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**Diya**  **India**  
Changing Lives

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our  
Smiles  
begin  
with  
You



# Vision & Mission



## Vision

Our vision is to propagate welfare of the underprivileged in the society with an emphasis on slum children, youth, physically and visually challenged, aged, infirm and destitute.

## Mission

- To ensure the holistic development of underprivileged children by providing them quality education, healthcare and balanced nutrition so that they can lead better life and can contribute to the society as responsible citizens.
- To guide, train and impart skill development in the youth of the country so that they can secure a job and be self-reliant.
- To provide medical services to those people who otherwise go untreated due to their economic conditions.
- To extend financial support to underprivileged children up to the age of 14 years suffering from chronic diseases.
- To enrich the lives of the aged people with care and comfort that they deserve.
- To promote a healthy society by encouraging healthy environment through tree plantations & cleanliness drives across the country.

# Chairman's Message

Dear Donors,

There is an immense happiness and pride I experience whilst addressing compassionate souls like you. It is you who have made our dreams and goals possible. In the last four years, Diya India has been able to make a significant impact on the underprivileged communities with education, health care and skill development and we would like to give the credits to the ones who made it possible, YOU.

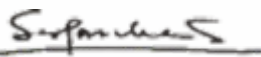
Aaliya, a 6-year-old girl who was prepared to stay at home and learn household chores today tops her class. Virat, a 5-month-old child suffering from a chronic heart disease today breathes disease-free and Sukanya who was destined to become a housewife today dreams of opening her own boutique. There are hundreds of people like Aaliya, Virat and Sukanya who are now leading better lives because of you.

As Diya India is determined with bigger goals now, your continued patronage will not only be a catalyst in our journey but will also be a big support in bringing significant change in the society.

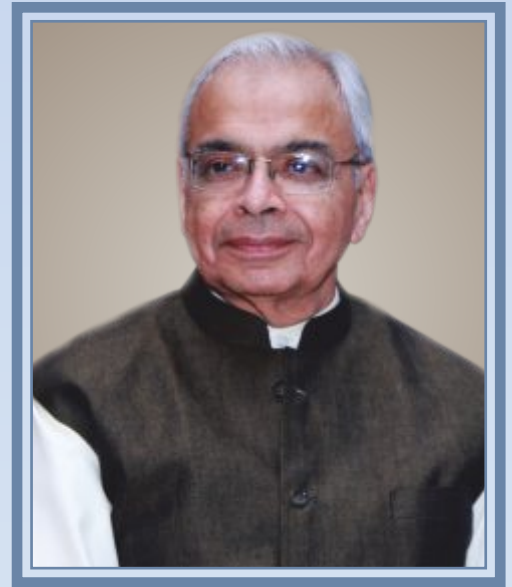
In this edition, you will be glad and feel proud to see how your gifts have brought positive changes in the life of many.

We believe in you, your energies and your kindness. You are the power of Diya India and the Real Heroes of Society.

Take a minute to celebrate yourself, because you are a real Change-Maker and we salute your spirit.



Padma Shri Dr. S.C. Manchanda,  
Senior Cardiologist, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital, New Delhi  
Chairman, Advisory Board, Diya India Foundation



*Whenever you are  
in a position to  
Help someone,  
Just do it & be Glad  
Because,  
God is answering  
Someone's Prayers  
through you.  
So don't think that  
anybody is using you  
but remember  
that you are Useful*



## Celebrating World Health Day

The significance of good health cannot be over emphasized and we do not miss any opportunity to spread awareness about the same to these growing minds. The students at Chetan Vidya Mandir learnt key health lessons and participated in activities to celebrate World Health Day and took resolutions to take care of their health.

## Going Creative, Having Fun

Our craft classes and holiday projects bring out the creative sides of the students and set their imaginations free.

Our students created some outstanding artwork which let them express themselves and think outside the box. We believe, learning is not just about academics but also about imagination and free thinking.



## In Fond Memory of Ayushi

Remembering Ayushi and her love for art and craft, we decorated our school board with paintings dedicated to her. She is the late daughter of one of our very respectable supporters. She is no longer be with us, but her memories are always present in our hearts.

## Joy of Giving

As a part of our initiative Seva, we distributed washing machines to blind people as a step to make their lives a little better. We believe that it is our duty to empower the differently abled so that they too can make the most of their lives.



## Caring for Those Who Cared for Us

Besides providing monthly financial support to the elders living in Geeta Mandir old age center, we believe that spending quality time contributes significantly to their mental and emotional well-being. Abiding by this belief, we visited the center to make friends with 20 neglected elders who call this place their home now and listened to their unheard stories. After facing the rejection from their children and relatives, they have found their solace at Geeta Mandir and have become each other's support.

We went there with new bed sheets and daily necessity items for them and came back thrilled to see the level of happiness and excitement it brought to them. At the one hand, we were dismayed to hear their stories which brought them here, away from their homes, away from their children but on the other hand, we were happy to see their liveliness and zeal for life. Post lunch as we decided to depart and say a good bye, we were overwhelmed with their blessings, love, and care, one of them even sang a song for us in her soft melodious voice.



## War Against Hunger

As a part of our War Against Hunger, We distributed Ration to 22 families who are living below poverty line, in association with MCKS, Food for Hungry Foundation. This program ensures that poor families do not sleep hungry every night and their children do not become stunted, a common problem among the poverty stricken children.





### **Baby Huzaifa 6 Months**

Huzaifa today is enjoying a healthy and joyful childhood because of our supporters. This 6-month-old baby was before suffering from a chronic heart disease and her parents could not afford her treatment, thus leaving her life to destiny. After her successful surgery, her parents cried happy tears and the entire team of Udaan celebrated her second life.

### **Gautam Darwe 2.5 Years**

Gautam's father works as a helper in a printing press and earns an average of Rs. 8,000 a month. Struggling to make the ends meet, this doting father was dejected to know that he may never see his little son grow up. With the help of Team Udaan and our Supporters, he is enjoying his childhood and is completely safe now. His father vows to repay this great help by educating Gautam and enabling him to make the most of his life.



### **Master Ravinder 9 Years**

Ravinder was an emergency case coming to us and he was at a high risk of losing his precious life to Congenital Heart Disease. It was only because of the prompt action of our supporters that he could be operated instantly.

Today, he is safe and continuing his education for a bright future ahead.



### **Yash Sharma 12 Years**

The first thing Yash said when we met him was "I love playing Cricket but because I am not well, I cannot. Please do something so that I can enjoy my sports time again." He was the star of his family but sadly, because of dearth of money, they could not afford his treatment. Words cannot justify the joy everyone felt to see him out of danger and healthy after his surgery. He actively participates in all the cricket matches in his school now. Once again, humanity won and our supporters made a huge difference in someone's life.



# Ready to take

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# LIVES

# the UDAAN



**Baby Virat**  
**7 months**

When Baby Virat stopped eating and playing like a normal child, his parents discovered the reason from doctors and got the shock of their life. This little soul had a major heart defect and the chances of his survival without a surgery was low. To add to their misery, the treatment required a whopping 3.5 lakh, which his father with a meagre monthly Rs. 8,000 could not afford. With our supporters' help, he is today preparing for a healthy childhood and his parents are sighing in relief.



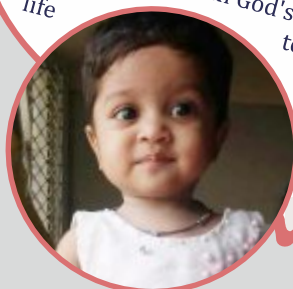
**Baby Karuna**  
**1 year**

It was difficult to receive help from anywhere for Karuna and her family being of Nepali origin. They sighed in relief when she received timely treatment and a gift of healthy childhood from us with the help of our supporters.



**Baby Zainab**  
**3.5 years**

Being a small tailor's daughter, Zainab's life was no less than a curse with Congenital Heart Disease. Zainab's growth had stopped and her parents cried and prayed for her well-being. But miracles sometimes come in the form of humans. Our supporters came forward and with their prompt help, an innocent life was gifted another chance to live. Zainab today laughs and lives carefree and enjoys her childhood to the fullest.



**Baby Avni**  
**1 year**

Baby Avni underwent a successful surgery with the support of generous hearts. While thanking the supporters and Team Udaan, her parents recalled the time when they felt devastated and had almost thought of losing their little angel. Avni was not eating and had become weak and pale and they had tried every way to collect some funds for her surgery. With God's grace and strong support from donors, life today she is living a disease free and mesmerizes everyone with her cute smile.

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## A Tribute to Mother Earth

On the important occasion of Earth Day, the teachers of Chetan Vidya Mandir organized a workshop for students and told them about the importance of keeping our precious earth clean and green. After the workshop, the school children made beautiful posters which reflected a valuable message on protecting our mother earth. Diya will continue to do its part in climate change by spreading a message to the community that earth deserves the best treatment, not only on Earth Day, but Every day.



## Visit to Boxing League

Clappings, Hootings and unlimited enjoyment, our students had a memorable evening watching the Indian Boxing League in the Siri Fort Auditorium. It was altogether a unique and mesmerizing experience for them who came back telling plethora of stories to their parents and teachers. International boxing champions with their powerful performances rejuvenated these kids who discovered and understood the real spirits of sportsmanship.



## Learning the Good Amidst Celebrations

Adorable little Radha and Krishna strolling around the school and posing for the cameras was quite an arresting sight to behold on the occasion of Janmashtami in Chetan Vidya Mandir this year. But what was even more interesting was the awareness of the students about the significance of the occasion. The students delighted everyone with their meaningful performances like poems recitations, skits and dance performances and enjoyed the event fully. The teachers reminded the kids, the goodness of Lord Krishna and what we can learn from him.





## Celebrating India's 71st Independence Day with a Pledge



The tricolour waved with pride and the air was filled with 400 voices united together to sing the great National Anthem of India. It was the occasion of India's 71st Independence Day and we celebrated this significant event with exuberance and delight in Chetan Vidya Mandir. The Principal, Teachers, Students & the Members of Diya India actively participated in all the activities and remembered the sacrifices of the great freedom fighters. But this day was more than just celebrations. Diya India Foundation has also taken a pledge to work harder and uplift more underprivileged communities with the help of its supporters and make India a better country for everyone, on this Independence Day.

## Distributing Smiles

The feeling of wearing new Shoes, carrying new Bags and reading new Books is always a delight, especially to the kids who are used to be given someone else's used ones. We thank Libetry Shoe Ltd. for supporting us with brand new school education materials to our children and bringing priceless smiles to their faces. They do not just make them happy and comfortable but also make them school ready.



## Humanity is Greater Than Adversity

The Recent Bihar floods crises left many homeless and deprived. Diya India Foundation reached out to the victims and supported almost 4000 people with necessity items with an intention to provide immediate relief to them. There is no control on natural calamities, but we sure can do our bit to help our affected brothers and sisters, isn't it? After all, humanity is greater than adversity.





## Our New Campaign

### Menstrual Hygiene for Poor and Homeless Girls in Delhi

Statistics suggest that only 12% Indian women use Menstrual Hygiene Products. The Rest 88% rely on Cloth, Rags and Ashes during their #TimeOfTheMonth

#### Reason?

HIGH COST OF SANITARY NAPKINS AND TAMPONS

#### The Sufferers?

Poor and Homeless Girls the Most

#ProudToBleed aims to provide relief to underprivileged girls during their menstruation by providing Sanitary Napkins to them free of Cost.

If you want to support a girl during her menstruation, donate at [www.diyaindia.org](http://www.diyaindia.org)  
A small support of Rs. 300 will provide comfort, safety and dignity to a girl for 3 months.

**DONATE TODAY AND GIFT A GIRL HER PRIDE TO BLEED**



# Reflections...



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