference on Fostering Partnerships to End TB" on March 18, 2023 at Vadodra, Gujarat. The event was graced by Hon. Collector Vadodra Shri A. B. Gor, Shri Deepak C. Mehta, CMD Deepak Group along with other National and State representatives from USAID, The Union, Central TB Division and organizations working towards TB Elimination. The National conference also included the launch of mobile diagnostic van which is in line with the Yes! We Can End TB; 75Corporates@75Cities campaign, recently launched by Central TB Division in association with The Union.



# PUBLIC HEALTH NUTRITION AND CLINICAL SERVICES

NTEP-PPSA

Madhya Pradesh (22 Districts)

Total Population Covered

**365.17 (Lacs)**

Total No. of Notifications

**35127**

Total No. UDST conducted

**17695**

Total No. of HIV  
Screening Done

**32969**

Total No. of Diabetes  
Mellitus (DM) Testing

**32771**



## National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme (NTEP)

In Madhya Pradesh, Deepak Foundation is working as PPSA (Patient Provider Support Agency) in three divisions, namely Gwalior, Jabalpur and Sagar, comprising of 22 districts supporting National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme under private sector engagement. Under the project, Deepak Foundation is providing end-to-end care to the patients, i.e., from notification till successful and desired outcome of the patient. In 2022, the target was 44,538 against which 35,127 patients were notified with an achievement of 79%.

Nikshay Poshan Yojana is an initiative launched by Government of India. The scheme includes providing financial aid to TB patients for fulfilling his/her nutritional needs. Deepak Foundation team members collect bank information of TB patients for the financial aids. In case the patient is out of the formal banking network, Deepak Foundation assists them to open bank accounts. In 2022 alone, a total 29,255 TB patients' bank account details were collected or facilitated for Nikshay Poshan Yojna.

The Foundation has a dedicated team of 350 sputum collection and transportation agents. The agents collect sputum (specimen) from the patients of both public as well as private sector and ensure triple layer of packaging before transportation of specimen. In 2022, a total of 3,65,528 sputum samples were collected.

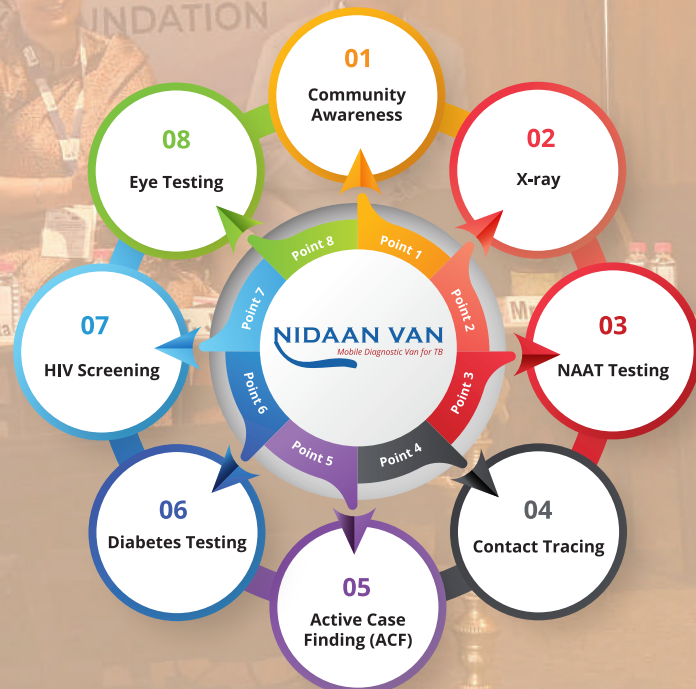
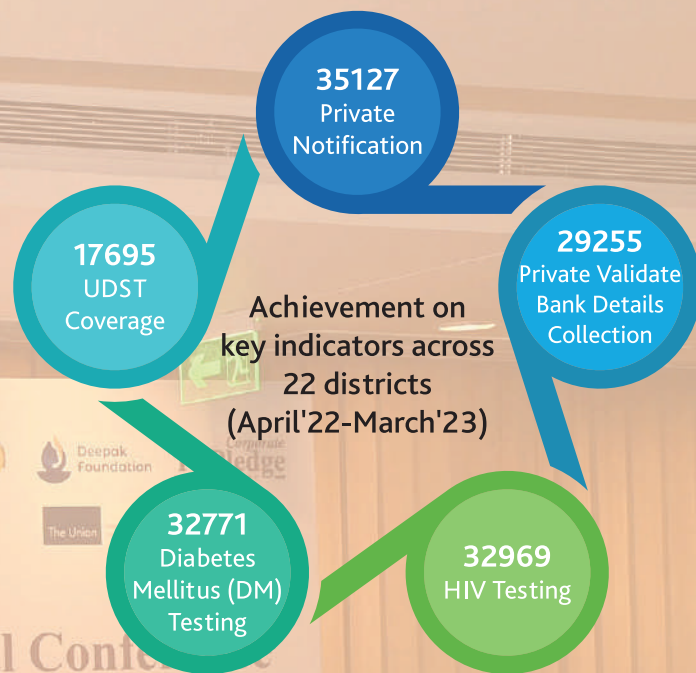
Doorstep delivery of the drugs reduces the out-of-pocket expenditure of patients. Nearly 33,586 doorstep delivery of the FDCs were done in 2022.

### Launching of Nidaan Van:

On 18 March 2023 a TB diagnostic van on wheels called "Nidaan Van" was launched. Nidaan Van is useful in diagnosing TB disease as early as possible by visiting distant, inaccessible and remote locations. Nidaan Van is equipped with X-Ray facilities, NAAT and other diagnostic services for Tuberculosis. Also, the Van is having refractometer which will be used in detecting the refractive error in remote areas.

### Objectives of Nidaan Van:

- To initiate mobile diagnostic services for rural and tribal communities in remote areas.
- To improve timely diagnosis and referral, which reduces morbidity and mortality.
- To conduct timely Universal Drug Susceptibility Testing (UDST) for diagnosed TB patients.
- To create awareness by promotional activity relating to Health.

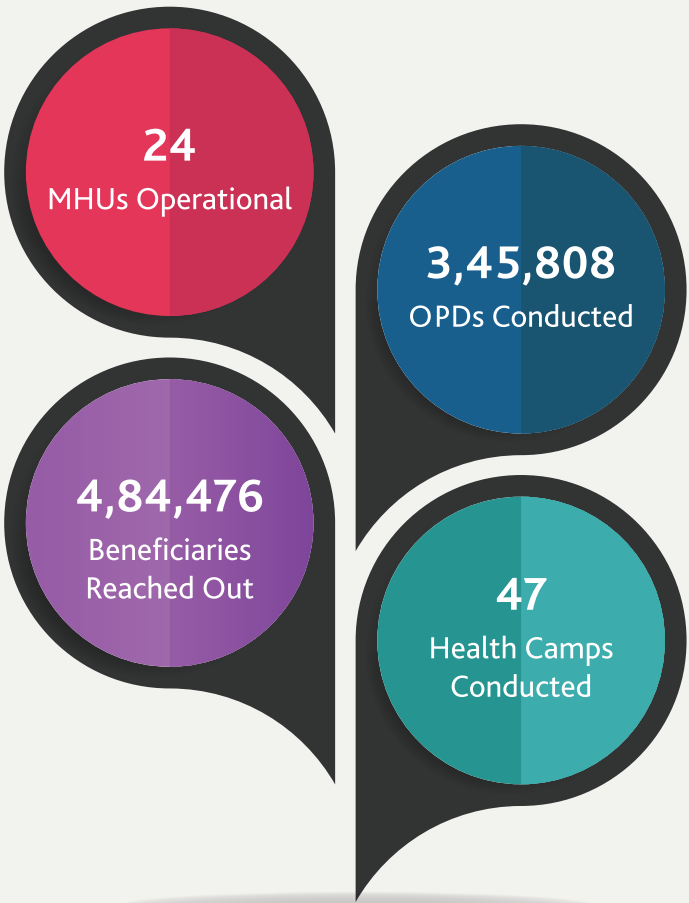
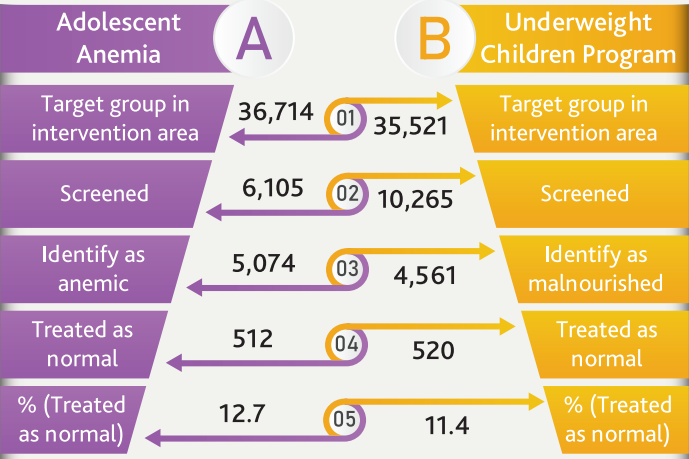




# Mobile Health Units (MHUs)

Mobile Health Units have long been recognised as an efficient mechanism to deliver quality health care services to far-flung and inaccessible areas that are otherwise difficult to reach. In such remote and inaccessible areas, Mobile Health Units, besides bringing the underprivileged, tribals and other rural communities into the ambit of healthcare services, fulfil the role of a robust preventive healthcare strategy. These Mobile Health Units render counselling, medicines etc. free of cost.

Mobile Health Unit Services include daily OPD, medicine distribution, awareness sessions, anemia and underweight etc. for a healthy and better life for the villagers. More and more Governments are looking to dispense best health services cost effectively to the public and MHUs have become the best channel to fulfil governments' objective. The MHUs are the efficient medium to fill the gap until proper primary health facilities reach the remote and interior places. MHU services have successfully and positively alter the habits of the villagers and bring them to the hygienic practices and ways of life to evolve them to prevent diseases and allow the authorities to focus on nutrition for child and mother.



Mobile Health Units 2022-23

\*Besides above data, total 6,994 adolescents were screened and 268 have become normal. Total 9,698 children were screened for underweight and 491 have become normal.

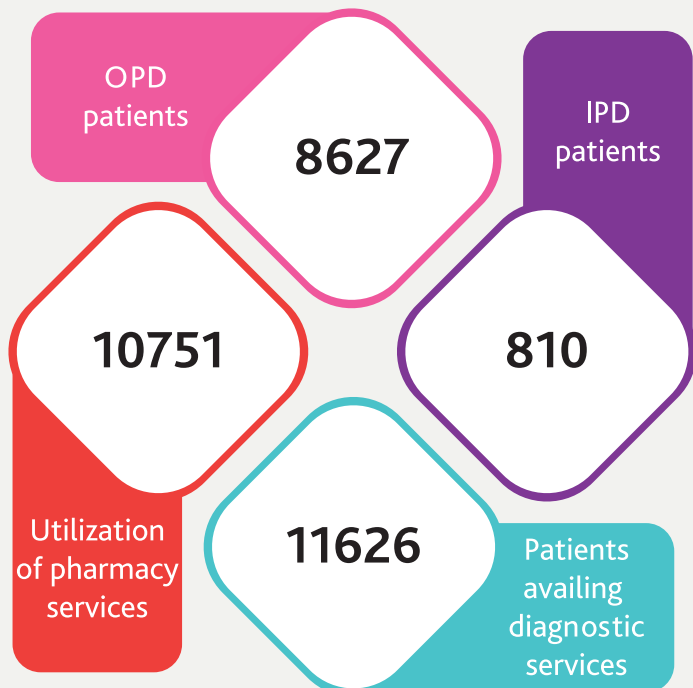




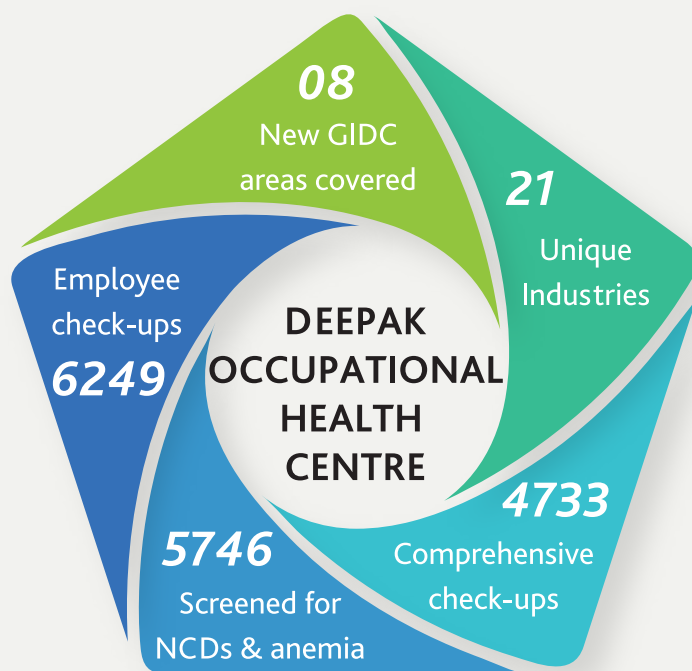
## Deepak Medical Foundation, Nandesari, Vadodara



Deepak Medical Foundation was established in 1980 to provide maternal and child care services with the aim of providing quality health care services to the community and industrial workers in and around Nandesari area. Gradually, the project expanded and added more services like General Medicine, Ophthalmic, Physiotherapy, Surgery and Dental specialisations. Supportive services like Pharmacy, Laboratory, Ambulance and Radiology services were further added to the facility. Occupational Healthcare Services was started under this project in 2013 and was able to cater to industries to meet their compliances regarding the health checkup of their employees. More than 1000 substance users were provided counselling and treatment through Psychiatrist to address tobacco addiction. About 35 users completely discontinued the use.



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2022-23





## Project Karuna (Palliative Care Centre)



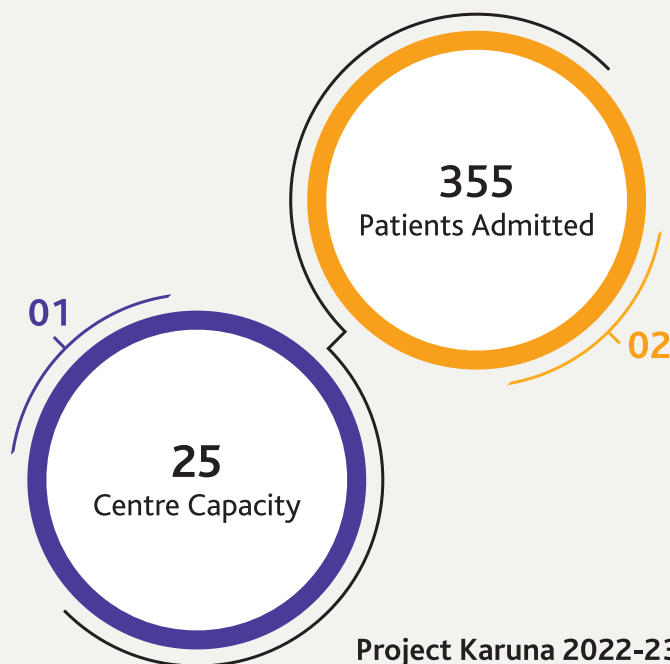
The palliative care is defined by WHO as “an approach that improves the quality of life of patients and their families facing the problems associated with life-threatening illness, through the prevention and relief of suffering by means of early identification and impeccable assessment and treatment of pain and other problems, physical, psychosocial and spiritual.”

Deepak Foundation is operating a 25-bedded palliative care unit across two areas of Vadodara since April 2021. The palliative care units have treated a total of 558 patients as on March 2023. The facility is run with the support of Oncology Department of Sir Sayajirao General Hospital, Vadodara as a CSR initiative of Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam Limited and Deepak Nitrite Limited.

### **Activities conducted at Palliative Care Centre:**

- Meditation sessions are conducted at the centres every morning.
- Animal-assisted Intervention initiated at Waghodia and Samaj Suraksha Sankul PCC.
- Yoga and breathing exercise sessions were conducted for the physical and mental well-being of the patients.
- Physiotherapy sessions conducted twice a week in both centres.
- Recreational trips were conducted for patients.
- Recreational activities including board games, chess, carrom, antakshari, storytelling, passing the parcel game, and block games, are continued for patient relaxation and participation.

For the period April 2022 to March 2023, a total of 355 patients were admitted in the palliative care hospice. Among the 355 patients admitted, 50% of the beneficiaries were of the age group of 40 to 59. Majority of patients availed palliative care facility were from Gujarat, followed by patients from Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan. The bed occupancy rate remains more than 100% from August 2022 till March 2023.





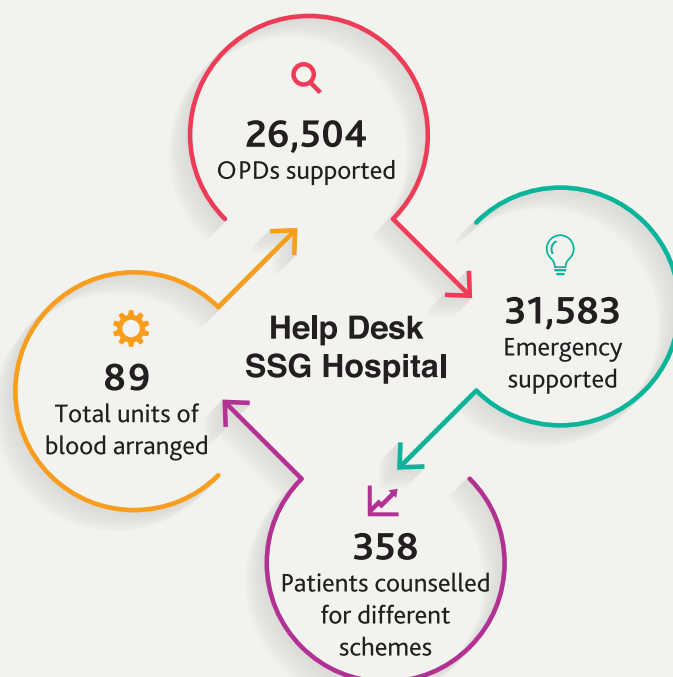
## Help Desk at Sir Sayajirao General Hospital , Vadodara

Public Health facilities hinge on long procedures and processes as they deal with saving precious human lives. For hospitals that handle a huge patient load with a high number of critical cases, the chances of mismanagement at all times are unavoidable. The risk is not fully preventable for public hospitals as several of them operate beyond their originally intended capacity and resources. It occasionally leads to care quality compromise provided at government health facilities. Commitment to improving accountability, transparency, and patient communication through **Help Desk** Services has proven to have the ability to reduce the risks and can save lives. Sir Sayaji Rao General Hospital is one of the government's tertiary health facilities based in Vadodara.

Deepak Foundation, in partnership with the Department of Health and Family Welfare, Government of Gujarat, has been providing services through its Help Desk at S.S.G. Hospital for nearly 16 years (from 2006). The 24x7 Help Desk unit provides care and support services to those seeking OPDs or are referred in critical cases at the government health facilities. Most of these patients are poor and cannot afford to seek services from private health facilities. The Help Desk has been providing services to more than 25,000 patients annually and quality of services has seen sustained improvement.

The goal of the **Help Desk** is to prevent the delay in providing services to the patients who needs critical care at the tertiary care facility and who save lives as well as improve the quality of care of the services rendered through the hospital effectively and efficiently.

In May 2016, Deepak Foundation in collaboration with JM Financial and Sofotel Private Ltd, initiated Electronic Medical Buggy Services in the premises of hospital to improve facility in SSG Hospital, Vadodara, to transfer patients to different wards and from gate to OPD.



SSG Hospital, Vadodara, to transfer patients to different wards and from gate to OPD.

In 2022-2023, 58,087 patients got the support from the Help Desk, and another 1,68,000 patients took advantage of medical buggies. Eighty-nine patients were facilitated for Blood Support and 358 patients profited from the Help Desk Sangaath. 95 Gender- based violence cases were also reported. 158 cases of financial help like medicines, lab testing, CT Scan, x-ray, and blood were also reported. Out of 158 cases, 80 patients helped for blood. Total 898 patients were counselled in the year 2022-23.





## Deepak Pathology Laboratory and Diagnostic Centre (DPLDC), Dahej



The Government of India has made it compulsory for companies to conduct health checks of their factory workers every year. This was part of a draft code on occupational safety, health, and working conditions enacted by the Ministry of Labor and Employment.

No reliable and fully functional laboratory was available in Dahej. The industrial units in Dahej had tie ups with medical laboratories in Bharuch for their annual/half yearly/quarterly medical check-ups and pre and post-employment medical check-ups of their employees. Due to distance and lack of reliable transportation, it was challenge to get the samples to the test laboratories uncontaminated at all times. The risk of contamination was a major concern.

Deepak Pathology Laboratory & Diagnostic Centre (DPLDC) & Occupational Health Centre (OHC) is another initiative under the Deepak Foundation (DF) to serve the needy in such far flung and remote areas.

The vast experience of the Foundation in implementing medical and public health services in rural and tribal areas, DF was well-equipped to establish a quality Pathology Laboratory & Diagnostic Centre and OHC with the accreditation of **NABL** in Dahej with an experienced team of Lab Technicians, Staff Nurses, Pathologists, and CIH Doctor.

DPLDC & OHC offers services of pre-employment and periodical health check-ups, industrial safety training, community health camps, and consultancy for OHC interventions. We perform tests related to Haematology, Serology, Biochemistry, Hormones, Microscopic examination, Urology, ECG, Audiometry, Spirometry, and X-Ray. It delivers accuracy and transparency to its clients. As a non-profit organisation, the Foundation believes in providing quality services at cost-effective prices.



Deepak Pathology Laboratory & Diagnostic Centre (DPLDC) 2022-23





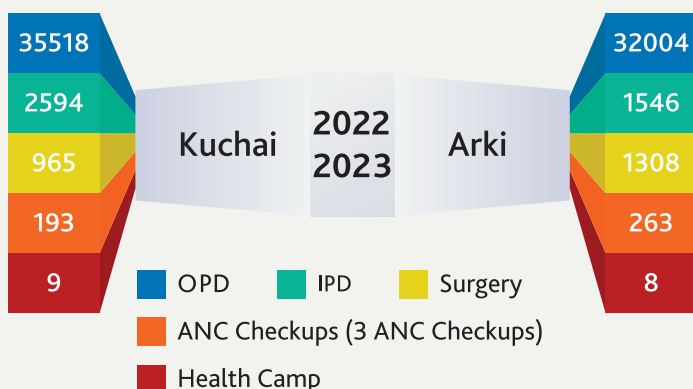
## Kalyan Hospital, Jharkhand

In line with the Government of India's mission of reducing infant and maternal mortality, Deepak Foundation operationalised Comprehensive Emergency and Obstetric Newborn Care (CEmONC) Centre in Dumri Tehsil, Giridih, Jharkhand and Health Sub-centre (HSC) Madhuban, Pirtand Block, Giridih, Jharkhand to improve MCH indicators in the area. Based on three-year experiences of rolling out one of the first public-partnership initiatives in remote tribal area, Deepak Foundation was selected for operations and management of two 50-bed Kalyan hospitals in tribal districts of Jharkhand.



Lack of specialists and non-availability of fully functional health care facility in Khunti District has resulted in referrals of maternal and new-born cases and other minor ailment patients to the district hospital, about 35 kilometres away from Arki. Non-availability of services at Kalyan Hospital, Arki, led to referrals to the district hospital delaying medical access and low utilization of available services. Poor utilization of services and non-availability of specialists prompted for referral services. All these hurdles to the universal health coverage ambitions of the government.

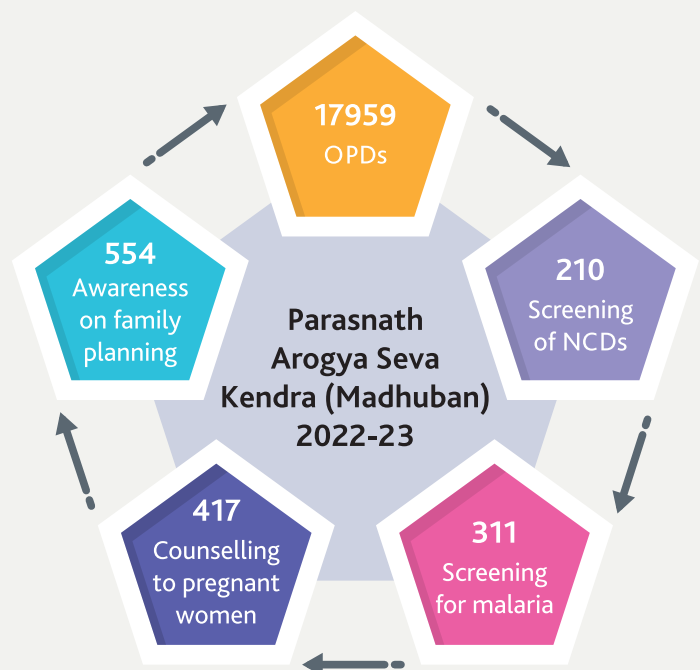
As a result, an MoU between Deepak Foundation and Tribal Welfare Commissioner was entered into to upgrade facilities at Kalyan Hospitals, located in Arki in Khunti district and Kuchai in Seraikela-Kharsawan district to provide better health care facility, to train health staff to manage obstetric and new-born, to provide dental check-up and to ensure weekly availability of specialists like Pathologist, Ophthalmologist, General Physician to efficiently run the health facilities and giving access to medical facilities to the tribal population. As a result of this thoughtful intervention by Deepak Foundation and Tribal Welfare Commissioner, Kalyan Hospital was converted into a First Referral Unit (FRU).



## Parasnath Arogya Seva Kendra (PASK)

Parasnath Hill is a sanctified holy site for Jain religion. The temple is 9 kilometres uphill from base which makes it a 18-km-round trip, with two temples and 24 shrines. The hill is named as Parasnath after the 23rd Tirthankara.

In order to maintain the continuity of services, Deepak Foundation has initiated the Centre at the pilgrimage site of Parasnath Hill. Parasnath Arogya Seva Kendra acts as a functional Health Centre for providing OPD services, screening of communicable and non-communicable diseases (NCDs), maternal and child health services, laboratory services, awareness generation through Behaviour Change Communication (BCC) activities, organising health camps and other outreach activities in the community which will in-turn act as a focal point in continuing the work done by Deepak Foundation in Maternal and Child health and also reduce the burden of communicable and non-communicable diseases in the community.



### Objectives of the Project:

- To serve as a functional health centre in Parasnath Hill to provide primary health care and OPD services.
- To provide screening of Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs), Malaria, registration of pregnant women for Antenatal Care (ANC) and to conduct awareness generation on family planning services in the community.
- To provide free of cost diagnostic services to the pilgrims visiting the Health Centre and the local public.
- To organise routine Behaviour Change Communication (BCC) activities, health camps and outreach activities in the villages covered by Parasnath Arogya Seva Kendra.

### Activities that were conducted:

- Conducted OPDs at the Centre and outreach activities
- Treatment of common illness
- Family planning and counselling
- Antenatal & Post-Natal care
- Counselling and referral for safe abortion services
- Basic diagnostic services



## Strengthening Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS)



Department of Women & Children, Government of Gujarat, has been entrusting Deepak Medical Foundation since 1996 with the management and supervision of 67 Anganwadi Centres (AWCs), under two Primary Health Centres (PHC), namely Sankarda and Angadh in Vadodara Rural block of Vadodara District, Gujarat. The objective is to ensure smooth implementation of Government schemes and services and improve the last mile ambit of ICDS services. Deepak Nitrite Limited have been helping with value-added services to the schemes such as medical checkup of children, 1,000-day follow-up of pregnant mothers to reduce undernutrition and ensure safe deliveries, screening of 600 adolescent girls (11-18 years) enrolled in ICDS twice a year for anaemia.

### **Adolescents Awareness Generation Session:**

A new initiative was undertaken wherein group awareness programmes were undertaken. The programme involves:

#### **1. Nutrition-Health Counselling**

- Consumption of Iron-Folic Acid tablets (IFA) through Direct Observation Treatment System (DOTS). Sensitisation to use Vitamin-C rich food supplements such as lemon juice and guava while consuming IFA tablets to increase absorption.
- Distribution of monthly supply of IFA, procured from government, is followed as per the National Iron Plus Initiative (NIPI).
- Presenting and promoting recipes made from Take-Home Ration (THR) packets provided by government to inculcate healthy nutrition habits and promotion of utilisation of THR.
- Vaccination against Covid-19 was also taken into account during the discussions. It was evaluated why it was important and if the immunisation had any side effects. Adolescents who had not yet received their first vaccination shots were encouraged and motivated to do so within the month.

#### **2. Sanitation and Hygiene**

- Sensitisation regarding menstrual health and hygiene, besides the distribution of sanitary pads.
- Hand washing practices were demonstrated to the girls for promoting awareness about best hygienic practices.
- During the group session, the adolescent girls were introduced to the Yoga sessions. They were taught Yoga for pain alleviation during menstruation. Yoga poses for abdominal relief were taught.

#### **3. Personal Development Awareness**

- Body mapping was taught to the girls during the group session.
- Knowledge about good and bad touch was made clear during the session for self-awareness.
- Peer group consultations through Quiz and Interactive games to develop individual's self-esteem and strengthen team building.





# EDUCATION





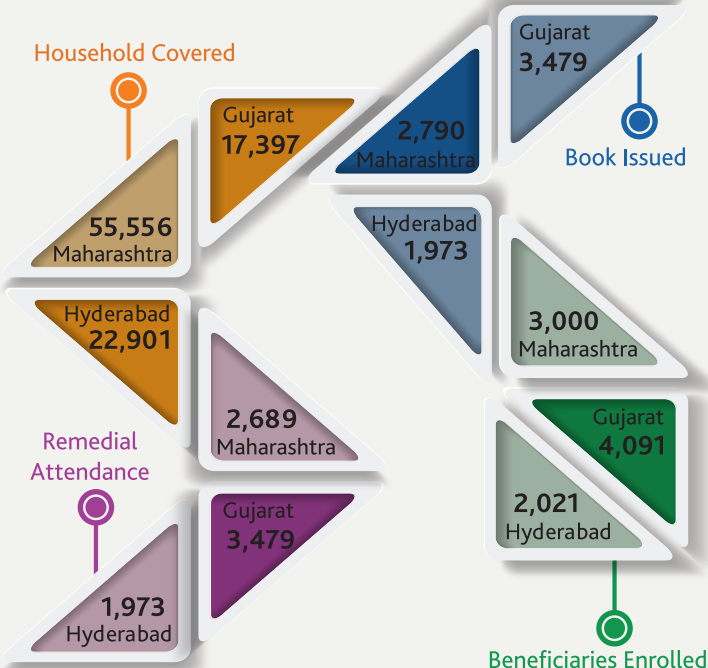
## Project Vivek Vidya



Project Vivek Vidya is a Mobile Education Service catering to the underprivileged communities. The 105 communities/villages in the rural, tribal and urban segments had low level educational achievements, and had limited access to quality reading and learning materials. Project Vivek Vidya was designed to offer reading and learning materials through direct input supports. The project intends to inculcate and promote children's reading habits along with other competencies to set them on a successful academic path. Overall project approach has been to build cognitive and non-cognitive competencies to ensure children continue with their learning process and to reduce the drop out numbers. The project is currently implemented with a coverage of more than 9,000-plus children in the age group of 6-15 years. More than 40 trained staff members, 120 trained Vidya Sathi (local community women) in Roha (Raigadh District of Maharashtra), Nandesari (Vadodara District of Gujarat), Maval (Talegaon in Maharashtra) and Urban Clusters of Pune city (Pune, Maharashtra) and Jeedimetla (outskirts of Hyderabad, Telangana) are active participants of the programme. In the academic year 2022-23 we added two new locations, namely Savli (Vadodara District of Gujarat), Dahej (Bharuch District of Gujarat).

- Inclusion of salient features of National Education Policy 2020 in the curriculum and academic streams like vocational skill building activities, group activities, activities and exercises based on modern skills.

- This year, basic English learning sessions were introduced with an aim of building, improving, and enhancing functional and spoken English skills of Vidya Sathis and also of Grade 3 to 8 children. Students are taught English language instilling confidence to pursue advanced English in future. Professional trainings and workshops were conducted to Vidya Sathis equipping them with English proficiency, which would be passed on to the young children.



- Sustainability: Community-based 120-plus local women were trained through subject experts about various concept like, "Classroom Management", "Art of Story Telling Techniques", "Literacy and Numeracy Concept", "Development of Teaching Learning Materials", "Importance of Art and Craft in Education", "Vedic Maths" and 21st century skill sets.

- Vocational Skill Building Activities (as per the New Education Policy 2020) took a new leap this year with the exposure of Vocational Skill Building Sessions for the students of Grade 5 to 8. The idea behind the initiative was to link with new National Education Policy 2020 and introduce the children to various vocational skills and to prepare them for future challenges. Approximately, 900-plus children learnt various vocational skill concepts in their areas of interest like, diya making/painting, rakhi making, paper bag making, kitchen garden etc.



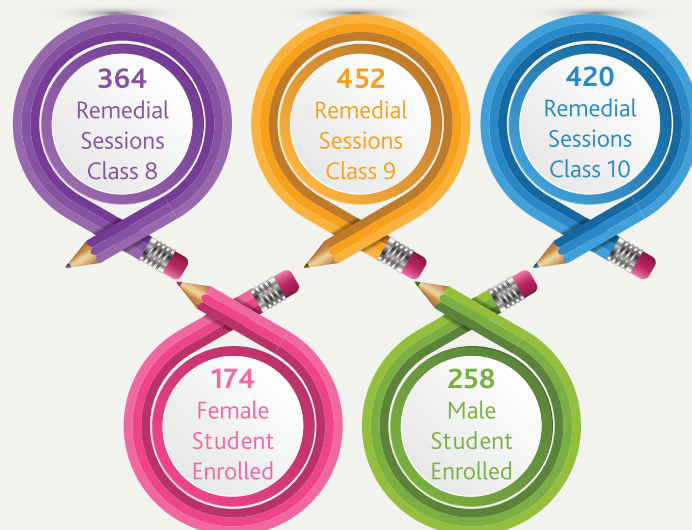
## Nandesari Education Project (NEP-Secondary Education) 2022-23



The quality of Mathematics and English teachings in India depends on the individual proficiencies of the available teachers in the locality. The ability of teachers to effectively alleviate the fear of failure among the students is a major concern and cause. The real issues of students in Nandesari rural area of Vadodara District of Gujarat were no different. A large number of students were unable to clear the Secondary Education Board exams.

Seeing the ground realities in the rural block, Deepak Foundation sprang into action and set up remedial support classes for Mathematics, English and Science for the 8th, 9th and 10th Standard students. Deepak Foundation drew up plans to get rid of fear of exam among the students and also offered support by way of remedial classes by subject experts enabling students to clear the Board exams. The ambitious target is to make a 100% success rate. Approximately 500-plus students from 8th, 9th and 10th Standards were registered for remedial classes from Nandesari Vidyalaya and Buddhdev High School.

Besides the remedial support classes, project team also planned various extracurricular activities like sports, music and professional development sessions like career guidance and motivational speeches by subject experts mentoring and encouraging the students. The intervention helped the students in better decision making and for their overall future development. Quarterly parents' meetings are conducted for improved engagement and to support and help in critical situations.



*\*Above data represents class wise enrollment of students in 8th, 9th and 10 classes for remedial sessions.*





## Integrated Child Development Scheme: ICDS Project



The Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) is a flagship programme of the Government of India. The programme addresses the menace of infant mortality and to bring the marginalised society under the ambit of its nutrition, education and immunisation schemes. Government of India launched Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) in 1975 in 33 blocks for the overall development of children under the age of 6 and pregnant and lactating women. Since then, the programme has grown into the world's largest community-based programmes. On the back of its success and effectiveness, government remains committed to ensure the universal coverage of the programme. All State Governments are actively promoting ICDS programmes, and Gujarat Government also gives ICDS programmes special attention.

Department of Women & Children, Government of Gujarat, entrusted Deepak Foundation with management and supervision of 67 Anganwadi centres (AWCs) under two Primary Health Centres (PHCs) of Sankarda and Angadh in Vadodara Rural Block, Gujarat. Deepak Foundation has been actively and effectively working in Rural Blocks since 1996. The objective is to ensure the efficient implementation of Government schemes and services and ensure the last mile reach of all ICDS services. Value-added services were included in the programme with the funding support from Deepak Nitrite Limited. The services include ECE sessions, medical check-up of all registered 4,000-plus children at 67 Anganwadi Centres, 1,000-day follow-up of pregnant mothers to reduce undernutrition and ensure safe deliveries, screening of 600 adolescent girls (11-18 years) enrolled in ICDS twice a year for anaemia and refurbishment of work of selected 8-10 Anganwadi Centres every year.

According to assessment conducted in few selected Centres, it

was found that three Anganwadi Centres required overall refurbishment. Deepak Medical Foundation's Project Team conceptualised a Model Anganwadi Centre meeting the standards mandated under the National Education Policy 2020 along with displaying best practices. The refurbished centre has the ideal physical set up to encourage children and parents alike to attract to Anganwadi services.

Overall impact of the changes of Model Anganwadi Centres was closely monitored. The positive outcome of the Model Anganwadi Centres was that about 80% children attending regular ECE sessions could smoothly adopt to new self-learning process through interactive learning walls. Anganwadi workers were also able to adopt to use of technology, base new teaching and learning practices through interactive board helping teachers to update and upgrade their knowledge and skill sets.





## Urban Community Development Program (UCDP)

During 2022-23 many health checkup interventions were done in the community area for education, health, and scheme/PRD linkages. Activities undertaken were health checkup, development delay intervention, nutritional intervention and linkages of the schemes and PRD.

Health checkup service is an important intervention in terms of preventive and curative health of children between 3 to 6 years of age, and is paramount for school going children for their holistic development. Development delay, being cognisant of the importance of early detection of delays, Deepak Foundation undertook developmental delay assessment of 3 to 6 years-old children.

Help Desk is the project about the community support to create their identity proofs. Through this programme Deepak Foundation builds the necessary connection between the beneficiary and the Government for the welfare schemes. Deepak Foundation coordinates with the ultimate beneficiaries for identification and fulfilling the documentation requirements. All the identity documents would be saved in place/locker of a household making it readily available on demand.

### **Developmental Delay Assessment: Mobile Play Unit**

- A total of 2,224 children from the community across 15 clusters were assessed for development delay. 619 children were found to be missed the development milestones under various categories.
- Parents of the missed development milestone children were sensitised regarding the appropriate intervention activities to be undertaken. These children would be followed up in the Mobile Play Unit.
- ECE Sessions were conducted with the 606 delayed children (from 15 clusters).
- After completing 6 months of interventions, post assessment was done in 587 children. 562 children showed positive improvement in the delayed milestone areas.



**VachanPrerna Din:** Diwali festival was celebrated across all community clusters.

A total of 624 children and 55 parents were participated in various activities like reading story books with the children. Book stalls were kept open for all community and parents. Parents and public read books of their choice and thoroughly enjoyed the reading sessions.

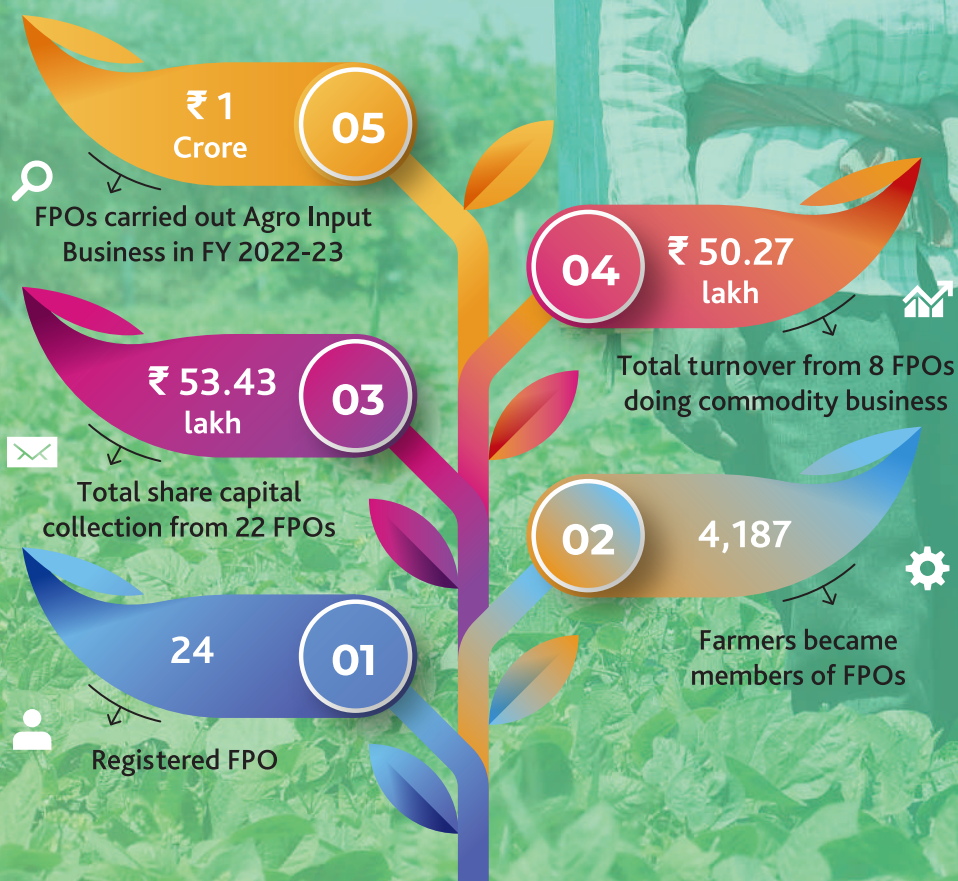
Pune Municipal Corporation organised "Kids Festival" to create awareness among parents, society about the early childhood development aspects and their role through various activities and experiences. Pune Municipal Corporation set up the stall under the "Mobile Play Unit" project for the idea of "holistic development of children". For the purpose of the project, Deepak Foundation worked actively in different thematic areas of community in Pune city.





# LIVELIHOOD AND SKILLS BUILDING

## Project Abhivrudhhi





## Project Abhivrudhhi - Farmer Producers Organisations (FPOs)

Farmer Producer Organisation (FPO) is a concept introduced by Government of India allowing small farmers to form groups and register themselves in the form of legal trading entities. The pivot behind this initiative by the Government of India is to enhance the competitiveness of farmers and make use of the emerging marketing opportunities for their produces.

Government of India has set out to implement the scheme by establishing 10,000 Farmer Producers Organisations (FPOs) across the country. The FPOs was established by adopting a cluster approach with a particular crop for a particular area, identified as 'One-District-One-Product-Programme'. Government of India appointed multiple agencies including NABARD, NCDC, NAFED and SFAC for the implementation of the Scheme. The implementing agencies, in turn, have engaged Cluster Based Business Organizations (CBBO), for ground level implementation.

The CBBOs were entrusted with the development and handholding of the FPOs, besides planning and executing business activities, build internal capabilities of the FPOs. The CBBOs were also expected to assist them with mobilising resources and develop appropriate market interface.

### Key Objectives:

- To provide holistic and broad-based supportive ecosystem to form new FPOs to facilitate development of vibrant and sustainable income-oriented farming and for overall socio-economic development and wellbeing of agrarian communities.
- To enhance productivity through efficient, cost-effective and sustainable resource use and realise higher returns through better liquidity and market linkages for their produce and become sustainable through collective action.
- To provide handholding and support to new FPOs up to 5 years

from the year of creation in all aspects of management of FPO, inputs, production, processing and value addition, market linkages, credit linkages and use of technology etc.

- To provide technical upgraded information of crops by Panel of Experts for increase productivity, improve quality and reduce cost of cultivation.
- FPO can purchase all necessary inputs like seed, fertilizer, pesticides in bulk quantity and supply to the members at lower rate. FPO can also ensure getting timely and quality input supply to the members.
- To provide mutual assistance and technical consultancy services.
- To provide insurance cover and credit facilities to the farmers in a profitable manner.
- To provide effective capacity building to FPOs to develop agriculture entrepreneurship skills to become economically viable and self-sustaining beyond the period of support from government.

### Project Beneficiaries:

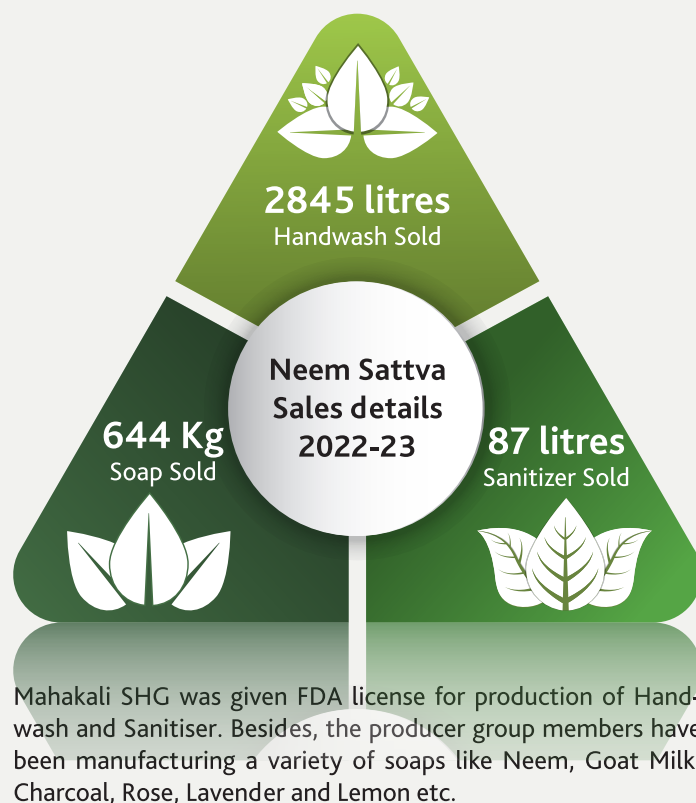
*Project Beneficiaries include 500 farmers in each of the FPO from identified clusters. Total 12,500 farmers mobilised in all the identified clusters. It may be noted that a significant proportion of the beneficiaries shall be marginal and small farmers. In the vast areas of operation, majority of the beneficiaries are expected to be from tribal communities. In Maliya, all the FPO beneficiaries are female farmers. A total of 311 villages were covered under our CBBO Projects, and the share capital collection stood for 22 FPOs at 53.43 lakh.*





## Neem Sattva

Project Neem Sattva was conceived with the objective of providing opportunities for Women Self-Help Group. It is designed to bring succour and also act as a source of livelihood to the women. The production unit in Dahej in Bharuch District commenced its operations in January 2021 and it was managed by SHG members. They did commendable work with production and selling of various products under its banner.



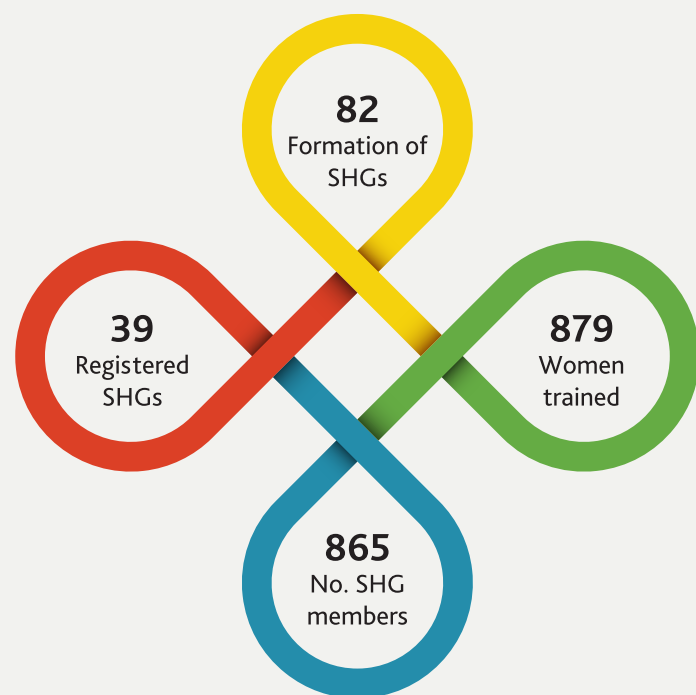
## Samanvay (Sashakt)

No country can achieve its economic potential without the active participation of its women. Keeping this larger philosophy in view, the Indian government has set up Self Help Groups (SHGs) for larger participation of women workforce in the economic activities of the country. Helping a woman to achieve economic independence would essentially mean that the household is becoming economically sustainable. Participation in economic activities by the rural and tribal women will enhance their household income. These women, more often, are not given the due recognition for their efforts. Many household and farm activities like taking care of cattle, milch cattle, tending the farms etc. unrecognised.

Based on government interventions and priorities, SHGs were formed under flagship programmes like Streeshakti and Mission Mangalam. The rural and tribal women could do well with the help of proper training and development programmes. These

capacity building and skill-enhancement programmes have efficiently and effectively pitched women on better earning paths.

Project Samanvay was started in June 2022 with three major components: Sashakt (Livelihood), Sangaath and Sneh Sparsh (MHU). Sashakt started with the objective of providing livelihood-based skill training to members of SHG in villages of Savli to create income generation opportunities.





## Project Kamdhenu



### Nandesari:

Deepak Foundation has significantly contributed to women's empowerment by providing them with opportunities to earn livelihood through individual or group enterprises. Women in Nandesari, a small and closed community, were presented with an opportunity to gain new skills and paved way for an improved living through various training and capacity building programmes, organised by the Foundation. One of the successful group enterprise functioning over a period of three decades are Women's Dairy Cooperatives (WDCs). A total of 63 WDCs are functional at various locations in Gujarat. Among them, 9 are functional in Nandesari alone with active membership of over 1,000 women dairy farmers.

Recently, sexed semen was employed to support the Nandesari WDCs to increase milk production and income for the farmers. Sexed Semen (SS) is a sophisticated reproductive technique designed to shift the sex ratio of the offspring in the direction of a desired gender. When a dairy farmer chooses the SS dose, the probability of producing a female calf increases up to 90%. Further, the SS dose brings about genetic changes to improve the quality of the breed of the calf and the cattle.

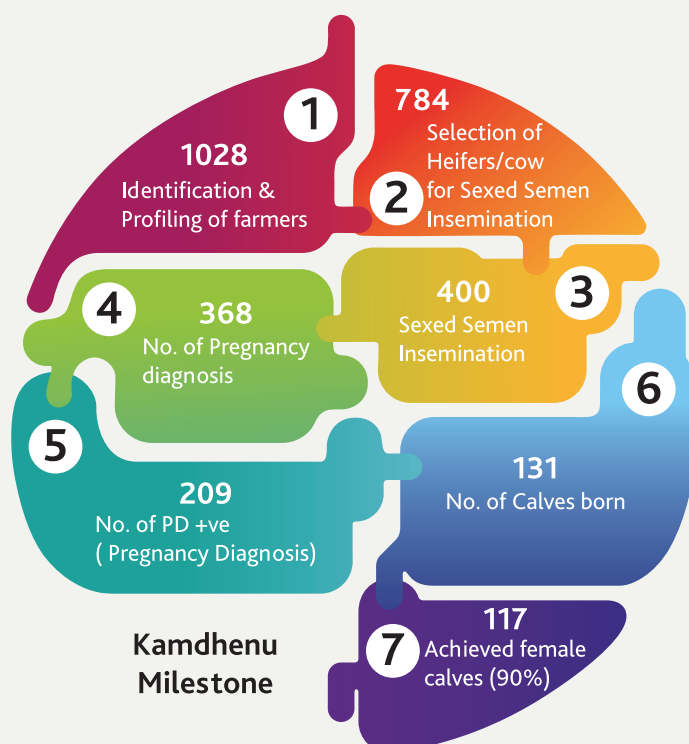
This project intends to lead them to good quality heifers, with more milk for higher profits, and, as a result, a better life for dairy farmers in the targeted locations. In the first 3 years of implementation, the Kamdhenu Project in Nandesari area has turned out to be hugely successful. With a conception rate of 55%, a total of 131 calves were born out of SS insemination technology. Out of 131 calves born through the SS insemination technique, 117 were female calves, a female birth rate of 89.3%. In future, these healthy female calves will ensure an higher milk yield, leading to an income up to Rs 1,00,000 per year/per cow.

### Roha:

The animal husbandry sector is one sector that has grown into a

sizeable industry size rise to many commercial opportunities in many other countries. It plays a pivotal role in national growth as well as livelihood generation of rural people. However, productivity of Indian dairy animals was low as compared to most of the leading dairy countries in the world. Due to low productivity, farmers are not able to raise sufficient profitable income from dairy farming. The commercial sexed semen technique is now considered as most advanced technique and can increase the efficiency of the Dairy farmers' manifold.

Sexed semen is an advanced reproductive technology aimed to alter the sex ratio of the offspring toward a desired gender. The use of sexed semen increased the rate of genetic gain not only from the daughter-dam path but also through production of superior male from elite cows for future breeding.





## MDMP Smart Village

"A Smart Village is one which offers access to clean energy, adequate water, basic education, good healthcare, hygienic sanitation, leading to economic prosperity and enhanced quality of life with technologic interventions, in a manner that is environmentally sustainable."

The green idea focuses on the exploration of environment-friendly initiatives to promote harmony between humans and nature for a holistic co-existence. The concept of Smart Village extends the possibilities of making the model villages that can offset the consequences of human inhabitations. The end objective is to create a self-reliant, environment-friendly energy sufficient community.

### Activities in FY 2022-23

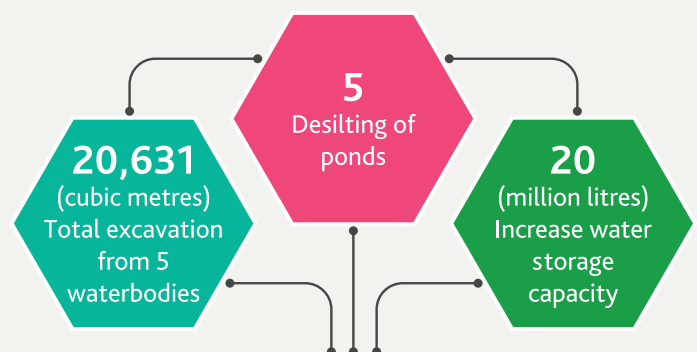
- Formation of Self-Help Group (SHGs)
- Skill Training on Goat Rearing and Animal Husbandry
- Renovation of Rajiv Gandhi Bhawan for E-Learning Community Support Centre
- 350 ft. drainage construction and cleaning
- Distribution of Waste Collection Bins to households
- Installation of Solar streetlights
- Installation of waste collection bins in Community Centres
- Pond Rejuvenation



## Gram Jal Sanchay

Water resources are integral to all development activities to any region. Water conservation and its efficient management ought to take centre stage for sustainable development. India faces major challenges with the declining per capita water availability and stands stressed with rising water demand mainly from the already competing agriculture, domestic and industrial sectors. To respond to these growing challenges, it is imperative that water conservation interventions should be mandated as an integral part of water use and management in India. Water conservation ponds prove a strategic adaptation practice, collecting rainwater and replenishing groundwater reserves during the monsoon.

### Gram Jal Sanchay - Farm Pond (Panchmahal, Narmada & Vadodara)





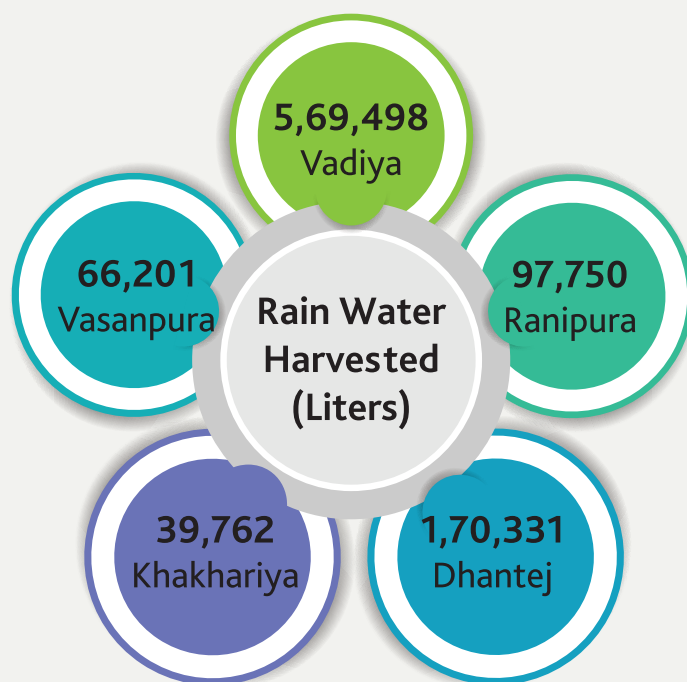
## Project Vasundhara

Project Vasundhara was started in November 2022 with the support of Corteva Agriscience. The programme was to promote green energy usage, rainwater harvesting, restoration of water reservoirs. The project intend was to create greater awareness for plantation of social forestry, construction of rainwater harvesting on public infrastructure, restoration of pond by desilting, deepening and installation of solar streetlights to promote usage of green energy. All activities were carried out with the support of community members, PRI members and government officials.

The construction of roof rainwater harvesting structures in 7 locations, including the Panchayat, Primary Health Centre and Schools, had a positive impact on the community. It benefitted 259 households of the nearby area of the structure. About 10% of the household that are really close to the structure have major benefits.

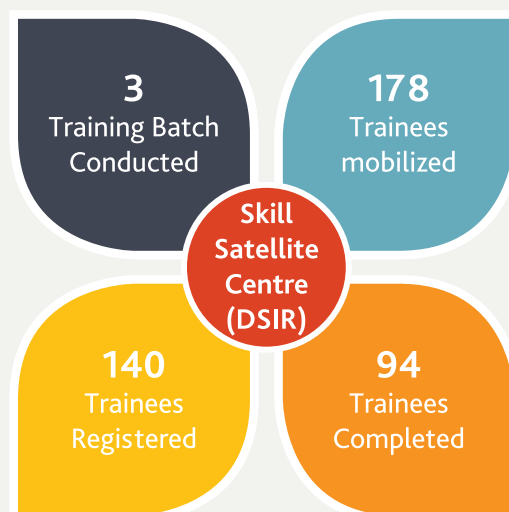
*\*The average Rainfall of Savli Block is 862 mm.*

*\*The average efficiency of structure considered to be 80%.*



## DSIR Skill Satellite Centre, Kuchai

DSIR Skill Satellite Centre, Kuchai, project was started to create awareness about menstrual hygiene and its management, besides helping and encouraging the women to seek sustainable livelihood opportunities for tribal SHG Members in Kuchai Block, Saraikela District, Jharkhand. Project aims to educating the women in Menstrual Health Management and create greater awareness about importance of the modern menstrual health management. It also envisaged to set up a sanitary napkin production unit in Kuchai Block to give access to sanitary napkin for women in and around Kuchai. It is gratifying to note that a total of 3 batches of training have already been successfully completed for SHG members at Skill Satellite Centre Kuchai. In the next phase, a producer group namely, "Sarjom Bah LLP", is being set up and trained SH Members will start production soon of sanitary napkins under the brand name, "Devapi" and product name "StayLite".





## Skill Upgradation Centre, Dahej

Dahej Industrial SEZ, Gujarat, became a major hub for various industries such as chemicals, petrochemicals and manufacturing. With the prevailing trend of industrial automation and digitisation, the need for skilled manpower increased manifold. To cater to the growing demand, a skill upgradation centre was set up at Dahej Industrial SEZ. Deepak Foundation became part of this centre in September 2022. The skill upgradation centre provides training in various courses that are in greater demand in the industry. Some of the prominent courses offered at the centre include housekeeping and data entry. The housekeeping course covers various aspects such as cleaning, sanitisation, waste management, and safety protocols. The data entry course focuses on imparting skills related to data entry, data analysis, and basic computer operations.

The centre has state-of-the-art infrastructure and training facilities to impart quality training to the candidates. The trainers are industry experts and have extensive experience in training and mentoring candidates. The training is imparted through a combination of theoretical sessions and practical hands-on exposures. Upon completion of the course, the candidates would be provided with an industry-recognised certificate. The skill upgradation centre at Dahej Industrial SEZ is a boon for the local youth who aspire to make a career in the industrial sector. The courses provide a platform for the candidates to upgrade their skills and gain new knowledge. The centre plays a crucial role in bridging the skill gap and creating a competent workforce in the region.

Till March 2023, 130 candidates have registered and are attending regular classes. Among the candidates registered, 90 were for Data Entry Operator course and 40 were for the Industrial Housekeeping course. 23 Housekeeping course candidates had passed the exams in April 2023 and they were instantly placed at various malls and stores of Bharuch and Dahej.



## Palliative Care Assistant Course

Palliative care is recognised under the 'human right to health', and is an integral aspect of health care providing relief from pain and other distressing symptoms of patients with serious illnesses with a view to improve their overall quality of life. Palliative care attendants are at the centre of the service in providing support and comfort to such patients and to their family members in a compassionate and empathetic manner. In Vadodara Gujarat, there is a significant demand for skilled palliative care attendants since more palliative care units have opened. Deepak Foundation, on the back of its field knowledge and track records, was the natural choice to offer palliative care attendant course.



The course focuses on developing the necessary skill and knowledge essential for providing quality palliative care services. The programme topics include pain management, symptom control, communication skills, ethical principles, and end-of-life care. Additionally, the course includes practical and clinical training to help trainees gain practical knowledge and exposure.

By providing Palliative Care Attendant Course, Deepak Foundation has attended timely the big shortage of skilled professionals in the field of palliative care. The Foundation collaborated with local healthcare providers, community organisations, and government agencies to identify their requirements and trained the candidates accordingly. Overall, offering palliative care attendant course aligns with Deepak Foundation's mission of providing quality healthcare services to under-served communities. In 2022-23, the course was introduced a 5-day refresher training for experienced professionals and 48 days' detailed training for freshers.



## Home Health Aide Course

Home Health Aide in India is a fast-growing sector with huge potential. The demand for home health aide services is expected to rise in India due to the aging population, increasing chronic illnesses, and growing awareness of the benefits of home-based care. Home health aides play a vital role in helping patients with daily living activities, medication management, and basic medical care under the supervision of registered nurses and doctors. The market for home health aide is open to all types of professionals, including nurses, doctors, and social workers. Skills that are essential to this sector include communication, General Nursing, and Physiotherapy. The course covers topics such as basic medical terminology, infection control measures, patient safety, communication skill, and personal care assistance. The course can also include practical hands-on training and internship opportunities to help the trainees gain valuable experience in real-world settings.

Deepak Foundation has established the Institute for Skills Building, Research, and Innovation to create a robust and vibrant eco-system for quality education and skill development and is affiliated with National Skill Development Corporation under Healthcare Sector Skill Council. The Foundation has national level affiliation which makes it eligible for implementing government-approved Home Health Aide course. It is a six-month certificate course for individuals from 18 to 40 years of age, and with a minimum educational qualification of 10th Pass. Anyone can apply for this course -- Males, Females and Transgender. In Vadodara and Hyderabad, there are opportunities for Deepak Foundation to provide home health aide courses to meet the growing demand for trained professionals. The Foundation has collaborated with local healthcare providers, community organisations, and government agencies to grab opportunities for placements.



Deepak Foundation has registered approximately 2,500 candidates under the Home Health Aide course since 2014. Since then, about 1,600 passed candidates have been successfully placed. In 2022-23 alone, 400 were trained and about 350 passed candidates from the batch got the placements. Salary for the candidates has been ranging from Rs 4,000 to Rs 24,000 per month, depending on the location and work profile. Being in demand, Home Health Aide course has been helping youth to find suitable jobs, and Deepak Foundation takes pride for being at the forefront training and equipping the youth and get them employable.

## House Keeping cum Cooking Course

Deepak Foundation provides vocational training in house-keeping and cooking in Vadodara, Gujarat, and Hyderabad, Telangana. The opportunities for skilled individuals are vast in both the cities. In India, the housekeeping-cum-cooking personnel are always in demand. With the growing number of nuclear households, working couples and busy lifestyle etc. generate enough demand for domestic support-related jobs. Jobs for the people with skill sets to do household chores and cooking are aplenty and the skilled people can find jobs easily in various settings such as hotels, resorts, hospitals, office complexes, and residential complexes.

In Vadodara and Hyderabad, the hospitality industry has huge demand for housekeeping and cooking professionals. Many hotels, resorts, and office complexes require housekeepers and cooks. Vadodara is also a city with many industrial complexes, and these complexes also require housekeeping professionals. Another area that provides many opportunities for professionals with housekeeping and cooking skills is the residential sector. Many households require trained professionals for housekeeping and cooking services. Deepak Foundation has partnerships with residential complexes, which provides employment opportunities to trained professionals.

Overall, individuals who have completed vocational training in housekeeping and cooking skills at Deepak Foundation in Vadodara, Gujarat, and Hyderabad, Telangana, have found ample opportunities for employment in the hospitality, residential, and corporate sectors. Since 2019-20 Housekeeping and Cooking course alone has registered approximately 350 candidates and has placed about 160 fully trained candidates. In 2022-23 about 130 candidates were registered, and around 70 trained candidates were already placed at many hospitality-based institutions.





# DISABILITY AND SPECIAL NEEDS

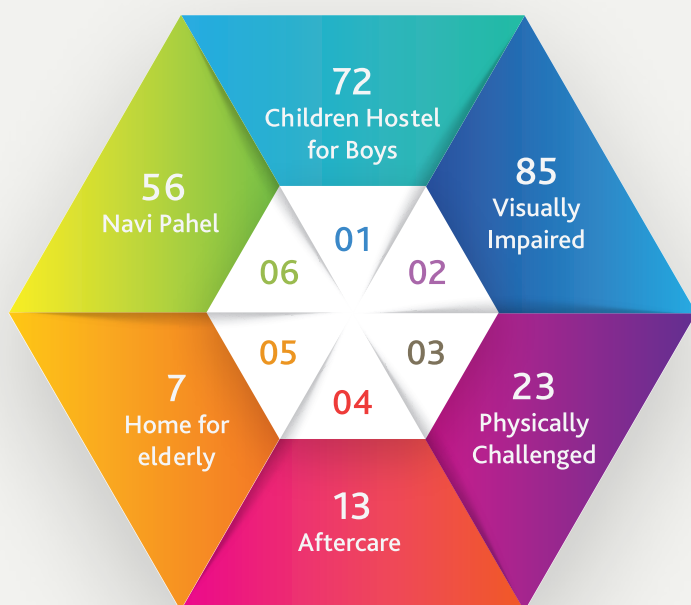




## Samaj Suraksha Sankul

Samaj Suraksha Sankul, one of the first Public-Private-Partnership initiative in Gujarat between Department of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of Gujarat, and Deepak Foundation. The Foundation is engaged in the operations and management of child care institution for boys, "Samaj Suraksha Sankul", located in Vadodara district of Gujarat. It is a residential and support institute to provide sustenance for holistic development of children with special needs such as physical impairment, visual impairment, destitute and orphans and After care children between 18 to 22 years. The objective of the project is to develop specially-abled and destitute children providing them with education, healthcare along with skilling them to develop into independent capable citizens and be part of our productive society. With these noble causes in mind, our interventions and initiatives are broadly divided into the following three categories:

- Education



- Medical and Occupational Therapeutic Intervention
- Economic Rehabilitation/Vocational Training

### Sankul Band

Music is deeply ingrained in all of us in various degrees. Music is something that can be enjoyed by all and sundry alike. Music is a therapy in itself and has the capacity to rejuvenate. We at Samaj Suraksha Sankul always believed that music as a therapy could help its students to relax and with a bit of help, they could add playing knowledge of various instruments to their repertoire of skills. Sankul has a Music teacher who teaches the kids different musical instruments like Guitar, Piano, and Octapad along with vocal music classes. The children totally enjoy it. One day, the idea of a band for the children was naturally cropped up. Why not? The children were already learning music and various music instruments and a music band was a natural culmination for the learning.

We were keen and waiting for an appropriate opportunity for the students to demonstrate their skill sets. Finally, the much-awaited opportunity came knocking. The band of the students, Sankul Band, were invited to perform in Vadodara Marathon. As icing on the cake, MG Motors came forward as sponsors of Sankul Band in Vadodara Marathon. The venue of our maiden performance was at Nyay Mandir where the capacity crowd was enthralled by our students' superlative performance. All through the performance, the crowd was standing and applauding the students and the crowd response immensely helped and motivated our children. It turned out to be a remarkable and memorable day for each and every one in the Band. The response of the crowd uplifted the mood of the band, and the children drew energy from the crowds' response and performance turned out to be better than anticipated. Students' confidence level and motivation to do better was apparent and a natural outcome of the performance.





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## Sangaath

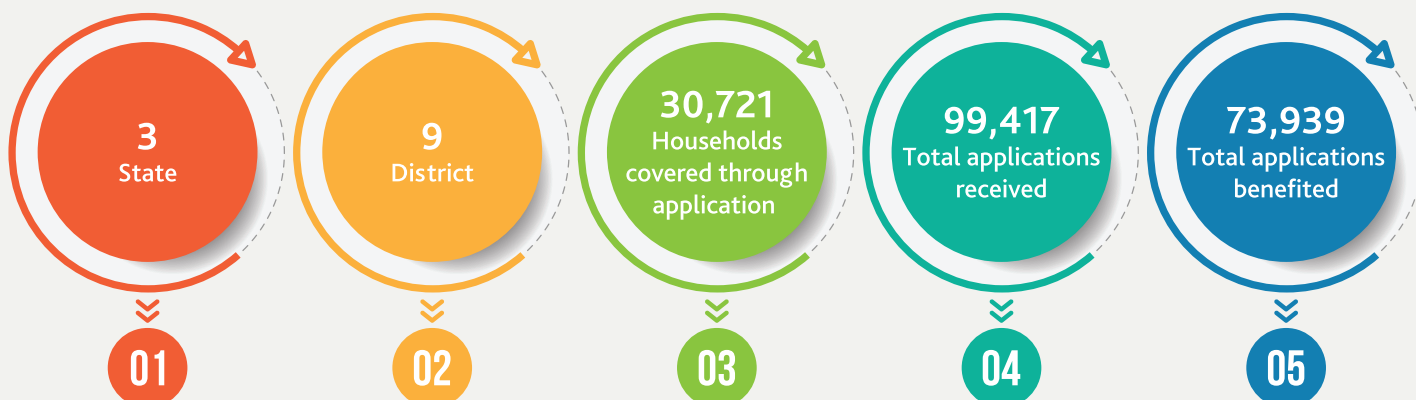
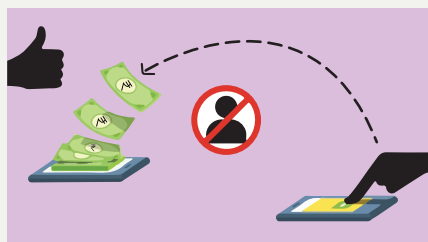
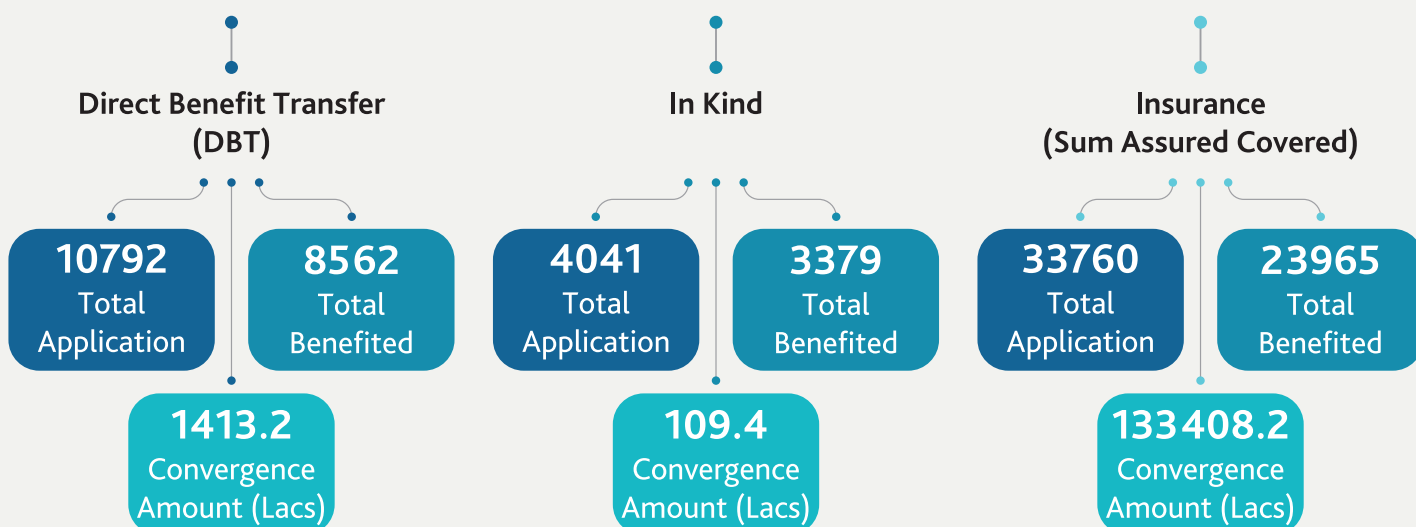
'Sangaath' is an initiative to improve awareness about government schemes and services with a view to include all the eligible people in the schemes. The project has been undertaken in 3 States, i.e. Gujarat, Maharashtra and Haryana covering 9 districts, 144 villages and an urban cluster.

In 2022-23, the project covered more than 30,000 households and facilitated applications from 99,417-plus applications of eligible beneficiaries. About 50,000 applications were pre-requisite documents like Aadhaar Card, PAN Card, Income Certificate, Marriage Certificate, etc. and the remaining 49,000-plus were of government schemes such as national and

State social security schemes, insurance schemes, health and nutrition schemes, agricultural and animal husbandry schemes. The applicants were benefited by these interventions. The benefits included monetary and non-monetary, recurring, and non-recurring.

These facilitations were carried out by trained cadre of facilitators, majorly women at village level through Jan Suvidha Kendra which is established at government facilities. The programme is supported by Deepak Group of Companies and in coordination with District Administration.

### Distribution of Convergence Amount and Schemes Covered under Sangaath Category Wise



**SANGAATH**  
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## National Family Health Survey-6 (NFHS-6)

The Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India, has initiated the work on Sixth Round of National Family Health Survey, popularly known as NFHS-6. The goals of NFHS-6 are to provide essential data on health and family welfare to the Central and State Governments and to other stakeholders for policy formulation. NFHS-6 intends to collect data on important emerging health and family welfare trends.

Deepak Foundation is one of the field agencies selected for collecting data in a total of 19 Districts including Districts from Gujarat West, and Union Territories of Daman, Diu and Dadra & Nagar Haveli. The International Institute for Population Sciences (IIPS), Mumbai, a Deemed University and an Autonomous Organization of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, is the nodal agency for conducting the survey on behalf of the Ministry. The IIPS has engaged several field agencies to conduct field work of the survey.

Deepak Foundation, as appointed field agency, has been collecting information on socio-economic indicators at household and individual levels in scientifically selected 836 primary sampling units covering rural, tribal, and urban areas. The sampling included both women and men. Deepak Foundation will cover approximately 18,400 households, 19,500 women in the bracket of 15-49 and 15-54 age bracket men for the sampling. The field team members have undergone a month-long training, involving classroom and field practice. In addition, health investigators would be collecting data on anthropometric, blood pressure, and glucose level and Hepatitis-B and Hepatitis-C among children. In case individuals with severe readings are identified, they would be given a referral letter to reach the nearest public health facility for treatment.

A team of one supervisor, four field investigators, and two



A team of one supervisor, four field investigators, and two health investigators, spend 3-4 days in selected PSU and collect all the information digitally. In all, a workforce of 20 supervisors, 60 female field interviewers, 40 male field interviewers, and 40 health investigators, will be recruited for data collection. Each interview may take around 45-50 minutes.

This information will help experts to make policy-related decisions at district, state and central levels.





## Ms. Yesha Makwana, Samaj Suraksha Sankul

Yesha Makwana is first and the only visually-impaired student to appear for the SSC exams using a laptop in Gujarat. Vadodra-based Yesha Makwana achieved yet another feat as she ranked first in the State among all the visually-impaired students who took the board exams. Makwana, a student of Web Memorial School, scored 85.2%.



She studies at Web Memorial School as part of the inclusive education programme of Sankul School and Resource Centre supported by Deepak Foundation. She has been with Sankul for the last two years. Before joining Sankul, she did not have working knowledge of computers. She managed to step up on the back of the efforts and input by the School Principal, staff and management.

"We trained her to write perfect words and formatting on the computer and gave her compulsory unit test which she emailed to us. I converted the matter from print to text and then to Braille and made her attempt the papers in the stipulated timeframe. By the exam time, she was able to complete her exam in under 3 hours. We used Non-Visual Desktop Access (NVDA) to train her and she confidently wrote her standard 10th Board Exams by herself," noted the School Principal.

## ધો.10માં પાસ થનાર સમાજ સુરક્ષા સંકુલના 11 છાત્રો નવાજાયા પહેલીવાર લેપટોપમાં બ્રેઈલ લિપિથી પરીક્ષા આપનાર યેશાનું સન્માન કરાયું

2ને ડિસ્ટિક્શન, 5ને ફર્સ્ટ ક્લાસ અને 4 વિદ્યાર્થીએ સેકન્ડ ક્લાસ પ્રાપ્ત કર્યો  
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ધોરણ-10ની પરીક્ષામાં પાસ થનાર સમાજ સુરક્ષા સંકુલના 11 છાત્રોનું સન્માન જિલ્લા કલેક્ટરે કર્યું હતું. 11 વિદ્યાર્થીઓએ રાઈટરની મદદ થકી ધો.10 બોર્ડની પરીક્ષામાં સારું પરિણામ લાવ્યા હતા. તેમાંથી 2ને ડિસ્ટિક્શન, 5ને ફર્સ્ટ ક્લાસ અને 4ને સેકન્ડ ક્લાસ મળ્યો હતો. દિવ્યાંગ કિશોર કિશોરીઓની શિક્ષિત થવાને રાખીને આર્થિક કષ્ટ સંકલન સમિતિના તમામ અધિકારીઓની ઉપસ્થિતિમાં અભ્યાસસહાયક વસ્તુ આપી સન્માન કરાયું હતું. સમગ્ર ગજરાતમાં પહેલી વાર

બોર્ડની પરીક્ષા આપી 85 ટકા સાથે ઉત્તીર્ણ થનાર પ્રજ્ઞાચક્ષુ યેશા મકવાણાનું પણ સન્માન કરાયું હતું. સાથે બ્રેઈલ લિપિ થકી પરીક્ષા આપનાર આંશિક દ્રષ્ટિહીન વિદ્યાર્થી મોહમ્મદ બુઝર્જવાલાએ ધો.10માં 62 ટકા મેળવ્યા છે. જ્યારે અંકોડીયાના આયુષ પઢીયાર જે સંપૂર્ણ અંધ છે તેણે ધો.10ની પરીક્ષામાં 70 ટકા મેળવ્યા

## Resolute wards repay parents' struggle with marks bounty

TIMES NEWS NETWORK

Students scripted inspiring stories by passing with flying colours despite physical and financial struggles.

Vadodra's Yesha Makwana, the first and the only visually impaired student to appear for the SSC exams using a laptop in the state, ranked first among all the blind students who took the board exams.

Makwana, who studies at Web Memorial School, scored 85.20%.

The blind students are given special laptops with voice assistant feature.

"It was possible only due to the support of my parents and the teachers of Samaj Suraksha Sankul who motivated me to give my best. I am delighted," said Makwana, whose school is a part of the education project of Deepak Foundation's Sankul School and Resource Centre.



Hemanshi Rathod (L) and Dharuvi Delvadiya

join the civil services and become an IAS officer.

"She learned to operate a laptop just a year ago. So, she had to practice for hours on it every day," said Makwana's mother Vilas.

In all, 528 blind students had registered for the board exams of which 508 appeared and a little more than 300 passed.

Rudra Gami, whose father Jitendra is a farmer in Talala in Junagadh, ranked in the 99.99th percentile. Jitendra shifted

with his wife and started living on rent so that Rudra could focus on studies. "My parents did not want me to live alone, so they shifted here. My school did not charge fees considering our financial condition," Rudra aims to become an engineer and wants to study at the prestigious IIT.

Two girls of Gondal, Hemanshi Rathod and Dharuvi Delvadiya, also ranked in the 99.98th percentile.

Hemanshi, whose father doubles up as a farm labourer and driver, said she wants to make a career in information technology.

"I studied for 8-9 hours daily but all credit goes to my parents who supported me," she beamed. Dharuvi, whose father is a driver, said, "I will take the commerce stream as I want to become a chartered accountant."



## પ્રજ્ઞાચક્ષુ યેશા લેપટોપથી ધો.10ની પરીક્ષા આપનારી પ્રથમ વિદ્યાર્થીની 67 દિવ્યાંગોને કીબોર્ડ ઓરિએન્ટેશન દ્વારા આત્મનિર્ભર બનાવવાનો પ્રયત્ન દીપક ફાઉન્ડેશન અને વડોદરા સમાજ સુરક્ષા સંકુલની સંયુક્ત પ

ઈલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ | વડોદરા

દિવ્યાંગ વિદ્યાર્થીઓ આત્મનિર્ભર અને તે માટે ટીપ્સ ફાઉન્ડેશન તેમજ વડોદરા સમાજ સુરક્ષા સંકુલ દ્વારા 67 દિવ્યાંગ વિદ્યાર્થીઓને કીબોર્ડ ઓરિએન્ટેશન શીખવવામાં આવી રહ્યું છે. જેના થકી જ વડોદરાની પ્રજ્ઞાચક્ષુ યેશા મકવાણા લેપટોપ વડે ધોરણ 10ની બોર્ડની પરીક્ષા આપનારી રાજ્યની પ્રથમ વિદ્યાર્થીની બની હતી.

વિદ્યાર્થીની યેશા મકવાણાએ નિઝામપુરા સમાજ સુરક્ષા સંકુલ ખાતે બ્રેઈલ લિપિ વડે અભ્યાસ કર્યો છે. ટીપ્સ ફાઉન્ડેશન સંચાલિત સંકુલ શાળા તેમજ ડિસ્ટ્રીક્ટ સેન્ટર અંતર્ગત શિક્ષણ પ્રોજેક્ટના ભાગરૂપે વેબ મેમોરિયલ સ્કૂલમાં તે અભ્યાસ કરે છે. આ વર્ષે ધોરણ 10ની બોર્ડની પરીક્ષામાં કીબોર્ડ સેકન્ડ રાઈટર

વગર પોતાની જાતે જ લેપટોપ દ્વારા બ્રેઈલ લિપિ વડે નિપટ સમય મુજબ ટેક જવાબ આપ્યા હતા. સમગ્ર રાજ્યમાં યેશા પહેલી એવી વિદ્યાર્થીની છે, જેણે દિવ્યાંગ હોવા છતાં આ રીતે બોર્ડની પરીક્ષા સફળતાપૂર્વક આપી છે. યેશા છેલ્લાં 2 વર્ષથી સંકુલ સાથે છે. નવાઈની વાત એ છે કે, તેણે આ પહેલાં ક્યારેય પણ કમ્પ્યુટરનો ઉપયોગ કર્યો નથી.



સંકુલ સ્કૂલના પ્રિન્સિપાલ ભરત વાપાએ જણાવ્યું હતું કે, અમે કમ્પ્યુટર પર સંપૂર્ણ રાજ અને હોર્મેટિક લખવાની તાલીમ આપીએ છીએ. ફરજિયાત એકમ કસોટી, ઈ-મેલ જેવી અગત્યની બાબતો શીખવીએ છીએ.

હું આ બાબતને ધિરમાંથી ટેકરમાં અને પછી બ્રેઈલમાં કન્વર્ટ કરું છું અને તેને નિપટ સમયમાં પેપર આપવાનો પ્રયાસ કરાવીએ છીએ.

ધો.10 અને 12ના કુલ 19 વિદ્યાર્થીઓ પોતાની આપવા માટે કમ્પ્યુટરની તાલીમ મેળવે છે, પરંતુ એ એવી વિદ્યાર્થીની છે કે જેણે પોતાના ધો.10 ની બોર્ડની આત્મવિશ્વાસ સાથે લખી છે. આપો ટીપ્સ વિદ્યાર્થીઓને બનાવવાનો છે અને તેઓને આત્મવિશ્વાસ વધે તેવા પ્રયાસ. આજની જરૂરિયાત મુજબ ટેકનોલોજી, એલેક્ટ્રોનિક્સ અને આ બાબતો શીખવીએ છીએ. ડી.એચ. સેલ્સ



## STORIES OF STRENGTH

### Facility Management and Services Course, Nandesari

**Name:** Gayatriben Mahale, 39 Years  
**Place:** Nandesari Village



Gayatriben Mahale, a 39-years-old, B.Com graduate, is from Nandesari village. She lives with her family consisting of her husband and mother-in-law. Her husband is the sole breadwinner of the family. She ran a small beauty parlour at home and she was always eager to support her family. She is a SHG member of Deepak Foundation's Mahila Mandal group. She learnt about the Housekeeping and Cookery course at Deepak Foundation and enrolled herself for the course. In the HKC course, she took interest in learning new things and went beyond the curriculum to own skill sets like personality development, etiquette, nutritional values, hygiene, and hospitality etc. She believes that all the newly acquired skill sets have given her new belief and confidence.

This HKC course is a three-month-long learning exercise, and contains theory and practical trainings in housekeeping and cooking. After completing the HKC Course, she set up her own food business and got her first order from Deepak Foundation itself. She remains thankful to the entire the Deepak Foundation team. She is extremely happy now and content with her business and the progresses she has achieved lately. Deepak Foundation staff has received good feedback from the market about the quality of her food and services. She is a helpful, caring, and hardworking woman. She remembers Deepak Foundation and its staff with a sense of obligation. She is indebted to Deepak Foundation for its training platform which allowed her to find a pleasurable business option.

Her words "Mane rasoi banavta to avadti j hati pan a training ma jodaya pachi hygiene, nutrition values, kevi rite dish ready krvi ane serve krvi e badhu janva madyu jethi hu khub j khush chu ane Deepak foundation ne abhari chu ke tame avnavi training kro cho ane amara sudhi pohchado che, thank you so much for this opportunity".

### Home Health Aide, Gujarat

**Name:** Sanjana Solanki, 18 years  
**Place:** Gorwa, Vadodara



Sanjana Solanki is a resident of Gorwa area in Vadodara District, Gujarat. She has done her schooling at C. K. Prajapati School, but she couldn't complete her SSC despite two attempts. She quit her studies and opted to help her mother at home. The family consisting of three children were solely dependent on their father's employment income from a toll plaza.

Sanjana, a good and caring girl, felt the responsibility to help her family. Her past failures and lack of guidance made her feel worthless. She received a suggestion about joining the Home Health Aide Course at Deepak Foundation. The course is not only free of charge but offers free transportation. It was the guaranteed placement prompted her to think about it and discuss it with her parents. Realising the benefits, she with her parents' support took admission to the course.

After completing classroom and on-the-job training as per the HHA curriculum which included training on personality development, communication skills, and basic level English. During the training, she was enthusiastic to learn about health and other extracurricular activities. As soon as she completed the training, she got a job at Sankul, Vadodara, as a caretaker. She is now earning Rs. 10,000 per month and is delighted that she has been able to lend a helping hand to her family. She remains thankful to Deepak Foundation for facilitating her training and allowing her to be self-reliant. She has become a confident person.



## STORIES OF STRENGTH

### Home Health Aide, Hyderabad

**Name:** Marupatla Pooja, 20 Years

**Place:** Bandouthapur, Wardhanapet, Warangal Rural



Marupatla Pooja is a 20-years-old trainee and hails from Bandothapuram, Wardhanapet Mandal, Warangal District, Telangana.

She attended the Deepak Foundation's Hyderabad Home Health Aide Skill Development Course staying in a paid hostel. She was keen to do the nursing course and joined Deepak Foundation's Health Aide Skill Development Course free of cost.

At Raiparthy Government College, she completed her intermediate education and started looking for suitable jobs. She was back home for her summer vacation after completing the intermediate education. One of her neighbours knew about the HHA course at Rodamestri Nagar, Hyderabad. Pooja always wanted to work and be self-reliant and she learnt that the HHA course would more or less guarantee her a job. Pooja travelled to Deepak Foundation in Hyderabad and enrolled for the HHA course.

She was enthusiastic about her studies and became the best student in her HHA batch. At the end of the HHA course, at the placement interviews, Pooja, after a detailed employment interview by the Hospital HR team, was selected as an Assistant Nurse at Sigma Hospital in Hyderabad's Shapur Nagar. She is now earning Rs 10,500 a month. Realising the employment opportunities for the girls, Pooja's parents have been urging other girls from the village to start the training at Deepak Foundation training centre.

**Name:** Parvathi Kumari, 29 Years

**Place:** Rajiv Gruha Kalpa, Suraram



Mrs. Parvathi Kumari is 29-years-old and belongs to Tintega Village in Bhagalpur District, Bihar. Her husband took her to Deepak Foundation in Hyderabad and enrolled her in an HHA Course. She studied hard and also picked up elementary Telugu language skills from her HHA batchmates. As she comes from a poor background, she had to fight the stigma relating to women and employment in her village. With her husband's support and encouragement, she completed her degree education with good ranks.

After completing her studies, her next ambition was to economically support her family and instantly got on to the employment market in search of a suitable job. Parvathi started her job search by contacting her friends from high school and college. One of her husband's colleagues from Diamond Industries, Jeeditmetla, recommended the Home Health Aide (HHA) Skill Development Course in Rodamestri Nagar, Hyderabad.

Parvathi duly enrolled in the HHA batch run by Deepak Foundation, which placed greater emphasis on academic and practical skilling of its students. Varied options of placements were available to its students after their training at the Deepak Foundation's HHA programme.

After completing the course, in a detailed job interview Parvathi was asked if she was willing to do three shifts in the hospital criteria compliance department. Parvathi agreed to work in shifts and was selected to work as an Assistant Nurse. On the job, Parvathi has earned further Nursing domain knowledge and has grown professionally. She and her husband are grateful to Deepak Foundation and the HHA teachers for their commitment and dedication in providing high-quality education and improving students' self-confidence.

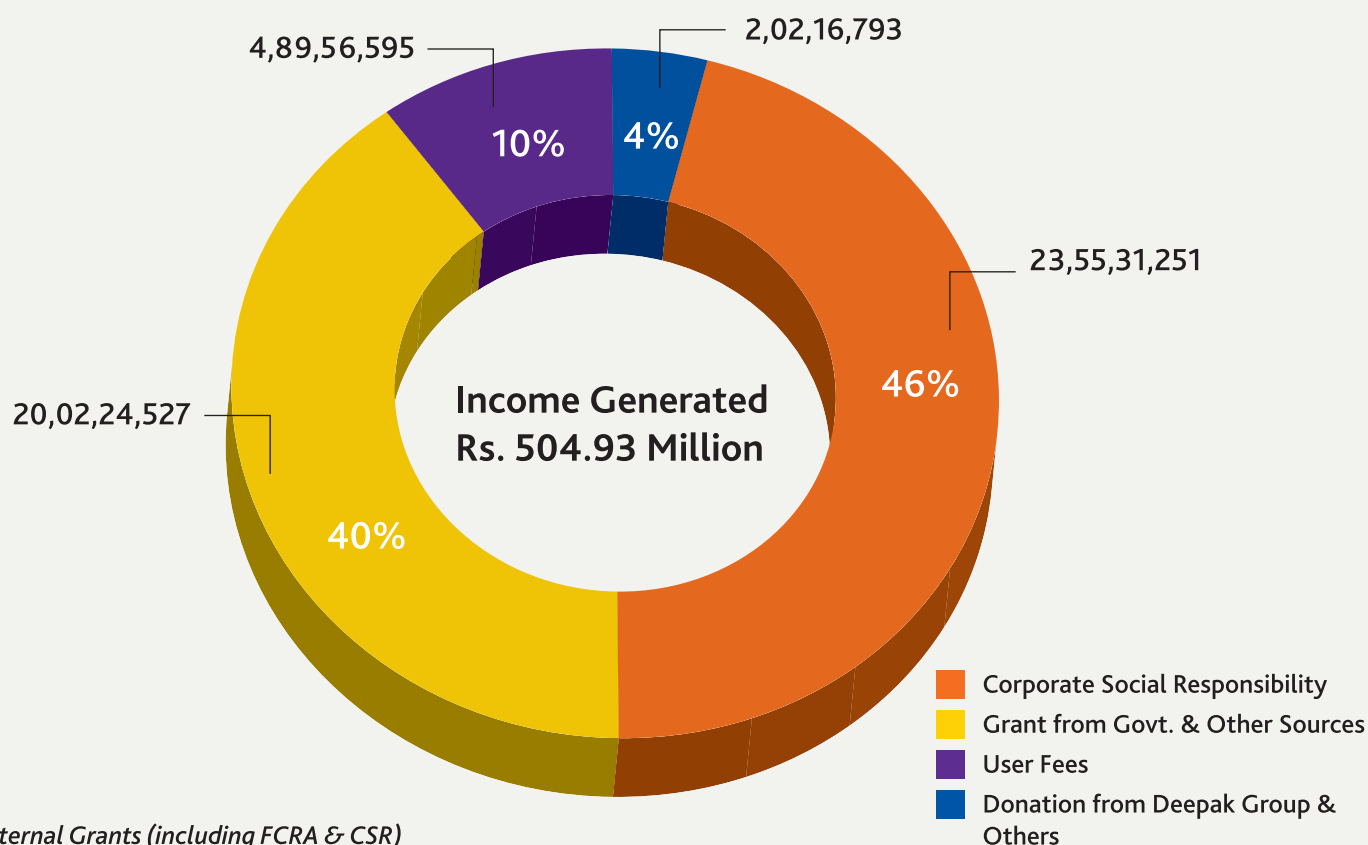




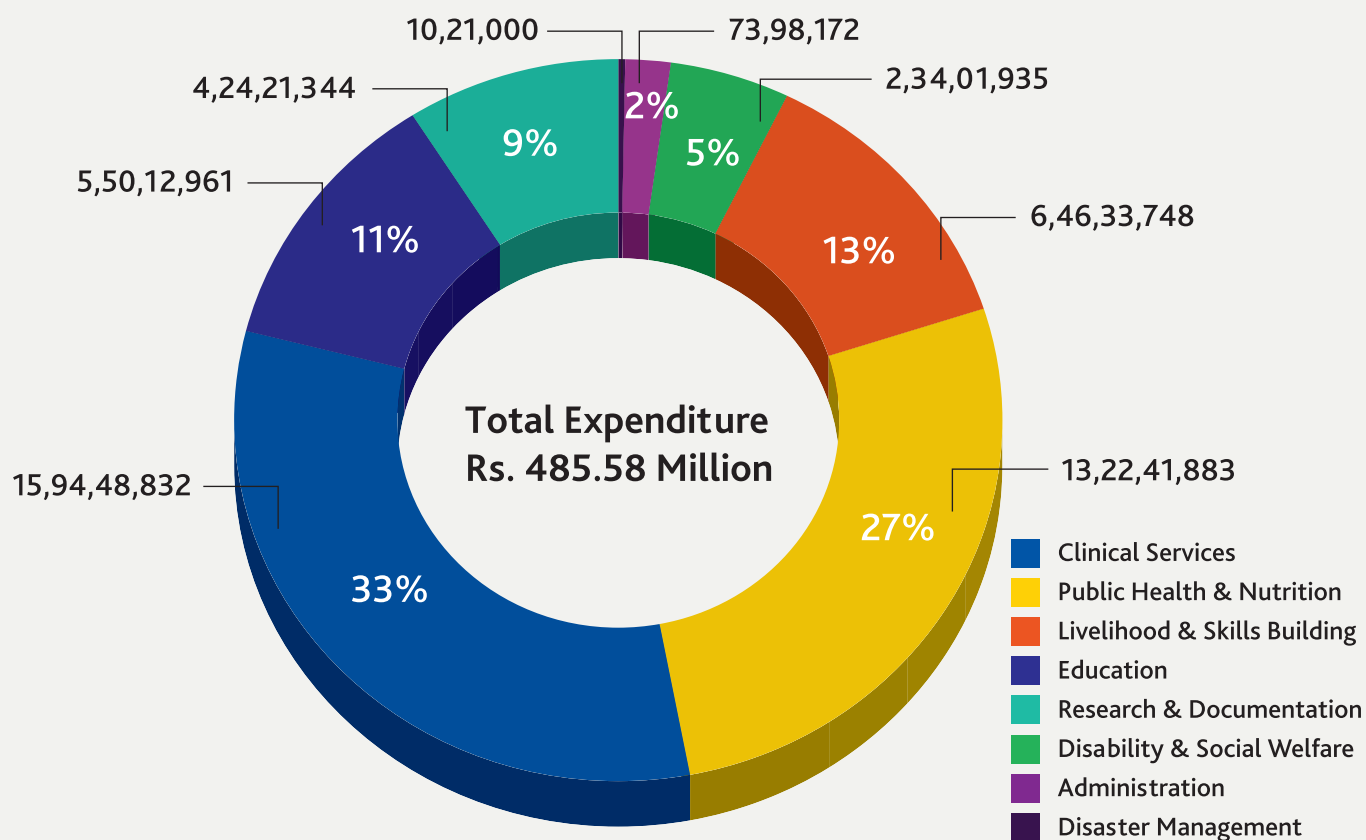


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## SOURCES OF INCOME GENERATION (2022 - 2023)



## DISTRIBUTION OF EXPENSES (2022 - 2023)







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## AWARDS RECEIVED 2022-23



Deepak Foundation received certificate of appreciation for committing and contributing towards tuberculosis elimination efforts in Vadodara for giving nutrition kit to tuberculosis patients.



Deepak Foundation received acknowledgement from Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GOI for registering as a Ni-Kshay Mitra under "Pradhan Mantri TB Mukh Bharat Abhiyaan".



Deepak Foundation received an award for Innovation and Best Practices at National Conference held at New Delhi by Central TB Division, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GOI.



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Deepak Foundation received an award for their efforts towards TB free India during the "Corporate Consultation on TB" function held on December 13, 2022.



Deepak Foundation received affiliation from Healthcare Sector Skill Council under National Skill Development Corporation for conducting 'Home Health Aide' course in Hyderabad.



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