





# Founders Message



Dear Friends,

*As I pen down this Annual Report, I'm thrilled to share a tapestry of transformative tales woven by Light of Life Trust (LOLT) throughout the year 2023-24. Our journey, seeded in 2002, continues to bloom, thanks to your unwavering support and the tireless efforts of Team LOLT.*

*Division Anando – Education:*

*In 2005, Anando started as a tiny spark with 25 students in Karjat. Today, it's a blazing beacon, lighting up the lives of 20,759 children and indirectly touching 217,072 souls across Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Gujarat and Odisha.*

*Division Jagruti – Community Development:*

*In 2010, we unleashed Jagruti upon the world, a symphony of change echoing in the hearts of 409,240 beneficiaries. Livelihood & Skill Development, Healthcare, and Environment Conservation are the notes that compose this transformative melody. Our Livelihood Training Programme, born in 2010, is more than just skill-based training. It's the brushstroke that paints independence on the canvases of 18,553 incredible women and youth. Rolling since 2013, our Medical Mobile Units are the nomads of healing, reaching 151,339 souls in the remotest corners of Raigad, Thane, Nandurbar, Ratnagiri & Pune Districts. The year 2015 saw the birth of our Environment Conservation Vertical, a green revolution for 8,403 farmers across 201 villages, nurturing fruit-bearing saplings and dreams.*

*We are happy and proud to share some of the significant highlights of the year*

- Division Anando and Jagruti stepped up their game, reaching out to 56423 directly and 295054 indirectly, creating ripples of change across Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat & Odisha.*

- Imagine a musical gala that not only rocked Tata Theatre, but also touched the hearts of 800+ well-wishers – that's Javed Ali – Live in Concert for you!*

- The prestigious 'Mahatma Award for Leadership in Social Responsibility, Social Good, and Impact 2023' was bestowed upon us this year in recognition of our powerful impact on society.*

- A well deserved Runners Up award in the 'Innovator in Education' category of the HDFC Parivartan Excellence Award in Education, was bestowed on us, for our Anando Vertical in Yavatmal District's two centres (Kali and Warud), after a rigorous screening process by Ernst & Young.*

- Hosted the 1st Prantiya Adhiveshan (Convention) on Strengthening Task Force and ensuring the impact of Task Force fostering a sense of belonging and ownership to LOLT among the 351 task force members present at the 02 day residential convention in Karjat.*

*As the Founder & Managing Trustee, LOLT, I was once again recognized as the 'Change Icon' and the maestro orchestrating the '4th Highest Fundraising Award for exemplary efforts in fundraising for Light of Life Trust.*

*LOLT's symphony of change has reached 626312 hearts and counting. To our supporters, partners, and the incredible LOLT family – you're the conductors turning notes into a harmonious journey.*

*With gratitude and light,*

*Villy Doctor  
Founder & Managing Trustee  
Light of Life Trust*



# Our Leadership

## Light of Life Trust - Board of Trustees

Ms. VILLY DOCTOR, an excellent teacher, an educationist, a psychologist, and a therapist, is the Founder and Managing Trustee of Light of Life Trust (LOLT) and Satyavati Spiritual Foundation. She is the co-founder of 'Ormax', a renowned Market research company. The former senior lecturer, St. Xavier's College and former visiting faculty, Nirmala Niketan, Mumbai, she held the position of Head of the Department, Psychology, at Sophia College, Mumbai, for a decade.



Founder & Managing Trustee



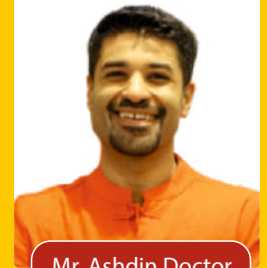
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- Trustee



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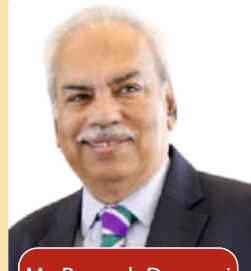


Mr. Ashdin Doctor  
- Trustee

### Light of Life Trust – Senior Management



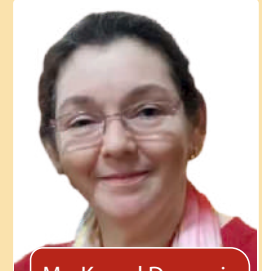
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CEO, Emeritus, LOLT



Mr. Ramesh Daswani  
CEO, LOLT



Mr. Pradip Roy  
Hon. Consultant, LOLT



Ms. Kamal Damania  
COO, LOLT



# Awards & Recognitions



**Mahatma Award - 2023**



**HDFC Parivartan Award  
2023**

# AWARDS



**TMM Change Legend  
2024**



**4th Highest Fundraising  
NGO - TMM 2024**





# Executive Summary

Light of Life Trust, a non-governmental organization established in 2002 and registered under Bombay Public Trust Act, 1950 is founded by Ms. Villy Doctor, with a vision to transform the lives of underprivileged rural communities.

## **Division Anando – Education:**

Initiated in 2005 with 25 students of Karjat, Division Anando aims to support underprivileged rural children to complete their secondary education, as well as focussing on their all-round development. Over the years it has impacted 20759 children and 1442 teachers directly and 217072 community members indirectly **in the states of Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Rajasthan & Odisha through its verticals – Anando, Anando Plus, Anando School Empowerment & Anant.**

- **Anando:** Initiated in 2005, the vertical aims to ensure holistic development of rural underprivileged secondary school students thereby enhancing their academic abilities as well as build their all-round personalities and work towards completing their basic education through a 3E approach – Educate, Empower & Equip for Employability. The vertical since inception has reached out to 20759 students directly and 153006 family & community members indirectly.
- **Anant:** Initiated in 2008 the Anant Programme is a unique programme providing a platform for students to develop skills and experience in the performing arts. The major music components covered are Indian classical vocal (singing), Folk and classical Indian Dance and Tabla. More than 1300 Anando students have been a part of the Anant programme since inception.
- **Anando School Empowerment:** Initiated in June 2019, this programme is a combination of key activities from LOLT's flagship vertical Anando & its teacher focused programme – the School Empowerment Programme. This vertical envisages enhancing the quality of education being imparted in secondary schools and is looking at impacting not only the school teachers but the students and their parents in the effort to make a difference in the overall quality of education and life of all involved key stakeholders. The vertical intends to strengthen the partnership of school authorities, parents and students towards the ultimate development of the students who are emerging responsible citizens of a young and dynamic India. In total through the vertical 41865 students & 1442 teachers across 54 schools have been directly reached out to since inception.

## **Division Jagruti – Community Development:**

Initiated in 2010 at Tiwari, Karjat Tehsil, the division it supports the holistic development of underprivileged rural communities and has reached out to more than 409240 beneficiaries and their families through its verticals – Livelihood & Skill Development, Healthcare & Environment Conservation across Raigad, Thane, Nandurbar, Akola & Mumbai Districts in Maharashtra State & Sikar District in Rajasthan State.

- **Livelihood & Skill Development Training:** Operational since 2010 this programme provides skill-based training to underprivileged women and youth to equip them to attain financial independence. 18553 people have directly benefitted through these trainings and interventions.
- **Healthcare: (Medical Mobile Unit):** The vertical is operation since 2013 and has benefited populations in remote areas lacking adequate healthcare facilities. Since inception it has reached out to 151339 people across Raigad, Thane, Nandurbar, Ratnagiri & Pune Districts. (Karjat, Murbad, Akkalkuwa, Taloda, Ambegaon, Junnar and Rajgurunagar Talukas)
- **Environment Conservation:** Initiated in 2015 the programme supports poor farmers in generating additional income by providing them with fruit bearing saplings. So far 8403 farmers from 201 villages have been benefitted.

**Light of Life Trust has reached out to 626312 beneficiaries since its inception across the states of Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh & Odisha.**

# Major Highlights 2023 – 24

## LOLT Reach

LOLT reached out to 56423 beneficiaries directly and 295054 indirectly across its Divisions - Anando & Jagruti.

- Division Anando reached out to 12984 students & 127 teachers from 11 districts across the states of Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh & Odisha through 66 centres and 17 schools impacting 66504 lives indirectly.
- Division Jagruti reached out to 45710 community members across three major verticals covering 06 districts in the states of Maharashtra & Rajasthan impacting 228550 lives indirectly.

## LOLT Events

### Javed Ali, Live in Concert:

Light of Life Trust organized a fundraising musical event, "Javed Ali, Live in Concert," on Friday, 3rd November 2023, at Tata Theatre, NCPA, Mumbai, in aid of its Palliative Care Centre-Division, Aangan. The event started with a spectacular performance by LOLT – FTI's Anant students followed by a fantastic display of talent by the versatile musician Javed Ali.

### Light of Life Trust @ the Tata Mumbai Marathon 2024:

On 21st January 2024, Light of Life Trust participated in the Tata Mumbai Marathon, with 935 employees across 07 corporate partners running for the cause. In addition, 100 LOLT team members, and 12 charity bib runners participated in this marathon.

- LOLT Founder & Managing Trustee Ms. Villy Doctor was felicitated with the Change Legend Award and received the '4th Highest Fundraising Award for her exemplary efforts at fundraising for Light of Life Trust, at the Charity Nite Event organized by Procam International Pvt Ltd.
- LOLT was felicitated as the 3rd highest fundraising NGO in the education sector.

**LOLT's 2nd International Virtual Marathon:** The Marathon was successfully organized from 13th to 15th August 2023. The physical run was flagged off

on 13th August 2023 in Karjat, Karjat Tehsil, Raigad District, by LOLT Founder & Managing Trustee Ms. Villy Doctor and the Hon. Mayor of Karjat, Mrs. Suvarna Joshi. Besides this physical run, participants from across all LOLT areas of operation in India, and runners overseas joined this Virtual Marathon to support the cause of education.

## LOLT New Footprints:

### Division Anando

- **Initiation of the Anando School Empowerment Vertical** - Uran Tehsil, Raigad District: 03 schools covering 351 students and 18 teachers.

### Division Jagruti

- **Livelihood & Skill Development Centre:** Vitthal Nagar, Karjat Tehsil, Raigad District
- **Environment Conservation:** New partnerships covering 990 farmers from 43 villages across Karjat Tehsil, Raigad District & Murbad Tehsil, Thane District

### 1st Prantiya Adhiveshan (Convention): Strengthening Task Force and ensuring the impact of Task Force

For the first time in LOLT history a two-day residential Convention was organised for the Anando Plus Task Force members at Dr. N.Y. Tasgaonkar Technical Education Campus, Chandai, Karjat Tehsil, Raigad District on 25th & 26th November 2023. The convention hosted 351 participants from Raigad, Mumbai & Nandurbar Districts. The main objective of this programme was to foster a sense of belonging and ownership to LOLT among the taskforce members.

### Inauguration of the SMART School Programme in partnership with HDFC Bank Parivartan:

Under the HDFC Bank Parivartan – SMART School Programme, LOLT provided key infrastructure support to 17 secondary schools across Raigad, Nandurbar, Jalna, Washim, Akola, and Yavatmal Districts in Maharashtra State. The programme focused on equipping these schools with science and math laboratories, book libraries, digital class rooms, toilet facilities, and drinking water facilities. The SMART School programme was inaugurated

# Major Highlights 2023 – 24

on 11th March 2024 at Jijamata Secondary & Higher Secondary Vidyalaya, Bhatepuri, Jalna District, and Dnyanganga Vidya Mandir, Badlapur, Jalna District in the presence of Mr. Sandip Macha (Branch Manager, HDFC Jalna), Mr. Kumar Kukdena (Senior Officer, HDFC), Mr. Dnyaneshwar Marate (Senior Officer, HDFC), Mr. Pavan Dongare (HDFC Manager - Corporate Social Responsibility), Mr. Ramesh Daswani (CEO – LOLT), and school authorities.

## **Division Jagruti - Water Source Project, Thombarwadi in partnership with Rajkamal Bajaj Foundation:**

On 22nd April, 200 villagers of Thombarwadi were witness to a permanent solution to their 20 year long water scarcity problem. In partnership with Rajkamal Bajaj Foundation, a well was constructed at a distance of 02 kms from the village on a piece of land given by a local family where a perennial water spring flows. Pipelines were laid from the well to the village tank. Ms. Seema Bajaj (Rajkamal Bajaj Foundation) inaugurated the well in the presence of villagers and other dignitaries.

## **Special Awards and Recognition : Mahatma Award 2023**

Ms. Villy Doctor, Founder & Managing Trustee, Light of Life Trust, was honoured with the prestigious 'Mahatma Award for Leadership in Social Responsibility, Social Good, and Impact 2023' on September 30, 2023, at the ceremony held at India International Centre, Lodhi Road, New Delhi.

## **Light of Life Trust awarded the HDFC Parivartan Excellence Award in Education**

On 14th February 2024, Light of Life Trust won the runner-up award in the 'Innovator in Education' category for its Anando Vertical, supported by

HDFC Bank Parivartan in Yavatmal District's two centres (Kali and Warud), after a rigorous screening process by Ernst & Young.

## **Research:**

### **Community Needs Assessment Surveys conducted by the LOLT Research Team in the year 2023 -24:**

- **Youth and Employment Research for Landmark Group:** The LOLT research team conducted a special research for the Landmark group for their Bengaluru stores. The report was presented with recommendations for reduced attrition rate in the Landmark Group workforce at entry levels.
- **Livelihood & Skill Development Center, Waghai, Dang District, Gujarat:** To gauge the potential of initiating a Livelihood & Skill Development Center in Waghai Tehsil, Dang District, Gujarat state.
- **Livelihood & Skill Development Center, Mulshi Tehsil, Pune District:** A detailed community needs assessment research undertaken in Ghotavade and Pirangut areas of Mulshi Tehsil, Pune district and the report with recommendations were submitted to Tata Chemicals Ltd to initiate the centre in the new financial year.

## **LOLT Human Capital Transformation**

Under the leadership & guidance of Ms. Anuradha Badhwar – Hon. HR Consultant with over 30 years of HR expertise in the corporate world, LOLT successfully undertook an in-depth transformation exercise to look at the entire teams role formalization, redefining the organization structure, grades & designations, based on a job evaluation exercise and designing a new and dynamic performance management system.



# Overall Reach: 2023 – 24

Sr. No.	Name of Division/Vertical	State	No. of Beneficiaries	Indirect
<b>A. Division Anando</b>				
A. i.	<b>Vertical: Anando</b>	Maharashtra	3359	20154
		Madhya Pradesh	196	1176
		Rajasthan	426	2556
		Odisha	420	2520
<b>Sub - Total (A.i)</b>			<b>4401</b>	<b>26406</b>
A. ii.	<b>Vertical: Anando Plus</b>	Maharashtra	5686	34116
		Madhya Pradesh	245	1470
		Rajasthan	254	1524
<b>Sub - Total (A. ii.)</b>			<b>6185</b>	<b>37110</b>
A. iii.	<b>Vertical Anant - Anant students are included in Anando Programme</b>	Karjat	402	2412
		Alibaug	179	1074
<b>Sub - Total (A. iii.)</b>			<b>581</b>	<b>3486</b>
A. iv.	<b>Vertical: Anando School Empowerment</b>	Maharashtra	108	2398
		Gujarat	19	590
<b>Sub - Total (A. iv.)</b>			<b>127</b>	<b>2988</b>
<b>Total A (i. - iv.)</b>			<b>10713</b>	<b>66504</b>
<b>B. Division: Jagruti</b>				
B. i.	<b>Vertical: Livelihood &amp; Skill Development</b>	Karjat, Murbad, Taloda, Akola, Mumbai	3058	15290
B. ii.	<b>Vertical: Healthcare</b>	Karjat, Murbad, Akkalkuwa, Pune	36489	182445
B. iii.	<b>Vertical: Environment Conservation</b>	Karjat & Khalapur	6163	30815
<b>Total B (i. - iii.)</b>			<b>45710</b>	<b>228550</b>
<b>Grand Total (A +B )</b>			<b>56423</b>	<b>295054</b>





## Division: Anando

First generation learners need support and guidance to break out of the vicious cycle of poverty and illiteracy. Light of Life Trust through Division Anando, works towards uplifting underprivileged rural secondary school children by sustaining them in schools and equipping them with the necessary skills to become independent and productive citizens of society. The goal is not just literacy but all-round development of each child through a 3E approach, i.e. Educate, Empower & Equip for Employability, thereby empowering the students to embrace life changing decisions by choosing appropriate career paths.

### 3E Approach



Light of Life Trust, through Division Anando directly supports the secondary education of many underprivileged children in rural communities of India through the following verticals:

**Anando:** Initiated in 2005, the vertical through a 3E approach - 'Educate, Empower and Equip for Employability' supports secondary school children to realise their full potential through their academic as well as overall personality development. The Student Friendly Supplementary Education Programme (SFSEP) addresses the crucial needs of secondary school children in English and Mathematics through daily classes leading to conceptual clarity and strengthening of the children's capacity for better academic performance.

**Anando Plus:** In the academic year 2007 – 2008, this vertical was launched to support Anando students post Std X (SSC) to make appropriate career choices based on their aptitude, capabilities and interest either to pursue higher education or undertake vocational training. Efforts are made to network with local educational institutes to give special considerations and/or generate financial support through scholarships for the needy children.

**Anant:** Initiated in 2008, Anant is a collaborative Arts Education Project between Flowering Tree Inc., USA and Light of Life Trust. It is a unique programme in song, dance, and story-telling that has empowered hundreds of children through training in instrumental & Indian vocal music, folk and semi-classical dance. Anant provides opportunities and platforms to develop skills and experience in performing arts. Dedicated music and dance teachers, along with centre executives form a strong dual pronged team, that nurtures and guides Anant participants to overcome the challenges to their aspirations.

**Anando School Empowerment:** Initiated in 2012, the programme aims to enhance quality of education imparted in rural secondary schools through training of teachers in effective classroom processes & modern teaching techniques and encourage active participation of all stakeholders including parents and community to ensure the existence of a cohesive support system for children to complete their basic education.



# Vertical: Anando

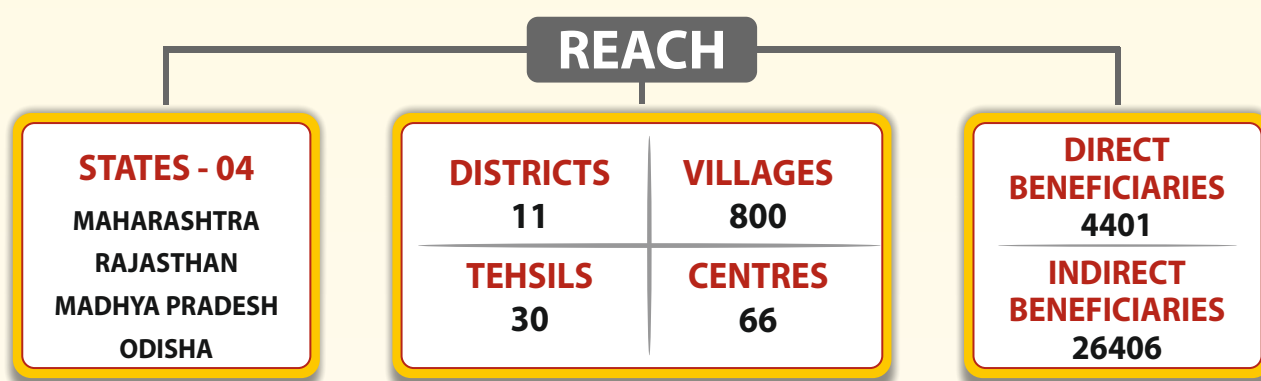
## Our Partners



## Beneficiary Overview

Districts	Total No. of Centres	No. of Schools	No. of Direct Beneficiaries	No. of Indirect Beneficiaries	No. of Villages
<b>Maharashtra State</b>					
<b>Raigad</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>899</b>	<b>5394</b>	<b>349</b>
Karjat	7	22	387	2322	195
Alibaug	4	11	296	1776	103
Mangaon	3	8	216	1296	51
<b>Jalna</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>1629</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Washim</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>2520</b>	<b>42</b>
<b>Nandurbar</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1018</b>	<b>6108</b>	<b>179</b>
Taloda	4	4	218	1308	17
Dhadgaon	4	4	240	1440	70
Akkalkuwa	8	7	560	3360	92
<b>Mumbai (Worli)</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Ahmednagar</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>1680</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Yavatmal</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>2520</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>Sub - Total Maharashtra</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>3359</b>	<b>20154</b>	<b>676</b>
<b>Madhya Pradesh State</b>					
<b>Seoni</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>1176</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Sub - Total Madhya Pradesh</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>1176</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Rajasthan State</b>					
<b>Bhilwara</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>2556</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>Sub - Total Rajasthan</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>2556</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>Odisha State</b>					
<b>Angul</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>2520</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>Sub - Total Odisha</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>2520</b>	<b>62</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>4401</b>	<b>26406</b>	<b>800</b>

# Major Highlights 2023 – 24



## Programmes/Activities - Overview 2023 – 24

Vertical: Anando : Overview			
Sr. No	Programmes/activities	No. of Activities	Attendance (%)
<b>Programmes with Students</b>			
1	Educational Material Distribution	54	100
2	SFSEP Classes	48708	77.50
3	Empowerment Workshops	2151	79.42
<b>Programmes with Parents</b>			
4	Parent Meeting	243	76.42
5	Parent Training	81	80.60
6	Parents Representative Training	12	88.78
7	Palak Melava	15	72.00
<b>Special Programmes with students</b>			
8	Mahacharcha Programme	58	85.00
9	Bal Kala Mahotsav	13	88.58
10	Summer Vacation Programme	78	76.91
11	SSC Career Guidance Programme	60	84.33
12	Guest Lectures	94	80.09
13	Home Visits	25921	89.91
14	Counselling	8622	Not Based

### Digital Learning:

In this year 30 videos related to the syllabus for Std VIII – X were created by the SFSEP team and uploaded on the LOLT YouTube channel - <https://www.youtube.com/@LightofLifeTrust>. The content as well as the telecast was prepared by the SFSEP team and covers the syllabus for Maths (in the vernacular language) & English as per the prescribed State board syllabus.

### Student Friendly Supplementary Education Classes:

91.57% Anando students took the benefit of the daily classes in English and Maths. During this year the number of sessions held were as under:

- **No of English sessions:** 25287 English sessions with an average attendance of 87.63%.
- **No of Math sessions:** 26144 Math sessions with an average attendance of 87.63%.
- **No of Internal Tests:** 2468 with an average attendance of 84.45% and passing percentage of 93%.

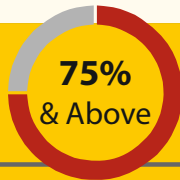
# Light of Life Trust – SSC Results

State	Total student in Std X	Total students Appeared for Exam	Not Attended	Result			Pass %	% obtained				
				Pass	Fail	Supplementary		00-34	35-44	45-59	60-74	75-Above
Maharashtra	1107	1057	50	1013	40	4	97.68	40	52	191	480	294
Rajasthan	98	98	0	96	2	0	97.96	1	16	51	19	10
Madhya Pradesh	83	81	2	38	33	10	46.91	14	19	31	14	3
Odisha	217	215	2	213	2	0	99.07	35	55	83	35	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>1505</b>	<b>1451</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>1360</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>85.41</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>548</b>	<b>314</b>

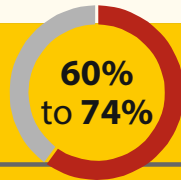
In total 1505 Anando students across the 04 states were in Std X (SSC) of which

- 1451 appeared for the exam
- 1360 students passed SSC of which 755 were girls & 605 were boys.

## PERCENTAGES WISE RESULTS



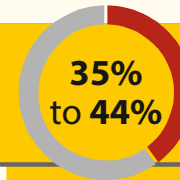
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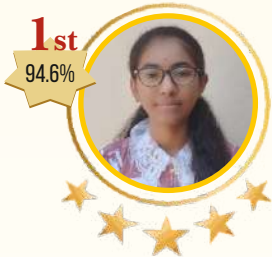
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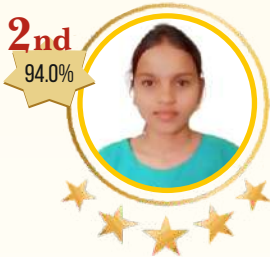
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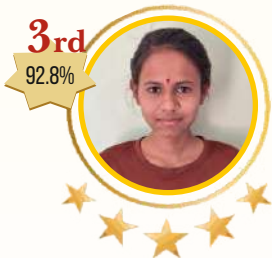
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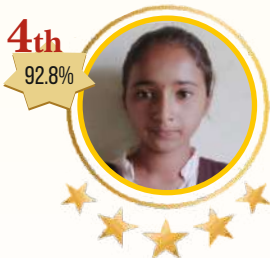
**1st**  
94.6%  
**Shraddha Kundlik Dhobale,**  
Washim



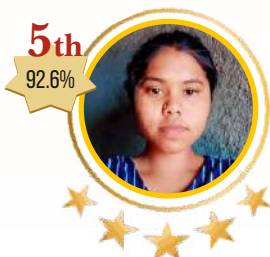
**2nd**  
94.0%  
**Vaishnvi Santosh Bargad,**  
Washim



**3rd**  
92.8%  
**Jagruti Jagan Nagre,**  
Washim



**4th**  
92.8%  
**Pranjal Sambhaji Chemate,**  
Ahemadnagar



**5th**  
92.6%  
**Sanjana Gajanan Gayakwad,**  
Washim

SSC Results : 2023 - 24 - District Result Comparison			
State/District	District level Result	Anando District level result	Difference
<b>MAHARASHTRA STATE</b>			
Raigad District			
Karjat	95.00	84.00	-11.00
Alibaug	96.8	98.90	2.10
Mangaon	97.7	96.50	-1.20
Jalna District	94.4	97.4	3.02
Washim District	96.0	99.2	3.19
Nandurbar District	96.0	97.1	1.09
Mumbai District	97.0	100.0	3.03
Yavatmal District	98.6	95.9	-2.69
Ahemadnagar District	95.7	96.6	0.82
<b>MADHYA PRADESH STATE</b>			
Seoni District	56.8	46.9	-9.9
<b>RAJASTHAN STATE</b>			
Bhilwara/Bundi District	90.8	98	7.2
<b>ODISHA STATE</b>			
Angul District	96.1	99.1	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>92.2</b>	<b>92.9</b>	<b>0.7</b>

# Stories of Change



## **Avinash Wagh, Std X, Single Parent Child, Karanji Center, Ahmednagar District, Maharashtra State**

Avinash, a good student academically lives 08 kms away from his school and walks to school daily. His parents work as farm labourers on a daily basis to support the family. Due to the family's financial situation life was full of hardships and Avinash was unable to see his future clearly. Avinash wanted to give the CET exam which was a sure gateway to colleges in Pune but was discouraged as the city was too far and he knew his parents would not be able to send him for the exam. The LOLT Anando team encouraged and guided him through his study sessions, giving him extra time after SFSEP classes to bridge the gaps in his knowledge. His parents were convinced that he needed to be given this opportunity and

supported for a brighter future. Avinash passed the CET exam and secured a seat in the government quota for further education in Hotel Management, Ship Management, Airport Management, Travel & Tourism, Business Management, Event Management. Avinash's parents were filled with pride on his success. Avinash's resilience and courage at such a young age with the confidence instilled in him under Anando, realised into fulfilment.

## **Silan Siman Tripathy, Std IX, Neglected Child, Balasingha Centre, Angul District, Odisha State**

Silan belongs to a socio-economically disadvantaged family with severe financial difficulties. She is a part of a 08 member joint family. Her father is an auto driver who is barely able to meet the family's basic needs, leaving little room for educational expenses of his daughters. Despite these challenges her family understands the value of education and empowerment. Academically she has been supported by LOLT SFSEP teachers who have tailored support leading to significant improvement in Math and English. Slowly she also started engaging in all LOLT activities and emerged as a leader among her peers. At the same time she has continued to contribute to household chores while excelling in her studies despite the financial strain. Her family takes immense pride in her accomplishments, both academic and artistic.



## **Reshma Ramesh Bheel, Std IX, Tribal & Single Parent Child, Bhopatpura Center, Bhilwara District, Rajasthan State**

Reshma's father's mental condition is weak & he has migrated from Rajasthan for work. Reshma lives with her grandparents. Reshma is an academically weak student due to which she had no interest in her studies or even in continuing her schooling. Due to regular follow up & home visits by the LOLT Anando team she was attending the SFSEP classes but in the beginning, she was not able to concentrate at all on her studies nor would she even attempt to do any homework given. In the initial days she was supported through individual counselling and being taught one-on-one through various game-based activities. Because of the educational games, she slowly started enjoying doing the tasks given and started

attending classes more regularly. In this manner she slowly completed the bridge course and is now bending towards an interest in studies and doing well in class.

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## **Ashwini Rajendra Nagwe, Std IX, Neglected Child, Bhatepuri Centre, Jalna District, Maharashtra State**

Ashwini, a regular student suddenly in the month of November 2023, started remaining absent in school and all LOLT activities. On inquiry, the LOLT Anando team found out that she had gone to her maternal uncle's village with her mother. It was understood that Ashwini's family was facing severe negative effects due to her father's alcohol addiction and the daily quarrels that lead to her mother's attempt at suicide. All this had severely impacted Ashwini causing her to withdraw from school. In depth counselling with her father and talking regularly with her mother telephonically and explaining to both that in all this Ashwini was losing a lot especially as she was a very bright student. Slowly her parents started changing their behaviour patterns and Ashwini started coming regularly to classes, workshops and school.

## **Vishranti Tulya Tadvi, Std X, Tribal Child, Molgi Center, Nandurbar District, Maharashtra State**

Vishranti belongs to a 05-member tribal family where all members struggle to find work locally to survive. The family moves from place to place in search of any manual jobs. Her older brother, a drop out student is part of an unruly group and squanders all their hard-earned money on harmful vices. Vishranti herself was on the verge of dropping out of school when she was enrolled under Anando. She was counselled and convinced to continue school which supported her family to make a decision and remain in Nandurbar. Vishranti juggled all household chores, cared for her younger sister, and grappled with her brother's turmoil. Amidst it all, excelling in school, especially in subjects like English and Math, seemed impossible. The LOLT team worked with her to effectively resolve her struggles and drew up a schedule to help her manage all her responsibilities, convinced her younger sister stepped into share part of her load to enable her to focus on her studies and take the next steps forward.



## **Kautik Tukaram Padvi, Std X, Tribal Child, Ankushvihir Center, Nandurbar District, Maharashtra State**

Kautik comes from a tribal community where having a meal a day is a daily struggle. His father's poor health increases the pressure on his mother who works on manual labour jobs and cares for their goats. Despite these hardships, Kautik and his older sister try and attend school on a regular basis. Academically Kautik over the last two years as an Anando child has made significant strides in being able to read and write in Marathi, make friends, and engages with his peers. His confidence levels have increased and he is able to speak openly and share his thoughts well during empowerment workshops and in other school activities. The LOLT Anando team has understood that his parents value education but are overwhelmed by their tough life. Kautik's dedication along with the LOLT Anando team's encouragement has supported him even during the darkest times. The LOLT SFSEP teachers dedicated extra time to teach him basics like the ABCs and neat handwriting and their efforts have borne fruit as he prepares for his Std X exams.



# Vertical: Anando Plus

## Our Partners



## Beneficiary Overview

District/ Tehsil	No. of Beneficiaries											
	Std XI		Std XII		Diploma/ ITI		MCVC		In process of graduation		Others	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
<b>Maharashtra State</b>												
<b>Raigad</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>659</b>	<b>497</b>
Alibaug Tehsil	26	45	20	42	10	6	4	4	43	56	195	219
Karjat Tehsil	42	43	54	84	5	8	1	0	99	138	450	255
Mangaon Tehsil	30	31	33	32	19	0	0	0	18	27	14	23
<b>Jalna</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Washim</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>605</b>
<b>Nandurbar</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>166</b>
<b>Ahmednagar</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Yavatmal</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Mumbai</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Rajasthan State</b>												
<b>Bhilwara &amp; Bundi</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Madhya Pradesh State</b>												
<b>Seoni</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>437</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>665</b>	<b>790</b>	<b>1316</b>	<b>1293</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1063</b>		<b>952</b>		<b>93</b>		<b>13</b>		<b>1455</b>		<b>2609</b>	
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>6185</b>											

## Anando Plus Employment Status 2023-24

Income Range	Total	Part Time	Temporary / Seasonal	Self Employed	Daily Wages	Family Business	Student Earner	Private Job	On Contract	Government Job	Semi Government job	Internship	Entrepreneur
0 - 5000	412	48	93	47	79	0	23	122	0	0	0	0	0
5001-8000	663	47	74	8	95	0	10	429	0	0	0	0	0
8001-10000	414	34	15	10	25	0	5	324	0	1	0	0	0
10001-15000	441	15	18	10	25	0	2	370	0	1	0	0	0
15001-20000	99	0	0	0	0	0	0	94	0	3	0	0	2
20001-25000	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	44	0	1	0	0	2
25001-35000	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	5	0	0	0
35001-60000	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	2	0	0	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>2103</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>1401</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>

# Highlights 2023 – 24

## 1st Prantiya Adhiveshan (Convention):

For the first time in LOLT history a two day residential Convention was organised for the Anando Plus Task Force members at Dr. N.Y. Tasgaonkar Technical Education Campus, Chandai, Karjat tehsil, Raigad District on 25th & 26th November 2023. The convention hosted 351 participants from Raigad, Mumbai & Nandurbar Districts. The main objective of this programme was to foster a sense of belonging and ownership to LOLT among the task force members.

## Task Force Members Training:

Across the states of Maharashtra, Rajasthan & Madhya Pradesh a total of 712 students were trained in this year with an emphasis on enhancing skills strengthening the members commitment to societal well-being. As a result of the trainings around 482 task force members undertook a number of programmes and activities within their communities impacting more than 3000 lives as under:

- **Health and Eye Check-up Camps :** In Alibaug & Jalna benefiting 269 community members.
- **Awareness Sessions**
- **Session on Good Touch and Bad Touch :** In Jalna, educating 105 students.
- **Cleanliness Drive :** In Karjat, Washim, & Ahmednagar, educating 170 individuals.
- **Importance of Higher Education:** In Washim & Karjat impacting 157 youth.
- **Career Guidance Programme :** In Karjat & Mangaon, helping 145 students.
- **Government Schemes for Senior Citizens :** Over 400 villagers participated.
- **Session on Financial Literacy :** In Karjat educating 40 underprivileged families.
- **Personality Development Workshops :** In ZP Schools in Karjat, Alibaug, & Washim, influencing 472 young students.
- **Community Awareness Sessions on Social Issues :** Topics like child labor, early marriage, and traditional methods of dealing with adolescents were addressed in Karjat, Washim, Yavatmal, and Jalna, benefiting 887 families.
- **Diwali Celebration :** In Washim for senior citizens and disadvantaged children from a correctional home, with 90 participants.

- **Tree Plantation and Kitchen Garden Training :** In Jalna, Washim, & Ahmednagar, benefiting 88 individuals.
- **Now Walls Speak Initiative :** In Yavatmal, transforming 17 walls to display social and educational messages, reaching 320 individuals.
- **Exposure Visit to an NGO :** 18 individuals participated in this visit, gaining valuable insights.

## Anando plus students joined in different workforce:

- **Gautami Pawar (Karjat)** - Bachelor in Banking & Insurance, Sales Executive, Pre-pacific Mandate, Kalyan (Real Estate) – earning ₹13,000/- per month.
- **Sanika Gurav (Karjat)** – B.com graduate, Sales executive, Unimount Aroh at Karjat – earning ₹13,000/- per month.
- **Darshan Dalvi (Karjat)** – Commerce graduate, Machine Operator in Vertive Energy Pvt. Ltd. Ambarnath, Income earning ₹22,000/- per month.
- **Anjali Deshmukh (Karjat)** - Commerce graduate, Cashier, Muthoot Finance earning ₹15,000/- per month.
- **Akshata Raut (Alibaug)** - M.Sc. (Chemistry), Post, working in The Unifeeder Group as an Operation Executive and earning – ₹25,000/- per month.
- **Kedar Mandavkar (Alibaug)** – B. Com graduate, Sales Executive, Reliance Digital – earning ₹20,000/- per month.
- **Shreyas Gaikwad (Alibaug)** – B.com graduate, Sales Executive, PNG Jewellers, Alibaug earning ₹15,000/- per month.
- **Prathamesh Pawashe (Alibaug)** - ITI (Fitter), Apprentice Trainee, Mahindra & Mahindra, earning ₹13,000/- per month.
- **Prajakta Baiker (Karjat)** – Commerce graduate, Deputy Manager, Axis Bank, earning ₹40,000/- per month.
- **Yogeshwar Magar (Jalna)** - MBA (Finance), Relationship Manager, Home First Finance Company India Ltd. and earning ₹34,000/- per month.

## Medical and Para-medical field:

- **Dr. Renuka Dhawale (Jalna)** - B.H.M.S, is now preparing for the entrance examination post-graduation course and also working in

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- Rubi Alicare Centre at Pune as a Resident Medical Officer, earning ₹20,000/- per month.
- **Nayan Lobhi (Karjat)** – B.Sc. (Optometry), Optician, Lenskart Optical Store earning ₹22,000/- per month.
  - **Deepali Kshirsagar (Karjat)** – B.Sc. (Optometry), Optician, Lenskart Optical store, earning ₹26,000/- per month.
  - **Diksha Bhagat (Washim)** – B.Sc., Optometry, Optometrist and working in Nair Hospital, Panvel earning ₹18,000/- per month.
  - **Arati Mandilkar (Washim)** – B.Sc. Optometry, Optometrist and working in Surya Eye Hospital, Airoli earning ₹20,000/- per month.
  - **Divya Pukhwal (Washim)** – B.Sc. Optometry, Optometrist and working in Dr. Shilpa Deshpande Eye Hospital, Andheri, earning ₹20,000/- per month.
  - **Sandhya Prasad Rao (Alibaug)** - KNHB ophthalmic and ENT Hospital, Revdanda and income ₹22,000/- per month.
  - **Dhananjay Salunke (Alibaug)** – working in a Laxmi Eye Care, Alibaug, as an Optometrist earning ₹21,000/- per month.
  - **Kunal Lobhi (Karjat)**- B.Sc. MLT, Lab Assistant, Perfect Pathology Centre, Karjat earning ₹12,000/- per month.
  - **Diksha Jadhav (Karjat)** - ANM Nursing, Nurse, doing internship in Raigad Hospital, Karjat earning a stipend ₹8,000/- per month.
  - **Sanika Tuntune (Alibaug)** - GNM Nursing, Nurse in Yashwant Hospital, Kharghar earning ₹20,000/- per month.
  - **Shrushti Bhalerao (Washim)** - GNM Nursing, Staff Nurse, Jupiter Hospital, Pune earning ₹20,000/- per month.

## Diploma and Degree in Hospitality Management

- **Yeshu Ujagare (Karjat)** - Diploma in Hotel Management, Manager, Dominos, Khopoli earning ₹20,000/- per month.
- **Ashutosh Shinde (Washim)**- Degree in Hospitality Management, Tr. Captain, Hotel Seven, Nagpur earning ₹15,000/- per month.
- **Amar Gaikawad (Alibaug)** - Degree in Hospitality Management, Masq Restaurant, Worli, Hotel Comi-2 earning ₹22,000/-per month.

- **Suraj Patil (Alibaug)** - Degree in Hospitality Management, Trainee in Radisson Blue, Alibaug earning ₹10,000/- per month.
- **Ankur Dhaker (Rajasthan)** – successfully completed short term Food and Beverage Steward course and working in Chunda Palace at Udaipur earning ₹13,000/- per month.
- **Bharat Menghal (Rajasthan)** – successfully completed short term Food and Beverage Steward course and working in Chunda Palace at Udaipur earning ₹13,000/- per month.

## Government Job:

- **Prakash Mohan Shinde (Washim)** – B.SC, (Science), cracked competitive examination, Revenue Officer, Revenue Department, Mumbai, Maharashtra State Government earning ₹45,000/- per month.
- **Gayatri Niranjana Bhoir (Washim)** - Std 12, cracked the competitive examination, Kotwal, Revenue Department earning ₹15,000/- per month and is continuing her education.

## Indian Army (Agniveer)

- **Bharat Raju Ingale (Washim)** - as a Trainee and getting a stipend of ₹22,000/- per month.
- **Prashant Dilip Padaghan (Washim)** - as a Trainee and getting a stipend of ₹22,000/- per month.
- **Viki Kawankar (Alibaug)**- as a Trainee with a stipend of ₹22,000/- per month.
- **Ranjeet Chavan (Yavatmal)**- Diploma in Fire & Safety, working in the Fire Brigade on a Contractual basis as a Trainee with a stipend of ₹22,000/- per month.
- **Sagar Bairolkar- (Alibaug)**- working in Mumbai Port Trust and earning ₹19,000/- per month.
- **Dhiraj Indulkar- (Alibaug)**- Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation as a Fire Officer earning ₹20,000/- per month.
- **Laxman Waghmare (Alibaug)**– Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation as a Fire Officer earning ₹20,000/- per month.
- **Sumedha Konduji Tayade (Washim)** - Diploma in Animal husbandry working in Department of Animal Husbandry at Mangrulpir as a Livestock Supervisor earning ₹25,000/- per month.

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- **Shivam Gajanan Shrivane (Washim)**– Commerce Graduates, Constable, Maharashtra Police, Yeravada Pune earning ₹ 30,000/- per month.
- **Geeta Kachare (Jalna)** – 12th passed, working in Mumbai Police as a Constable and earning ₹ 35,000/- per month.

## Engineering field:

- **Dhiraj Bhailmare (Karjat)** - Diploma in Mechanical Engineering, Operator, Indospace, Khalapur earning ₹ 13,500/- per month.
- **Nayan Yedutakar (Washim)** – Bachelor in Engineering, Graduate Apprentice Trainee, Hindustan Petroleum Corporate Ltd. (HPCL) earning a stipend of ₹ 25,000/- per month.

## Entrepreneurs:

- **Rameshwar Mhaske (Jalna)** founder of MHTECHIN as a software development freelancer and also works in a private company as a Software engineer.
- **Kanchan Baikar (Karjat)** has started her own Coaching classes and is also working as a part time teacher at LOLT.
- **Pranali Badekar (Karjat)** an Optometrist, has started her own optical store, Chashma Ghar, in Karjat.
- **Sameet Bhoir (Karjat)** has started his own Two-wheeler Showroom in Karjat.
- **Sudarshan Mhaskar (Karjat)** B.Sc. in Mass Media (Photography Specialization) is doing freelancing jobs.

- **Shailesh Ghare and Akash Bore (Karjat)** both have started their photography business.

## Social Field:

- **Ms. Deepali Ther (Washim)**, Masters in Social Work from Tata Institute of Social Science, Project Officer, World Wild Fund for Nature, Nagpur earning ₹ 40,000/- per month.
- 05 students from Karjat working in NGO United Way of Mumbai:
- **Ms. Sapana Pashilkar** - Outreach worker, earning ₹ 14,000/- per month.
- **Ms. Madhuri Gupta** – Outreach worker, earning ₹ 15,000/- per month.
- **Mr. Khandu Manjule** – Project Officer, earning ₹ 25,000
- **Alisha Ujagare (Karjat)** MA in psychology, Counsellor, Pehel Nurturing Life earning ₹ 30,000/- per month.
- **Sushila Kelkar (Karjat)**, MA, Assistant Coordinator, ASEP, LOLT earning ₹ 15,000/- per month.

## Teaching Field:

- **Lakshadeep Jadhav (Washim)** Bachelor in Computer Application, Assistant Teacher, Poddar International School earning ₹ 32,000/- per month.
- **Sagar Labade (Karjat)** Master in Commerce and Visharad in Bharatnatyam, Dance Teacher, St. Joseph Convent School, Lodhivali, Panvel earning ₹ 25,000/- per month.

## ★★★★ LOLT STARS OF THE YEAR ★★★★★

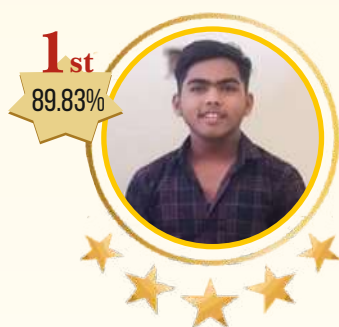


# HSC Results 2023 – 24

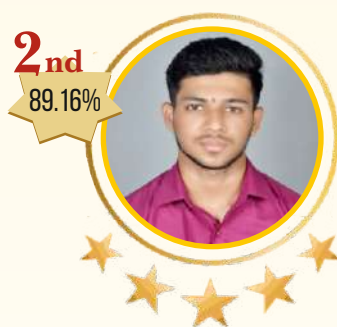
Results (Declared in June 2023)

State	Total Students	Pass	Fail	Not Appeared	Pass %	% Break up				
						Distinction	1st Class	Higher 2nd Class	2nd Class	Pass Class
Maharashtra	829	722	41	66	94	75	225	144	153	125
Madhya Pradesh	43	29	14	0	78	0	17	9	3	0
Rajasthan	80	75	5	0	94	10	29	12	22	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>915</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>127</b>

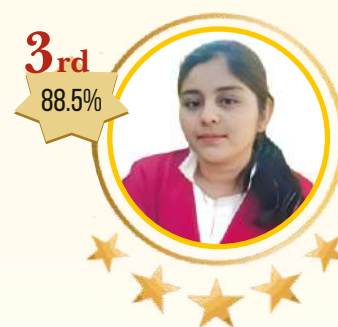
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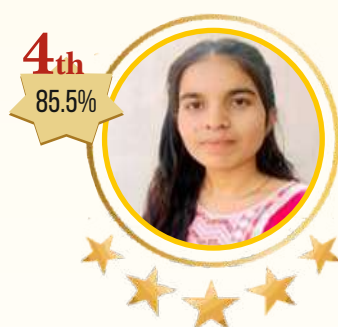
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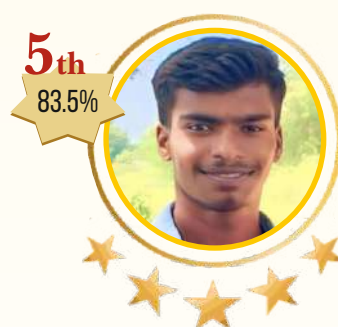
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Commerce, Karjat



**Nikita Ganesh Rabade**  
Science, Washim



**Pooja Raju Khatik**  
Arts, Bhilwara



**Sonerao Baliram Atole**  
Commerce, Jalna

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# Stories of Change



**Dipali Gajanan Ther, Mangrulpir Center, Washim District, Maharashtra State completed MA in Social Work, employed as Project Officer at World Wild Foundation earning ₹ 5,00,000/- per annum.**

Dipali, faced financial hardships after her father's untimely demise in 2014. Her family, comprising of her mother and her two younger brothers grappled with irregular income from seasonal farm work. Despite societal norms that marginalised education, Dipali's mother recognized its importance. Balancing household chores with studies, Dipali excelled academically. She scored 80% in SSC and 82% in HSC. With guidance from the

LOLT team she chose her career path through career counselling and enrolled for her graduate course at the SJSM College of Social Work, Yavatmal and passed the same with an aggregate of 65%. She successfully enrolled for the MA Degree Course (Woman-Centred Practice) at TISS Mumbai. With the support and scholarship from TISS on completion, she was selected as Project Officer by the NGO WWF International Organization during campus recruitment. Her journey exemplifies resilience, determination, and the transformative power of education and support. Dipali now serves as a role model, breaking barriers in a community where girls' education is often overlooked.

**Dipali says,** - 'LOLT instilled in me the desire for higher education. Their emphasis on social awareness through initiatives like Task Force fuelled my passion for social work. I am grateful for the transformative impact that led me to a rewarding job in the NGO sector.'

**Chanda Ther, Dipali's mother,** feels-'Despite financial stress and lack of facilities, LOLT empowered Dipali to complete her higher education. Her success brings pride and respect to our family. We express heartfelt gratitude to LOLT for their invaluable support.'

**Ranjit Rathod, Warud Center, Yavatmal District, Maharashtra State selected in the Indian Army (Agneevir) and is undergoing training earning a stipend of ₹ 22,000/- per month.**

Ranjit belongs to a modest family of 06 members who is surviving despite daily hardships. His father works on daily wages while his mother manages all household responsibilities. Their existence depends on each day's earnings, and education remains a distant priority. Initially an average student, Ranjit's transformation began through empowerment workshops and academic classes. Not only did his grades improve, but his personality blossomed. Against all odds, Ranjit secured 72% in SSC and passed HSC with 61%. In order to satisfy his dream of pursuing a career in the army, he appeared for the NCC examination and scored an impressive 172 out of 200. His NCC certificate earned him an additional 10 marks and he was selected for Agneevir where he is currently undergoing rigorous training in Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh. He is also pursuing his B. Com degree at the same time

**Ranjit, says** – 'As a B. Com student, I thrive on learning beyond textbooks. Workshops ignite my passion—projects, activities, and expanding knowledge. Our teacher's kindness enhances the experience. Light of Life Trust's unwavering support secured my B.Com admission and prepared me for army recruitment. Their encouragement has fuelled my personal growth.'

**Tarasing Rajsing Rathod, Ranjit's father,** expresses – 'Belonging to a scheduled caste and facing economic challenges, I could not provide for my child. LOLT's guidance and motivation shaped our son's future. We're profoundly grateful for their pivotal role in his journey.'



# Stories of Change



**Sanket Baliram Munde, Sai Center, Raigad District, completed his B. Tech Degree (Electronics and Telecommunication) and is employed at Marquis Technologies at a monthly remuneration of ₹ 23,500/-**

Sanket, a resilient young man, has emerged from very humble beginnings. He faced unique challenges as a single-parent child. His father's untimely demise left his mother as the sole provider for the family. Daily wage earnings was their lifeline, making it arduous to meet basic needs and educational expenses. Sanket found support from LOLT which carried him through his academic journey. Post SSC, Sanket embarked on his pursuit of higher education and secured admission in electronic and telecommunication

engineering, a field that resonated with his aspirations. Beyond academics, Sanket actively participated in various LOLT activities, honing his personality, boosting his confidence, and refining his communication skills. With LOLT's unwavering support, Sanket transformed his dream into reality. Today, he is an accomplished engineer employed at Marquis Technologies as a Mobile Device Software Testing Engineer.

**Sanket shares** - 'I am thankful to the Light of Life Trust from the bottom of my heart. Today, I am an engineer because of their unwavering support and guidance. As a shy and soft-spoken boy in Std VIII, the workshops provided exposure and a platform to groom my personality. They helped me choose my career path and guided me toward practical success. I am blessed to be part of this remarkable organization.'

**Sanket's mother, Vimal Munde,** shares her sentiments: 'Today, as Sanket graduates as an engineer, we owe it all to the Light of Life Trust. Their contributions to his education and overall development have been immeasurable. They stood by us through challenging times, propelling us toward this moment of pride and accomplishment. We are forever grateful.'

**Dhanajay Salunke, Alibaug Center, Raigad District completed his B.Sc. (Optometry) and is currently employed as an Optometrist at the Laxmi Eye Care Hospital, Alibaug at a remuneration of ₹22,000/- per month.**

Dhananjay comes from an economically backward family, with his father working as a barber and his mother is a housewife. With two younger siblings also in school, finances were tight. After completing Std XII, Dhananjay participated in an exposure visit to ITM Institute, Panvel, organized by LOLT. He enrolled in the B.Sc. (Optometry) course with LOLT support and guidance. The ITM Institute provided a 50% fee concession, enabling him to complete his degree successfully. Today, Dhananjay works at the Laxmi Eye Care Hospital with a handsome salary, achieving his dream of becoming an optometrist.

**Dhananjay says,** - 'I am deeply grateful to LOLT for the invaluable support in completing my education and nurturing my dreams. Their unwavering dedication to educational enlightenment has profoundly influenced my journey. With their support and guidance, I became an optometrist. LOLT empowered me to pursue my aspirations and achieve my educational goals, constructing a brighter future.'

**Sandesh Salunke, Dhananjay's father says,** - 'Thanks to the support and guidance provided by LOLT. As a parent, it was not possible for me to provide quality education or afford the expenses of a paramedical career. We are profoundly grateful for the opportunities provided by LOLT, which have not only shaped Dhananjay's future but have also positively influenced the futures of our other children. Your assistance has made a remarkable difference in our lives, and we are thankful beyond words.'





# Vertical: Anando School Empowerment

## Our Partners



Initiated in 2013, the vertical aims to enhance the quality of education imparted in rural secondary schools through training of teachers in order to increase their engagement with children, equipping them with new tools and techniques, preparing them to mobilize parents & students to strengthen the partnership in order to ensure the overall development of the children.

In 2019 the Anando School Empowerment - a combination of key activities from LOLT's flagship programme Anando & its teacher focussed programme – the School Empowerment Programme was initiated in Karjat Tehsil with two schools. The vertical was replicated in 2021 in two schools in Pen Tehsil, Raigad District and an additional school in Karjat Tehsil. In 2022 – 23 the ASEP vertical was extended to 3 schools in Chandrapur Tehsil and additional two school in Karjat & Khalapur Tehsil, Raigad District. In the year 2023 – 24 the ASEP vertical was initiated with 03 schools in Uran Tehsil, Raigad District.

In total through Anando School Empowerment, LOLT has impacted 127 teachers & 2988 students across 17 schools in this year.

## Anando School Empowerment Overview : 2023 - 24

District	Tehsil	No. of Schools	No of Teachers	No of Beneficiaries
<b>Maharashtra State</b>				
Raigad	Karjat	2	12	321
Raigad	Khalapur	3	26	499
Raigad	Pen	2	16	367
Raigad	Uran	3	15	351
Ahmednagar	Pathardi	2	15	126
Chandrapur	Chandrapur	3	24	724
<b>Gujarat State</b>				
Tapi	Kukarmunda	2	19	590
<b>Total</b>		<b>17</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>2988</b>



# Highlights 2023 – 24

## Reach:

In the year 2023 – 24 the Anando School Empowerment Vertical has reached out to 2988 students and 127 teachers across 17 schools in the states of Maharashtra & Gujarat.

## New Schools under the vertical – 2023 – 24:

In partnership with Jawaharlal Nehru Ports Authority the vertical was initiated with 03 schools in Uran Tehsil covering 351 students and 18 teachers.

## Impact of the introduction of Science Laboratory & Book Libraries in the ASEP Schools:

The introduction, of the concept of a science laboratory and the book library, for rural students who have never experienced it before, along with guidance from the LOLT ASEP teams ensuring regular usage by school teachers, has empowered students from Std 8th to 10th and fostered an increase in confidence and engagement of the student community.

## HP Clap Programme:

The first of its kind in Maharashtra State in partnership with NT Assets Ltd & HP Clap (Continued Learning Access Programme)

Programme, this mobile digital van in its second year of operations reached out to more than 570 students multiple times on a monthly basis across 03 schools in Karjat Tehsil, Raigad District.

In addition, the van has supported the LOLT ASEP & Anando – Karjat teams to conduct the annual online baseline assessment tests, awareness sessions and special sessions with more than 1000 students during this year.

## Impact in the schools where the van visits on a regular basis:

- School teachers and students eagerly await the arrival of the van to their school and plan their school schedule accordingly.
- School teachers are using the Chromebooks to enhance student learning.
- A 40% increase in exam results has been observed in the school - Janta Vidyalay, Dahiwali where the van visits on a regular basis especially in the Science, Mathematics & Sanskrit subjects.
- An increase in student attendance in school post the HP Clap Digital Van intervention has been observed.
- Tribal students are increasingly getting attracted to this learning process, so much so that schools are now mentioning this facility in their annual admission advertisements.
- Students have embraced the user friendly Chromebooks as their primary learning tool.

## Programme/activity overview for the year 2023 – 24 :

Programmes/Activity	Maharashtra					Gujarat		Overall Average Attendance
	Raigad District				Ahemadnagar District	Chandrapur District	Tapi District	
	Karjat	Khalapur	Pen	Uran	Pathardi	Ghugus	Kukarmunda	
School Visits	286	133	166	72	251	425	145	1478
Education Material Distribution	309	499	367	350	126	750	335	2736
Empowerment Workshops	74%	69%	80%	74%	96%	83%	43%	74%
Supplementary Academic Classes	72%	55%	74%	73%	95%	69%	40%	68%
Mahacharcha Programme for SSC students	84%	84%	84%	0	98%	77%	71%	83%
Career Guidance Programme for SSC studnets	91%	78%	89%	0	95%	88%	41%	80%
Special Subject Guidance for SSC studnets	70%	83%	91%	0	98%	93%	0	87%
Home Visits	120	71	48	0	132	226	47	644
Student Action Forum Members	24	44	20	0	16	29	29	162
Bal Kala Mahotsav	69%	70%	92%	0	100%	90%	61.05%	80%
School Teachers Training	100%	85%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	98%
Parent Meetings	53%	45%	64%	0	55%	7%	18%	40%
SSC students Parent Meeting	57%	71%	73%	0	79%	12%	63%	59%
Student Counselling	18	31	10	0	8	22	57	146

# Stories of Change



**Name of Student: Abhay Satish Gaurkar**

**Standard: VIII**

**Name of School : New English High School, Pandharkawda**

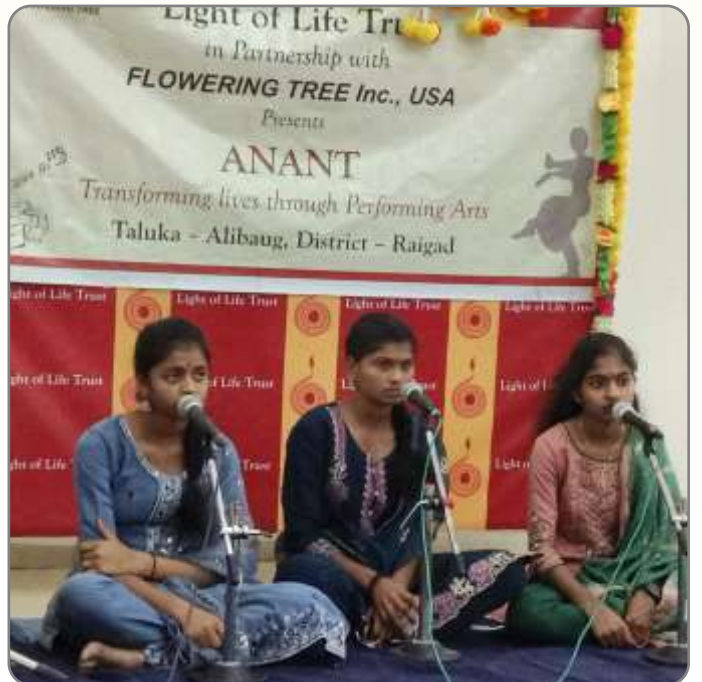
**Name of Village : Sonegaon**

**Problem : Dropped out from school 3 years ago**

**Outcome : Has resumed his education after LOLT intervention**

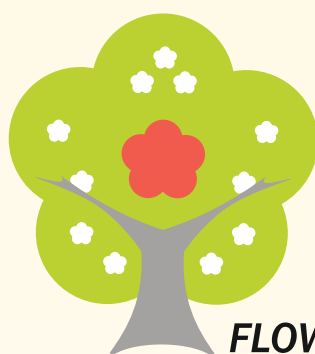
It was observed by the LOLT ASEP Chandrapur team that Abhay was absent from school and on inquiring with the class teacher, it was learnt that Abhay had not come to school since a long time (03 years). The class teacher shared how Abhay's father had brought him to school when school re-opened after the Covid 19 pandemic, however, Abhay was crying loudly as he did not want to attend school. The LOLT ASEP team came to know that Abhay belongs to an economically backward family and has been supporting his family by tending to goats, herding bullocks after school and also carrying out farm work for his father and working for anyone in the village for small amounts of money. Due to his family circumstances, Abhay had become a child laborer at a young age. As he had dropped out of school many years ago, he was afraid to return to school and had picked up bad habits along the way. Abhay was not interested in studying at all. LOLT began intervention and started visiting Abhay at his house regularly. On interacting with Abhay, he shared that he had trouble travelling to school. His friend also did not attend school like him. As it had been years since he went to school, he did not want to study and or go to school and would try to run away when the LOLT ASEP team visited his house. His parents complained about his lack of interest in education and his bad behavior and bad habits. During regular follow up, Abhay and his parents were made to understand the importance of education and the need for the same. Abhay finally decided to visit his school again with the LOLT ASEP team. He was introduced to his class teacher and classmates. His teacher welcomed him and encouraged him to attend school regularly. LOLT picked up Abhay from his home and dropped him to school for 2 consecutive days. He was also dropped home after school on both days. After that Abhay started traveling to school on his own, daily. He was provided with a brand-new uniform, school bag and notebook and was enrolled into LOLT's Supplementary Academic Classes (SAC). Abhay has begun attending school regularly, studying at home and also completes his homework. With patience, perseverance and dedication, LOLT reintegrated a school dropout back into school.





# Vertical: Anant

In Partnership With



**FLOWERING TREE**

Initiated in 2008, the Anant vertical is a collaborative Arts Education Programme between Flowering Tree Inc., USA and Light of Life Trust. A unique programme it provides a platform for students to develop skills and expertise in the performing arts. Dedicated music and dance teachers along with centre executives form a strong dual pronged team who nurture and guide students to overcome their fears and fulfil their aspirations. It inculcates amongst the students discipline, self-confidence, freedom of self-expression and the ability to work with others. Anant develops skilful, empathic, and engaged young people, ready to meet the challenges and joys of life.

## Beneficiary Overview : 2023 – 24

No. of Anant students	No. of Zilla Parishad School students	No. of Anant Plus students	Total number of students
488	48	85	581

A. Anant Programme				
Location	Dance	Vocal	Instrumental	Total
Alibaug	0	154	7	161
Karjat	81	111	95	287
<b>Total</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>448</b>
B. Programme with Zilla Parishad Schools				
ZP School Khandpe, Karjat	0	48	0	48
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48</b>
C. Anant Plus				
Alibaug	3	12	3	18
Karjat	6	35	26	67
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>85</b>
<b>Grand Total (A + B + C)</b>				<b>581</b>

# Highlights 2023 – 24

**Anant students performance at the LOLT Fund Raiser - Javed Ali:** 09 Anant & Anant Plus students performed at the fund raiser organized at the NCPA – Tata Theatre to a thunderous response from the captivated audience.

## **Gandharv Examination:**

- **Vocal Examination:** 99 Anant students passed the 1st, 2nd & 3rd levels of the Gandharv Vocal Music examinations in this year.
- **Tabla Examination:** 34 Anant students appeared and passed the Gandharva Tabla exam in this year.
- **Bandish & Tabla Competitions introduced at the Bal Kala Mahotsav:** For the first time during the Bal Kala Mahotsav in Karjat & Alibaug Tehsils, the tabla & bandish competitions were held showcasing the musical growth of the Anant students.
- **Celebration of Guru Purnima:** On 16th July 2023 the Anant students from Karjat & Alibaug Tehsils celebrated the auspicious day paying respect to their gurus through a wonderful display of song, dance and tabla recitations in front of their music gurus.

- **Vasant Panchami Celebrations:** On February 18, 2024, the Anant & Anant Plus students from Karjat Tehsil celebrated Vasant Panchami with captivating performances on the tabla, harmonium, dance & singing. The celebrations provided an excellent stage for new students, emphasized the festival's significance, and entrusted management responsibilities on the shoulders of the older students. A total of 53 Anant and Anant Plus students participated in this celebration.

## **Anant students special achievements:**

- Beloshi Centre, Alibaug Tehsil Anant students secured the 1st prize in the Navratri Festival singing competition organized at the Beloshi High School.
- **16 Anant students** showcased their musical talent by playing the harmonium, from which the most noteworthy performance was by **Akash Deshmukh** who played the harmonium at the **Mumbai University's Youth Festival**.

## Anant Plus Students Make LOLT Proud



### **Prachi Mahendra Salokhe :**

Prachi's musical journey began with film songs and Powada, but as an Anant student her focus shifted to classical music and her dedication bore fruit when she started winning many competitions. She has also won the Incentive Award in the Voice of Badlapur Karaoke competition. Prachi actively participates in various programmes and always delights her audience with her confidence and voice quality.

### **Bhavika Ramdas Uttekar :**

Bhavika, Anant student from the last 08 years, initially sang only traditional bhajans in praise of Lord Krishna. Anant teachers praised her confidence and voice quality, as she began winning competitions at the tehsil & district level. Bhavika actively participates in various events, showcasing her dedication and passion for music.



### **Akash Rajendra Deshmukh :**

Passionate about the harmonium, Akash has been an Anant student since the past 06 years. Despite the disruptions caused by the pandemic, he persisted in continuing with his musical pursuits. He won the 1st prize in the Instruments Playing competition at the Youth Festival held by Mumbai University and has achieved distinction in the Harmonium 1st & 2nd exams from Gandharva Mahavidyalaya.

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## **Prajwal Ravindra Rhythe, Std 10, Tabla Student, Anant, Mohili Center, Karjat Tehsil**

Prajwal was enrolled in the Anant programme in the year 2022 – 23 under the music component – Tabla. Since he began his journey, he has made remarkable progress as he is passionate about the Tabla. He appeared for his Praveshika Pratham Gandharva Mahavidyalaya exam and cleared the same with a distinction. He dedicatedly does Riyaz and is supported by his uncle, a bhajan singer. He has won 1st prizes in Tabla Solo Performances and is looking forward to completing his Tabla Visharad.

## **Bharati Sanajay Jadhav, Std 8, Dance student, Khopoli Center, Khalapur Tehsil**

Bharati was enrolled in the Anant Dance component in this year. She is the eldest child in the family and has a very quiet personality. She is passionate about learning dance and has actively participated in all the classes held at her center. She has given her 1st Gandharva Mahavidyalaya exam which she cleared with an impressive score earning a distinction. She diligently attends the classes, pays attention and practises regularly to perfect her art. She is committed not only to continuing her academic education but also her music. Her teachers are certain that she will complete her Visharad and earn a reputation in the field of dance.



## **Dhananjay Kendale, Std X, Dance student, Khopoli Center, Khalapur Tehsil**

Dhananjay enrolled in 2022, in the dance component, initially appeared shy and reserved during the class, but his passion & commitment to Anant has been unwavering. His family has migrated to Khopoli in search of work and better education for the children. Despite being the only boy in the dance class, Dhananjay very confidently attends every session, does his Riyaz regularly at home and dances with vigour & passion. He secured the 2nd prize in the dance competition held recently at LOLT's Bal Kala Mahotsav and was praised by the judges for his performance.

## **Pranaya Chandrakant Patil, Std VIII, Vocal (Singing) student, Ramraj Center, Alibaug Tehsil**

Pranaya has harboured a love for singing since childhood, guided by her father, but initially struggled with recitation due to lack of proper training. Since joining the Anant (music) class, she has diligently practiced and now strives to incorporate classical elements into her song choices. At the Bal Kala Mahotsav, she delivered a flawless performance of Bhav Geet and is now exploring Bandish compositions. Pranaya's formerly reserved nature has changed through regular practice and group Riyaz during the music class.



## **Nidhi Narendra Gunda, Std 8, Vocal (Singing) student, Ramraj Center, Alibaug Tehsil**

Nidhi, despite being passionate about singing, initially struggled as she faced challenges in grasping the swar alankar concepts. Through consistent practice and support, she gradually mastered singing swar alankar, attending every class with enthusiasm, and learning new techniques. This progress significantly boosted her confidence, motivating her to attempt singing songs, including new genres like rock. Nidhi's initial resistance reduced with regular guidance as she adapted a more cooperative approach to learning. Nidhi's mother also expressed her happiness over Nidhi's progress. Nidhi successfully passed the 1st Gandharv exam with a first-class honors.





## Division : Jagruti

Equipping and enabling rural communities through skills training, providing access to preventive healthcare services and environment conservation activities to enhance employability and increase income generating opportunities, to break out of the vicious cycle of poverty.

Light of Life Trust through Division Jagruti supports development of rural communities through the following verticals:

- **Livelihood & Skill Development:** Providing skill training to enable rural women and unemployed youth to seek better employment opportunities, become entrepreneurs and attain financial independence.
- **Healthcare:** Providing basic preventive healthcare and referral services to rural communities in remote villages and tribal hamlets where there is no access to medical facilities. Medical camps and awareness sessions are conducted to spread knowledge about health-related issues.
- **Environment Conservation:** Distribution of fruit bearing saplings to farmers with the goal of increasing their income through enhanced yield and production.

### Beneficiary Overview 2023 – 2024

Sr. no.	Verticals	No. of Centres	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Villages Covered
<b>(i)</b>	<b>Livelihood &amp; Skill Development Centers – Raigad, Thane, Nandurbar, Akola, Mumbai Districts &amp; Ramgarh</b>			
a.	Sewing & Tailoring Training	7	689	178
b.	Beauticare Training	6	408	79
c.	Computer Training	6	1333	164
d.	Jewellery Training & Short Term Course	5	223	38
e.	Bike Repairing Training	3	60	45
f.	Agriculture Trainings	2	211	17
g.	Ac Technician Training	2	36	22
h.	Three Wheeler Driving Training	1	21	14
l.	Plumbing Technician Training	1	20	5
j.	Welding Technician Training	1	40	7
k.	Study Centre	1	17	3
<b>Sub Total (i)</b>			<b>3058</b>	<b>383</b>
<b>(ii)</b>	<b>Healthcare – Areas covered - Karjat, Murbad, Akkalkuwa &amp; Dapoli</b>			
a.	Patients	4	24842	153
	Beneficiaries		11647	
<b>Sub Total (ii)</b>			<b>36489</b>	<b>153</b>
<b>(iii)</b>	<b>Environment Conservation - Tehsil – Karjat &amp; Khalapur, District – Raigad &amp; Tehsil - Murbad, District - Thane</b>			
a.	Existing beneficiaries	2	4568	201
b.	New beneficiaries		1595	72
<b>Sub Total (iii)</b>			<b>6163</b>	<b>273</b>
<b>Grand Total (i + ii+iii)</b>			<b>45710</b>	<b>809</b>

# Highlights 2023 – 24

## Reach:

Division Jagruti reached out to 45710 community members directly and 228550 lives indirectly through its three verticals across 809 villages.

- **Livelihood & Skill Development Centers:** 3058 people across 383 villages.
- **Healthcare:** 36489 patients & beneficiaries across 153 villages.
- **Environment Conservation :** 6163 farmers across 273 villages.

## Inauguration of the Livelihood and Skill Development Center, Vitthal Nagar, Karjat:

A new center was inaugurated in Vitthalnagar, Karjat City in partnership with John & Caleb O'Dowd. (USA). Air Conditioning Technician and Three-Wheeler Driving Training are two of the new courses initiated in this centre.

## Environment Conservation :

New partnerships, covering 990 farmers from 43 villages across Karjat Tehsil, Raigad District and Murbad Tehsil, Thane District were initiated with the following partners, planting 19600 fruit bearing saplings:

- **Autodesk Pvt. Ltd:** 200 farmers, 10 villages.
- **Everest Kanto Cylinder Ltd :** 300 farmers, 10 villages.
- **Blacksoil Capital:** 450 farmers, 22 villages.
- **Rallis India Ltd:** 40 farmers, 01 village.

## Water Source Project, Thombarwadi in partnership with Rajkamal Bajaj Foundation:

On 22nd April, 200 villagers of Thombarwadi were witness to a permanent solution to their 20 year long water scarcity problem. In partnership with Rajkamal Bajaj Foundation, a well was constructed at a distance of 02 kms from the village on a piece of land given by a local family. Pipelines were laid from the well to the village tank. Ms. Seema Bajaj (Rajkamal Bajaj Foundation) inaugurated the well in the presence of villagers and other dignitaries.



# Highlights 2023 – 24

## Local NGO Meet in collaboration with Universal Business School, Karjat:

Light of Life Trust hosted a group of 20 NGOs along with Prof. Brigadier GPS Cheema, Program Director, Undergraduate Programme, Universal Business School, Karjat to discuss and collaborate with all for the betterment of the communities in and around Karjat region.

## Placement of beneficiaries:

In total 3053 beneficiaries were enrolled across 08 Livelihood & Skill Development centres in this reporting year.

- No of beneficiaries who completed their training: 2989 beneficiaries

## Out of those

- Beneficiaries still pursuing their formal and higher education: 1342
- Beneficiaries with enhanced employability skill: 1647
- Beneficiaries who received good opportunities: 1290

## LOLT Production Unit:

The production units undertook work orders as under:

- Products created: 9641
- School Uniforms: 2834 uniforms were stitched by 66 trained women from Karjat, Nandurbar and Akola earning a total of Rs. 597345/-.
- Sale of different products: 104 beneficiaries earned Rs. 7,42,507/- from different orders in the year 2023 – 24.

## MKCL Affiliation:

- Renewal of MKCL affiliation for the computer training course in Kadav, Tiware & Borad centres.
- New affiliation received for the 1st time for Shivar Village, Akola Tehsil & District, Maharashtra State and for Ramgarh, Ramgarh Tehsil, Sikar District, Rajasthan





# Vertical: Livelihood & Skill Development

## Our Partners



## Beneficiary Overview 2023–2024:

Sr. No.	Name of the Courses	No. of Beneficiaries					
		Maharashtra					Rajasthan
		Karjat	Murbad	Nandurbar	Mumbai	Akola	Ramgarh
1	Sewing & Tailoring Training	202	120	120	92	120	35
2	Beauticare Training	94	100	77	31	106	NA
3	Computer Training	1036	80	53	NA	114	50
4	Jewellery Training & Short Term Courses	32	60	NA	51	80	NA
5	Bike Repairing Training	20	20	NA	NA	20	NA
6	Agriculture Trainings	111	100	NA	NA	NA	NA
7	AC Technician Training	16	NA	NA	NA	20	NA
8	Three Wheeler Driving Training	21	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
9	Plumbing Technician Training	NA	20	NA	NA	NA	NA
10	Welding Technician Training	NA	NA	NA	NA	40	NA
11	Study Centre	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	17
<b>Total</b>		<b>1532</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>102</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>3058</b>					



# Highlights 2023 – 24

## Reach:

In total 3058 beneficiaries availed the benefit of learning new skills through the different courses.

## Awards & Recognition:

LOLT received an award from Maharashtra Knowledge Corporation Limited (MKCL) as the Best Institute in Placement Services for MKCL Learners at its Livelihood & Skill Development Centre, Shivar, Akola Tehsil & District. The award was received by the LOLT team from Mrs. Veena Kamat, Managing Director and Appellate Authority (Under RTI), Maharashtra Knowledge Corporation Limited (MKCL).

## MKCL Affiliation received for 02 Centers:

In this year affiliation was received for running MSCIT & RSCIT courses in at the Livelihood & Skill Development Centers in Shivar, Akola Tehsil & District and Ramgarh, Ramgarh Tehsil, Sikar District, Rajasthan

## Inauguration of a new Center – Vitthalnagar, Karjat Tehsil, Raigad District, Maharashtra State:

The Livelihood & Skill Development Centre at Vitthalnagar, Karjat Tehsil, was inaugurated by Light of Life Trust in collaboration with John & Caleb O'Dowd (USA). Air Conditioning Technician and Three-Wheeler Driving Training were the 02 new courses offered at this centre.

## Maharashtra Olympiad Movement Programme:

MKCL organized the Maharashtra Olympiad Movement exam for students from Std 5 to 9. In total 40 students registered for the exam and were provided 10 days of computer practice by the LOLT before administering the exam.

## Production Unit & Marketing:

- Production units have been created at each center level – a total of 104 women are actively involved in different types of product making.
- In total 9641 products ranging from Warli printed Cloth Bags, Diya, Jute Bags, Vegetable Bags, Tiffin Bags, Purses, Mobile Pouches, Designer Handbags, different types of Jewellery, Patchwork shirts, Bamboo products, to T-shirts were created.

## Celebration of International Women's Day:

- This day was celebrated at various locations across the centers in the month of March 2024 as under:
- The LOLT Karjat & Nandurbar Tehsil team organised a special session for the women across all training courses on 'Motivation'.
- On 8th March 2024, the LOLT Healthcare Team, Karjat Tehsil, celebrated Women's Day in Donewadi village for the women at Beauticare Course (satellite batch) through a menstruation awareness programme.
- On 20th March 2024, in collaboration with Rallis India Pvt. Ltd., Akola, the LOLT team celebrated Women's Day at the Livelihood & Skill Development Centre, Akola. In total, 317 women beneficiaries participated in the various activities held during the celebration. In addition, 25 women entrepreneurs were felicitated to acknowledge their efforts towards turning into successful entrepreneurs after undergoing training at the centre.
- On 29th March 2024, in collaboration with Rallis India Private Limited, Women's Day was celebrated at the Dhasai Center, Murbad Tehsil, Thane District. Numerous activities were conducted with the 290 beneficiaries present at the programme. In addition 25 female entrepreneurs were recognized and felicitated for their dedication towards becoming independent.

## Third Party Assessment:

A third-party assessment was undertaken by Nusocia Impact Assessment Agency, for the work undertaken at the Livelihood & Skill Development Center, Dhasai village, Murbad Tehsil, Thane District in partnership with Rallis India Ltd. This assessment, covered the financial years 2019 to 2022.

## Distribution of Set – Up Kits:

In collaboration with Wodehouse Capital Advisors Private Ltd., a total of 32 Beauticare & Tailoring Set-up kits were distributed to those beneficiaries showing a keen interest in starting their own entrepreneurship venture from the Tiware, Kashele and Dhasai centres.

# Stories of Change



**Name of Beneficiary: Amit Ashok Barshi**  
**Village & Tehsil: Humgaon, Karjat**  
**Employment Status: Employed**  
**Course: MSCIT Computer Course**  
**Designation & Organization: Executive – Chola Mandlam Finance**  
**Income: ₹ 16,500/- per month**

Amit, a 25-year-old man has completed his graduation and is living with his parents & younger brother. His father is the only earning member struggling to provide educational support to both the boys. As the eldest child, the expectations from Amit have been high and he too feels a strong responsibility. To enhance his skills Amit pursued the MSCIT course at LOLT's Kadav center and acquired good skills. On completion Amit has secured a position as an Executive in the credit department of a finance company in Khopoli. He has become a major support to his family.

**Name of Beneficiary: Nilam Ganesh Bhala**  
**Village & Tehsil: Kamtapada, Murbad**  
**Course: Sewing & Tailoring**  
**Employment Status: Self Employed**  
**Income: ₹ 12,000/- per month**

Despite there being no guarantee that Nilam would be able to pay her fees, she was determined to pursue & complete her training. She undertook daily wage work to pay for the course and attended the classes with her child as there was no one to take care of her. Despite all challenges, post training, she bought an old machine and started on her own. Due to her product finishing & punctuality her clients increased and her husband too began to help her. Today they jointly earn upto ₹ 12,000/- per month. They extensively advertise their business through WhatsApp, and word of mouth publicity.



**Name of Beneficiary: Sonali Laxman Ughada**  
**Village & Tehsil: Borwadi, Karjat**  
**Course: Sewing & Tailoring**  
**Employment Status: Self-employed**  
**Income: ₹ 9,000/- per month**

Sonali belongs to a family of 12 of whom only 02 are earning, making it difficult for the family to make ends meet expenses. She enrolled for the course as she needed to earn to raise her daughter well. With great difficulty she managed to complete her training and post it she struggled to acquire a sewing machine to start her work. In the initial days she came to the LOLT center to sew the orders she received. Looking at her determination, LOLT provided her the entire set up kit and she started taking orders for sewing clothes at home, specializing in sewing sari blouses.



**Name of Beneficiary: Kiran Janorkar**  
**Village & Tehsil: Shivar, Akola**  
**Course: Computer (Tally)**  
**Employment Status: Employed**  
**Designation & Organization: Computer Operator ; Nexa**  
**Income: ₹ 9,000/- per month**

Kiran lives with her in laws, husband, and twin children. Her husband works at MIDC, Akola. Kiran is well educated and enrolled for the Advanced Excel course at the center. During her training she found a data entry job. A huge change from when she did not step out of her home to beginning to earn & educate herself at the same time. She completed the course and applied for a vacant position at the Nexa showroom, Shivar. She currently works as Computer Operator at the showroom.





# Vertical: Healthcare

## Our Partners



## Statistical Overview for the Year 2023 – 2024:

Sr. No.	Location	No. covered		No. of Villages Covered
		No of Patients	No. of Beneficiaries	
1	MMU - Karjat	7077	5200	64
2	MMU - Murbad	8085	2279	35
3	MMU - Nandurbar	4637	3518	28
4	MMU - Dapoli	4637	650	26
<b>Total</b>		<b>24842</b>	<b>11647</b>	<b>153</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>36489</b>		

## Programme Overview for the Year 2023–2024:

Programme Overview					
Sr. No.	Activity Conducted	No. of Beneficiaries			
		Karjat	Murbad	Nandurbar	Dapoli
1	Health Camps	3247	6689	4038	4648
2	Screening Health Camps, Follow-ups & Treatment	3830	1396	599	395
3	Awareness Sessions	2687	2114	3498	650
4	Online Awareness Sessions	1749	143	20	NA
5	Distribution of Sanitary Napkins, First Aid boxes	764	22	NA	NA
<b>Total</b>		<b>12277</b>	<b>10364</b>	<b>8155</b>	<b>5693</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>36489</b>			

## Medical treatment provided in the year 2023–2024:

Sr. No.	Type of Treatment	No. of Beneficiaries				Supporting Organization
		Karjat	Murbad	Nandurbar	Dapoli	
1	Eye Treatments (Cataract surgery)	2	132	0	0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>R. J. Sankara Eye Hospital, Navi Mumbai &amp; Panvel</li> <li>Nair Super Specialty Eye Hospital, Navi Mumbai</li> <li>Shree Samartha Krupa Optical, Dhasai</li> <li>Yerala Medical Trust Dental College &amp; Hospital, Kharghar</li> <li>Infigo Eye Care Hospital, Rural Hospital, Akkalkuwa, Khed, Ratnagiri</li> <li>Yogita Dental College &amp; Hospital, Khed</li> <li>Maha Labs, Karjat, Akkalkuwa, Dapoli, Murbad</li> <li>Primary Healthcare Center, Moroshi</li> </ul>
2	Refractive Error	26	25	0	0	
3	Dental treatment	192	0	0	0	
4	Eye Screening camp	953	916	380	60	
5	Dental Screening camp	1359	23	105	118	
6	Hemoglobin screening camp	351	100	52	38	
7	NCD Screening camp	130	30	0	0	
8	Other (TT injection, HTN, etc.)	3	5	0	0	
<b>Total</b>		<b>3016</b>	<b>1231</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>216</b>	
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>5000</b>				

# Highlights 2023 – 24

## Reach:

Healthcare services through the Medical Mobile Units were provided to the villages in Karjat Tehsil, Raigad District; Murbad Tehsil, Thane District; Akkalkuwa Tehsil, Nandurbar District & Dapoli Tehsil, Ratnagiri District covering a total population of 36489 patients / beneficiaries across 153 villages through medical health camps, health related awareness sessions, special screening camps, referrals & follow ups.

## Swachh Bharat Abhiyan Activities:

A baby step was taken towards India's Swachh Bharat Abhiyan through the following initiatives by the LOLT Healthcare team in Murbad Tehsil, Thane District:

- **Cleanliness Campaign in and around LOLT Livelihood & Skill Development Center, Dhasai:** The premises behind the LOLT Livelihood & Skill Development Center was in an unhygienic state as the shopkeepers in the building carelessly and continuously threw waste material in the open area behind the building which had accumulated into overflowing garbage, where people had started urinating as well. All the shopkeepers were sensitized about cleanliness, hygiene & proper disposal of waste through one-to-one individual counselling & display of appropriate posters emphasizing the need and importance of cleanliness & hygiene. The building owner also followed up with them regarding the same and made the efforts to stack the garbage in one area & burn the collected garbage.

- **Campaign in Valihvare village, Murbad:** This campaign focussed on the Ashram & Zilla Parishad school students & teachers, key personnel & villagers. An audio-visual presentation along with videos on cleanliness and waste management were shown to students, posters with various slogans in Marathi were pasted in the schools & village as an awareness exercise and a rally was organized with the villagers, students and teachers where slogans creating awareness on cleanliness were recited by the participants.
- A village cleanliness drive was also organized along with the students, teachers and villagers and the rally ended with a discussion regarding waste management & way forward with the participants.
- **Distribution of the Swachh Bharat Kit in selected Zilla Parishad schools and the Dhasai Gram Panchayat office:** A kit containing Phenyl Jar (5 litres), small dustbin, bucket mop, broom, plastic broom, toilet cleaning brush was distributed to the teacher representatives of the zilla parishad schools. The Ashram school, Valihvare was provided with two big dustbins for dry & wet waste and the Dhasai Gram Panchayat was distributed 10 big dustbins, 5 green (for dry waste), 5 blue (for wet waste).

## Distribution of sanitary Napkins:

In collaboration with the Altry Foundation & Mount Litera School, 625 girls participated in an awareness session on menstrual hygiene followed by distribution of sanitary napkins.



# Stories of Change



**Name of Patient: Mrs. Sumanbai Bhau Khapare**  
**Village & Tehsil: Khedale, Murbad**  
**Treatment: Right Eye cataract**

Sumanbai is 76 years old living with her family comprising of her husband, son, daughter-in-law, two sons & two daughters. She had visited one of the LOLT Health check-up camps for treatment of headache & pain in the right eye. She was informed of the upcoming Eye Screening Camp being organized by LOLT in Dhasai village. She complained of itching, redness of right eye, headache & history of injury to left eye more than 02 years ago. The patient was absolutely dependent on the right eye as left eye had stopped functioning due to injury and neglect. The blurry vision, redness, headache was due to cataract and after all her documents were checked, urine & blood tests done she underwent cataract surgery on 27th February 2024. Post operative medicines (eye drops) & spectacles were provided free of cost. She is now able to see clearly with her right eye – her only source of vision.

**Name of Patient: Mast. Yogesh Shailesh Nam**  
**Village & Tehsil: Valivhare, Murbad**  
**Treatment: Fungal Infection**

On 13th July 2023, the LOLT healthcare team undertook a health check up camp in the Valhivare village ashram school. Yogesh, a 10 year old student complained of itching on his hands and legs since the last 15 days. LOLT Medical officer examined him and gave him treatment of Clotrimazole cream, Syp. Cetirizine(1.5ml) once a day and multivitamin syrup (BD, 2.5ml). During the next visit Yogesh showed improvements in his symptoms. The teaching staff expressed their gratitude since the child had been greatly relieved of the itchiness.



**Name of Patient: Mast. Aryan Ganpat Mukane**  
**Village & Tehsil: Mulgaonwadi, Karjat**  
**Treatment: Referred for TT injection after injury**

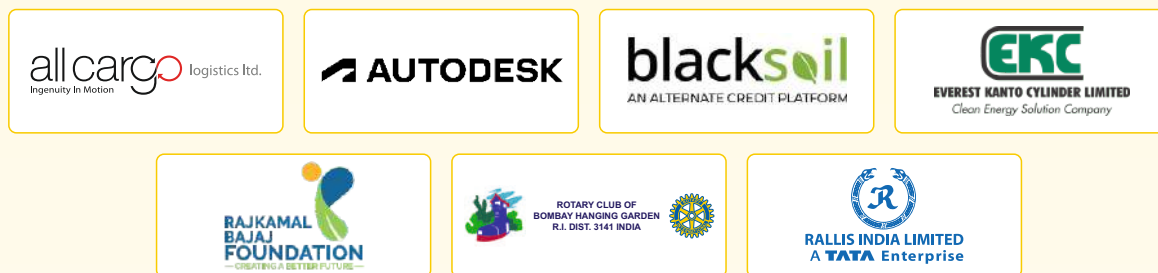
Aryan complained about his injury by a glass piece on his left foot to the LOLT Healthcare Medical Officer during a health camp organized at his school on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2023. His family consists of six members including his parents, grandmother, sister & brother. His father is a daily wage worker. On examination dressing was done, medicines were provided for the pain & swelling, and his mother was counseled get him a TT injection within the next 24 hours. He was taken to the nearby PHC the next day. His injury healed well. His family & school teachers were made aware about the importance of TT injection.



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# Vertical: Environment Conservation

## Our Partners



## Beneficiary Overview 2023–2024:

Year	Particulars	No. of Beneficiaries	No of Villages	No Of Plants
2023 - 24	Existing Beneficiaries	4568	201	216847
	New Beneficiaries	1595	72	49600
<b>Total</b>		<b>6163</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>266447</b>

## Programme Overview:

Sr. No	Name of Programme	No. of Beneficiaries	No. of Villages	Total Beneficiaries	Total Villages
1	<b>With Existing Farmers</b>				
	Mango Fruit Survey	199	34	4568	201
	Farmers Plot follow up	4568	201		
2	<b>With New Farmers</b>				
	World Environment Day	30	2	1595	72
	Vegetable Cultivation Training	111	5		
	Water Wheels	570	30		
	Home Based Solar	74	10		
	12 Module Training	1595	72		
	Universal AI University MBA Students SMART Project	97	67		
<b>Total</b>		<b>7244</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>6163</b>	<b>273</b>

## Plant Live Rate & Area under Plantation

Sr. No.	Partner Organization	No of Farmers	No. of Plants	Live Plants	Area Under Plantation /Acre	Live Rate Percentage
1	All Cargo Logistics	600	30000	23455	147	78.18
2	Autodesk Pvt. Ltd.	200	4000	3304	26.6	82.60
3	Everest Kanto Cylinder	300	6000	5239	36.8	87.31
4	Blacksoil Capital	450	9000	8701	67.68	96.67
5	Rallis India Dhasai	45	600	582	4.81	97
<b>Total</b>		<b>1595</b>	<b>49600</b>	<b>41281</b>	<b>282.9</b>	<b>83.22</b>

# Highlights 2023 – 24

## Reach:

In this year the vertical reached out to a total of 1595 new farmers across 72 villages from Karjat & Khalapur Tehsils, Raigad District & Murbad Tehsil, Thane District planting 49600 fruit bearing saplings.

## Inauguration of the Water Source Project – Thombarewadi, Karjat Tehsil:

On 22nd April 2023, 200 villagers of Thombarewadi were witness to a permanent solution to their scarcity of water problem faced by them over 20 years. In partnership with Rajkamal Bajaj Foundation a well was constructed at a distance of 2 kms from their village on a piece of land given by a local family where there is a perennial water spring. Pipelines were laid from the well to the village tank. Ms. Seema Bajaj (Rajkamal Bajaj Foundation) inaugurated the project making in the presence of the villagers and other dignitaries.

## Mango Festival @Allcargo Logistics Ltd:

Farmers under the LOLT Environment Conservation vertical participated in the Mango Festival held on 18th May 2023 at the Allcargo Logistics Ltd head office in Kalina, Mumbai where the quality of their produce was admired by all and all the fruits were instantly sold out.

## Farmers Mango Fruit Production:

In this year 1453 dozen fruits were harvested by the 199 farmers supported by Allcargo Logistics Ltd over the years. During the season 672 dozen fruits were sold by the farmers earning a cumulative amount of ₹ 2,01,600/- in this season.

## World Environment Day:

LOLT Environment Conservation Vertical team celebrated World Environment Day on 5th June 2023 at Village Chinchmal near Borgaon Dam with the plantation of 30 fruit bearing saplings along with the farmers and conducting a session on the importance of environment conservation for the farmers.

## Water Wheels Distribution:

With the support of the Rotary Club of Bombay Hanging Garden, the LOLT team distributed water wheels to 570 farmers across 30 villages facilitating efficient water management and agricultural practices amongst the farmers.

## Home Based Solar Distribution:

74 houses in 10 villages faced severe electricity problems and the families were relieved of this pressure with the distribution of Home-Based Solar panels with support from the Rotary Club of Bombay Hanging Garden.

## Exposure visit:

The LOLT Environment Conservation Team visited the Dr. Balasaheb Sawant Konkan Krishi Agricultural University, Dapoli - Agriculture Department, Cashew processing unit and have a closer look at the special breeds of Goats and different breeds of Gavran Chickens reared by the university.



# Stories of Change



**Name of Farmer: Ashok Yashwant Wagh**  
**Village & Tehsil: Borichiwadi, Karjat**

Ashok lives with his small family comprising of his wife, parents, and one child. In 2019, he received 50 fruit trees and diligently followed the LOLT team's guidance to nurture them effectively, achieving a 100% success rate. He also availed of a government scheme for additional 100 fruit trees and has successfully nurtured 150 fruit trees over the years. He faced challenges concerning watering of the trees and approached the Panchayat Samiti and under a government scheme constructed a well enabling him to adequately irrigate the trees. His mango trees yielded 20 dozen mangoes last year, and production of guava and cashew has commenced. He sold all the fruits generating an income of approximately ₹ 8,500/- last season.

**Name of Farmer: Harishchandra Govind Iste**  
**Village & Tehsil: Iste - Jambhulwad, Karjat**

Harishchandra supports his family through various farming activities. In June 2023, he received 20 fruit bearing saplings and participated actively in the trainings organized. He successfully nurtured the saplings under the guidance of the LOLT team and further availed himself of 100 mango saplings through a government scheme, totally nurturing a total of 120 trees. Under guidance, he fenced his trees with barbed wire and obtained approval from the government to create a farm lake for watering the trees. In this lake, he is rearing two types of fish as an additional source of income. He is also producing vermicompost and has ventured into mushroom cultivation and goat farming.



**Name of Farmer: Mrs. Manisha Bhagwan Pardhi**  
**Village & Tehsil: Iste - Margachiwadi, Karjat**

Manisha is an educated woman farmer who received 20 fruit bearing saplings and planted them on 3 different plots of land belonging to her father-in-law. Before receiving the saplings, Manisha used to spend her free time at home. However, since receiving the saplings, she has been actively engaged in caring for them. During her spare time, she has fenced her plots well, provided soil support for each sapling, and covered every sapling with grass. Manisha raised concerns about where and how to obtain water for her saplings during the regular visit of the LOLT team. She was provided a water wheel to fetch water and was advised to wash all her dishes in the plots so that the wastewater could provide water to the plants. She also dug a pit on one of her plots to store water. Despite the hot sun, Manisha's fruit bearing saplings have remained green and are thriving making her very content about her efforts.



**Name of Farmer: Pandurang Shankar Zugare**  
**Village & Tehsil: Padirwadi, Karjat**

Pandurang's primary occupation is farming supplemented by daily wage labour work. He has actively participated in all the trainings held under the programme, as his aim is to increase his income through agriculture. He was provided 20 fruit bearing saplings for plantation and was also provided a water wheel, recognizing the challenges posed by distant water sources. He participated in a vegetable cultivation training program and he planted two acres of vegetables during the monsoon season. His cultivation included vegetables such as brinjal, chili, bitter gourds, and ridge gourds. He personally sold these vegetables by sitting on the streets, generating an income of approximately ₹ 60,000/- to 65,000/- in the season. He is full of gratitude for the significant rise in his income through vegetable cultivation, which has contributed to his positive progress in life.







# Resource Mobilization

Partnerships with new donors and supporters were formed in this year enabling LOLT to expand its reach & areas of operations. The new partnerships were as under:



# Events

## Light of Life Trust @ the Tata Mumbai Marathon 2024:

On 21st January 2024, Light of Life Trust participated in the Tata Mumbai Marathon, with 935 employees across 07 corporate partners running for the cause. In addition, 100 LOLT team members, and 12 charity bib runners participated in the marathon.

- LOLT Founder & Managing Trustee Ms. Villy Doctor was felicitated with the Change Legend Award and received the '4th Highest Fundraising Award' for her exemplary efforts in fundraising for Light of Life Trust, at the Charity Nite Event organized by Procam International Pvt Ltd.
- LOLT was felicitated as the 3rd highest fundraising NGO in the education sector.
- LOLT beneficiaries, Mr. Viki Kavankar and Mr. Dhiraj Patil, achieved 1st & 3rd place in the 10 kms race.

## Light of Life Trust, 2nd International Virtual Marathon 2023 – I Run They Learn:

- The LOLT 2nd International Virtual Marathon was successfully organized from 13th to 15th August 2023. The physical run was flagged off on 13th August 2023 in Karjat, Karjat Tehsil, Raigad District, by LOLT Founder & Managing Trustee Ms. Villy Doctor, Founder and the Hon. Mayor of Karjat, Mrs. Suvarna Joshi. Besides the physical run, participants from across all LOLT areas of operation in India, and runners overseas joined this Virtual Marathon to support the cause of education.

## Javed Ali, Live in Concert Ali:

Light of Life Trust organized a fundraising musical event, "Javed Ali, Live in Concert," on Friday, 3rd November 2023, at Tata Theatre, NCPA, Mumbai, in aid of their Palliative Care Division Aangan. The event started with a spectacular performance by LOLT – FTI's Anant students and was followed by a fantastic display of talent by the versatile musician Javed Ali.

## Distribution of wristwatches to student of Std X & XII:

A total of 245 wristwatches were distributed to HSC & SSC students from 02 schools - Shree Sarasvati Vidyalaya & S.K. Kapadia Vidyalay, Kukurmunda Tehsil, Tapi District, Gujarat, of which 133 were girls and 112 were boys. This distribution was possible due to an employee contribution programme undertaken by one of LOLT's corporate partners.

## Inauguration of the water source project at Thombarwadi village, Karjat Tehsil, Raigad District:

On 22nd April, 200 villagers from Thombarwadi were witness to a permanent solution to their 20-year long water scarcity problem. In partnership with Rajkamal Bajaj Foundation, the LOLT Environment Conservation team constructed a well at a distance of 02 kms from the village on a piece of land given by a local family where there is a perennial water spring. Pipelines were laid from the well to the village tank to ensure water supply to the villagers without them having to walk many kms multiple times in a day to collect water. Ms. Seema Bajaj, Founder - Rajkamal Bajaj Foundation along with senior LOLT representatives inaugurated the project along with the villagers.



## Events

### **Inauguration of the newly constructed Science Room & Laboratory at the Shri Sant Laxman Maharaj Mandir School, Kaudgaon, Ahmednagar District in association with Hoganias India Pvt. Limited:**

On 28th July 2023, a newly constructed and well-equipped Science Room was inaugurated at the Shri Sant Laxman Maharaj Mandir School, Kaudgaon, in the presence of Mr. Vinay Shinde (Director HR & Communication, Hoganias India Pvt. Ltd.), Mr. Abhishek Kolpek (Manager HR and Admin, Hoganias India Pvt. Ltd.), Mr. Shailendra Khaladkar (Manager HR and Admin, Hoganias India Pvt. Ltd.), and other dignitaries from the school and neighbouring villages.

This Science Lab will provide students with the opportunity to gain practical knowledge through science experiments, filling a crucial gap in their education.

### **Inauguration of the infrastructure set up at the Swami Vivekanand Madhyamik Vidyalaya, Gaurkamat, in collaboration with Visible Alpha Solutions India Private Limited:**

Visible Alpha Solutions India Private Limited, provided full infrastructure support to the Swami Vivekanand Madhyamik Vidyalaya, Gaurkamat, Karjat Tehsil, Raigad District which included Solar Electrification of the school, Science Laboratory, Book Library, Desk & Benches, and refurbished toilets. An inauguration programme was held on 28th March 2024 in the presence of Ms. Padma Priya Saraswatula, EVP & GM - Head of Data & Head of India at Visible Alpha, Mr. Arul Balakumaravel,

VP Operations at Visible Alpha, Ms. Seema Jaswani, Director - Head of Administration, Procurement, CSR & Employee Engagement at Visible Alpha, and other local dignitaries.

LOLT CEO Mr. Ramesh Daswani, was also present for this programme along with school officials, parents, students, and the LOLT team. All school officials expressed gratitude for the timely support provided to ensure the school students would be able to pursue their education in a amiable environment.

### **Inauguration of the SMART Schools in partnership with HDFC Bank Parivartan:**

Under the HDFC Bank Parivartan – SMART School Programme, LOLT provided key infrastructure support to 17 secondary schools across Raigad, Nandurbar, Jalna, Washim, Akola, and Yavatmal Districts in Maharashtra State. The programme focused on equipping these schools with science and math laboratories, book libraries, digital class rooms, toilet facilities, and drinking water facilities.

The Smart School programme was inaugurated on 11th March 2024 at Jijamata Secondary & Higher Secondary Vidyalaya, Bhatepuri, Jalna District, and Dnyanganga Vidya Mandir, Badapur, Jalna District in the presence of Mr. Sandip Macha (Branch Manager, HDFC Jalna), Mr. Kumar Kukdena (Senior Officer, HDFC), Mr. Dnyaneshwar Marate (Senior Officer, HDFC), Mr. Pavan Dongare (HDFC Manager - Corporate Social Responsibility), Mr. Ramesh Daswani (CEO – LOLT), and school authorities.



# Young Mentor Programme

## Volunteer students - SCF4K (Share & Care Foundation for Kids):

Six members from SCF4K volunteered at LOLT's Worli Centre from 26th to 30th June where they interacted with the students and taught them effective modern-day skills like working on Google Docs and making effective PowerPoint presentations.

## ITM – Kharghar, Navi Mumbai student volunteers:

Five students from ITM – Kharghar, Navi Mumbai volunteered for 100 hours with Light of Life Trust and during that period they created a database of probable donors across various industries, PSUs and government schemes. They also visited the Anando Centre in Worli and the Livelihood & Skill Development Centre in Cuffe Parade to get a deeper understanding about the work done by LOLT and at the same time interact with the beneficiaries.

## The Cathedral and John Cannon School students – CAS Activity:

The students conducted interactive personality development sessions with the students at the Worli Center under their CAS Activity Programme throughout the year.

## Celebration of World Menstrual Hygiene Day:

On 29th & 30th May 2023, LOLT's Healthcare Karjat team, in association with Lloyds Infinite Foundation, celebrated World Menstrual Hygiene Day. The sessions, held in Marathi, English, and Hindi, covered employees and their families. The event concluded with the distribution of sanitary napkins. Mr. Madhur Gupta and Mrs. Tulsi Gupta, Directors, Lloyds Infinite Foundation, attended the programme.

## Red Dot Foundation - Training session for Anando Plus students:

Light of Life Trust in collaboration with Red Dot Foundation – Safecity, organized a training session titled 'Stand-Up against Street Harassment' for the Anando Plus students in Karjat Tehsil, Raigad District. Ms. Pragati Vaishya, Programme and Outreach Officer, Red Dot Foundation - Safecity conducted the session with the students.

## Hill Spring International School students – CAS Activity:

The students conducted English Speaking & Science Sessions with the students of Worli center under their CAS Activity Programme.



# Awards & Certifications



## **Mahatma Award 2023:**

Ms. Villy Doctor, Founder & Managing Trustee, Light of Life Trust, was honoured with the prestigious 'Mahatma Award for Leadership in Social Responsibility, Social Good, and Impact 2023' on September 30, 2023, at a ceremony held at the India International Centre, Lodhi Road, New Delhi. The Mahatma Award recognizes and celebrates global impact leaders and changemakers who are making significant social impact and contributing to a more sustainable future.



## **Light of Life Trust receives award from Maharashtra Knowledge Corporation Limited:**

At the annual regional meeting organized by MKCL in Amravati, 700 individuals representing computer institutes from Amravati, Akola, Buldhana, Washim, and Yavatmal Districts participated. Light of Life Trust's Livelihood & Skill Development Centre, Shivar, Akola District, received the award for Best Institute in Placement Services for MKCL Learners from Mrs. Veena Kamat, Managing Director and Appellate Authority (Under RTI), Maharashtra Knowledge Corporation Limited (MKCL).



## **Light of Life Trust receives the Runners Up Award at the HDFC Parivartan Excellence Award in Education:**

On 14th February 2024, HDFC Bank hosted the first edition of its HDFC Parivartan Excellence Awards at the ITC Grand Central, Parel, Mumbai. HDFC Bank, through its CSR wing 'HDFC Bank Parivartan', supports over 250 NGOs. A total of 110 NGOs applied for the awards, and 16 NGOs were shortlisted across four categories after a rigorous screening process by Ernst & Young. Light of Life Trust won the runner-up award in the 'Innovator in Education' category for its Vertical Anando, supported by HDFC Bank Parivartan in Yavatmal District's two centres (Kali and Warud). The award was received by Mr. Ramesh Daswani, CEO, LOLT, Ms. Sheela Iyer, Head, Resource Mobilization, LOLT, and Mr. Harpal Singh Kamal, Manager, Resource Mobilization, LOLT.

## Intern Speak



### **Ms. Sanskriti Sahni, K.J. Somaiya College of Arts and Commerce**

I worked at LOLT as a summer intern. For a fresher like me, this was a life-changing event. For me, it was a nurturing atmosphere. Everyone there was incredibly nice and helpful to newcomers. The guidance I received from Kamal Ma'am has been important to me; she was quite patient with me. I had the chance to experience a range of work. I leave feeling incredibly grateful for the priceless learning opportunities, the connections made, and the long-lasting effects of our contributions to LOLT's activities.



### **Ishita Dev, NMIMS School of Design**

Hello, I'm Ishita Dev, a 3rd-year student at NMIMS School of Design. In 2023, I interned at Light of Life Trust for two months. They were proactive in recruiting me and provided thorough briefings before my start. The team welcomed me warmly, fostering a supportive environment that encouraged productivity and collaboration. I gained valuable experience in client-oriented design processes and received constructive feedback that helped me grow as a designer. Overall, Light of Life Trust showed professionalism, empathy, and a genuine passion for community impact.

## Donor Speak



**Mr. Moiz Rajkotwala, Director – United Office Systems Pvt Ltd**

'We' ve been associated with Light of Life Trust for over a decade and admire their empowering work for children in rural communities. Their innovative programs, especially integrating sports, have made a profound impact on countless young lives. I've seen firsthand how sports can address crucial issues like health, education, and social inclusion. Their dedication to making learning enjoyable through engaging activities has captured children's attention and imparted essential knowledge. Keep up the good work; I'm confident it will continue to make a positive difference in their lives. God bless, and here's to a brighter future for rural youth'.



**Dipika Porecha, Director, M/s Porecha Global Securities Pvt. Ltd**

I strongly support the mission of LOLT to Educate and Empower rural India. They have transformed the lives of many families with their efforts and given them a bright future. With the support of LOLT, we aim towards a brighter India.



**Atul Goel, C.E.O – E-city Real Estate Private Limited.**

'I am truly grateful for the transformative impact that Light of Life Trust has had on countless lives. Their unwavering commitment to education and holistic development is commendable. Through their dedicated efforts, they are not just illuminating minds but also nurturing a brighter future for the underprivileged. Proud to support an NGO that embodies compassion and empowers communities. Thank you, Light of Life Trust for being a beacon of hope and positive change'.

# Partner Visits

## **Bajaj Holdings and Investment Limited:**

On 8th June 2023, Mr. Kurush Irani, President - Bajaj Finance Ltd & Group Head CSR - Bajaj Finserv, along with CSR team members from Bajaj Finance Ltd, visited the Light of Life Trust centre in Karjat. They interacted with Anando Plus students and their parents, conducted home visits, and visited the Optical Store started by LOLT's Anando beneficiary, Ms. Shubhangi More. Parents and beneficiaries expressed gratitude for the support provided by Bajaj Holdings and Investments Limited over the years.

## **Bajaj Finserv CSR team:**

On 20th December 2023, Ms Leena Rajan, Deputy National Lead - CSR, Ms Sarika Harke, Deputy Manager - CSR, Ujwala Patil Assistant Manager - CSR from the Bajaj Finserv, CSR team visited Light of Life Trust's Head Office at Mumbai for a six monthly programme and financial review.

## **Wodehouse Capital Advisors Private Ltd. - Distribution of Beautician & Tailoring Set-up Kits:**

The Wodehouse Capital Advisors Private Ltd. Team distributed 32 Beautician & Tailoring Set-up kits to beneficiaries from Tiwre, Kashele, and Dhasai centres under LOLT's Livelihood and Skill Development vertical.

Mr. Manmohan Tiwana (Managing Director & CEO) and 12 team members from Wodehouse Capital Advisors Private Ltd. were present during this distribution.

## **DL Shah Trust:**

On 22nd August 2023, the CEO of DL Shah Trust, Mr. Khushroo Khambata, along with the Trustees Mr. H.K. Taneja, Mr. Gur Sarup, Mr. S.M. Pathania, Mr. K.K. Nohria, and Mr. Baldev Raj Arora, visited LOLT's Livelihood & Skill Development Center, Tiwre, Karjat Tehsil, Raigad District They met & interacted with Ms. Villy Doctor, Founder & Managing Trustee, LOLT; Mr. Ramesh Daswani, CEO, LOLT and Mrs. Kamal Damania, COO, LOLT, to discuss potential collaboration opportunities.

## **Auto Desk Ltd:**

Mr. Ashwin Subramaniam, representative from partner Auto Desk Limited, visited Padirwadi village, Karjat Tehsil, Raigad District on 28th November 2023 and interacted with the farmers under LOLT's Vertical - Environment Conservation. He personally inspected the farmer's plots and inquired about any further requirements from the farmers for the cultivation of the fruit bearing saplings.



# Partner Visits

## Blacksoil Capital:

On 19th January 2024, Ms Neelam Pandita, AVP - ESG and CSR, Blacksoil Capital, along with 10 employee volunteers, visited Division Jagruti's Livelihood and Skill Development Centre, Tiwara Village, Karjat Tehsil. The visiting team was given a brief orientation of LOLT and later participated in the plantation activity by planting 20 saplings at the Centre.

## Mr Ashish Arora, Managing Director of HR Anexi Pvt. Ltd. and Co-Founder of Mentoria Pvt. Ltd.:

Mr. Ashish Arora, Managing Director of HR Anexi Pvt. Ltd. and Co-Founder of Mentoria Pvt. Ltd., along with Ms. Seema Sabhlok, Principal of S. M. Shetty School Mumbai, visited the Division Anando Regional Office, Karjat with LOLT CEO Mr. Ramesh Daswani and Resource Mobilisation Head Ms. Sheela Iyer. Post team discussions, they visited the Janata Vidyamandir Prashala, Dahivali, a LOLT - ASEP school, where Mentoria Pvt. Ltd had conducted Career Assessment Tests and counseling for students. Mr. Arora also spoke to the students about Mentoria's mentoring services.

## Advanz Pharma:

On 19th & 20th February 2024, Mr. Pranav Parekh, IT Project Manager and representative from Advanz Pharma, visited three centers supported by Advanz Pharma in Bhilwara District, Rajasthan (Salawatia, Bhopatpura, and Kansya). Ms. Sheela Iyer, Head, Resource Mobilization, LOLT and the entire Anando - Rajasthan Team were present during the visit. Mr. Parekh interacted with the students, parents, school authorities, and the LOLT team to assess the effectiveness of the Anando intervention.

## Dr. Sumita Ambasta, Co-Founder, Flowering Tree Inc., USA:

On February 13, 2024, Dr. Sumita Ambasta, Co-Founder, Flowering Tree Inc., USA visited LOLT Head Office and interacted with key team members of the Anant Programme in the presence of Ms. Villy Doctor, Founder & Managing Trustee, LOLT, Mr Ramesh Daswani, CEO, LOLT and Ms. Kamal Damania, COO, LOLT.





# Light of Life Trust - IMPACT

**1628**

Villages Reached



**626312**

Transformed Lives

## DIVISION ANANDO

**217072** Beneficiaries

### Anando



Direct : **20759**

Indirect : **153006**

### Anando School Empowerment Programme



Direct : **1442**

Indirect : **41865**

## DIVISION JAGRUTI

**409240** Beneficiaries

### Livelihood & Skill Development



Direct : **18553**

Indirect : **180527**

### Environment Conservation



Farmers

Reached : **8403**

Indirect Beneficiaries : **50418**



**271745**

Fruit Bearing  
Saplings Planted



Primary Healthcare

**151339**

Patients & Beneficiaries

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