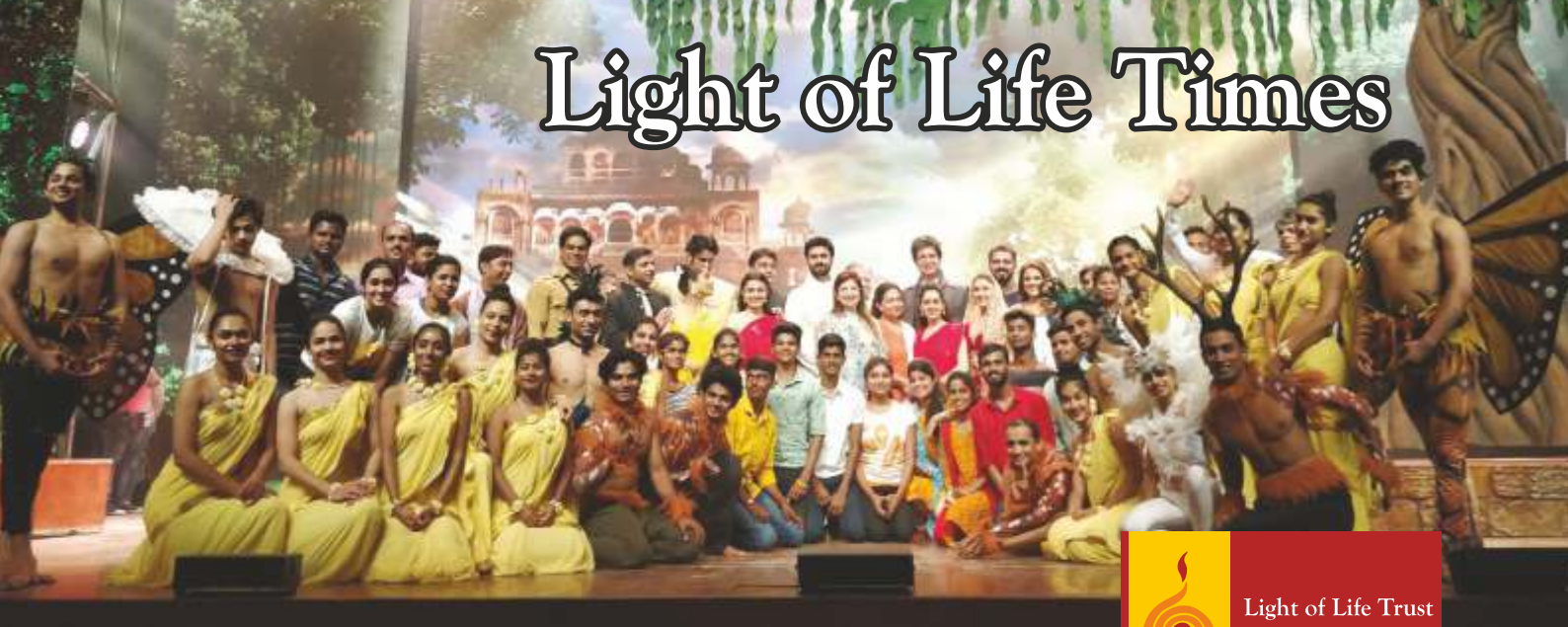


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Mr. Pradip Roy
Hon. Consultant
Light of Life Trust

"Uncanny can be certain introduction is proven by the origin of my association with LIGHT OF LIFE TRUST. In a nutshell in 2006, my friend brought three passport forms for authentication by me, because that would obviate the passport applicants the necessity of police verification for obtaining tatkal passport. I naturally enquired about the identity of the persons involved and you can well guess the answer. With this the chapter closed. But as they say, fate had other plans. Prior to my retirement, I fell unwell and increasingly interacted with the LIGHT OF LIFE TRUST's founder Chairperson. As a logical corollary, post retirement I expressed a request to my friend a desire to visit the Karjat centre to see LIGHT OF LIFE TRUST in action. Co incidentally my visit happened at a time when a team from Edelweiss were also present. We went to one of the satellite coaching centres situated right in the middle of wheat field, which appeared surreal to me at that time. But what struck me as unique was the dedication, courtesy, kindness, hospitality and service attitude displayed by the social workers of LIGHT OF LIFE TRUST accompanying us and as if by some unfathomable projection I found the children at the centre reflected a happiness and joy as if they had received a manna from heaven. Being a robotic city dweller this groundswell of cheer made a deep impression on me and slowly I learnt about the bandwidth of LIGHT OF LIFE TRUST's activities. Since then every visit to Karjat has been an exercise in ego reduction and consequent spirit upliftment. I wish I live to the day to see the inauguration of the hospice as a legacy to the city of Mumbai by the untiring efforts of our founder Chairperson and the team."

OUR BOARD

- ▶ **Ms. Villy Doctor** - Founder & Managing Trustee
- ▶ **Ms. Gayatri Ruia** - Trustee
- ▶ **Mr. Manoj Murarka** - Trustee
- ▶ **Mr. Jitendra Mehta** - Trustee
- ▶ **Mr. Punit Anand** - Trustee



Mr. Punit Anand
Trustee
Light of Life Trust

"We, as individuals are all part of a global community of 'humanity and selflessness', working towards making this a better world for all those who need a "Light" to enhance their world towards a better life.

It is an honour and privilege to be a Trustee of the Light of Life Trust, whose Founder, Villy Doctor leads projects in Rural Upliftment in India where it is needed the most.

To be a part of this movement of LOLT, to enhance the lives of Rural India is a humbling and deeply rewarding journey for me. To see lives transform through the selfless and deep dedication of it's Founder, LOLT stands out as a forerunner for a young NGO working solely towards the complete transformation of it's beneficiaries.

LOLT Vision & Mission

VISION: To transform lives of underprivileged rural communities in India.

MISSION: To break the generational cycle of poverty, one life at a time.

Over the years LOLT has impacted over **2,00,000 lives** across rural India. The initiatives span across Education, Livelihood Training, Healthcare Services & Environment Conservation through its flagship projects, Anando and Jagruti.

TATA Mumbai Marathon 2019 – Forthcoming Event



The Tata Mumbai Marathon 2019 is round the corner & like every year, LOLT founder & guiding light Villy Doctor is set to raise funds for the education of children in rural India.

Come, join our Founder & be a part of her fundraising journey at www.unitedwaymumbai.org/tm-m-fundraiser-5388

This year, you are invited to run the extra mile to support the education of these children from low-income families.



Villy Doctor

Founder & Managing Trustee
Light of Life Trust

Light of Life Trust SPARKLERS



Mahadevi Waghmare



Sagar Labade



Bhanudas Chavan



Anando student Khushboo Agrahari from the Worli centre stood first at the CCI Art Competition organised on 23rd November 2018. LOLT is proud of her!

With the support of Flowering Tree Inc., USA under the Anant Program - Be it singing or dancing, LOLT students strive to achieve their best.

- Mahadevi Waghmare currently pursuing Bachelor of Performing Arts in Bharatnatyam, participated in a Mime Acting event at the Yuva Mohtsav 2018 organized by Mumbai University and won the silver medal.
- Mr. Sagar Labade has reached the semifinals of the popular reality show, India's Got Talent!
- Bhanudas Chavan has won first prize in the Taluka Samrat singing competition organised at the District level.
- Anant students, Reeya Devlatkar, trained in singing and Neha Jadhav, trained in dancing, made it to the finals at the Alibaug Festival.



Not just the students, but their parents also make LOLT proud! Mrs. Nisha Gupta, a parent from Karjat recently began working as an Autorickshaw driver, breaking all gender stereotypes and moving towards financial stability.



Anando Plus – Community Involvement



Social awareness is the key to community development – Anando Plus students from Washim & Nandurbar districts undertook rallies in and around schools to spread awareness about the importance of education in today’s world. In Nandurbar, students also spoke about the need for good sanitation & cleanliness for good health.



Happiness doubles when you share it with someone and that is exactly what our Anando Plus students from the Taskforce Group of Karjat and Alibaug experienced this Diwali as they came together with tribal children of Adivasi Vadi in their region to have a gala time amidst fun games, music and dance. Sweets were also distributed on this occasion.

School Empowerment Programme – Success Stories



LOLT invited Mr Sirish Kini, a civil engineer, as a resource person for its career guidance program held at the Jai Jagdambe School, Khandas Village, Karjat. Looking at the abject needs of the school, he decided to give infrastructure support through his group “Third Sunday” to rebuild the toilets, compound and light fittings for the school. His group gives time to this project for the development of the school.

At the Mothijui School in Uran Taluka, the suggestion box activity introduced by LOLT worked wonders. 83 suggestions submitted by students were taken into consideration by the school authorities, of which the most notable was the decision to lay pipeline fittings in the girls’ toilet, as suggested, to make the toilets usable.

DIWALI Pahat Celebration



Anant students put up a brilliant performance at Diwali Pahat celebrations in Karjat & Alibaug regions. Not only did this provide them with another platform to showcase their talent and groom their skills, but it also brought them closer to their goals which they are now chasing with even greater dedication and passion.



Expressive Arts Therapy Program



In Jalna, an Expressive Arts Therapy program was organised in collaboration with Artscape, in which 61 students participated. Life skills and moral education was imparted to all students through tools like music movement & visual energetic activities.



EVENTS

DEVIDAS Charity Premier Show



Light of Life Trust was proud to present the Premiere Charity show of DEVIDAS, the spectacular and breath-taking theatrical held at Jamshed Bhabha Theatre, NCPA, Mumbai on 16th November 2018.

Anant students also got an opportunity on Children's Day to visit the rehearsal of DEVIDAS wherein they interacted with the famous actors and crew of DEVIDAS and also witnessed the beauty of stage theatre at NCPA, Mumbai.

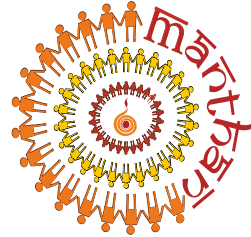
Bicycle Distribution



Bicycle distribution to the winners of our Rangotsav 2018 Art Competition

MANTHAN-16 – Developing Leaders for Expansion

The annual Light of Life Trust team summit for review, reflection, and capacity-building was held from 27th to 29th November 2018. Over the span of three days, different teams at LIGHT OF LIFE TRUST presented annual project and programme reviews, and deliberated over the expansion plans for the upcoming year which will now be consolidated into actionable next steps.



**“Let there be Light in our Lives’
This was the Message of our Manthan.
Create Enlightened Leadership for our work!
Manthan 16 was powerfully motivating and inspiring. It was a planner's meet for 2019!!
Objectives, vision, mission and expansion plans with manpower resources required and budgets were discussed and deliberated upon. Our motivational songs composed by our social workers further enhanced the spirit of Light of Life work!! It was an amazing 3 days of churning Amrut from our sea of dedication and passion expressed by our TEAM LOLT.
And certainly we had plenty of food for thought!!
God bless you all. I am proud of our Team and the work we do truly humbles me. Love and blessings to all!!!”**

- Villy Doctor

NGO Mela at CCI Club

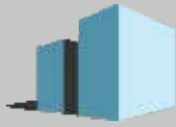


Light of Life Trust at the NGO Mela held at the esteemed CCI Club, where jewellery and other merchandise made by our beneficiaries were sold.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

New State - Rajasthan



STONE SHIPPERS®

In Partnership with Stone Shippers Ltd. LOLT expanded project Anando to three new centres of Bijolia, Makredi and Ghararda in Rajasthan reaching out to 228 children.

New District - Ahmednagar

In Partnership with Larsen & Toubro (L&T) LOLT initiated its education programme in three new centres at Lohasar, Karanji and Chichodi, and a school based programme in two schools, Pathardi Taluka, Ahmednagar District, Maharashtra reaching out to 430 children.



New Partner



LOLT has Partnered with Sar - La Education Trust to support 209 children in Alibaug & Mangaon Talukas of Raigad district, Maharashtra under Project Anando.



LOLT is happy to launch its new blog www.lightoflifetrust.home.blog/. Please do visit it to read inspiring stories about the LOLT children & the miracles they create.



LOLT has kick-started its end-of-year giving campaign in association with Global Giving to support the education of 70 children in rural India. Support us with your generous donations at www.globalgiving.org/projects/support-70-students-to-complete-their-education/ & help these children start the New Year with new dreams & hopes.

REACH ▶▶▶



Education

1,09,900



School Empowerment

13,586



Environmental Conservation

19,485



Livelihood Training

34,787



Primary Health Care Service

30,729



Visitors at Our Centres



Students of Mumbai's The Cathedral & John Connon School visited Karjat and planted 100 teak trees.

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LOLT @ Mumbai Marathon



Standard Chartered Mumbai Marathon 2016

LOLT Founder Villy Doctor debuted as an online fundraiser & became a Change Icon.



Standard Chartered Mumbai Marathon 2017

LOLT Founder Villy Doctor became the third highest Change Icon.



TATA Mumbai Marathon 2018

LOLT Founder Villy Doctor became the second highest Change Icon.

TATA Mumbai Marathon 2019

This year too, our Founder Villy Doctor is all set to support the education of an additional 1000 children from rural India.

Support her on this journey by generously donating to her campaign at:

<https://www.unitedwaymumbai.org/tmm-fundraiser-5388>

