

# SPARSHA CHARITABLE TRUST

CARE FOR HUMANITY...

"24 years of growth, learning, and endless possibilities. Here's to the journey and the bright future ahead."



Dear Sparsha Community,

Twenty-four years ago, the streets and slums of Mumbai were filled with countless children, with many forced to drop out of school due to difficult circumstances. Back then, our primary focus at Sparsha was to prevent these school dropouts and ensure that every child had the opportunity to enroll in school. It was a monumental task, but with unwavering dedication, we embarked on this journey.

As each day passed, we witnessed gradual yet profound changes. The families we worked with began to recognize the importance of education and started taking a keen interest in educating their children. This shift in mindset was the first significant milestone in our mission.

Over the years, I have seen countless transformations in the lives of our Sparsha students. When I stand here today and reflect on our journey, I am filled with immense pride and joy. Our children, who once faced insurmountable challenges, are now dreaming big and pursuing long-term goals. This sustainable change is a testament to the collective efforts of our community, the dedication of our team, and the resilience of our students.

As we celebrate these achievements, I want to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has been a part of this incredible journey. Together, we have created a brighter future for countless children, and I am confident that the best is yet to come.

With warm regards,

SARIKA DESAI  
CEO, Sparsha

## **We have turned 24 - Sparsha Foundation Day**

Sparsha completed 24 years of service towards care for humanity and community building on 1st June 2024. The journey has been a mix of challenges, achievements, failure and success. But every hardship and setback fades away when our students outshine and steps a way forward towards their dream. We take pride to be part of the families who share their journey of hope and aspiration and make us part of their achievement. We celebrated our special day by organizing a cultural event wherein our students showcased their talents through dance and music. Swayam students performed street plays to raise awareness on waste management. Our children also organized a science exhibition reflecting their learnings on everyday science during Summer camp.

## **ITC HOTEL - CSR initiative**

20 Senior Swayam students participated in the tree plantation activities along with employees of ITC Hotel, Parel as part of their CSR initiative. Students were given an induction session on job opportunities post completion of Std 12 in the hospitality sector by the team of employees. 20 interested students were invited to ITC hotel, Parel a week after for an exposure visit to understand the hospitality service.



## **Creating a Safe Space**

The Sparsha team was part of a capacity building session on POCSO and their role in community intervention and awareness. The session provided a platform to understand their role in case of any kind of exploitation observed or reported in the community. The team was also briefed about the POCSO Act.





## Back To school Campaign

Reynold Pvt. Limited donated notebooks and pens as part of the Back to school campaign - an initiative to support children with school stationary items to make learning fun for children. The campaign encourages well wishers to donate school items so that every child gets an opportunity to learn.

## Partnership for building empowered communities

Sparsha Team participated in 5 days citizenship Training of trainers held at Vipla Foundation, BKC, Mumbai. The participating team were introduced to citizenship and perspective building, self awareness, constitutional values, fundamental rights, fundamental duties, leadership and collective action, urban governance, kobo training, data policy, organizational policy and civic action. The session was an eye opener for the team to learn about civic rights for community awareness and upliftment.



## Body Positivity

19 Swayam girls were part of an awareness session on Physiological changes and myths around it at our Shanti Nagar centre. The session was conducted for adolescent girls to discuss their physiological issues they face during their adolescent stage. The interaction focused on how to embrace the changes with the right attitude.

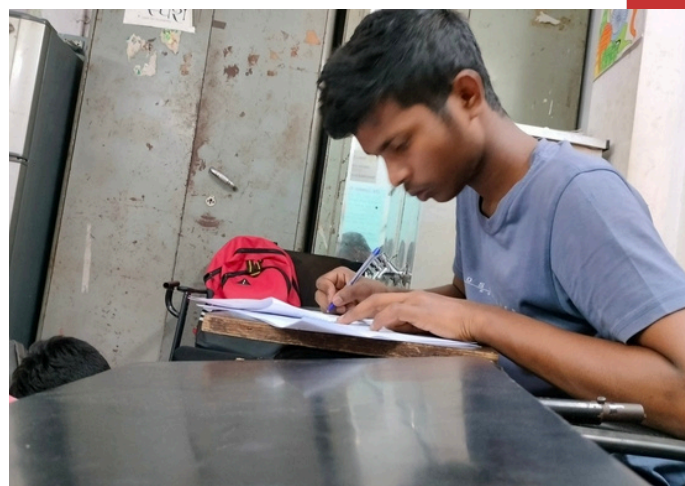


## Health Campaign

2 eye camp was held at Shanti nagar and Mankhurd for children and parents. A total of 156 beneficiaries were part of the camp. The beneficiaries could avail correction spectacles at a minimum cost as part of the intervention

## Achievement

Our HSC students have achieved an impressive overall passing rate of 89%, with 11% securing first-class honors. In the SSC exams, our students achieved an outstanding overall passing rate of 96%, and with a 31.48% significant number attaining first-class distinctions. These remarkable achievements reflect the hard work, dedication, and resilience of our students, and we are overjoyed to celebrate their success.



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

July 13

Accompany Children to Musuem Visit

July 16

Interact with parents on healthy diet

July 19

India Philanthropy Day

July 21

Craft session on occasion of Gurupurnima

July 27

Dance session with children