

ANNUAL REPORT



**Indian Association for Promotion of
Adoption and Child Welfare (IAPA)**





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The VISION of IAPA for every child is to grow up with love and nurturance, in the security of a family; to have the opportunity for education and all-round development in a supportive environment.



MISSION

- To rehabilitate the orphaned or abandoned child through the preferred alternative of adoption or other suitable option
- To preserve and strengthen the child's family that is in crisis or lacks adequate resources; by providing assistance for the child's nutrition, education and vocational skills, opportunities for enriching personality, enhancing physical and emotional health and by empowering the family
- To engage in advocacy for better standards in child care and to promote the child's rights to family, education and participation



Child and Family Centered Services since 1970

Adoption - for abandoned infants

Educational Sponsorship - for under privileged children

Family Support - for orphaned and other children in crisis

In addition

Child Guidance Centre, Medical Assistance and Project ASMITA
for mental health, physical health and all-round development of children

Vocational Training and Financial Support
for income generation and enhancing livelihood

**Annual Report
and
Audited Statement of Accounts
for the year ending 31st March 2024**

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President's Message

I, on behalf IAPA Executive Committee and team members, am happy to present this Annual Report 2023 - 24.

Our programmes Educational Sponsorship (in Mumbai and Dapoli district Ratnagiri, Maharashtra), Alternative Family / Bal Sangopan Yojna / Kinship foster care programmes aimed at family preservation have been impactful. The students supported under these programmes have shown interest in continuation of studies to the next level, so also, we are noticing a change in the behaviours of the students and their family members.

At our Educational Sponsorship programme in villages of Dapoli town, Ratnagiri District it has been good progress. The ground work for the additional 100 girls' sponsorship has paved way for positive intervention. We have expanded our work to 11 interior villages where the educational level of the girl students has been below the base level.

Our supportive services of Aastha - the Child Guidance Centre, Vocational training in tailoring, training in computer operations, financial support from the Kamal Udwardia Foundation for children afflicted with neurological conditions, Asmita project to enhance base level competencies of students, medical and nutritional assistance, financial support for higher education have played a big role here.

The hurdles experienced with reference to the Adoption & Pre-adoption foster care last year continue to be a point of concern. There have been no new referrals of children in our pre-adoption foster care. We consulted Retd. Justice Satyaranjan Dharmadhikari seeking his views on foster care for children, surrendered or abandoned by their parents. His opinion based on the Juvenile Justice Act (Care and Protection) 2015 - 2022 has been sent to the different concerned Government authorities. Their response is awaited.

The Adoption programme has seen a steady reference of applications for conducting the Home Studies for a thorough assessment and preparation of the PAPs.

Our Adoption Counselling Cell continued to provide fruitful guidance in pre-adoption and post-adoption matters.

The Livelihood Support service started again after our donor willingly agreed to provide seed money to women for starting small scale enterprise.

A few cost cutting measures have been initiated. The need for raising funds for running all the programmes and services is an ongoing effort. Thanks to our team of professionals, para-professionals and administrative staff who worked diligently to provide quality services to the deserving beneficiaries.

Our sincere gratitude to all our donors, sponsors, and well-wishers for their timely support that enabled us to forge ahead.

Fond gestures Some of the ex-student beneficiaries thoughtfully came forward to donate to IAPA,

Mr. Sanjay Chore,
President.

Our programmes

Throughout 2023-24 IAPA continued its impactful intervention with over 600 children in Mumbai and surrounding suburbs via the varied programmes of Adoption, Educational Sponsorship, Alternative family care and our supportive services. The Educational Sponsorship programme in Rural Maharashtra's villages in Dapoli district too is progressing well. To elaborate on the effectiveness of the support received from our sponsors and donors, we have cited few case stories intermittently. The names of the recipients and other identifying information has been changed / not mentioned to maintain confidentiality.

Adoption and Pre-adoption Foster Care

On the adoption front, IAPA, currently is no longer in a position to receive children in the 0-6 years age group in Foster Care as mentioned earlier, things have been difficult due to the provision no. 4.2 under the Vatsalya guidelines. Our efforts, seeking a revision of this provision with the Government authorities are continuing.

Facing these challenges, IAPA continued its service of conducting adoption Home Studies and providing guidance to the prospective adoptive parents (PAPs). During the year, **one** female child was admitted to IAPA for rehabilitation through adoption. **Thirteen** PAPs registered for home studies through IAPA. Home studies of **total 16 families** were completed. These included 3 families registered in the previous year. **Five** home studies were revalidated as the original Home Study Report (HSR) was done 3 years earlier. **Four** families whose home studies were completed received children from other agencies. All through there were numerous enquiries about procedures to be followed to adopt a child, documents to be submitted, concerns with the waiting period.

A total of **4** orientation meetings (interactive sessions between PAPs and Adoptive parent/s as resource persons to clear doubts, allay fears around adoption, and share happy moments.)

The mandatory follow-up of **20** adoption placements was done. In **two** cases children were placed in pre-adoption foster care pending legalisation. The follow-up for these two placements was completed and uploaded on CARINGS (Central Adoption Resource Information & Guidance System).

A plan was worked out to conduct outreach activities for promoting Safe and Legal surrender of children as against abandonment which places the child at risk to life in an insecure environment. However, due to the lukewarm response from authorities and personnel sanctioning the same, the sessions have been few and far between. **Nine** hospitals and medical facilities were approached explaining the need for these sessions. **One** session at the V.N. Bhagwati hospital with nurses and student nurses of Gynaecology and Paediatric Departments on **11th March** 2024 elicited a good response prompting us to organise a series of such programmes in similar facilities.

We thank Mr. Gautam Mengale, Midday for featuring an article on issues related to preparedness and counselling in Adoption.

Activities with Foster Mothers:

Foster families are integral part of our service. Despite the setback for all those who did not receive children for pre-adoption foster care, we continued with the interactive sensitising sessions that included -

1. A meeting with foster carers to inform them about the changes in the foster care programme as per Mission Vatsalya Guidelines.
2. 'Nutrition – for the Family' was the topic of an interactive session with the foster carers, coordinated by the student social worker
3. Another useful session on home based income generation activities to supplement one's family income was coordinated by the student social worker
4. Foster mothers were felicitated during the Adoption Awareness Month for their valuable services in looking after the children

Workshops and Seminars attended:

- Maharashtra State Adoption Workshop 2023 – a refresher session on processes in adoption organised by Department of Women and Child Development (DWCD) and Bal Asha Trust
- Online session by CARA for Prospective Adoptive Parents regarding changes in CARINGS (Central Adoption Resource Information & Guidance System)
- DWCD organised a workshop on changed provisions of Juvenile Justice Act 2015 amended in 2022
- Child Friendly approach in rehabilitation of trafficked child organised by DWCD and Bal Asha Trust
- Workshops organised by Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) and State Adoption Resource Agency (SARA) -
 - a) Surrender process of children born to minor mothers and possibility of medical termination of pregnancy of minor mother
 - b) Role of CWC Chairperson and members

During the Adoption Awareness month

1. Online posters on the following topics were released every week on IAPA's social media pages -
 - a. Safe and legal adoption
 - b. Safe and legal surrender
 - c. Sharing the fact of Adoption
 - d. Understanding the process of adoption

2. Online webinars on following topics by Dr. Manish More, Sir J. J. Hospital Mumbai
 - i. Adoption information and process
 - Understanding Child Study Report (CSR) and Medical Examination Report (MER) of the children proposed for Adoption as referral.

3. IAPA Adoptive parents penned their experiences of Adoption and importance of foster family care for children awaiting adoption to be published at a later date.

4. Adoption my Perception for grown up adoptive children who conveyed their experiences) to be published at a later date. Anmol is a whatsapp group of adoptive families interacting on various experiences and concerns with reference to adoption

5. IAPA published a collage of photos of adoptive families on Facebook and on instagram account of IAPA. The idea behind this collage was to share positive vibes of adoptive families!

Adoption Counselling service -

IAPA's pre and post-adoption counselling service has reached out to many adoptive children and families over the years. The counselling centre continued to receive psycho-therapeutic services of Dr. Laura Vaz, who is a close associate of IAPA. More than 10 counselling cases were handled during the year. One of the pre-adoption counselling topics was around gaps in the PAPs understanding of preparation for adoption. The other counselling points focussed on healthy parenting and understanding the psychology of children, non-cohesive parent-child relationship, anger management, and inappropriate behaviour of children.

Educational Sponsorship - Urban

The valuable support from our individual and institutional sponsors helped us reach more than 600 children and their families. Some of our donors have particularly opted for supporting girl child education. We had a total of 468 girls who received sponsorship. We did experience a few midway terminations due to change of city by the beneficiary's family, improvement in the financial condition of the family, challenging situations at home, non-cooperation from the beneficiary. Rest of the terminations were on completion of studies. It is heartening to inform readers that 48 students secured jobs and are now supporting their parents.

Along with the financial support to the beneficiary, we were able to provide additional backing to the children and their family members through our supportive services. It is always a pleasure to report the aspirations of the students where more are taking up professional courses, vocational courses with focus and determination.

The precious funding from all our **sponsors, donors, financial partners** helped us work with students and their families, primarily residing in the A, B, C, D, and E wards of Mumbai.

Our sponsors –

- IAPA's long standing association with **Terre des Holmes (TdH), Denmark** supported basic education of **105** students. TdH funding has also provided support for higher education. Additional funds were used for meeting the medical and nutritional needs of children and their family members. This support received continuously since 1995 has been a boon for the students who have educational aspirations despite being caught up with the family's financial challenges.

Case story - Pawan, whose family faced many challenges during and after Covid with the loss of his father to renal failure, took a while to get hold of the situation. He had to take a break with his studies and start working to get over the debts incurred for his father's treatment. This is where, IAPA put in extra service to support Pawan. His brother Uday was already supported under IAPA's sponsorship programme. Timely intervention, regular follow up and financial assistance from TdH helped Pawan successfully complete his graduation in the Commerce stream. He also simultaneously completed an advanced computer course and is now working as an accountant, supporting his family.

- **The Kanta Foundation** is yet another funder since 1997, which supported education of **55** students. Established by **Mr. Satish Chatwani** in the memory of his mother, the foundation has had a long association with IAPA. The support was given to girls and boys, 6 of whom completed their graduation in the year 2023-24.

Case story – We are happy to share Sanvi's journey in attaining post graduate degree in Agriculture specialising in Genetics and Plant Breeding. Her sponsorship began when she was studying in Std. 8th in the Marathi medium Municipal School. Right from the beginning Sanvi came across as a student with focus on her studies. She was always a high scorer and opted to study in the Science stream. She studied in an agricultural college in Maharashtra (outside Mumbai). As Sanvi progressed with her studies, her parents felt the expenses mounting. Her mother took up extra work to be able to support Sanvi's education.

Support from the Kanta Foundation was helpful for Sanvi in partially meeting her college fees and taking care of other small expenses. Sanvi has started preparing for the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research National Eligibility Test (CSIR) to secure a job as a professor. This will also allow her to go for Junior Research Fellowship. She comes from a humble background wherein her parents are not educated. Her father sells vegetables while her mother does odd jobs from home.

- Support from **Chance auf Leben e.V. - Chance of Life (CoL), Germany**, initiated in 2005 for girl students continued support to empower girls and women through its educational funding and supportive activities respectively. We were able to extend this support to **75** girls with the funds raised by CoL President, **Ms. Rita Steinau**. One of the CoL donors, **Mr. Siecarmann** funded education of **30** girls. The backing and encouragement received is certainly motivating the girls to opt for professional and other varied courses. These being Engineering degree course, LLB (Bachelors in Law), Masters in Business Administration and Bachelors in Nursing. All five girls who graduated in these courses have taken up jobs with a decent salary.

Six other girls completed their graduation in Arts and Commerce with flying colours. Three are pursuing post-graduation and 3 girls have taken up jobs. Ms. Steinau's personal interest in individual students has been the major source of encouragement to the sponsored girls. She has stayed in touch with the past sponsored girls who are now a part of CoL's alumni group via WhatsApp.

Funds received also supported medical costs for the girls and their family members. This included medicines for Tuberculosis, skin ailments, nutrition for HIV +ve, and for investigative tests.

Case story - Preeti has been receiving sponsorship support from Chance of Life since 2009. Her mother being a single parent was unable to manage two of her children's expenses in her meagre income. Preeti received assistance for her college and tuition fees. Additionally, she studied typing, shorthand, and computer skills through Chance of Life's vocational training program. This support has empowered her to become a stenographer, marking a significant milestone in her career path. She is diligently preparing for competitive exams to secure a government job. She has successfully completed her Bachelor's in Law (LLB) and is now embarking on a journey of self-reliance. Preeti was not only supported for her education, but also got a sewing machine to pursue her hobby in stitching. In addition to her career aspirations, Preeti is demonstrating initiative by planning to establish her own computer typing and shorthand classes. Preeti's journey exemplifies the transformative impact of the generosity and the tireless efforts of Chance of Life in providing holistic support under the sustained guidance of the social worker notwithstanding.

- **Mrs. Meera Srinivasan's scholars**, since 2005 supported education of **11** students. Under this project initiated in Late Mrs. Srinivasan's memory, by her husband we supported the education of 6 children of IAPA's foster families. Most of these students are nearing completion of their studies. The other 5 students were covered under our Educational Sponsorship Programme operational from the IAPA Khetwadi office. The support for these students was provided from the interest of the lumpsum donation given by her brother-in-law Mr. T. J. Sairam after her husband's demise. Mrs. Meera Srinivasan, an IAPA colleague was a staunch supporter of children's education.
- Our **Individual Sponsorship** programme was initiated in 1995. A total of **41** sponsors in total, supported **103** students for their school and college education. Some of the sponsors have been with us since the inception of the Sponsorship programme. Our individual sponsors are from different walks of life – professionals, salaried persons, businessmen.

Case story - This is a case indicating how IAPA works towards supporting other family members and not just the recipient of sponsorship. Parth is a recipient of support under IAPA's sponsorship programme. He is studying in 9th std. The case cited here is about his younger brother Chirag, who was in 5th std. Chirag had a fall while riding a bicycle in March 2023. He had a minor cut upward on his eyebrow. He was immediately admitted to a private nursing home. He was treated for a week before being discharged. For some unforeseen reason, Chirag lost his eyesight suddenly within a month's time. His parents had already spent a lot of money on the initial treatment in a private hospital. This time they took him to a charitable hospital for children.

Chirag's father's employer supported the expense of the treatment to a large extent. The family borrowed money from other sources too. Chirag was being treated in the ICU for about 5 months for a severe infection developed in the brain. However, his condition had started deteriorating. He passed away in August 2023. The parents spent over Rs.7 lakhs on his entire treatment. IAPA was able to contribute Rs. 30,000/- from its medical fund. IAPA social worker provided emotional support to the family during their trying times. IAPA continues to support Parth for his education.

- Financial backing from **Mr. Snehal Parikh** of **S. P. Hope Foundation** was provided to **40** girl students. Four of them successfully cleared their std.10th exams, and 2 completed their std. 12th exams.
- One of our recent donors, **Ms. Sangita Gala through Shri Tokershi Velji Vaghani Manav Rahat Nidhi**, was a saviour in supporting **15** students who were earlier covered under another sponsor.

Educational Sponsorship - Rural

IAPA's intervention was instrumental in making a positive impact on the life and all-round development of children and adolescents in our rural project area. This year with kind support from our **individual and institutional donors** we reached to the needy, deserving students from underprivileged families from **35** villages in Dapoli block, Dist. Ratnagiri in Konkan region of Maharashtra.

- **Terre Des Holmes (TdH)**, Denmark has been a long-time partner (since 1995) with IAPA in supporting the education of school children in Kamlakar tatha Bhai Javkar Vidya Mandir Terevayangani. This year with TDH support IAPA extended educational sponsorship to **17** girls and **14** boys from 8th to 10th std in Terevayangani High school. Along with educational sponsorship, sensitising workshops on topics related to studies, exposure to environment awareness, individual health problems of students were addressed along with Haemoglobin tests and anaemia treatment. Communication with parents is a key element in the development of a child. IAPA field staff paid home visits, discussed with parents about the areas and scope for their children's further improvement. One day programme for mothers of the students was conducted in the month of February 2024 in which Mrs. Mrudula Pendse, a counsellor and expert in the field of family and child welfare discussed the important aspects of 'parenting' with participant women.

In rural areas the students hardly get any exposure to hear or speak in English which is a stumbling block for students when they aspire for higher studies, moving to cities for jobs. With TdH financial support we were able to conduct an ongoing English Improvement activity with 8th to 10thstd. students in Terevayangani High school. Mrs. Mohini Patil, author of children's books was the resource person. She conducted sessions with students on Saturdays / Sundays. This programme focussed on improving the abilities of the students in sentence formation and English speaking.

As in the previous years, extra coaching classes for std. 10th students were started from December 2023. These classes were held in the mornings before regular school timing. IAPA arranged for nutritious snacks (like bananas, *chikki*, peanuts, groundnuts, dates and such other) for these students who left their homes early morning. The expense was covered under TdH funding.

- IAPA supported another **17** students of 8th to 10th std. from Umbarle high school with the funds given by our donor **Mr. Shakir Machhiwala** and **Ms. Aditi Machhiwala**. These students are from 6 different villages. We closely monitored the studies and progress of these 8 girls and 9 boys.
- We were able to support the education of **23** college going boys in the year 2023-24 with the funds donated by **Mr. Noordin Ebrahim**. These 23 boys are from 4 different villages in and around Terevayangani. All of them came from a very weak family background and therefore needed support to continue their education after 10th std. One of the boys who is doing his graduation in Mumbai is also a **kabaddi** player and striving hard to play at state and national level.
- We are happy to share that IAPA was able to provide two sets of school uniforms this year to **11** boys and **9** girls from 8th std. newly enrolled in Terevayangani high school with the generous help from **Mr. Parag Telang and Mrs. Sharmila Telang**.
- Girls from underprivileged families in rural areas face the dual challenge of poverty and gender discrimination. To motivate and support the girls from such families to continue their education and become self-dependent in future, IAPA started focussed efforts from the year 2014. **Chance of Life (CoL)**, Germany has been our strong support in this mission. The services are provided by our professional social worker along with two case aid workers. In the year 2023-24 IAPA was able to extend help to **75** girls in the college going age and **4** high school girl students. The college courses they have opted for are - Computer science, Microbiology, Accounting and finance, Commerce and vocational courses like nursing, medical lab technology, computer hardware and software courses, graphic designing and so on.

Expansion of educational support to remote areas - In 2023-24, IAPA started work with more girls in other geographical areas, thanks to the belief and confidence entrusted by **Ms. Rita Steinau** in IAPA's work. Her keen interest in supporting girls' education in remote rural areas, saw her providing funding for **100** additional girls through **Chance of Life**. IAPA social worker identified **11** villages to select girls from challenging backgrounds. The villages are far from Dapoli, the block headquarters. Remoteness of these villages and lack of exposure to possibilities of self-development affect the girl child education. Intervention started with the girls from 5 government primary schools (5th to 7th std.), 3 high schools and 1 junior college.

In the year 2023-24, **56** school going girls and **20** college going girls were supported. Some of the girls are very weak in reading and writing and they need extra inputs. To improve the reading skills and provide more exposure a set of books was given to the Vavghar primary school. These books were meant for the age group of 5th to 7th std. This set included story books, biographies, travel stories, science fiction, detective stories and many more.

Health and nutrition of the girls were the two other areas of focus in the programme. Appropriate medical checkup and line of treatment to improve Haemoglobin levels was organised. During the blood check-up one girl student was identified as thalassemia minor condition. Parents were informed and explained the implications of the condition and care to be taken in future.

IAPA conducted a **language development** activity in the form of 3 workshops with **36** students from Degav and Phansu government primary schools with financial support from CoL. During these workshops the participation of students was excellent. These workshops were also an eye-opening experience about the efforts to be put in to bring qualitative changes in education.

Life skills Education has been a salient feature of IAPA's rural project. In the year 2023-24 we conducted this programme with 10th std. students - both girls and boys from 8 high schools. Total **345** students participated in these sessions. In all 8 sessions were held in each school.

The areas covered in these sessions were -

- challenges during adolescence
- awareness about emotional self and ways to handle tension
- friendships and handling peer pressure
- problem solving and decision-making skills, time management and self-discipline
- gender sensitisation
- reproductive health awareness, nutrition and physical fitness
- skills for judicious use of mobile and social media
- career guidance

Students in most of the schools participated with enthusiasm and curiosity in these sessions. Group activities, group discussions, presentations and experience sharing by students, use of pictures, flashcards and many more ways were resorted to for making the sessions interesting and purposeful for the participants.

Table of statistics of students receiving sponsorship from different sponsors -

Details of students covered under the Educational Sponsorship Programme 2023-2024																	
Sponsors	Schooling		Junior College		Graduation		Graduation (Specialised courses)		Post Graduation		Professional Courses		Vocational Courses		Diploma Courses		Total
	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	
Urban Programme																	
TdH	40	30	3	5	8	8	1	3	0	0	2	2	0	0	1	2	105
The Kanta Foundation	27	6	3	6	3	2	1	2	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	55
CoL	7		12		19		8		11		10		3		5		75
Meera Srinivasan scholars	3	1	1														5
Shree Tokershi Velji Vaghani Rahat Nidhi	3	2		3	5	1	1										15
Individual Sponsorship	44	22	13	4	13	3	0	2	2	2	0	1			1	0	107
S. P. Hope Foundation	22	0	13	0	1	0	3	0							1	0	40
Total	146	61	45	18	49	14	14	7	16	3	13	3	3	0	8	2	402
Rural Programme																	
TdH	17	14															31
CoL	60		64		14				1				5		5		149
Individual Sponsors	8	9		15		5							2		1		40
Total	85	23	64	15	14	5			1				5	2	5	1	220
Total Urban + Rural	231	84	109	33	63	19	14	7	17	3	13	3	8	2	13	3	622

Alternative Family Care / Kinship Foster Care

Upholding the right of the child to **family** and the principle that institutionalization should be the last resort for children at risk or in crisis situation, IAPA's Alternative Family Care programme ensured **kinship foster care** for **185** children including support under the **Bal Sangopan Yojana (BSY)**. The support provided guaranteed that the child's psychological, emotional and physical needs are met in a family set up. Kinship care was explored for children in cases of disintegration in the family due to varied reasons like loss of parents, desertion by parents or if the parent/s are suffering from long term debilitating illnesses of HIV, TB, cancer and such other.

- **Kinship foster care support under Bal Sangopan Yojana (BSY)** It is in this context that the foster care programme which is essentially a non-institutional service assumes significance. The Maharashtra Government formulated a Foster Care scheme 'Bal Sangopan Yojana' in 1995. Prevention of institutionalization has been the main thrust of the scheme. The programme caters to children who are orphaned and are destitute. In addition to this the children of single parents who are suffering from long term illnesses are also given foster care assistance. IAPA is one of the designated NGO's which is implementing the scheme. A total of **85** children up to 18 years of age received support under the BSY. The children were referred by Child Welfare Committee (CWC) and Department of Women and Child Development (DWCD). IAPA social workers assessed the cases and presented the reports to the DWCD for final approval. All mandatory follow-up reports were completed on time and submitted to the DWCD. The disbursement of funds towards child care maintenance was done by the Government directly in the bank accounts of the children (list prepared by and submitted by IAPA social worker).

Case story - Samar's case was referred by Child Welfare Committee to IAPA in 2017. He is a student of std. 9th. Samar's situation is amassd with challenges - His mother is suffering from renal failure wherein one of her kidneys is non-functional and the other is 95% damaged. She is undergoing dialysis for the same. She is unable to take up any work. His father has taken to alcoholism and does not work.

Samar's younger sister Gauri is suffering from epilepsy. She was affected with meningitis and hence supported through private kinship foster care since 2022. She is on the road to recovery. The help given to Samar from the government scheme of Bal Sangopan Yojana and his younger sister from IAPA's Alternative family care program is helping the family to tide over the crisis.

Samar has been learning karate and kickboxing from std 5th. Social worker has always encouraged him to nurture his talent. His father's friend was coaching him free of cost. He participated in state level championships and has won medals and certificates. This year he participated in national level kick boxing championship and won silver medal and certificate. Samar's parents were thrilled to hear about his achievement. At this age he is managing studies as well as responsibly taking care of his mother and younger sister. Social worker's constant guidance and motivation along with time-to-time counselling is preparing him to take on the responsibilities of his family from a young age.

The timely financial assistance given to Samar's mother and younger sister has further boosted the family to forge ahead in life despite health issues of his mother. According to Samar's mother her survival is only because of the impetus given by the agency and the financial support they receive under the BSY and private kinship care funding.

Statistics for Children covered under BSY

Gender and Age Distribution of Children

Gender and Educational Status of Children

Age				Educational status			
Male		Female		Male		Female	
0-10 yrs	11-18 yrs	0-10 yrs	11-18 yrs	School going	College going	School going	College going
12	29	11	33	31	11	26	17
Total: 85				Total: 85			

Family Status of Children:

Orphans	Destitute	Single parents	Both Parents HIV+ve/Handicapped	Parents in jail	Total
6	10	54	14	2	85

Status of Care Givers:

Biological Parents	Relatives	Total
70	15	85

Health Status of Parents and Children:

Health status	Parents	Children	Total
HIV +ve	21	1	22
Hearing and Speech Disability	0	1	1
Paralysis	1	1	2
Handicapped- Polio	0	1	1
Visually impaired	0	1	1
Total	22	5	27

- **Kinship Foster Care support under private funding** IAPA has been providing support under Kinship foster care for additional **100** children through funds raised under CSR support and / or individual donors. These children facing crises in the family and on the verge of being institutionalised were identified by IAPA social workers through school referrals, referrals from existing beneficiaries, networking with other NGOs in the BMC wards A to E. In some cases, in the absence of one or both parents, the grandparents, uncle-aunt (extended family members who are themselves going through financial struggle) took on the role of foster parents for the child.

Each case was assessed thoroughly and accepted for support only if it fit within the criteria laid down. Regular follow up was maintained and reports sent to the funders. We are grateful to the CSR support from **Baccarose Perfumes and Beauty Products Pvt Ltd.** for supporting **70** children and **Ms. Sangita Gala** through **Shri Tokershi Velji Vaghani Manav Rahat Nidhi** for supporting **30** children.

In addition to the financial support, the child and the family received further assistance through various services of Child Guidance Centre, Higher Educational Support, Vocational Training, Livelihood support, Medical and Nutritional support, Coaching Class help where required. These services certainly helped tide over the crisis and move towards being self-reliant.

Statistics for Children covered under AFC Programme

Gender and Age Distribution of Children:

Gender and Educational Status of Children:

Age				Educational status			
Male		Female		Male		Female	
0-10 yrs	11-18 yrs	0-10 yrs	11-18 yrs	School going	College going	School going	College going
12	40	11	37	42	11	43	4
Total: 100				Total: 100			

Family Status of Children:

Orphans	Destitute	Single Parents	Parents in Jail	Total
15	17	62	0	100

Status of Caregivers:

Care Givers	Biological Parents	Relatives	Total
No. of Children	68	32	100

Health Status of Parents and Children:

Health status	Parents	Children	Total
HIV +ve	7	2	9
Brain Tumor	1	0	1
Physically Challenged	1	0	1
Total	9	2	11

Case story - Nupoor a 9-year-old girl was happily living with her parents. Being the only child, she was doted upon by her parents especially her father. The sudden demise of her father in 2021 resulted in Nupoor becoming timid, quiet and withdrawn. She stopped mingling and playing with her peer group. Her communication with her mother was also minimal. This had a huge impact on her health and studies. Her mother was worried about Nupoor and now was finding it difficult to manage after her husband's death. The support given to Nupoor under Alternative Family Care Programme has brought about positive changes in her life. Due to social worker's constant follow up and counselling, Nupoor slowly started coming out of her shell. She started participating in activities conducted by her school and in her neighbourhood. Nupoor's health was still a concern for her mother. Working as a domestic help, her mother was not earning enough and hence, was not in a position to provide nutritious diet to Nupoor who had low immunity. At this juncture IAPA helped Nupoor with funds (received from Baccarose Perfumes and Beauty Products Pvt Ltd., for enhanced nutrition. Over a period of time, her health has started improving.

The turning point in Nupoor's life came when her mother decided to remarry. Social worker met the person whom her mother was going to marry. Both of them were counselled about the nurture of Nupoor. Nupoor too was talked with for this change. Social worker followed up regularly with Nupoor and her mother during this period. Six months have passed by and today Nupoor has accepted her step-father and has been able to adjust well. She is turning out to be an active and enthusiastic child. Now the financial support for Nupoor has been terminated since her step-father's finances are sound to support the family.

Supportive Services

Aastha – Child Guidance Centre (started in 2002) provided intervention and therapy to children and their families in addressing mental health issues. Our team of **Ms. Shakti Podar (counsellor), Dr. Hutoshi Bana (remedial therapist), Ms. Nanda Purohit (psychologist), Dr. Prashant Shah (psychiatrist), Ms. Honey Jain (clinical psychologist)** provided apt intervention to the beneficiaries. The CGC sessions took place once a week, extending therapy to our direct beneficiaries and a few other students. Through Aastha, IAPA organised and conducted sessions on adolescent issues, particularly substance abuse and mobile addiction in different neighbouring schools and colleges. We are grateful to **Ion Foundation** for funding the CGC for the second consecutive year. The work is coordinated by our case aid worker under the guidance of the social worker.

During the period of report around **100** cases were handled which included new and follow up cases. Type of cases handled during the year included academic issues, lack of concentration, depression, behaviour, anxiety, emotional, and adolescent issues as well as substance abuse and physical problems. Apart from this last year saw a surge in cases of phone addiction and subsequent problems and also a couple of young persons having gender identity issues.

Case Story - Sunny's mother had come to the CGC as she had lot of complaints against her only son studying in Std. 8th. The relationship between both of them was strained. She had lost her husband some years back and was raising her son single-handedly. According to her Sunny spent a lot of time with his friends fruitlessly outside the house. Often, she was not able to locate him, and found it difficult to search him. She had set expectations about the time he had to return home. Sunny considered this as nagging.

Both were counselled about the clash due to their strong points of views. Repeated counselling sessions showed improvement in their relationship. Over time, Sunny has changed his approach. His mother mentioned that he now informs her when going out. They need more counselling to strengthen the bond with each other. This start is heartening!

- Around three years back Tanya a good looking and smart girl had come down with severe psychological issues. The road to recovery was tough and there were times when she would plunge back and had to start over again. It took a long time for her to recover and do simple things like mingling with others, planning for the future and becoming self-confident. Even after recovery she had to continue to take medication.

Last year she had a set-back when she was unable to clear the final exams of graduation in one subject. All her earlier worries and doubts came back. Even though she had only one paper she felt she could not clear the same. It seemed unsurmountable to her. Consistent counselling and encouragement at our Aastha centre proved fruitful for Tanya. She not only successfully cleared the exam, has also started working.

Group sessions at Aastha -

For some children depending upon the behavioural, emotional concerns, group sessions alongside one-to-one sessions were conducted.

Expressive Therapy for Improved Emotional Identification and Self-Expression for a group of students from Std. 3rd to 7th was taken regularly by Ms. Honey Jain, Counselling Psychologist. The program aimed to enhance the children's ability to identify and express emotions effectively using creative modalities of art, music, and movement to explore emotions and develop coping mechanisms. Expressive therapy offers a valuable approach to supporting children undergoing remedial sessions in their emotional development.

A combination of about 20 group and individual sessions was followed with a one-to-one talk with parents of children attending the remedial sessions. This was to understand their view points and to let them know about the way their children spend time at the Centre. The session focussed on three points - Communication with child, giving quality time to children at least a minimum of 5 minutes daily to begin with and to be aware of the children's feelings.

Improved Emotional Awareness was observed where children started demonstrating a better understanding of their own emotions and those of others; they could present themselves with confidence and creatively. Consistent participation has yielded positive outcomes. Improved potential in children's emotional identification, self-expression, and overall well-being was evident.

Other sessions conducted during the year -

Hygiene and its importance, emotions and friendships, self-awareness to establish a connect with one's inner self, understanding nuances of non-verbal communication, recognising verbal and physical aggression and coping with it, types of addiction, body safety and body boundaries were sessions conducted with students in different age groups. Some of these sessions were exclusively conducted for the students studying in Mumbai Public School West Khetwadi Marathi where the agency office is located.

A separate session was conducted with parents to understand their point of view in dealing with the children's behaviours. Appropriate guidance was given where necessary.

Vocational Training

Chance of Life Vocational Training - for girls who drop out of formal education for various reasons, female siblings of sponsored students and college students to equip them for better job opportunities. During the period under review **46** girls were helped to take up varied courses like typing, Government certified MSCIT Computer course, Advance Excel course, Advance Tally with GST, interior designing, beautician, fashion designing, 2D Auto cad course, *mehendi* and tailoring courses.

IAPA continues to conduct in house tailoring classes to equip women with the stitching skills to start their own tailoring business under the guidance of tailoring teacher. The girls, some being supported by IAPA, their mothers, sisters and few from the surrounding community are taught a one-year course in tailoring, free of cost. Our tailoring teacher with over 30 years of experience has designed a comprehensive course.

Computer classes - 55 students (girls and boys) took admission for computer classes operated from IAPA Khetwadi office premises. Of these, 44 enrolled for basic computer training and 16 for basic Tally. There were 5 students who studied basic computer and basic Tally. The basic computer skills training is of one month duration. The basic Tally course was spread across 2 months. A course completion certificate was issued to those who completed the course and passed the theory and practical tests.

Livelihood Assistance Programme -The project named “**Hannah Programme for Women**” was initiated by **Ms. Vivien and late Mr. Noble Powar** in the memory of Ms. Vivien Powar's late mother since the year 2014. The same was re-started after a year's break. Through this programme financial support was extended to 4 women from low socioeconomic strata who had the business acumen and ideas to set up a small-scale business or an enterprise, but lacked the financial backing. They set up enterprise of selling dress materials, vegetable shop, stall to sell household utilities.

As per the laid guidelines, social worker thoroughly assessed the socioeconomic situation through a home visit and gained a detailed understanding of the business plans. The finances were advanced to the respective women after approval of the case by the funding partner. Once the women establish their enterprise and start earning a profit, they return the advance taken in instalments, which is used for more women considering to start an enterprise.

There have been instances wherein the women have been able to repay the amount in no time; and instances where they have struggled to return the amount. The situation is looked into and decision regarding the return amount is taken. The service has instilled confidence in the women and they are able to augment their family income. Majority of the women are from mother headed families and through this livelihood assistance programme, they are able to provide education to their children.

Medical and Nutritional support Medical and Nutritional support provides financial assistance to address various health and nutritional challenges faced by children and their family members supported under IAPA's various programmes. These challenges not only affect their personal health but also exert a significant financial strain on their families. The support provided facilitates access to essential medical treatments, diagnostic investigations, medicines and nutritional support. This has certainly provided relief to the patient who is able to continue the recommended treatment.

During the year the **Chance of Life (CoL)** funds proved beneficial for a total of 20 beneficiaries; **J.M. Finance foundation's** funding supported medical treatment of 43 individuals and nutrition for 17 persons. Another funding partner, **Ms. Margaret Mehta's** funds supported hospitalisation and medicines for 22 individuals.

Higher education support

One of our valuable funding partners, **Ms. Alpana Dange** came as a saviour when we were struggling to raise funds for students' higher education fees. Ms. Dange and her husband **Mr. Aniruddha Dange** readily agreed to support the entire budget for higher education of 35 students. This was in addition to supporting the school and college education of 11 students under our Educational Sponsorship programme.

Project Asmita The activities under this project operated out of the Mumbai Public School West Khetwadi Marathi for the students studying in this school. Since IAPA office is located in the same premises, we have been providing support to **95** students to enhance their competencies in academic subjects along with extracurricular activities of dance, physical training, and computer literacy. All students attending the computer classes were given nutritive snacks. A full-time teacher to teach academic subjects to the 5th std. students, a part-time physical training instructor instilling regular exercise for all students, another part-time teacher for revision of subjects for students in the lower classes, part time dance teacher, and basic computer training were provided for by IAPA. IAPA provided additional support to the school by way of donating stationery items for use by the students. The same was received as donation in kind from Ms. Sangita Gala of **Shri TokershiVelji Vaghani Manav Rahat Nidhi**

Kamal Udwadia Foundation The Foundation, supported by **Dr. Anaita Udwadia-Hegde** and **Dr. Hemanth Hegde** for the last 17 years has been providing medical assistance to children who are suffering from neurological disorders. During the year, IAPA social worker comprehensively assessed the financial need of children who required various investigations and expensive treatments for neurological disorders. Total **46** home and hospital visits were conducted and support provided to **40** children (21 boys and 19 girls). These cases were referred from Society for Rehabilitation of Crippled Children hospital (SRCC Hospital), Bai Jerbai Wadia Hospital for children and Jaslok hospital. Children receiving treatment in Mumbai were not only from Maharashtra but also from distant regions such as Gujarat, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, and Bihar.

Glimpses of our activities and sessions



Developmental Activities

Fun-n-learn

A trip to Kid Zania, an indoor theme park, was organized by IAPA on 28 April 2023 for 50 students supported under IAPA's programmes. The children (4 to 16 years) along with 6 IAPA team members travelled by a hired bus to the theme park located in North Mumbai. The children were exposed to fun activities which were meant to enhance their social and cognitive skills. The students got to participate and experience more than 100 activities, the starting point being learning bank transactions. Another activity was to enact different professions, a fireman, a radio jockey, a doctor and so on. Donning the chef's cap, the children made yummy candies and delicious chocolates. This visit gave the students a platform to show-case their creative side. They returned home with a sense of achievement and a happy feeling.

Career guidance

Career Guidance is the most crucial part of a student's academic life. It helps them to decide what subjects they should take up, why they are important and the subsequent career prospects. IAPA organized two sessions for Std. 10th and 12th students on 14 June 2023 and 21 June 2023 at the Mumbai Public School West Khetwadi Marathi. Psychologist and Career Counsellor, Ms. Honey Jain guided 39 students who attended the session about suitable career fields.

Ms. Honey Jain provided practical advice on considering a field of study that is aligned with their interests, abilities and goals to develop a course of action for achieving those goals. She acquainted students with certain skills for facing challenges in their professional lives.

Knowledge enhancing and capacity building -

IAPA team members attended and participated in different sessions as follows -

- A workshop on Non-Institutional Care services under Mission Vatsalya of Government of India organised by District Women and Child Development Mumbai city (DWCD) in collaboration with Prerana
- A seminar on 'Safeguarding children and preventing harm' organised by Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS) in collaboration with Prerana
- Forum meeting on Deinstitutionalization, Gate keeping, Family strengthening and Alternative Family Care (AFC) organised by Prerana

Fund raising event

Soon after the Covid-19 pandemic, the need to raise funds became even more pressing. In order to sustain IAPA's child welfare programmes, a Fundraising Event RISHTE (रिश्ते) was held on Friday, May 26, 2023 at RangSharda Auditorium, Bandra. The event was a success and contributed towards our fundraising efforts. The nostalgic evening was designed by Mr. Pradeep and Mrs. Seema Patole, 'Rangdhara – Connecting Musically'. One of our sponsored student Ms. Khushi started the evening with an invocation followed with the song 'दिल है छोटासा'. It was a treat to the ears listening to the evergreen songs of yesteryears sung by four vibrant artists, Alok Katdare, Soumya Varma, Sagar Sawarkar and Radhika Nanday.

Annual sponsorship day

Annual Sponsorship Day programme was held on 4th February 2024 with full excitement and fervour for the students and the IAPA team. Around **300** students and a few guests were witness to a variety of performances - all students supported under IAPA's Educational Sponsorship and Alternative Family Care programmes. These included solo and group dances, elocution, an interesting skit, demonstration of dumb bells, pyramids and hula hoops by the students. The entire event was compered excellently by Sahil & Sakshi our two sponsored students. As has been the practice, students who attained first class / distinction at 10th, 12th and graduation were felicitated. The other highlights of the day were a magic show and mimicry which had the students enthralled. A sumptuous breakfast and lunch provided the students the necessary energy to enjoy the programme. Children were seen leaving the venue with happiness. All were given a parting gift.

Annual family meet

Annual Family Meet was held on 17th February 2024. All parents & children who have been a part of IAPA, past & prospective were invited as every year. As families walked in, they were welcomed with a goody bag (cookies, biscuits & chocolates) for the children and a potted plant for the parents. While waiting for the programme to start, children got their desired tattoos painted in water colors on their hands by a Tattoo artist. The selfie corner with the logo of IAPA as a backdrop helped parents to create special memories. The celebration started with the welcome address by Mr. Sanjay Chore, President of IAPA. He welcomed all and spoke about his relation with IAPA as an adoptive parent first and then as a member of the IAPA Executive Committee. He also encouraged families to support IAPA in kind and cash. This was followed with the favourite activity of children - bursting of balloons.

The magic show by magician Charlie had children and parents completely enthralled. The evening gained momentum with a few children coming up to the stage to display their talents. Everyone enjoyed songs and dance performances. The on-stage conversation with grown up adopted persons was a guiding point for parents who have begun sharing the fact of adoption with their children. Sharing about how one young person coped with her feelings when dealing with the knowledge of being adopted and how delicately the fact of adoption was shared through a beautiful story by the other young person's mother caught everyone's attention. Karan Solanki's choreography on Bollywood songs had the children, parents and IAPA staff shaking their legs. The happy evening culminated with relishing snacks for all present. A fulfilling program moved the hearts of everyone present at the venue. A very emotional and proud moment for the parents!!! Our gratitude to all our sponsors and donors who supported this event.

IAPA celebrated the festival of donation, '**Daan Utsav**' with enthusiasm! We thank our donors for their generous donation of essential items, groceries, monetary support that helped us reach out to those in need. Our belief that 'happiness is received when it's shared with others' was strengthened.

Mini fund raising through a **jumble products display**—IAPA achieved a dual goal through this activity. A variety of products received as donation were made available at nominal contribution for people from lower economic backgrounds. This helped IAPA raise funds and gave a sense of pride and happiness to the contributors

Women's day - We observed women's day in a different manner. Children who attend the CGC sessions were invited to participate in the planned activities. It was interesting to see the boys put up a skit encouraging girl child education. The hand prints activity by the girls brought out the vibrancy of their imprints. IAPA team, along with SNTD students, made it a successful activity.

Students' placements / internships / volunteering

Students from Social work Colleges were placed with IAPA for field work, in its capacity as a field placement agency. During the period under review 2 first year MSW students, 2 students studying BSW-II from Nirmala Niketan College of Social work and 4 first year MSW students from SNDT University (two in each term) were placed with IAPA. The placements proved to be mutually beneficial where students were given exposure to IAPA's services and the students took the assigned tasks to completion.

A 12th std student volunteered whole-heartedly with IAPA for over 6 months with data-entry and publicity of IAPA's programmes.

Gratitude

We acknowledge the support, encouragement, belief entrusted by all the authorities, consulting panellists, sponsors, donors, partners, well-wishers and friends in helping us sail through the challenges in operating our programmes and services.

Our specific thanks to Central Adoption Resource Authority(CARA), State Adoption Resource Agency (SARA), District Women and Child Development Office (DWCDO), District Child Protection Unit (DCPU), Child Welfare Committee (CWC) Mumbai City 1 and 2.

We are grateful to the Municipal authorities of D ward administrative office, education department, and the head mistress – Mumbai Public School West Khetwadi Marathi for recommending our services to the authorities; other municipal schools of A, B, C, D, E wards.

Thank you to Health Department, BMC Office, Parel for their support with regard to IAPA's campaign on Safe and Legal Surrender of children; H.N. Bhagwati Hospital and J. J. Group of Hospitals and G North Ward Office Dadar for their support in issuing birth certificates for adopted children.

Our Foster Carers have provided the best of care for children awaiting adoption and we will be ever grateful to them. Thanks to the residential facility at Sangopita, Badlapur for a challenged child (now an adult)

Head masters and teachers of 12 schools in villages of Dapoli Taluka where IAPA supports students for their education.

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New English School, Talsure

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New English School, Karanjali

Valva taluka Education Society Islampur Sanchlit Unhavare Highschool

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**AUDITED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST MARCH 2024**

**REPORT OF AN AUDITOR RELATING TO ACCOUNTS AUDITED UNDER SUB- SECTION
(2) OF SECTION 33 & 34 AND RULE 19 OF THE BOMBAY PUBLIC TRUST ACT.**

Registration No. **F-0002230 of 1994**

Name of The Public Trust : **INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR PROMOTION OF ADOPTION & CHILD WELFARE**
For the year ending **31st March, 2024**

(a) Whether accounts are maintained regularly and in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the rules ;	YES
(b) Whether receipts and disbursements are properly and correctly shown in the accounts ;	YES
(c) Whether the cash balance and vouchers in the custody of the manager or trustee on the date of audit were in agreement with the accounts ;	YES
(d) Whether all books, deeds, accounts, vouchers or other documents or records required by the auditor were in produced before him ;	YES
(e) Whether the register of movable and immovable properties is properly maintained, the changes therein are communicated from time to time to the regional office, and the defects and inaccuracies mentioned in the various audit report have been duly complied with ;	YES
(f) Whether the manager or trustee or any other person required by the auditor to appear before him did so and furnished the necessary information required by him ;	YES
(g) Whether any property or funds of the Trust were applied for any object or purpose other than the object or purpose of the Trust ;	NO
(h) The amount of outstanding for more than one year and the amounts written off, if any ;	NIL
(i) Whether tender were invited for repairs or construction involving expenditure exceeding Rs. 5000/- ;	N.A.
(j) Whether any money of the public trust has been invested contrary to the provisions of section 35 ;	NO
(k) Alienation, if any, of the immovable property contrary to the provision of section 36 which have come to the notice of the auditor ;	NO
(l) All cases of irregular, illegal or improper expenditure, or failure or omission to recover monies or other property belonging to the public 'trust or of loss or waste of money or other property thereof, and whether such expenditure, failure, omission, loss or waste was caused in consequence of breach of trust or misapplication or any other misconduct on the part of the trustees or any other person while in the management of the trust ;	NO
(m) Whether the budget has been filed in the form provided by rule 16A;	YES
(n) Whether the maximum and minimum number of the trustees is maintained;	YES
(o) Whether the meetings are held regularly as provided in such instrument;	YES
(p) Whether the minute books of the proceedings of the meeting is maintained;	YES
(q) Whether any of the trustees has any interest in the investment of the trust;	NO
(r) Whether any of the trustee is a debtor or creditor of the trust ;	NO
(s) Whether the irregularities pointed out by the auditors in the accounts of the previous year have been duly complied with by the trustees during the period of audit ;	N.A.
(t) Any special matter which the auditor may think fit or necessary to bring to the notice of the Deputy or Assistant Charity Commissioner.	NONE

Dated at : 31/08/2024
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INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR PROMOTION OF ADOPTION & CHILD WELFARE
AUDITED STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2024
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Registered No. F - 2230

Name of the Public Trust : INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR PROMOTION OF ADOPTION & CHILD WELFARE

Statement of Income liable to contribution for the year ending March 31, 2024		Rs.	Ps.	Rs.	Ps.
I.	Income as shown in the Income and Expenditure Account (Schedule IX)			1,76,14,118	
II.	Item not chargeable to Contribution under Section 58 and Rule 32 :				
	(I) Donations received from other Public Trusts and Dharmadas (As per "ANNEXURE -A" attached)		9,07,340		
	(ii) Grants received from Government and Local Authorities (As per "ANNEXURE-B" attached)		NIL		
	(iii) Interest on Sinking or Depreciation Fund		NIL		
	(iv) Amount spent for the purpose of secular education } (v) Amount spent for the purpose of medical relief } As per Annx. V		1,58,88,774		
	(vi) Amount spent for the purpose of veterinary treatment of animals		NIL		
	(vii) Expenditure incurred from donations for relief of distress caused by scarcity, drought, flood, fire or other natural calamity		NIL		
	(viii) Deductions out of income from lands used for agricultural purposes :-				
	(a) Land Revenue and Local Fund Cess		NIL		
	(b) Rent payable to superior landlord		NIL		
	(c) Cost of production, if lands are cultivated by trust		NIL		
	(ix) Deductions out of income from lands used for non-agricultural purposes :-				
	(a) Assessment, cesses and other Government or Municipal taxes		NIL		
	(b) Ground rent payable to the Superior landlord				
	(c) Insurance premium		NIL		
	(d) Repairs at 10 per cent of gross rent of building		NIL		
	(e) Cost of collection at 4 per cent of gross rent of building let out		NIL		
	(x) Cost of collection of income or receipts from securities, stocks, etc. at 1 per cent of such income		1,76,141		
	(xi) Deductions on account of repairs in respect of buildings not rented and yielding no income, at 10 per cent of the estimated gross annual rent.		<u>NIL</u>	1,69,72,255	
Gross Annual Income chargeable to contribution Rs.				<u><u>NIL</u></u>	

Certified that while claiming deductions admissible under the above Schedule, the Trust has not claimed any amount twice, either wholly or partly, against any of the items mentioned in the Schedule which have the effect of double-deduction.

Trust Address :

Flat # 7,
Kanara Brotherhood Society, Mogul Lane,
Matunga (W), Mumbai 400 016.
Telephone # 2430 7076 / 2437 4938

Sd/-
Hon. Secretary
Dated at : 31/08/2024
UDIN : 24005880BKGEIK5766

Sd/-
Hon. Treasurer

Sd/-
MAHESH C MATHUR & CO.
Chartered Accountants
Firm Registration No. : 105800W

THE BOMBAY PUBLIC TRUST ACT, 1950
SCHEDULE VIII
[(Vide Rule 17(1)]

Registration No.: F2230

Name of the Public Trust : INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR PROMOTION OF ADOPTION & CHILD WELFARE

BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 2024

Last Year Rs. Ps.	FUNDS & LIABILITIES	This Year	
		Rs. Ps.	Rs. Ps.
	TRUSTS FUNDS OR CORPUS :		
1,05,80,659	Balance as per last Balance Sheet	10,600,659	
	Adjustments during the year (give details)		
	Donation received during the year towards		
-	Corpus Funds	-	
20,000	Life Membership Fees	10,000	
-	Patron Membership Fee	-	
-	Transferred from Income & Expenditure	-	10,610,659
<u>10,600,659</u>			
	OTHER EARMARKED FUNDS :		
10,50,000	Earmarked Donations in the nature of Corpus	10,50,000	
	Grant from Women & Child Development for		
45,504	Bal Sangopan Yojna to the extent not spent	45,504	
	Earmarked Donations to the extent not spent		
<u>13,328,375</u>	(As per Annexure - I)	<u>1,37,64,648</u>	14,860,151
14,423,879			
	CURRENT LIABILITIES :		
<u>19,352</u>	TDS payable	-	-
19,352			

CONTD....

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 2024

FUNDS & LIABILITIES		This Year	
Rs.	Ps.	Rs.	Ps.
	INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT		
71,27,161	Balance as per last Balance Sheet	66,18,359	
Nil	Add : Surplus per Income and Expenditure Account	8,98,120	
5,08,802	Less: Deficit as per Income and Expenditure Account	<u>-</u>	75,16,479
<u>66,18,359</u>			
<u>3,16,62,250</u>			Rs. <u>3,29,87,289</u>

Regrouping of Head of Accounts is done wherever necessary
As per our report of even date

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MAHESH C MATHUR & CO.
Chartered Accountants
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UDIN : 24005880BKGEIK5766

Dated at : 31/08/2024

Last Year	PROPERTY & ASSETS	Rs. Ps.	This Year
Rs. Ps.		Rs. Ps.	Rs. Ps.
	ADVANCES :		
-	Professional Tax excess paid	-	
44,800	Advances to Employees	4,800	
1,500	Advances to Foster Parents	-	
18,000	Telephone Deposits	18,000	
<u>1,73,071</u>	Tax deducted at source	<u>3,59,745</u>	3,82,545
2,37,371			
	CASH AND BANK BALANCES :		
	(a) In Saving Accounts		
14,65,135	(As per Annexure III)		15,09,696
	(b) Cash in hand		
16,293	(As per Annexure III)		18,588
<u>14,81,428</u>			
<u><u>3,16,62,250</u></u>			Rs. <u><u>3,29,87,289</u></u>

The above Balance Sheet to the best of our belief contains a true account of the Funds & Liabilities and of the Property and Assets of the Trust

Hon. Secretary Sd/-

Hon. Treasurer Sd/-

THE BOMBAY PUBLIC TRUST ACT, 1950

SCHEDULE - IX

[(Vide Rule 17(1)]

**Name of the Public Trust : INDIAN ASSOCIATION FOR PROMOTION OF ADOPTION & CHILD WELFARE
Income & Expenditure Account for the year ending March 31, 2024**

Last Year	EXPENDITURE	This Year	
		Rs. Ps.	Rs. Ps.
6,86,060	1. Establishment Expenses (As per Annexure - IV)		7,98,674
	2. Depreciation		
3,958	Furniture @ 10% p.a.	3,563	
3,707	Office Premises @10% p.a	3,336	
	Office Equipment :		
9,178	Computer System @40%	12,587	
<u>10,665</u>	Others @15%	<u>9,065</u>	28,550
27,508			
	3. Expenditure on objects of the trust		
88,045	Bal Sangopan Yojna Expenses	-	
<u>1,47,93,014</u>	Educational & Health (as per Annexure - V)	<u>1,58,88,774</u>	1,58,88,774
1,48,81,059			
430	4. Excess payment of Professional Tax W/off		-
<u>80</u>	5. TDS tax excess paid		-
510			
-	6. Surplus Carried over to Balance Sheet		8,98,120
	Notes to the Accounts - (Annexure VIII)		
<u><u>1,55,95,137</u></u>			Rs. <u><u>1,76,14,118</u></u>

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As per our report of even date

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MAHESH C MATHUR & CO.
Chartered Accountants
Firm Registration No. : 105800W

UDIN : 24005880BKGEIK5766

Dated at : 31/08/2024

Last Year	INCOME	This Year
Rs. Ps.		Rs. Ps.
9,49,772	1. Interest (realised)	14,31,566
	2. Dividend/Incomes	
3,971	Unit Trust of India	-
5,12,036	Mutual Funds (As per Annexure IX)	4,62,560
	3. Grant From District Women & Child Development For Bal Sangopan Yojna	-
1,08,55,732	4. Donations in cash or kind (As per Annexure - VI)	1,16,19,022
24,26,913	5. Income from other sources (As per Annexure VII)	35,52,996
5,850	6.Sponsorship Fund W/Off	3
2,42,922	7. Gain from Mutual Fund	5,47,971
1,093	8. Excess TDS deducted W/off	-
5,08,802	9. Deficit Carried over to Balance Sheet	-
<u>1,55,95,137</u>		Rs. <u>1,76,14,118</u>

Hon. Secretary Sd/-

Dated at :

Hon. Treasurer Sd/-

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Name	Designation
Mr. Sanjay Chore	President
Mrs. Veera Rao	Vice President
Mrs. Najma Goriawalla	Hon. Secretary
Mr. Harsh Moramkar	Hon. Treasurer
Dr. (Mrs.) Nilima Mehta	Member
Mrs. Anjali Gokarn	Member
Mrs. Jagruti Mandavkar	Member
Mr. Umesh Dhargalkar	Member
Dr. (Mrs.) Sonal Bhasin	Member

*Note: Executive Committee members do not receive any remuneration
None of the Board Members are related to each other.*

Number of meetings held:

Executive Committee - 5
General Body - 1
Minutes documented and circulated

IAPA TEAM

Ms. Smita Zankar	Director - Programmes
Ms. Savita Nagpurkar	Programme Manager - Adoption
Ms. Lakshmi Swaminathan	Sr. Project Officer
Ms. Laxmi Nair	Sr. Project Officer
Ms. Nilima Karkal	Sr. Project Officer
Ms. Ashvini Yadav	Sr. Project Officer
Ms. Anita Chiplunkar	Social Work & Admin Associate
Ms. Yasmin Khan	Manager Accounts
Ms. Yogita Lavekar	Sr. Accounts Assistant
Mr. Sunil Talegaonkar	Sr. Office Assistant
Mr. Sudhir Navghare	Office Assistant
Mr. Vishal Ambrale	Office Assistant

On Special Assignment

Ms. Gayatri Dhargalkar	Co - ordinator, Resource Mobilisation [Contract terminated on 30.12.2023]
Ms. Rupali Suralkar	Project Officer
Ms. Ashwini Vaidya	Project Officer
Ms. Anvi Narvekar	Project Officer
Ms. Shilpa Rane	Sr. Social Worker
Ms. Shweta Warde	Project Associate
Ms. Dulcine Irani	Sr. Office Administrator (Part-time)
Mr. Vijay Hamand	Administration Associate
Mr. Raju Talegaonkar	Office Assistant
Ms. Pratiksha Kansare	Field Assistant, Rural Programme
Ms. Malini Karbele	Field Assistant, Rural Programme

For Medical, Psychological guidance and intervention

Dr. Laura Vaz for her psychotherapeutic counselling services and guidance in pre- and post-adoption matters.

Dr. Anuradha Prabhudesai

Dr. Piyush Gujarathi

Dr. Manish More (J.J. Hospital)

Dr. Tanuja Karande

Sparsh Children's Hospital

Dr. Suhas Prabhu

Dr. Suresh Shah

G.S.B.S. Medical Trust

Dr. Jitendra Rajput

Vocational Training

Mrs. Farzana Ansari Teaching Aide in Tailoring Class

Ms. Shruti Bagle Aide to students in learning Computers

Aastha - Child Guidance Centre

Dr. Prashant Shah - Psychiatrist

Ms. Nanda Purohit - Psychologist

Dr. (Mrs.) Hutoshi Bana - Occupational Therapist

Ms. Shakti Poddar - Counsellor

Ms. Honey Jain - Counselling Psychologist

Ms. Saloni Narvekar - Aide Worker

Project Asmita

Ms. Namrata Patil - Aide to students in learning Mathematics, Marathi & English

Ms. Pooja Patil - Aide to students in learning Marathi & Mathematics

Mr. Shailendra Borkar - Aide to students in learning Physical Training

Mr. Reehanbaig Mirza - Aide to students in learning Dance

Mr. Ron Billimoria, CEO MiracleworX for designing and maintaining our Website gratis

Mrs. Shweta Prabhu- Advocate – for legal services

M/s. Mahesh C. Mathur Co., Auditors since IAPA's inception



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