

Swachha  
Bahuuddeshiya Sanstha

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Annual Report  
2022 – 2023

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## Fact sheet of Organization

### Registration Details

- Date of Registration - 15/08/2016
- Society Act 1860 – Maharashtra/605/16-Amravati
- Trust Act 1950 – Amravati-F-25961
- PAN – AASTS2507A
- Section 12 AA of the Income Tax Act, 1961 - AASTS2507AE20172
- Section 80G(5)(vi) of the Income Tax Act, 1961 - AASTS2507AF20212

### Bank Account Details

- SBI, Nawathe Plot, Amravati, IFSC – SBIN0017754
- Account Number – 36184523127

### Contact Details

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### Board of Trustees

- President: Mrs. Arti Amte – Nankar
- Members: Pravin Hirulkar, Umesh Badgujar, Mrs. Urmila Varangaonkar, Abhilash Narode, Uday Nankar, Shyamlal Bethekar

## Major Programs during the Year

### Aastha - Home for the Needy & Aastha Bhojanalaya

Through our Aastha – Home for the Needy program, we have continued to provide shelter, food, and opportunities to those in need. By the end of this financial year, 16 individuals (9 males and 7 females, including 1 girl child) had benefited from the program. During the year, Aastha provided shelter to 9 individuals, and as of March 31st, 2022, one elderly partially blind male was residing at Aastha.

While the numbers may seem small, we are proud that our program has brought meaningful, positive change to the lives of our residents, helping them overcome some of their toughest challenges. One such story is that of Archana.

Archana, a single mother and widow, sought help from Aastha after leaving an abusive relationship and being rejected by her family. Aastha provided her with shelter, food, healthcare, education, and employment. With the support and care she received at Aastha, Archana was able to regain her confidence and rebuild her life. She saved some money from her wages and received monetary support from Aastha's supporters to educate her daughter. After some time at Aastha, Archana decided to return to her village to live independently with her daughter. She was determined to live a happy life and provide for her daughter. Before leaving, she expressed gratitude towards Aastha for helping her when she had no hope. "Aastha helped me when I had no hope. It gave me shelter, food, work, and education. I am thankful to Aastha for everything it has done for me," she said.



*Figure 1 - Archana talking about her experience at Aastha.*

Aastha Bhojanalaya has been a valuable contributor to the Aastha program, providing delicious and nutritious meals to the residents of the Aastha program. The Bhojanalaya has also provided residents with employment opportunities, allowing them to earn wages, rebuild their confidence, and regain their dignity. Despite not yet being financially self-sufficient, Aastha Bhojanalaya serves as a canteen in Amravati District General Hospital (Irwin Hospital, Amravati) and has generated revenue of ₹ 13,25,174 this financial year by serving affordable and tasty food to hundreds of satisfied customers.

Although we had already arranged for most of the essential assets and infrastructure necessary for the continuation of this program, we did acquire a few additional necessary and

productive assets. These include an aata chakki, a weighing scale, a water filter, a deep freezer, and several utensils.

### Don Ghas Program

After relocating Aastha Bhojanalaya to Amravati District General Hospital (Irwin Hospital, Amravati), we noticed that many relatives of patients required free food support, especially at night. To address this need, we reached out to With Aarya, a Mumbai-based organization that provides free food to thousands of patients and their relatives across Mumbai. With their assistance, we began distributing free packed meals every evening at Amravati District General Hospital (Irwin Hospital, Amravati) to 50-60 patients and their relatives. Each meal includes rice, a vegetable dish, and three chapatis. Despite only starting in the last quarter of this financial year, the program has been a huge success, with over 2400 food packets distributed to those in need.



*Figure 2 - Food Packets and Group of People receiving these Food Packets*

## Training and Capacity Building Programs

### Usha Shilai School

Last year, through the Usha Shilai School program, supported by Usha International and AFARM, we empowered 20 women, mostly single women from rural areas of Amravati, to become entrepreneurs and master trainers. These women then trained over 100 other women from their villages. This year, we conducted a two-day refresher and advanced training course for 20 of these women, also supported by Usha International and AFARM. The program was successful, and we are optimistic that this training will help these women become successful entrepreneurs.

## Expenditures and Funds Raised

Our total expenses for the year amounted to ₹ 22,09,778, including program costs of approximately ₹ 21,85,943 and asset acquisitions of approximately ₹ 58,159. Despite raising ₹ 16,16,380 through donations, grants, and revenue from Aastha Bhojanalaya, our liabilities increased by approximately ₹ 5,93,398 during the year. These liabilities were covered through payables and interest-free unsecured loans.

## Plan for Next Year

Our goal is to achieve sustainability for Aastha through grants, donations, and revenue from Aastha Bhojanalaya. Despite not achieving this in the current financial year, we remain hopeful for the upcoming year and are committed to continuing our efforts to stabilize and sustain Aastha.