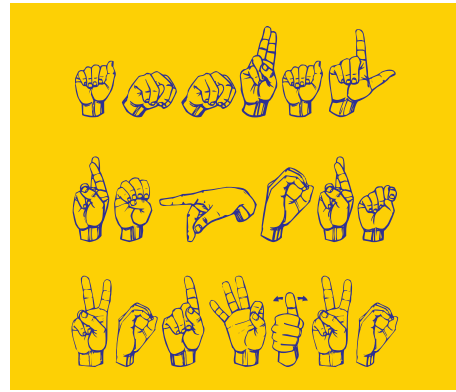
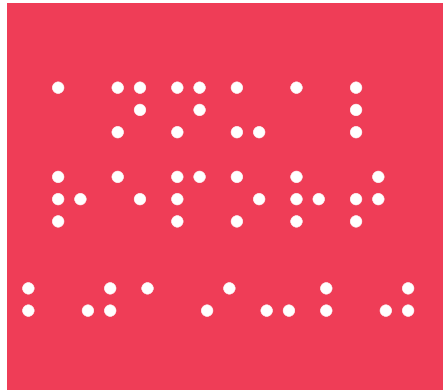


BLIND PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION (INDIA)

Annual Report : 2019-20

Touching people, changing lives...



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TWO PILLARS PASS AWAY :



Nandiniben Munshaw – Our Tranquil Oasis



Mrs. Nandini Priyakant Munshaw, Hon. General Secretary of NATCB passed away quietly in the midst of the Corona pandemic after a long battle with cancer on 26 March, 2020. Her passing away was like her life- quiet, dignified, void of frills and fancies.

She joined the BPA, NATCB and NAB Gujarat State Branch more than 50 years ago as a volunteer and reader for blind students. Very quickly she became involved with their lives and the various activities of the tiny fledgling organization that the Trusts were at that time.

She joined the founders Jagdishbhai and Bhadraben and took on the job of professionalizing the organization in her own meticulous way. Though she was the Managing Director of a large textile mill and born in a family with a golden spoon, her simplicity and sincerity touched the lives of people around her. Her attention to detail and her concern for the smallest person in the organization and her going out of her way to talk to all the people with disabilities in the campus endeared her to one and all.

Her grace and contacts with society helped these Trusts to become large and vibrant organizations with emphasis on professionalism and transparency. She funded several flagship projects like the Parent Training Project, Prevention of Blindness project. The latest projects like Vision-in -the Dark, Magic Fingers Showroom were donated by her in her mother's name. Her last Project which was to be inaugurated on 31 March is a large floor for comprehensive services in BPA's building no.8.

Nandiniben was a down to earth person who could talk about politics, management and cooking with the same ease and expertise. She was the conscience of the Trusts guiding the professionals in their work and discretely pointing out what she felt was not the right way to do things. The values and culture of refinement and hospitality that she laid down have permeated and become internalized.

We are privileged to have known and loved her. Her life is a message of social service sans show. We will always miss this mother figure... selfless, loving and dynamic.

Harishbhai Panchal – Our Little Lamp in the Darkness



Director Workshops and Secretary of National Adult Training Centre for the Blind (NATCB) Shri Harishbhai Panchal passed away on Sunday 31st May, 2020. He was doing pooja and passed away during the pooja. He was very shattered after his wife's death on 10 May, 2020 and was very distraught after that. He continued coming to office in spite of his poor health. Harishbhai served the cause of the development of the persons with disability vigilantly and selflessly and was present in office till the evening of Saturday, 30th May, 2020. In Harishbhai's demise, we have lost one more pillar of the organization. Whole credit for building up the Workshop from zero to present level goes to him. He was very quiet, self-effacing and liked remaining away from the spotlight. His quiet presence was a blessing in the development of the Trust. May his soul rest in eternal peace!



From The President

Greetings! It is sad times that I write this message to all of you..... my friends, well-wishers, volunteers, donors and supporters of BPA. The world has never witnessed a pandemic of the proportions of the Corona Virus and we are in lockdown as I pen this message.

Two dedicated pillars of BPA left us. Our General Secretary Mrs. Nandini Munshaw passed away after a long battle with cancer on 26th March, 2020. She had joined the BPA as a reader to the blind 6 decades ago and her dedication and commitment were unparalleled. Mr. H. M. Panchal, Director Training passed away unexpectedly on 31st May, 2020. These two pillars will be sadly missed.

Mr. Hiroobhai Patel of USA has funded the construction of the 3rd floor of Building No. 8 in the BPA campus for starting services for the comprehensive training and rehabilitation of persons with visual impairment. This building was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Mayor of Ahmedabad City, Mrs. Bijal Patel on 3rd December, 2019.

The BPA continued to grow during the year and succeeded in bringing donors to support the construction of a new Eye Hospital called Smt. Bellaben & Shri Yogeshbhai Eye Hospital in partnership with K. K. Shah Arogya Samiti Vatrak and Samta Vikas Charitable Trust.

The Japanese Government funded the purchase of the OCT Machine & SLT YAG Machine worth Rs. 50 Lakhs which will be installed in April/May 2020.

Our Athletes and sports persons with disabilities continue to win awards. We continue our leadership efforts to provide training, all across India with trained staff.

Piyush O. Desai
President, BPA

VISION & MISSION

BPA believes that all people with disabilities have the right to same quality of life as of their non-disabled counterparts

VISION All persons with all types of disabilities will get access to individual need based services as a matter of right, will have good quality of life and will be an indivisible element of their communities and the nation.

MISSION To provide appropriate education, intervention, training and advocacy which will lead to awareness, empowerment and employment of people with disabilities with the help and support of trained staff and caregivers and to take measures for prevention, cure and mitigation of disabling conditions. All these measures will be undertaken with the cooperation of families, communities and other stakeholders.

The Journey...

A group of people with visual impairment got together in 1954 and decided to start a Recreation Club for the Blind. This small club is now a large multi-faceted agency providing a wide gamut of services-from prevention, education, counselling, rehabilitation to employment and self sustaining with outstanding dignity. BPA believes in rights of people with disabilities and involves all stakeholders in programme planning. BPA India works incessantly for ensuring that people with disabilities are included in their communities. Today, BPA India is one of the largest organizations in Asia working with and for all categories of disabilities.

Our everlasting source of inspiration



Padmashree
Late Jagdishbhai Patel (Founder)



Late
Smt. Bhadraben Satia



Late
Shri Kanubhai Thakar



Late
Shri Arvind Lalbhai



Late
Shri Jehangir R.J. Cama



Late
Smt. Nandiniben Munshaw

MANAGING COMMITTEE

Office Bearers

President
Shri Piyushbhai O. Desai

Vice Presidents
Shri Manubhai G. Patel
Shri Prakash Mankodi

General Secretary
Smt. Nandini P. Munshaw
(Passed away on 26 March, 2020)

Secretaries
Shri G.J. Vachhani
Shri F.J. Porwal

Treasurer
Smt. Sunita Thakor

Executive Secretary
Dr. Bhushan Punani

Members

- + Smt. Bhartiben D. Vyas
- + Smt. Dakshaben M. Patel
- + Smt. Karunaben A. Shah
- + Shri Dharmendra D. Vyas
- + Dr. Nitin Suman Shah
- + Smt. Ushaben Atulkumar
- + Smt. Jayshriben Lalbhai
- + Smt. Mehroo J. Cama
- + Shri Praful Vyas
- + Shri Natubhai C. Shah
- + Shri Vithalbhai G. Patel
- + Smt. Urmila D. Kalantry
- + Shri Upendrabhai Shah
- + Prof. Bhaskar Y. Mehta
- + Shri I. L. Chitkara
- + Shri Upasana Chavda
- + Shri Sanjay S. Patel
- + Shri Manubhai V. Patel
- + Shri Tarak K. Luhar
- + Shri Jayvantsinh S. Zala
- + Smt. Sudha Patel
- + Shri Yahya Sapatwala
- + Shri Chintan R. Vasawada
- + Smt. Hetal Pandya

Office bearers & members of the managing committee are paid zero remuneration

Directors

Executive Director
Smt. Nandini Rawal

Director - Training
Shri. Harish M. Panchal
(Passed away on 31 May, 2020)

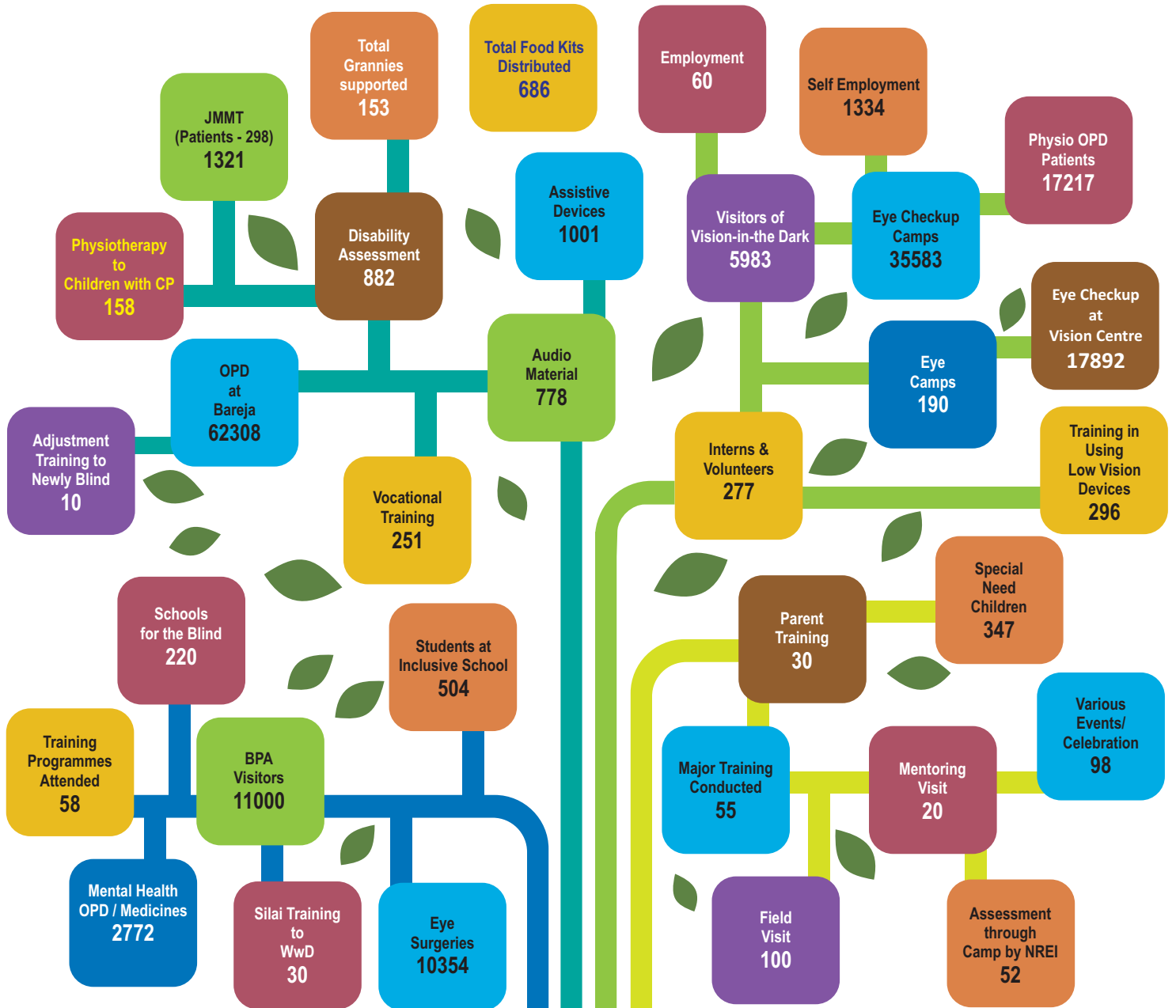
Project Director
Smt. Vimal Thawani

Permanent Invitees

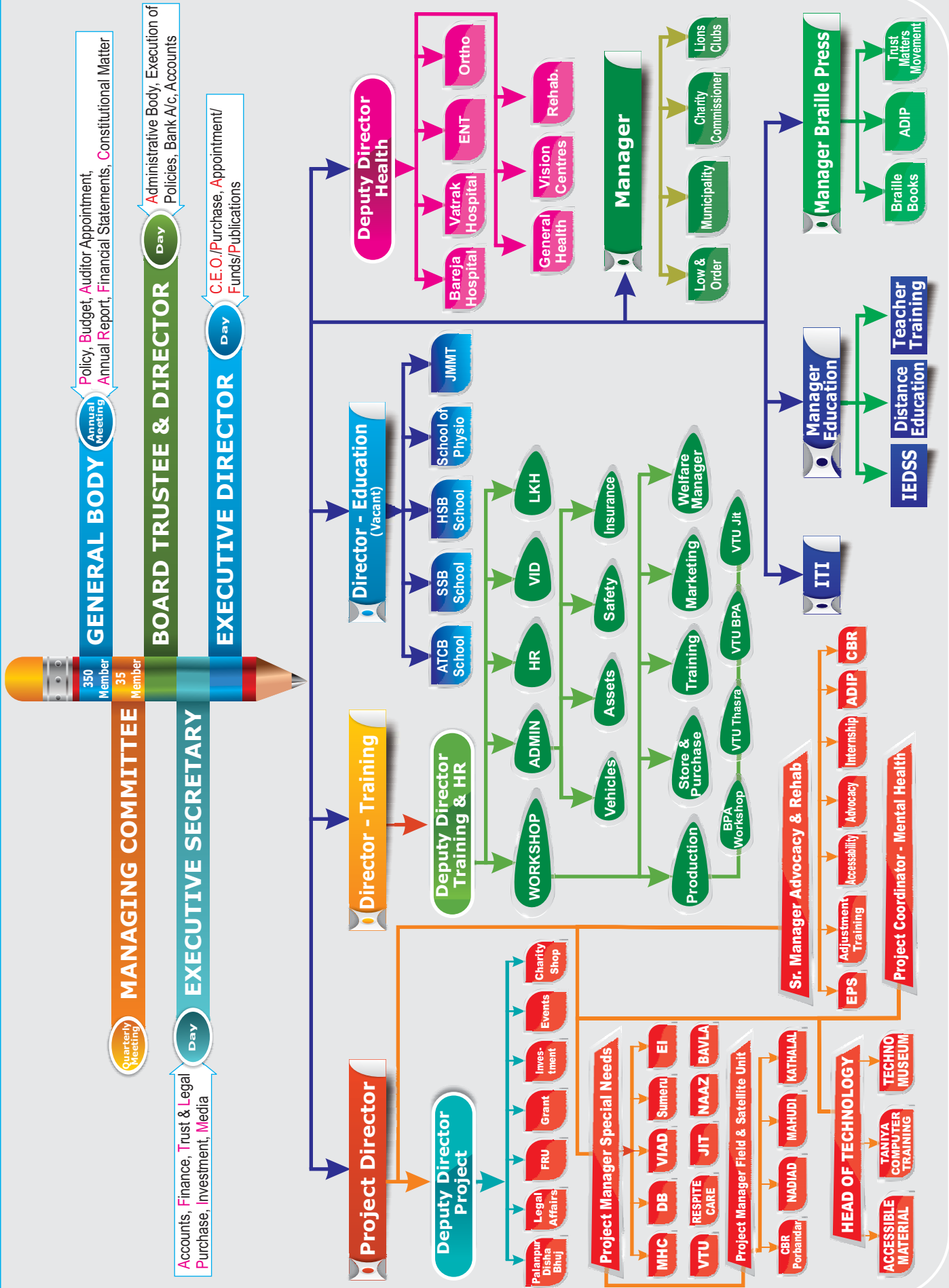
1. **BPA-Kutch Comprehensive Rehabilitation Centre**
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2. **BPA Nadiad Branch** (Shri Bhaskar I. Patel)
Jagdish Bhuvan, Nr. Kakarkhad, Nadiad
3. **Bareja General Hospital** (Shri Yogen Bhallabhai Patel)
Bareja, Tal. Dascroi, Dist : Ahmedabad
4. **Dr. Jit Mehta Balshala Trust**
(Shri Jayanti T. Panchal)
Usmanpura Gam, Nr. Riverfront, Ahmedabad-13.
5. **Blind Women's Association**
(Smt. Sarla Trivedi)
At BPA Campus, Vastrapur, Ahmedabad-15.
6. **Sense International India**
(Shri Akhil Paul, Director)
2nd Floor, Administrative Block,
(Anhajan Mandal Campus), Vastrapur,
Ahmedabad-15, Gujarat
7. **National Adult Training Centre for the Blind (Trust)**, Vastrapur, Ahmedabad-15.
8. **National Association for the Blind (Gujarat State Branch)** Vastrapur, Ahmedabad-15.
9. **Saddbhawana Rural Development Trust (Blind & Disabled)** Vastrapur, Ahmedabad-15.
10. **HOPE Committee** (Smt. Tilottama Ladhwa)
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11. **Ashirvad Viklang Trust**
Run by Raj Shobhag Satsang Mandal
(Shri R. S. Jadav)
Nr. Police Station, At Sayla, Dist. Surendranagar.
12. **International Council for Education of People with Visual Impairment (ICEVI), India**
Vastrapur, Ahmedabad-15.
13. **Shared Vision Sansthan** (Dr. O.P.N. Calla)
Blind People's Association (Jodhpur)
13-B, First Polo, Behind Ship House, Paota,
Jodhpur, Rajasthan.
14. **Samta Vikas Charitable Trust**
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B/h. Raksha Hospital, Bodakdev,
Ahmedabad-380 054



BPA ACHIEVEMENTS : 2019-20



BPA ORGANOGRAM





BPA Activities & Departments

EDUCATION

- PRIMARY SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND
- SEC. & HIGHER SEC. SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND
- TECHNICAL SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND
- SCHOOL OF PHYSIOTHERAPY
- Japanese Medical Massage Therapy
- MUSIC SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND
- INCLUSIVE SCHOOLS
- DISTANCE EDUCATION



SKILL DEVELOPMENT

- COMPUTER TRAINING CENTRE FOR THE BLIND
- STENOGRAPHY COURSE FOR THE BLIND
- TELEPHONE OPERATING & RECEPTIONIST COURSE
- HAIR & SKIN CARE CENTRE
- OFFSET PRINTING
- KVK**
- SCIENTIFIC MASSAGE
- COMPUTER OPERATION



REHABILITATION & INTERVENTION

- MENTAL HYGIENE CLINIC
- MENTAL HEALTH
- CENTRE FOR MULTIHANDICAPPED
- UNIT FOR DEAFBLIND
- LOW VISION CLINIC
- EARLY INTERVENTION
- PRE-VOCATIONAL TRAINING
- RESPIRE / RESIDENTIAL CARE
- COMMUNITY BASED REHABILITATION
- COUNSELLING
- PSYCHOTHERAPY
- VOCATIONAL TRAINING UNIT FOR PERSONS WITH MULTIPLE DISABILITIES
- DAY CARE CENTRES

SKILLING

- PRINTING
- CARPENTRY
- IRON & STEEL FABRICATION
- TAILORING
- ELECTRICAL MOTOR REWINDING
- ASSISTIVE DEVICES
- HANDICRAFT
- USHA SILAI SCHOOL



EMPLOYMENT & PLACEMENT SERVICE

- EMPLOYMENT
- SELF EMPLOYMENT
- MICRO CREDIT
- Y4J**
- RETAILING

HEALTH

- PHYSIOTHERAPY
- SPEECH THERAPY
- AUDIOMETRY
- EYE HOSPITAL
- ORTHOPEADIC HOSPITAL
- ENT HOSPITAL
- PSYCHIATRIC INTERVENTION
- WOMEN'S HEALTH
- VISION CENTRES
- SCHOOL OF OPTOMETRY
- OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY



SUPPORT SERVICES

- BRAILLE SERVICES
- AUDIO MATERIAL
- ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY
- ADJUSTMENT TRAINING
- ASSISTIVE DEVICES
- HOSTEL FACILITY
- RESEARCH
- LEGAL AID
- COUNSELLING
- BASIC COMPUTER LITERACY

ALLIED TRAINING

- STUDENT PLACEMENT VOLUNTEERS
- HRD TRAINING VI-HI-MR-DB-AD
- CBR TRAINING
- ADVOCACY
- COMPETITIVE EXAM TRAINING
- ACCESSIBILITY AUDIT
- VISION-IN-THE DARK



MANIBEN KASHIBHAI PATEL (CHALODA) CENTRE INAUGURATED



Mrs. Bijal Patel, Mayor of Ahmedabad City inaugurated “Maniben Kashibhai Patel (Chaloda) Intervention and Skill Development Centre at Blind People's Association on the occasion of World Disabled Day on 3rd December, 2019 at Building No.8 on campus. This centre has been sponsored by Shri Hiroobhai Kashibhai Patel of USA at a cost of Rs. 1.68 Crores in the memory of his beloved mother Maniben. Hiroobhai is a native of Chaloda Village in Dholka Taluka. He completed his education in Civil Engineering from Sardar Patel University in the early 70's and went to the USA. Today he has a large construction business but he has not forgotten his debt to his motherland or his mother who encouraged him to get an education.

Hiroobhai had not even seen the BPA when he agreed to fund the project; it was done totally on the trust and reputation of the BPA. This Centre will house vocational training units for teaching skills and trades like tie and dye, block printing, diya making, kits and bags and other trades for persons with multiple disabilities. It shall include Physiotherapy Unit to care for infants with multiple disabled persons. There will also be early intervention and counseling services.

World Disabled Day is celebrated at an International level on 3rd December to highlight the needs and cause of persons with disabilities. Mrs. Bijal Patel as a Mayor has always been a great friend of the disabled and she has always promoted this noble cause for Rights of Persons with Disabilities. Mr. Hiroobhai Patel's wife, family and friends were present on this occasion.



SMART CLASS FOR INCLUSIVE LEARNING FOR STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS



On the occasion of its 114th Founding Day, Canara Bank donated Smart Class for Inclusive Learning for Students with Special Needs. It was inaugurated by the worthy hands of Circle Head Mr. C.N. Rao, Canara Bank, Ahmedabad on 22 October, 2019.

COMPUTER TRAINING CENTRE FOR ADULTS WITH DEAFBLINDNESS/MULTI-SENSORY IMPAIRMENT

Mr. Tony Huber, the Consul General of Australia joined by Mr. Rohit Manchanda, the Trade Investment Commissioner for India inaugurated a Computer Centre for Persons with Deafblindness on 23rd December, 2019 at BPA India Deafblind Unit, which has been sponsored by Sense International.





INAUGURATION OF PRAYAS DAY CARE CENTRE AT JODHPUR

BPA has one more feather in its cap. It has started a Prayas Day Care Centre at Mandore, Jodhpur in Rajasthan sponsored by Gruh Finance Limited at Plot No. 7, Khokharia Bera, Ranoji Ka Bagh, Nayapura, under their CSR. Mrs. Manisha Panwar, MLA of Jodhpur inaugurated the centre and Ms. Meena Bhatt and Ms. Shweta Inamdar of Gruh Finance were Guests of Honour. Mrs. Nandini Rawal, Mrs. Vimal Thawani, Mr. J. T. Panchal, Mr. Bharat Joshi, Mr. Arindam Ray,



Mr. Jyotish Choudhary, Mr. Harmish Modi of BPA attended this programme. Dr. O.P.N. Calla, President of BPA Jodhpur along with the centre staff was present on this occasion. This event was coordinated very efficiently by Mr. Dayal Singh. Co-incidentally BPA India has already a presence in and around villages of Mandore through Community Based Rehabilitation and eye screening.

BPA DAY CARE CENTRE AT SANAND



The Sanand Sarvajanic Trust founded by Late Shri Baldevbhai Dosabhai and now managed by his grandson Shri Pareshbhai Bachubhai invited BPA and NAB Sanand Branch to establish a Day Care Centre at Sanand which was inaugurated on 5th October, 2019.

PALANPUR PROGRESS

Shri Sandip J. Sagale, IAS Collector and District Magistrate of Banaskantha inaugurated the "Dr. Shankarbhai K. Mewada Lions Divyang Education and Training Centre for Children with Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities" on 7th December, 2019 at a building at Palanpur donated for use by Shri Mehulbhai K. Mehta of Mumbai. The inauguration was followed by a function at Lions Hospital where Voice of SAP donated 51 customized wheelchairs and tricycles to enhance mobility; 12 digital hearing aids for students with hearing impairment; 22 angel devices for students with visual impairment and 15 sewing machines for economic independence. Paramhans Yogananda Charitable Trust through CSR



funds of Wagh Bakri Tea Company and Lions Club of Palanpur also donated 10 Motivation wheelchairs to persons with disabilities. Mr. Maheshbhai Patel, MLA Palanpur was also present on this occasion along with Mr. Mehul Mehta and dignitaries of Lions Club of Palanpur and BPA officials. The Voice of SAP Founder, Mr. Pranav Desai and his group of dedicated volunteers met all the beneficiaries and conducted interviews. The Day Care centre will be managed by Lions Club of Palanpur, with technical supervision by Blind People's Association. The District Collector has promised to allot land for construction of a new centre for Persons with Disabilities at Palanpur.

GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY OF SMT. BELLABEN & SHRI YOGESH PATEL EYE HOSPITAL – VATRAK



The BPA is well known for developing innovative and need based services all age groups of persons with disabilities, their parents and other stake holders.

The BPA in collaboration with the Samta Vikas Charitable Trust has started a Cataract Free Sabarkantha Campaign known as “Motiyan Mukh Sabarkantha”. Under this campaign more than 10000 cataract surgeries have been performed and sight saved. Vision Centres have been set up in Vatrak, Modasa, Bhiloda, Kalol, Bavla and at BPA. The hospital has been bringing the patients for surgery from remote villages of Sabarkantha to Bareja for surgery. The local community decided that an eye hospital was needed locally for the benefit of patients of Sabarkantha.

The K. K. Shah Sabarkantha Arogya Mandal at Vatrak, District Sabarkantha has offered the Blind People's Association land free of cost for use for setting up the eye hospital. This land is on the Modasa-Bayad Highway, very close to the Trust hospital at Vatrak. This project is part of a triangular partnership between the Blind People's Association, K.K. Shah Sabarkantha Arogya Mandal and Samta Vikas Charitable Trust. Blind People's Association applied to our BPA Bareja Eye Hospital donors in the US and our dedicated donor Bellaben and Yogeshbhai Patel have agreed to donate Rs. 2 Crores for naming of this hospital. We have received funds for the Operation theatre and Phaco machine of 35 lakhs from Dineshbhai Shah from the USA.

The Architect has already drawn up plans. This eye hospital will serve lakhs of poor and needy people from Sabarkantha, Aravalli and neighboring state Rajasthan to get premier eye care at no cost. This will be the first such hospital in this area. The local community will help in mobilization of patients and other resources for the successful implementation of the project.

The Shilanyas/ground breaking/Bhoomi Poojan ceremony of the hospital was conducted on the auspicious day of 02-02-2020. The programme started from 9.00 a.m. in the morning with a Vedic Pooja which continued till 11.00 a.m. The Bhoomi Poojan and Shilanyas were performed by the representatives of Smt. Bellaben and Shri Yogeshbhai Patel. Shri Dineshbhai Shah also remained present.

The following persons were present for the stage function

- Mr. Jashubhai Shivabhai Patel, MLA, Bayad Malpur
- Mr. Rajendrasinh Shivsindh Thakore, MLA, Modasa
- Mr. Amrutesh Aurangabadkar District Collector, Aravalli
- Mr. Deepsinh Shankarsinh Thakore, M. P. Sabarkantha, Aravalli
- Mr. Acharyashri Dineshkumarji, Darshanyog Mahavidyalay, Aryavan, Rozad, Sabarkantha
- Families of the donors
- Trustees of all three partner organizers - Blind People's Association, K. K. Shah Sabarkantha Arogya Mandal and Samta Vikas Charitable Trust

The local community joined in to give funds to clean the area, build the Mandap and arranged for the food etc. BPA thanks Bellaben and Yogeshbhai for giving firm shape to this dream – which will result in providing eye care to hundreds of people in need.

MoU WITH K. K. SHAH AAROGYA MANDAL TRUST, VATRAK

The Trustees of Shri K.K. Shah Sabarkantha Aarogya Mandal, Vatrak have pledged to give land belonging to the Trust to BPA India for construction of an Eye Hospital. A planning meeting was held at K. K. Shah Sabarkantha Aarogya Mandal Trust to BPA India for construction of this Eye Hospital at Vatrak on 15th May, 2019. Mrs. Nandini Rawal, Mr. Dharmendra Jena, Mr. Vijay Shah, Sabarkantha; the Trustees of Vatrak hospital Mr. Girish Darji, Mr. Chaturbhai Majetia, Mr. Kamlesh Patel, Mr. Kodarbhai Patel and Mr. Babubhai Patel with other local community members were present. Thanks to the efforts of Vijaybhai Shah, the first large donation for this hospital has been raised from Shri Dineshbhai Shah.



SIGNING CEREMONY - CONSULATE GENERAL OF JAPAN IN MUMBAI & BLIND PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION (INDIA)



Blind People's Association, (India) applied for a grant from the Consulate General of Japan in Mumbai of Rs. 50 lakhs for two machines for our BPA-Porecha Eye Hospital. The two machines are Optical Coherence Tomography (OCT) Machine helps the ophthalmologist see changes to the fibers of the optic nerve. OCT helps not only in deciding the medical management of retinal diseases but also has a key role in Surgical management of macular hole surgery, epi-retinal membrane surgery, RD surgery and in release of vitreo macular traction.



Yag Laser with Selective Laser Trabeculoplasty (SLT)- is used to lower IOP(eye pressure) in patients of uncontrolled Glaucoma with a laser beam creating a passage to pass fluid from trabecular meshwork which is noninvasive and best way to prevent irreversible blindness in glaucoma patients. Both these machines are very expensive and ordinary people cannot afford them. A diagnostic test on an OCT machine costs Rs. 5000 and poor people cannot afford this luxury. This machine is also not available in the charitable hospitals in Ahmedabad.

The BPA applied to the Consulate General of Japan in Mumbai under the "Grassroots Project Assistance for "Provision of Medical Equipment to Porecha Eye Hospital in Ahmedabad District". The Government of Japan inquired thoroughly about the need and efficacy of the machine and has agreed to provide Rs. 50 lakhs to the Blind People's Association for the purchase of the machines. The signing ceremony of this grant was held at 10.30 a.m. on 6th March, 2020, Friday at the Prayer Hall of the Blind People's Association, Vastrapur Head Office. The Consul General Mr. Harada Michio signed on behalf of the Government of Japan and Mrs. Nandini Rawal, Executive Director, signed on behalf of Blind People's Association. Mr. Devang Dani, Chairmen, Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation was present along with The President of Blind People's Association Mr. Piyushbhai Desai and Chairman, Wagh Bakri Group who was also be present.

NEW HORIZONS FOR PORECHA EYE HOSPITAL

The BPA Porecha Eye Hospital is the only not for profit Non-Government Eye Specialty Hospital in Ahmedabad District. It is well known and popular among district residents, for its following specialties - PHACO and SICS Surgery, Glaucoma Surgery, Retinal Surgery, Vitreous Surgery, Cornea Surgery, Low Vision Care and Clinic, Spectacles Unit and Laser Surgery.

Super Specialty Operation Theatre: The hospital is equipped with two Laminar Modular Surgery Rooms, dedicated to Super Specialty surgeries but the hospital was in need of another theatre for specialty surgeries like retina and glaucoma. Mr. Yogeshbhai Patel and Mrs. Bellaben Patel of USA readily agreed to sponsor this new Unit which was inaugurated on 21st August, 2019 by the worthy hands of Hon. Acharya Devvrat, Governorshri of Gujarat. Donors' family in India was present on the occasion alongwith Trustees, Executives and staff residents of Bareja and other donors of BPA.



Advanced Microscope for Operating: Hon. Acharya Devvrat, Governorshri of Gujarat also launched the Advanced Microscope with the Apo chromatic Lens a specialized Eye Surgery Technology with Highlight Transmission, thus permitting high quality imaging at Lower Light Intensities for eye surgeries. This increased capability also has enabled the Hospital to perform Light Eye Surgeries at any given point of time. It is funded by the Hon'ble Governor's Fund for Social Welfare.

ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME FOR VOLUNTEERS



Blind People's India have always motivated and encouraged people from mainstream community to not only visit BPA India Ahmedabad campus, but also contribute through their time and resources. BPA India is lucky that we have many dedicated volunteers who apart from money give their valuable time and who meaningfully contribute to achieve our goals. Presently 35 such sincere volunteers come almost every day and give their 2-4 hours a day. Most of them are involved in day to day services provided by the organization, i.e. supporting teachers in the classroom, taking visitors around the campus, reading to blind, supporting in fund raising, employment and accounts departments. BPA India gave them information, knowledge and skills to enable them to understand disability in a One-Day Programme which was organized on 6th April 2019 at BPA campus and 35 volunteers participated. All participants were given simulation exercise to feel and understand different disabilities and were very well received by them and lots of discussion took place. All volunteers went back with lots of motivation and commitment to contribute further. BPA is thankful to them for their unconditional support.



“INCLUSIVE EDUCATION: LEAVING NO ONE BEHIND” ICEVI WEST ASIA -SENSE INDIA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE



The first ever ICEVI West Asia-Sense India was organized in a relatively cold Kathmandu, the land of Himalayas from 16-18 February, 2020. The 3 days of learning and exchange of ideas attracted more than 300 participants from 8 countries which included Poland, USA, Australia, India, Bangladesh, Kenya, UK and Nepal.

The three days conference was designed to cover all the aspects related to the life cycle of persons with visual impairment and deafblindness. The first and third day had plenary sessions, day two was dedicated to concurrent workshops sessions. Altogether, there were around 120 speakers who shared their varied experiences with the participants. There was an entertainment programme by blind singers from Nepal who enthralled the audience by their range and melody. It was inaugurated by Mr. Ganesh Prasad Timilsina, Chairperson of National Assembly(Upper House), Nepal and the Guests of Honour were Ms. Alison Marshal, Director, Sense International; Mr. Mahesh Prasad Dahal, Secretary Education, Government of Nepal; Dr. Frances Gentle, President, ICEVI. The other officials were Dr. M.N.G. Mani, CEO; Ms. Nandini Rawal, Treasurer, ICEVI; Head of Programme Committee; Dr. Bhushan Punani, Chairperson, ICEVI West Asia; Mr. Madhav Prasad Aryal, Country Representative, ICEVI Nepal, Mr. A. K. Mittal, Secretary General, World Blind Union, Mr. Akhil Paul, Director and Board Member – Dbl Sense India, Mr. Mitralal Sharma, President, NFDN, Nepal and Mr. Birendra Raj Pokharel, ICEVI Nepal & Executive Secretary, Action on Disability Rights and Development (ADRAD).

The conference was organized by Blind People's Association (India) with Action on Disability Rights and Development (ADRAD-Nepal) as the local partner. The venue was Nepal Administrative Staff College (NASC) Jawalakhel, Lalitpur. The Theme of the Conference was “Inclusive Education: Leaving No One Behind” and the Sub Themes were Early Intervention and Child Preparatory Practices, Inclusive practices and school age, Inclusion and children with severe disabilities, Policies and Legislations in Asia and inclusive practices, Skill training and inclusive practices, Technology and its use to enhance inclusion, Access – Physical, communication, attitudinal, social and emotional, Governance and Resource Mobilization. This Conference was recognized by the Rehabilitation Council of India for 150 participants (Indian Participants) under Continuing Rehabilitation, Education (CRE). The participants enjoyed the conference and paid their obeisance to the Pashupatinath Temple and visited all the historical sites of Kathmandu.

The Jagdish Patel-Sense Award for outstanding services in the field of visual impairment and deafblindness was conferred on Mrs. Vidya Devi Vaidya, a Teacher of students with visual impairment for 4 decades and Mr. Pushparaj Rimal, a person with deafblindness. Both the Awardees are from Nepal.



NETRA SARVAR KENDRA - MAHEMDABAD

The Wagh Bakri Tea Company has donated Capital Expenditure Funds for setting up a comprehensive Vision Centre at Mahemdabad. The Desai family which owns Wagh Bakri Tea Company hails from Mahemdabad. This vision centre has been named as Netra Sarvar Kendra and is located at Baijnath Mahadev Temple campus in Mahemdabad and provides services to all castes, creeds and religions.



MINDFUL EMPLOYERS WORKSHOP

Department of International Development (DFID) UK in collaboration with Skills Council for Persons with Disability (ScPwD) organized a Mindful Employers Workshop on Wednesday, November 20, 2019 in Ahmedabad.



The objective of this Workshop was to encourage employers to engage and hire people with disabilities. The workshop was conducted by National Star Foundation, a UK Charitable Foundation which funds Specialist Residential Education to young people with disabilities, specialist teacher education, disability awareness and health and social care training worldwide. The Workshop had employers from all sectors who promote inclusion as part of their policy. The first half of the workshop focused on intellectual, visual, hearing and autism disabilities. The second half focused on duties of employers and sharing of UK's best practices.

Ms. Anu Gupta, Head, the Skills Department for International Development (DFID) laid the context by explaining the role of DFID in skilling of employers and the collaboration of the UK Government with the Indian government in this regard.

Mr. Anup Srivastava, Skills Council for Person with Disability (SCPwD) spoke about the need for highlighting talents of persons with disabilities and harnessing them.

Mr. Surpreet Singh Gulati, Director, DET, Government of Gujarat emphasized about the importance of skills training and the role of Government in including people with disabilities in Industrial Training Institutes. He praised BPA, ITI and said that he looked forward for a greater role by BPA, in upgrading the skills programmes.

Mr. Peter Cook, British Deputy High Commissioner (Gujarat), spoke about his personal experience with a person with disability in his family and the commitment of his Government and the High Commissioner's office to create inclusive environment for people with disabilities.

Mrs. Nandini Rawal, Executive Director of BPA shared the experiences of BPA for job placements of persons with disabilities. She stressed how the world has changed from prejudice and stigma to dignity and empowerment. She also outlined how the office of the High Commissioner in Mumbai had donated many useful technological equipments to the BPA in the 90's.



BPA-AHMEDABAD ROUND TABLE CAR RALLY

Ahmedabad Round Table-40 jointly organized with the Association Round Table 24th Car Rally for the blind for promoting inclusion and coordination skills of blind persons on 2nd February, 2020. During the Rally, the car is driven by an abled person, while the car is navigated by a blind person. They are given a chart in Braille language to read the route. The event is a step towards indusivity of visually impaired people of the society. Infinium Toyota has sponsored this rally. The Rally was flagged off by Commissioner of Police Mr. Ashish Bhatia and Senior Police Officials and other dignitaries from the BPA campus. The prize distribution for the winners was done on same day.



POWER PRESS INAUGURATION



Bhagwati Spherocast Pvt. Ltd sponsored a 20 Tonne Power Press for the BPA Workshops. This machine was inaugurated on 8th October, 2019 by the donor Mr. Praveen Bhagwati. Mrs. Nandini Munshaw, Mrs. Usha Atulkumar, Mrs. Sunita Thakor, Trustees of BPA were present along with senior executives and staff.



SONE KI CHIDIYA



Placement linked Skill Development Program for Persons with Speech & Hearing Impairment.

Placement linked skill development is a thrust area of Blind People's Association. Skilling of Persons with Speech & Hearing Impairment was sanctioned by the Sone ki Chidya Foundation, a CSR initiative of the Future Group. BPA enrolled 35 candidates having speech and hearing impairment through 4 mobilization camps. Out of 35 candidates, 26 candidates joined three months training program. The training, accommodation, uniform, food services were provided without any charges. Three months intensive training on Retail, Sales, Soft Skills, English, Computer was given to the trainees. The trainees were also taken to exposure visits to various retail store such as Big Bazar, Reliance Trend, Shoppers Stop, Max Fashion etc for practical learnings. A special job fair for persons with disabilities was organized wherein 52 candidates, 07 employers participated. 19 candidates were successfully got the jobs in the retail, and sales. Thanks to Sone Ki Chidya Foundation that sponsored the sign language interpreter for this project. The sign language interpreter has made this training very interesting and effective.

Big Bazar (Future Group) had donated branded clothes to children with disabilities, and poor children. BPA had distributed these branded clothes to the children with disabilities of its special needs centers, and poor students of inclusive schools.



TAMBOLA - READY FOR THE GAME



A very exciting and interesting event, an inclusive Housie/Tambola, organized by the Ladies Circle, a part of Ahmedabad Round Table took place on Sunday, 22nd December, 2019 at BPA campus. The event sponsored by Heart Foundation and Research Institute was an inclusive Housie/Tambola for sighted and blind people to play together. The sighted people had the housie tickets in the printed



form and the blind and the low vision people had the Housie/Tambola tickets in Braille and enlarged versions respectively. Generally, visually impaired students are denied such fun and games due to the fact of tickets not being accessible to them. These students fully enjoyed the fun of checking out numbers which are called out on their Braille or large print tickets. Dedicated volunteers assisted these students. The wonderful prizes like refrigerator, gold coins, washing machine, TV for winners were won by students with visual impairment and there were very few winners from the non-disabled category. People from all walks of life played the Housie/Tambola along with the blind students enabling bonding and understanding of disability.

INTERNSHIP STUDENTS FROM GERMANY

Ms. Caja Neumann & Ms. Karoline Mehlig sent from VIA E.V.-Verein für internationale und interkulturelle Austausch, Germany came for their internship at BPA from 1st September, 2019. They started their work with students and teachers of special need centre. Their internship period was till 31st August, 2020 but due to Covid-19, their organization called them back to Germany and they left on 20th March, 2020.



HONOURING USA STUDENT:

Mr. Colton J Pettyjohn, student of MacMurray College – Social Work Program from USA completed his internship from May 27, 2019 to August 2, 2019 at BPA India. The purpose of the field work experience is to provide hands on practical experience in social service. BPA officials



and staff recognized his efforts and he shared his experience and service to children with multiple disabilities.

VISIT OF PCMC, PUNE



Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation (PCMC), Pune is amongst the declared Smart Cities by Government of India. As a part of the Smart City project, they have contemplated to prepare a comprehensive social development policy and programme for their area of operation and Mr. Samir Ghosh a noted disability activist and expert has been appointed as their Principal Consultant. The PCMC has decided to develop strategies for the access of persons with disabilities and hence came for an exposure visit to BPA and Sense International for their study tour on 23rd November, 2019. They were greatly excited to see the various projects at the BPA and have promised to use their learning to make the PCMC an inclusive corporation.



Congrats Awards



Blind People's Association (BPA) was conferred the National Award in the category of Civil Services Organization by President of India Shri Ram Nath Kovind at the 16th National Voters'

DR. BHUSHAN PUNANI, Executive Secretary of BPA India was conferred Lakshmi Pat Singhania – IIM Lucknow National Leadership Award by the worthy hands of Hon'ble President of India Shri Ram Nath Kovind in a glittering ceremony in New Delhi on 9th December, 2019 He has been awarded this honour as Leader in 'Community Service & Social Upliftment'.

Day – 25th January, 2020 at Manekshaw Centre in New Delhi. BPA was recognized for its outstanding role in making elections accessible for persons with disabilities. Dr. Bhushan Punani, Executive Secretary of BPA and Member of National Advisory Committee on Accessible Voting received the Award from Hon'ble President on behalf of BPA.



National Association for the Blind, Delhi Branch has chosen **Blind Peoples Association, Ahmedabad** for the NAB Sarojini Trilok Nath National Award under the Best Institution category. The award event was held on 1 December 2019 at Siri Fort Auditorium, New Delhi. Mr. F. J. Porwal, Secretary and Mr. H. M. Panchal, Director (Training) of the BPA were present in Delhi to receive award on behalf of BPA by the Trustees of NAB Delhi Branch.



MS. SONAL MADHANI, Music Teacher has been conferred the National Award under the category "Best Employed Person Female with Visual Impairment for the year 2019" by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment on 3rd

December at the Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi by the Vice-President of India Mr. Venkaiah Naidu.

SHRI RAMBHAI JADAV, Director, Ashirvad Trust was conferred award "Paramarth Na Pagle" On the Path of Service to Humanity by Dr. Jagdish Trivedi, a renowned artist and donor at Surendranagar Town Hall.



MR. SUNIL GAURIER, Occupational Therapist of BPA was conferred "Dr. Pushpaben Mankad Occupational Therapy Award" for Best Occupational Therapist on World Occupational Therapy Day - 27th October, 19.



MRS. NALINI RAWAL conferred "Seva Sahayak" Award from Society for the Welfare of the Mentally Retarded (SWMR)



SUDAHBEN JOSHI, Science Teacher of the BPA Higher Secondary School has been conferred the Teachers Felicitation Award by Sri Aurobindo Society by Hon'ble Minister of Human Resource Development, Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal on 3rd March, 2020 at a function in New Delhi.

MS. SUDHABEN JOSHI, Teacher of Higher Secondary School was honoured by Hon'ble Chief Minister of Gujarat, Shri Vijay Rupani as the Best Teacher under his famous program "Mann Nii Moklas"



Girls and Boys of BPA Dance Group were conferred Divyang Ratna Awards by Kalgi Foundation, Ahmedabad on 27th July, 2019.

Dance Group & Music Teacher Miss Sonal Madhani of Blind People's Association participated in 8th Talent Show held by Muskan Charitable Trust at Katra especially for the Specially abled & Under Privileged Children were awarded Cash Prize.



APPOINTMENTS

DR. BHUSHAN PUNANI, Executive Secretary has been appointed as a Member of Academic Council of the Institute by National Institute for the Empowerment of Persons with Visual Disabilities (NIEPVD, Divyangjan), Dehradun, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India.



has been appointed on the Committee for Accessibility in built environment and admission procedures for Persons with Disabilities by the Dr. Baba Shaheb Ambedkar Open University.



MR. DHARMENDRA KUMAR JENA, Head of BPA-Bareja Hospital has been appointed as President of Vision 2020 - Right to Sight, Gujarat Chapter from 5th October, 2019.

MRS. NANDINI RAWAL, Executive Director has been appointed as a Member of ICEVI Committee for children with MDVI or Deafblindness



External member on the internal complaints committee of the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 of Evosys Global.



MRS. VIMAL THAWANI, Project Director served as member of the panel of judges and experts for the event 'Teaching Learning Material Competition and Exhibition' organized by 'Consortium for Inclusive Education' (CIE), Baroda 8 August, 2019

100 % RESULT

Physiotherapy Final Examination : Achieved 100% result Diploma Certificate Course in Physiotherapy of Ahmedabad University.

Mr. Nikul M. Vaghela scored distinction with 76.6% Marks in this job oriented course. This school provides real time practice to all the students by providing OPD, which is free of cost for all citizens; with 50 to 60 patients visiting this Centre for treatment. This result has proven that the desire to excel can be achieved by our students.



Xth Board Exam result : Students of BPA Secondary School for the Blind scored 100% result.

Mr. Waghela Pravin Bachubhai stood first rank in the school with 376 (75.20%) marks out of 500. Mr. Pravin belongs to a family of limited means from Jamnagar. This effort by teachers and volunteers who supported the preparations and made these special kids feel special and happy is highly appreciated.



SPORTS



Vishnu Waghela is a skilled footballer with a difference..... He is totally blind. He is the first student from BPA to show his preference for football and then practice so hard that he flies across the field kicking the football. His dedication to the game has ensured that he is part of the Indian Football team and played matches against Japan in Cochin in December, 2019 and won the same.



Eight Visually Impaired Sports men of BPA India participated in Para Sports Coaching Camp at Border Security Force (BSF) Headquarters at Gandhinagar. The Camp was sponsored by Aaditya Foundation.



Mr. Chirantan Mesariya, Physiotherapist of BPA-Sumeru Centre participated in Gujarat State Open Chess Championship for Visually Challenged. He scored 7 points out of 7 and got 2nd number in the Championship. This programme was organized by Samaj Suraksha Sankul (Deepak Foundation) office at Vadodara on 10th May, 2019.



16th National Para Athletics Championship For Cerebral Palsy -2020 was held at Chhattisgarh - Raipur From 2nd To 4th February, 2020. Ms. Nirali Vala – Trainee of I.T.I. BPA won two gold medals in discus throw and Shot-Put.

KHEL MAHAKUMBH : As every year, the Government of Gujarat organized Khel Mahakumbh in all the districts of Gujarat for persons with disabilities who participated in various sporting events, games and athletics. Students from all the BPA campuses participated in events in their own districts and brought back heaps of medals and prizes.



Bhavina Patel of BPA wins Gold in Paralympic Table Tennis in Egypt Open Championship. She sets invincible record of winning all the matches - proud of you Bhavina.



Ms. Bhavina Patel and Ms. Sonal Patel Paraplegic Table Tennis Players of BPA India participated in ITTF Para Egypt Open 2019 in Alexandria, Egypt from 24th June to 3rd July 2019. Bhavina won Silver Medal in Singles and Bronze Medal in Doubles category respectively and Sonal won Bronze in Doubles category.

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

EDUCATION



MINNIE CAMA SECONDARY & HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL

Started as one of the first foundational initiatives, in 1964, and later supported by the Cama family, today the school offers State Government certified curriculum to 220 differently abled students each year, at Primary, Secondary & Higher Secondary levels. In addition, the students also get the opportunity to excel in several other fields such as, singing, dancing, drama, fashion shows, essay writing and sports. The school is equipped with 35

computers which also prepares students as Technology literate at basic and intermediate levels, and which also offers special coaching courses to interested students who wish to pursue careers in Computer Technology, Banking and several other related government and private sector. The school boasts of 100% results in state board examinations. All syllabus material for all grades is available in Braille and Audio.

LIONS METROPOLITAN SHAKRIBEN MANGALDAS MUSIC SCHOOL

One of the oldest and among the first initiatives for persons with visual impairment started by Our Founder Late Shri Jagdish K. Patel, in 1961, it was initiated by teaching 'the prambhik' (elementary) and 'the Madhyama' (intermediate) levels of Indian Classical Music. As the enrollment increased, and more interested aspirants steadily continued to opt for this course, it was officialized eventually into a full fledged Music School for Indian Classical Music, with affiliation from 'Gandharva Mahavidhyalaya' in Miraj, Maharashtra, offering all the way upto 'Shiksha Visharad' (Masters in Indian Classical Music). Students at this school are taught by some of the finest teachers of Indian Classical Music. Today the school boasts of its graduates having become accomplished employed singers, musicians, music teachers, radio & TV Artists, and in related jobs, and also rendering their own classes in Indian Classical Music.



NANDINI RAMESH GANDHI SCHOOL OF PHYSIOTHERAPY

Started in 1983, it became the first such two year course in India, certified by the Gujarat State Education Board, eventually expanded to a three year Professional Diploma, recognized and Certified by Ahmedabad University. The trained physiotherapists are able to get jobs in hospitals or start their own Physiotherapy Clinic. The BPA School provides Physiotherapy sessions on a daily basis to all people needing these services in its Clinic on the main campus.



We regret to inform the passing away of Dr. Sasada our Guru and Guide

JAPANESE MEDICAL MANUAL THERAPY SCHOOL

In 2013, new specialized two year professional course called "Japanese Medical Manual Therapy (JMMT)" was brought to India with the help of Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) to train persons with visual impairment as Indian Master Trainers in this therapy. This course is recognized by Sukuba University, Japan and Teacher Trainers have been trained by noted Japanese Therapy Expert, Dr. Sasada. BPA has trained 5 Master Trainers and 60 students as Therapists. This year we have admitted 13 new students for the course. This two-year course has helped students to get jobs in Hotels, Spas and Rehab Centres as Therapists. They are also doing private practice and are gainfully employed.





INCLUSIVE SCHOOLING

SAMMILIT PATHSHALAS at NAAZ & BAVLA

These two Sammilit Pathshalas gives primary education to non-disabled children and children with disabilities and children who are abandoned, orphans and underprivileged. The Naaz centre provides residential services to Children with Mental Retardation, Autism, Cerebral Palsy and Multiple Disabilities. Presently there are 41 students receiving services of which 23 are girls. Most of the female residents are orphans. Students are provided training in life skills, functional literacy and vocational trades. The goal of the centre is for all children to have a smile on their faces and be very happy as part of Naaz family. People from far and near communities visit the centre and organize many activities for children and celebrate festivals with them.

Both schools have around 400 children out of which around 100 children have disabilities.

Both schools are recognised by the Department of Primary Education, Government of Gujarat.

The school recurring expenses at Bavla are funded by Gruh Finance Ltd.



BAVLA

SAMMILIT PATHSHALAS

NAAZ



DISTANCE EDUCATION

In collaboration with IGNOU (Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi) and BAOU (Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University, Ahmedabad), and approved by the Rehabilitation Council of India, we at, BPA facilitate four different Courses, as well as Study Centers, for educating Special Teachers (Rehabilitation Professionals) in the field of visual impairment, hearing impairment, intellectual and multiple disabilities. Since 2009, more than 500 persons have graduated as Special Teachers and have also passed the Foundation Course, Special Bachelors in Education, Post-Graduate and Advanced Diploma.



VOCATIONAL & PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

SOMABHAI LALLUBHAI MULTI-CATEGORY WORKSHOP

A part of Adult Training Center, it provides practical training to People with Disabilities in the trades of Cutting and Tailoring, Calipers, Offset Printing and Binding, General Mechanic, Motor Rewinding, Carpentry, Plumbing and Electrical fields. The building also houses the designing & manufacturing of all Ortho-Prosthetic Devices equipments and Assistive Aids, as well as Canes for Persons with Visual Impairment and tricycles for those with Locomotor Disabilities.

INDUSTRIAL TRAINING CENTRE

Cama Computer Centre : Among the most opted of Courses and high in demand, the enrolled students become Data Entry Operators, Computer Operators, Desktop Publishing Professionals, HTML Coders, Computer Programmers, and Computer Software Operators (including Corel, TALLY Accounting, MS Office, Adobe and More), who are given placement in private, public and government sectors, with gainful employment.



Arti Mrugesh Doctor Beauty, Hair & Skin Care Centre : Specially for Women with Disabilities, this Course enables students to learn beauty treatment & make up, hair and skin care, with job prospects in beauty parlors media and related studios. In addition, all students are given a start-up Beauty Kit at the end of the course which enables them to be self-employed and take independent orders.



Shirin Cyrus Dalal Telephone Operator-cum-Receptionist : This course renders training to the persons with visual impairment in telephone operating-cum-receptionist.



Offset Printing :

Started initially for in-house printing needs, today it renders training in modern Offset Printing followed by on the job training to in-house/residential as well as non-residential



persons with hearing and speech impairment, ones with low vision, mental retardation and locomotor disabilities. Over the decades, its students have got jobs in private, public & government printing presses/publishing companies.

Cutting and Tailoring :

Initially started for women with disabilities for their self-sustenance as a home based micro business, today it attracts men as well. After completion of training, students get first hand training by industry experts. Trainees have got jobs in large scale ready-made garments and other clothing factories.



Dahiben Stenography English Trade : This course, renders training to persons with visual impairment in English language Stenography.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE FOR PERSONS WITH MULTIPLE DISABILITIES

The Vocational Training Centre has 25 trainees who receive skill training in various trades such as block printing, tie and dye, decorative paper bags making, jewellery making, paper plate, paper bowl, decorative diya, wall hanging, other artistic and festival materials.

This year the unit has produced 10,000 wall hangings, 70,000 decorative diyas, 50,000 decorative envelopes, 7500 cloth bags and 90,000 paper plates and paper bowls.

Vocational Training Centre staff and trainees participated in various exhibitions, including Ahmedabad Shopping Festival, Exhibition at Corporate Offices and Residential Complexes. Many also do work independently i.e. Nandlal Gautam does block printing on bed sheet and dupattas, Alay Patel makes all kinds of paper bags, and Rishi Kankuwala does good decoration on paper bags and envelopes.

All trainees at this centre enjoy their hard work. All parents are happy with the training of their children.



SPECIAL NEED INTERVENTION CENTRE

KASHIBHAI - LALITABEN - JAGDISHBHAI - BHADRABEN EARLY INTERVENTION CENTER



Early Intervention Centre was started in a bungalow donated by our founder, the late Shri Jagdish Patel, for taking care and providing early intervention services to new born infants and toddlers upto age of six years old, who are born with multiple disabilities. The number of students receiving services in the year 2019- 2020 was 50. We have full time Special Educators, and Physiotherapists in addition to Visiting Faculties who provide Occupational Therapy, Massage Therapy and Speech Therapy. Moreover Vision Development Training, support services are available for local students in inclusive schools as well as Outreach Services for those who are in villages or in remote places where they cannot access such Special Centers. Counseling to parents, services to Anganwadi are also available.

CHANDRIKABEN KINARIWALA UNIT FOR PERSONS WITH DEAFBLINDEDNESS

The centre successfully completed 21 years and has been providing a wide range of services to Persons with Deafblindness with financial support from Sense International India. Till now we have been able to reach around 649 Persons with Deafblindness in Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Goa and Maharashtra through centre based, Community based and home based approach. We have been able to create local parents' network and young adults with Deafblindness are part of Adult Network. Training of parents, siblings, professionals and other stakeholders was organized in 2019-20. The success of this centre is evident in students having graduated from functional academics to mainstream curriculum to professional training including Physiotherapy, Japanese Massage course and ITI courses.



CHANDRIKABEN KINARIWALA MENTAL HYGIENE CLINIC



Services are provided to persons with intellectual disabilities, autism and cerebral palsy, between the ages of six to twenty five years old, by expert professionals. In addition to teaching daily school curriculum, they are also taught Daily Living Skills, Socializing and Communication Skills. Today several students, now as adults, have become responsible and independent individuals.

R. M. PARIKH DAY CARE CENTER

This day care center works for students with visual impairment with additional disabilities, intellectual disability, autism, and cerebral palsy. We provide services such as early intervention, special education, vocational training, physiotherapy, parents counseling occupational therapy as well as massage therapy.



In our Vocational Training Unit we have 11 adults who make different products such as paper bags, envelopes, paper dishes, paper bowls, jewelry, key chains, ear rings, door hangings, and seasonal articles such as Ganesha Idols for Ganesh Chaturthi and Jewelry for Navratri.

During the year we served 35 students including support services at home.

DAY CARE CENTERS

The herein below day care centers serve children with disabilities in different parts of Gujarat. Regularized activities such as education, vocational training, skilling are ultimate goal for eventual independence with dignity and autonomy, at these day care centers :



Centre for Children with
Deafblindness
PORBANDAR



Sneh Day Care Centre for
Children with Special Needs
PIPLAG, NADIAD



Shri V. S. Gandhi Center at
KATHLAL



Khushio-nu-Sarnamu
DEESA



Dr. S. K. Mewada
Lions Divyang Education
& Training Centre
Technical Support by BPA

Prayas Day Care Centre
JODHPUR
Rajasthan



Centre for Children with
Special Needs
MAHUDI



Shri V. S. Gandhi Charitable Trust
KAPADWANJ



Day Care Centre
THASRA



Ranna Day Care Centre
SANAND
Technical Support by BPA



BPA - USHA SILAI SCHOOL

Usha Silai School: Blind People's Association has begun journey with USHA International Ltd in the year 2013 with 10 classical schools in Gujarat. For the empowerment of women with disabilities, it is essential to involve them in income generation activities. Their financial independence makes them more confident and self-reliant. This self-reliance is the only true form of empowerment. BPA is aimed at empowering women with disabilities in rural areas financially, and providing them with a

regular income. In collaboration with Usha International Ltd, the USHA Classical and Satellite School Program has been running in Gujarat for the last 7 years. Under this program 725 women with disabilities have been engaged in Tailoring and Cutting teaching and income generation through stitching work from following districts; **Ahmedabad, Surendranagar, Morbi, Kacchh, Banaskantha, Chotta Udaipur, Arravali, Panchmahal, Mahisagar, Kheda, and Diu and Daman UTs.** These women with disabilities act as a master trainer to train other women and girls in their village. These women also stitch designer dresses for Usha International Ltd after receiving training under Usha International's Fashion Label Project.





EMPLOYMENT/SELF EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

S.N.	VI			HI			CP/ MR / MI			OH			TOTAL		GRAND TOTAL
	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	
1	16	1	17	23	2	25	1	0	1	15	2	17	55	5	60
TOTAL	16	1	17	23	2	25	1	0	1	0	0	17	55	5	60

SELF-EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

SR. NO.	ITEM	VI			HI			CP			OH			MI			MR			GRAND TOTAL
		M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	
1	Phone Booth	10	3	13	1	0	1	1	0	1	47	5	52	0	0	0	5	1	6	73
2	Sewing Machine 1	0	0	0	11	7	18	0	2	2	44	50	94	0	0	0	1	5	6	120
3	Hand Cart 2	13	2	15	1	0	1	0	0	0	21	6	27	0	0	0	1	0	1	44
4	Ice Box 3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
5	Beauty Parlor Kit	0	0	0	0	12	12	0	0	0		8	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
6	Provision Kit	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
7	Tea kit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	0	1	0	1	5
8	Air conditioning	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	7	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
9	Electric kit	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	6	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
10	Ladies Accessories kit	2		2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
11	Weighing Machine	15	0	15	0	0	0	1		1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
12	Massage Kit	5	2	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
13	Plumbing kit	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
14	saloon kit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
15	Dairy kit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	3
16	Mobile KIT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
17	Cycle Repairing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	2
18	Cobbler kit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
19	Auto Repairing Kit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
20	Toys Kit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1
21	Physiotherapy kit	9	6	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
22	Cooler kit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
23	Carpentry kit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
GRAND TOTAL		57	13	70	15	19	34	2	2	4	148	72	220	4	0	4	10	6	16	348

BPA Y4J

Blind People's Association has been partner with Youth 4 Jobs Foundation for Placement linked Skill Development Program. The skill development program aims to provide professional skills to the people with disabilities, mainly to prepare them to work in retail, hospitality and BPOs. In the last year, 155 persons with disabilities from Gujarat were given a training. The residential facility, training is completely free of charge to the persons with disabilities. After the training program, the trained candidates were also provided job placement support in Ahmedabad, or other nearest locations to their native place. 124 trained candidates got the job at various position with esteem corporate. The average starting salary was around 8000 INRs to 10,000 INRs. The list of Employers for the year 2019-2020 are as given below.

Reliance Trends | Pizza hut | Pantaloons | Max Fashion | Reliance Industries Ltd. | Mas Callnet Ind Pvt Ltd. | Star Bazar | Tata Motors | Ansari Enterprise | Big Bazaar | Big Basket | Futurez - Ahmedabad

Batch No	Training Details Short term training were given to the candidates on Retail			Job Placement Details Job placement were given to the candidates after the training program		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
1	13	2	15	13	1	14
2	14	4	18	10	4	14
3	9	0	9	9	0	9
4	19	5	24	14	0	14
5	26	3	29	23	2	25
6	20	4	24	17	3	20
7	17	2	19	12	2	14
8	5	1	6	5	1	6
9	10	1	11	7	1	8
Total	133	22	155	110	14	124

COMMUNITY BASED REHABILITATION SERVICES

Ramanbhai who had locked himself in small hut and many times became violent, also refused to eat anything as he suspected everyone, of giving him poison. He is resident of village in Thasra. This was his condition last year ... today he visits vocational center daily and proved himself as most productive worker.....



happy to present that 43 people were provided support for self employment, like swing machine, petti shop, and other equipments.

We have started vocational training unit at Thasra for recovered patients for training. 15 patients come regularly and are involved in tailoring work, Decorative Diya making and wall hangings. This helps them to regain confidence in themselves also family members also develop faith in them and

BPA has been working with People like Ramanbhai, who are suffering from severe mental disorders for almost last two decades. This was first of its kind project to serve people with such severe mental illness at doorsteps. We work in 10 districts of Gujarat, Kathlal, Balasinhor, Thasra, Idar, Deesa, Vadhwani, Chotila, Anjar, Dholka. From identification, medical consultation, medicines and counselling services are provided at their doorsteps. Till now we have been able to serve 7632 people with mental illness. 137 People have recovered and do not need any medical intervention.

their attitude gets positive.

The project team conducted various community awareness programs like street plays, rally and wall paintings, so that social stigma gets minimized and people with mental illness are not labeled as "MAD" and scary but are treated with human touch.

The project also serves to wandering patients in all project areas. Many of the patients who were locked for many years also were treated and now living life with dignity.

In the year 2019-20, we have provided medicines worth more than Rs. 12 lakhs, 86 people are back in mainstream work. We are very

We work to change the quality of people's lives from and to



BPA MENTAL HEALTH PROJECT

Integration of People with Severe Mental Disorders into Community Based Rehabilitation model

∞ **Aim :** To rehabilitate people with severe Mental disorders by community based rehabilitation model.

∞ **Objectives:**

- Reaching out to persons with mental disorders through a community based approach.
- Human resource development (HRD) training for field- level persons in handling persons with severe mental disorders.



Sr. No.	Block Name	Number of Surveyed Cases					Total	Total Covered Cases	Total Rehabilitated Cases
		Schizo-phrenia	Mania	Depression	Epilepsy	MR			
1	Kathlal	181	12	223	161	218	795	413	125
2	Balasinor	169	89	196	206	128	788	409	139
3	Thasra	236	23	216	313	217	1005	441	113
4	Anjar	24	40	148	88	222	522	209	31
5	Deesa	193	152	402	372	396	1515	673	291
6	Idar	38	123	121	163	90	535	234	58
7	Chotila	201	26	239	152	240	792	232	48
8	Vadhwani	235	22	241	158	587	1243	161	66
Total		1277	487	1786	1613	7261	7195	2772	871





SUPPORT SERVICES

Assistive Devices : A total of 899 assistive devices were distributed at a cost of Rs. 57,56,866 during 2019-20. This was possible due to support of dedicated donors of the BPA. The table is below :

Sr. No.	Type of Aid Given	Qty.	Cost	From Fund/ Donor	From Beneficiary	Total
1	A.E P/S	1	12000	12000	0	12000
2	Angel	102	846360	825430	20930	846360
3	Braille Kit	2	2100	2100	0	2100
4	Calipers	20	134500	93500	41000	134500
5	Crutches	36	22050	20300	1750	22050
6	Digital Hearing Aid	118	1560000	1536501	23499	1560000
7	Folding Wheel Chair	52	336200	335600	600	336200
8	Folding Stick	31	4030	4030	0	4030
9	Folding Walker	6	6300	6300	0	6300
10	Fourped Stick	4	1100	1100	0	1100
11	Ground Mobility Device	2	6000	4500	1500	6000
12	Low Vision Kit	3	3150	3150	0	3150
13	M.R.Educational Kit	64	95200	95200	0	95200
14	Modified C.P.Chair	8	44000	44000	0	44000
15	Mono Hearing Aid	137	149600	96900	52700	149600
16	Motivation Wheel Chair	62	616500	514500	102000	616500
17	Pair Of Surgical Shoes	4	13300	11300	2000	13300
18	Prosthesis	40	308000	256500	51500	308000
19	Smart Cane	20	70000	70000	0	70000
20	Smart Phone	43	365500	365500	0	365500
21	Spectacles	5	7550	7550	0	7550
22	Standing Frame	1	3500	3500	0	3500
23	Stereo Hearing Aid	5	6500	5200	1300	6500
24	Torch It Cane	13	21480	21480	0	21480
25	Tricycle	120	817610	798175	19435	817610
	Total	899	5452530	5134316	318214	5452530



OTHER SERVICES

People with Disabilities are supported in their education, movement, technology skills and independence through the following units:

- H. N. Makim **Braille Press** (under NAB-GSB)
- C. N. **Braille Circulating Library**,
- A. N. Kinariwala **Talking Book Library**
- Shantaben Mehta **Digital Library**

The above provide material in Braille to 370 persons, audio and in soft format to 800 persons with blindness.

BPA has the following assessment services on its campus.

- Sense International India **Audiometry Services**
- Jashodagauri Thakorelal Shah **Low vision Services**
- Psychological & Psychiatric Services, Speech Therapy
- Counseling
- Mobility and Adjustment Training
- Physiotherapy & Occupational Therapy

Need based services are also provided to people who are newly disabled

AUDIO NEWSLETTERS AVAILABLE AT BPA

The Technology Centre of BPA under the stewardship of Mr. Ranchhod Soni prepares special audio magazines.

- Nirmal Anand News : Gujarati quarterly Audio Magazine
- Latest Facts In General Knowledge (Gujarati Version) published by Liberty (For above 2 Magazines contact Mr. Ranchhod Soni)
- Baal Srushti : Monthly Gujarati Audio Magazine issued by the Government of Gujarat, recorded at BPA. (For this Magazine contact Mrs. Sudha Joshi)

KUTCH COMPREHENSIVE REHABILITATION CENTER [One Window Service Center for DIVYANGJANS]

Kutch Comprehensive Rehabilitation Centre locally known as **KCRC** came up as blessing for the people of Kutch . The project started with helping people meet their immediate needs with focus on persons with disabilities who were most affected by the 2001 massive earthquake. The centre was established with support of many foreign funding agencies and Government of Gujarat provided free and revenue free land which is very rare of its kind. The centre is running full-fledged with its centre based activities and has spread all over Kutch and reaching to unreached villages of all blocks of Kutch with all innovative models of prevention and rehabilitation projects.

The centre at present is working for comprehensive development of the Divyangjans and challenged needy persons through inclusive community based approach in 203 identified remote unserved villages of Kutch and providing technical support to the local villagers. KCRC equipped with state of art physiotherapy equipment's from ORET, Netherlands and treated 627 patients at the centre, Sukhpar - SSERT and at Lions Physiotherapy centre. The physiotherapy staffs have been providing treatment and services to the people of Kutch since the inception of the centre.



12 Inclusive Village development committees with 120 members have been promoted and 30SHG's with 330 members are regular in their activities and has savings of 1162500/-

and playing active role in the village development activities. Strengthening, capacity building programs and exposure visits are conducted at regular intervals for sustainability of the groups.

Eye care and prevention of blindness is one of the core programs. 140 rural eye camps have been conducted during the year and 1615 persons have been catered with eye care services. 618 persons have been covered under small incision surgery for cataract, 171 under Phaco Emulsification, 45 Pterygium and 21 cases of grafting in the new state of art **Eye surgical unit** established with the kind support of DP World, Mundra.



44 Divyangs have been supported with various self-employment kits like sewing machines, beautician kit, hand cart, mobile repairing kit and agricultural kit. The kit has helped them to earn their livelihood and they are now contributing members of the family and society as a whole.



400 Tricycles, 200 wheel chairs have been manufactured at KCRC and supplied to the nearby districts of Saurashtra region. Prosthesis & Orthotics camp (Artificial Limbs), calliper's and all other support services are also available at the centre.



BPA is thankful to MICTL – DPW for supporting the state of art “Skill Development Centre” for multipurpose skill development centre at bhuj.

37 woman with disabilities underwent advanced training program in 3 batches and 20 of these women with disabilities who received training has started earning their livelihood. They are now contributing members of the family as a result now the women with disabilities also take part in the decision making of the family. This was a small impact found.



BPA BANASKANTHA BULLETIN

BPA PALANPUR UNIT: Dr. S. K. Mevada Lions Divyang Education & Training Center is run by the Lions Club of Palanpur Charitable Trust and provides DayCare services to 30 children with Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities This is now shifted to new campus donated by Maheta Parivar.

BPA DEESA UNIT: Nagarpalika Deesa constructed building for providing services to children with disabilities in Deesa town and gave name of that building as "Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay Divyang Bhavan — Khushiyo nu Surnamu". This centre provides services and therapy to 62 children with multiple disabilities.

Major activities in the Banaskantha during 1st April, 2019 to 31st March, 2020.

The BPA Coordinator Mr. Vanraj Chavda is selected as NGO member and he is invited to attend Sponsorship and Foster Care Approval Committee (SFCAC) meeting regularly.

BPA Banaskantha provided Training to Booth Level Officers by BPA officials in Lok Sabha election 2019 for Assured Minimum Facility in Polling Stations in Banaskantha District and also on accessible election campaign during Lok Sabha Election 2019 in the Banaskantha.



One day workshop on Depositor Education and Awareness Program for PWDs

BPA Deesa Unit organized one day training program for persons with disabilities on Depositor Education and Awareness Program at Khushio Nu Sarnamu -1, Deesa supported by Consumer Education and Research Society, Ahmedabad. The main objective of the program was to sensitize PWDs about banking systems and their rights. Total 56 persons with disabilities from the entire district attended the program on 22 July, 2019.



Motivation Wheelchairs Assessment and Distribution camp at BPA Deesa Unit

Motivation wheelchairs were distributed first time in Banaskantha to persons with disabilities by Blind People's Association. Total 26 customized wheelchairs distributed to PWDs of Banaskantha district. The Nagarpalika President Mrs.



Shilpaben Mali was presented at the occasion on 5 September, 2019.

Motivation wheelchairs and other appliances distributed at Palanpur



Motivation wheelchairs and other assistive devices distributed by Blind People's Association to Persons with Disabilities of Banaskantha district with support of Voice of SAP, Lions club of Palanpur, Wagh Bakri Tea Group and PYCY Ahmedabad on 7 December, 2019. More than 66 PWDs benefited from Motivation wheelchair, tricycles, Angel (Audio player) and Digital hearing aids by the worthy hand of Shri Sandip Sagale, District Collector Banaskantha.

Palanpur New Day Care Center donated by Shree Maheta Parivar

The Lions Club of Palanpur runs Day Care Center for children with mental retardation and multiple disabilities in the Palanpur city with the technical support of Blind People's Association. Dr. S.K. Mevada Lions Divyang Education and Training shifted from Lions Hospital campus to "Chaman Bag" bungalow donated by Shri Kantilal Chamanlal Mehta "Bhai Parivar" for running up the center. The new place of the center is middle in the city and fully accessible for children with disabilities. This new center was inaugurated by Shri Sandip Sagale, District Collector Banaskantha on 7 December, 2019.



Refresher Training on Silai course to WWDs by Usha International.



BPA provides Silai Machines to women with disabilities for their livelihood across the Gujarat state. Recently BPA provided Silai Machine to 10 Women with Disabilities in the Banaskantha district with support from VOICE of SAP. BPA Facilitated the two days refresher training on 13th & 14th March, 2020 with the aim of empowering a village level woman entrepreneur to teach sewing to village women within the community space with financial support

from Usha International Ltd. The Lions club of Palanpur Charitable Trust provided the venue with Silai machines for the training program.

Regular activities have been implemented at both the centers in Banaskantha

District Counseling center

1. Community Based Rehabilitation for people with severe mental disorders in Deesa and Palanpur blocks
2. Tanya Computer Training center for people with visually impaired and low vision at Deesa
3. Online Enrollment and renewal Niramaya cards of Banaskantha district and this year we have submitted more than 250 applications from district.
4. Regular monitoring and visit of Usha Silai school in Vadgam and Deesa block
5. Regular meeting with parents of children with disabilities at both the centers Palanpur and Deesa.
6. Birthday celebration of all children by Shri Samaj Deesa at Deesa center.

VANDE MATARAM

Mayor of Ahmedabad Ms. Bijal Patel launched the song "Vande Mataram" on 28th May, 2019 at Mayor's office. This patriotic song written by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi, composed by Dr. Binduben Trivedi, Former Director of Mumbai Door Darshan was presented by Shri Jasubhai Kavi of Raah Foundation and was performed by our students with disabilities.



ASSESSMENT/THERAPY AT BPA

**DAILY FACILITIES
(10.30a.m. - 05.30 p.m.)**

- COUNSELLOR
- O&M INSTRUCTOR
- PHYSIOTHERAPY
- EMPLOYMENT COUNSELLING
- ORTHOTIC-PROSTHETIC
- LOW VISION ASSESSMENT

SPECIALIST SERVICES

PHYSICIAN	11.00 A.M.	DAILY
OPHTHALMOLOGIST	09.30 A.M.	MONDAY
OPTOMETRIST	09.30 A.M.	MONDAY
PSYCHIATRIST	09.30 A.M.	FRIDAY
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST	02.30 P.M.	FRIDAY
AUDIOLOGIST	10.00 A.M.	SATURDAY
SPEECH THERAPIST	2 HOURS	TUESDAY & THURSDAY
PSYCHOLOGIST		DAILY
MASSAGE THERAPIST		DAILY



ADVOCACY, ADJUSTMENT, TECHNOLOGY & EMPOWERMENT

BPA provides Adjustment Training to newly blind persons. This is a tailor-made training based on multidisciplinary approach. In this age appropriate tailor-made training, we teach mobility, cooking, commuting, dressing, use of computer and various assistive devices to lead a life with dignity. This training starts with the vision assessment to understand the actual causes and functional vision of the person. On the basis of this assessment, counseling and other training is being designed.

Counseling: Counseling is the most important step of our adjustment training. Our experts provide counseling to a newly blind person as well as their family to overcome the oblivion condition. They are introduced to successful people with visual impairment and showcase various opportunities available for them. Our experts and team listen to their problems and give them practical solutions to overcome the inferiority complex and motivate them to adjust with the new condition.



Mobility: The newly blind person is being taught the techniques to walk around independently in the built environment and on the roads. The person learns to navigate with the help of White Cane and cross the intersections. Moreover, the person also learns to use the public transportation and usage of other senses while walking or navigating through various spaces.



Cooking: This component of our training is specifically designed for woman who become blind late in life. We teach techniques for basic cooking such as making roties and preparing daily meals for their families.



People with Visual Impairment employed in a Restaurant: We have successfully employed many people with hearing impairment in restaurants, but employing people with visual impairment in any restaurant is absolutely new avenue of employment. After several dialogues with the restaurant manager and motivating people with visual impairment, we could successfully employed 5 people with visual impairment in "The Little H Café". The Restaurant Manager gave the training in basic skills and BPA team also oriented the potential candidates in restaurant business as fine dining is larger than life concept for them. In a short period of 6 months, through social media and mouth to mouth publicity, the news reached to Shri Vijaybhai Rupani, the Chief Minister of Gujarat and he sent an appreciation letter to the restaurant for the innovating approach. These employees are given task of welcoming guests, taking orders, serving food and entertaining guests. They have purchased some tactile games developed by us. While their food is being prepared, the guests are given these games to play. The guests are thrilled with this complete experience.

Technology Center for the Blind

- This department produced more than 400 digital audio books. Half of them were recorded in Sabarmati Central Jail. We trained around 10 late blind persons during the year.
- We started Tanya Computer Center for providing computer education to students with visual impairment of rural areas. Develop online computer test for basic computer course of TCC.
- We provided training in smart phones to more than 50 students and also provided support services such as installation of software and applications, problem solving etc.
- We approached employers and convinced them to appoint competent persons with visual impairment. Payal Thakker, a late blind girl, got a job in a legal consultancy firm.
- We arranged assistive technology exhibitions at DIET Ahmedabad, AM school for the blind Surat & School for the blind Vadodara.
- Ranchhod Soni & Vidhi Shah were invited at Bank of Baroda staff training institute to provide training to visually challenged employees of the bank.
- **Tanya Computer Courses:** This project was set up with the support of Madison Resources Foundation in February 2019. The objectives of this project were to provide computer education to persons with visual impairment to enhance their employability through computer education and to promote awareness about assistive technology in the rural areas. In the first phase four centers have been set up at Ahmedabad, Kapadvanj district kheda, Sayla district Surendranagar, Deesa district Banaskatha at Ahmedabad. A four month course has been designed that includes M. S. Office, Internet & HTML. In addition, Students were imparted education in braille, mobility and English language. Unique features of this course are emphasis on practical education, lectures of the experts through skype, online exam, 3 days learning by doing workshop of all the students at our main campus Ahmedabad.
- Every batch was given a unique experience of a three day workshop entitled 'Learning by Doing'. This training includes practical training in the use of modern tools of assistive technology, valuable guidance in shining their personality, and interaction with successful VI persons who work on computers in their jobs.
- Tests were conducted every month kept the trainees busy active and regular in the training.
- Our most important initiative was conducting an on-line test. Students of all the four centres took on-line tests simultaneously, and results were shown immediately through the software. Our great achievement was that the need of the scribe was completely eliminated in our exam system.



ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT OF PORECHA EYE AND GENERAL HOSPITAL, BAREJA A UNIT OF BLIND PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION (INDIA) FOR THE YEAR 2019-2020

BPA HOSPITAL COMPLEX - BAREJA

The Bareja General Hospital Trust donated a piece of land measuring nearly 5 acres to the organization for the purpose of setting up an eye hospital. This was the turning point in BPA's commitment to sight saving. It approached a local donor Mr. Nalin Porecha who donated the initial amount for setting up of a hospital in the memory of his parents. The hospital which is renamed as the "Porecha Eye Hospital" is now a full-fledged 50 bedded eye hospital – the only one of its kind on the Ahmedabad-Baroda Highway at Kheda. The campus is now a hospital complex consisting of the following.

- Porecha Eye Hospital
- Porecha ENT (Ear, Nose & Throat) Hospital
- Gatorbhai Himmatlal Patel (Bidaj) Orthopaedic Hospital
- Shardaben Vitthalbhai Patel Women's Health Centre
- Santokben Baldevbhai Patel Mental Health Centre
- Chandrikaben Sumant Shah General OPD
- Sheth Jamnabhai Bhagubhai BPA School of Optometry

RETINA UNIT



The Porecha Eye Hospital provides comprehensive retina services at Bareja including clinical and surgical. The super specialty retina unit at Bareja is well equipped with OCT, Argon Laser, Fundus camera, Yag Laser, slit lamp Auto refractometer, Non-contact tonometer etc. Porecha eye hospital Bareja has fully equipped international level tertiary care facilities for retinal services.



We treat patients from all parts of Gujarat and also nearby areas of Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh. Our set up is providing treatment for diabetic lasers, retinal intravitreal injections to treat retinal haemorrhages, vitrectomy machine to treat complex retinal detachments and perform double and triple procedures in conjunct with corneal and cataract surgeons.

We cover all the patients with Diabetic Retinopathy, Hypertensive Retinopathy, Age Related Macular Degenerations, ROP, Glaucoma, Optic Neuropathies of various kinds, Retinal Detachments, Tractional Detachments, RD due to ROP, uveitis and hereditary retinal diseases.

We perform medical procedures in the form of lasers angiography and various type of intra-ocular injections at no cost or minimal costs. With all high-end advanced technologies, we have performed complex retinal surgeries like retinal detachment surgery, macular hole surgeries, vitreous haemorrhage surgeries, vitrectomy for endophthalmitis, paediatric trauma and retinal procedures, traumatic retinal detachment with removal of intra-ocular foreign bodies, combined corneal and retinal procedures, combined cataract and retinal procedures. Dr. Ruchi Maheta (Retinal Specialist) is providing her service as retina surgeon at Porecha Eye Hospital, Bareja.



GLAUCOMA UNIT

The Glaucoma Unit is providing diagnostic and therapeutic services in various diseases of Glaucoma. Diagnosing and treatment of primary closed and open angle glaucoma, secondary open and closed angle glaucoma.



We are well equipped with Humphrey Perimetry, OCT, 3 mirror gonio lens, SLT with Yag for diagnosing and treating Glaucoma. Dr. Deep Joshi provides the department both clinical and surgical services.

PEDIATRIC OPHTHALMOLOGY UNIT

The pediatric ophthalmologist unit has been started for providing comprehensive pediatric eye care services to the children in need. The department provides services of cataract, post-operative vision rehabilitation, pediatric refraction, amblyopia management, pediatric and adult squint surgeries, nasolacrimal duct probing and others as per requirement. Dr. Anupama Vyas is providing her services in the pediatric ophthalmology unit as pediatric eye specialist for both clinical and surgical services.



CORNEA UNIT

The Cornea Unit is providing various services like penetrating Keratoplasty-Optical, Therapeutic, Lamellar Keratoplasty-DSEK, DMEK, DALK, SLK, C3R (Corneal Collagen Crosslinking-Riboflavin) for Keratoconus, Open Globe Injury Repair in blunt trauma, fire cracker injury, Amniotic Membrane Transplantation technique in severe dry eyes, Chemical Injury to eye. Ocular surface reconstruction in Symblepharon, Ankyloblepharon.



SLET Technique (Simple Limbal Epithelial Transplantation) in chemical injury to eye.

The hospital is having Human Organ Transplantation Act (HOTA) permission to undertake Keratoplasty surgery. Our cornea unit is well equipped with Anterior Topography by TMS Tomey (Japan) for diagnosing abnormality in size and shape of cornea, C3R machine for

treating keratoconus and bacterial corneal ulcer, compound microscope by Labomed for diagnosing the infection in non-healing corneal ulcer. Dr. Sumit Chatterjee is providing his service at the hospital as Cornea Consultant and providing both clinical and surgical services.

CATARACT

Cataract is the leading cause of blindness and of visual impairment which is responsible for 48% of world blindness. The



cataract unit of Porecha Hospital routinely performs state-of-the-art phacoemulsification surgery with foldable IOLs surgery. The hospital performs more than 10000 cataract surgery every year with SICS and Phacoemulsification method. We have Alcon Phaco, Johnson's and Johnson's Phaco, Stellaris PC, Advance microscope and all advance equipments and instruments to perform cataract surgery. Dr. Atish Patel provides his services as senior consultant and senior surgeon in the Cataract Department.

SUPER SPECIALTY OPERATION THEATER



An operation theater complex is the "heart" of any hospital. The patient is the center point of a functioning OT complex and keeping in view the safety and superior eye care services, all the eye surgeries including Cataract microsurgery, Retinal surgery, Glaucoma or cornea surgeries are performed in a modular operation theatre with laminar air flow facility, the best as per operation theatre guidelines by NABH (National Accreditation Board for Hospitals). These theatres have been donated by Smt. Bellaben & Yogeshbhai Patel.

SHETH JAMNABHAI BHAGUBHAI BPA SCHOOL OF OPTOMETRY

Trustees of Sheth Jamnabhai Bhagubhai Religious Trust No.2 have confirmed donation of Rs. 2 Crores to Blind People's Association (India), for meeting capital expenditure and for establishing the Sheth Jamnabhai Bhagubhai BPA

Sheth Jamnabhai Bhagubhai BPA School of Optometry



School of Optometry at our Porecha Eye Hospital at Bareja. BPA India has got approval of Government of Gujarat for this B.Sc. Optometry Course affiliated with Gujarat University for 30 students which was started from September 2018. This year is the third year of School of Optometry.

ENT

The Porecha ENT department at Bareja General Hospital, performs endoscopic endonasal DCR, tympanoplasty surgery, mastoidectomy, tonsillectomy and functional endoscopic sinus surgery (FESS). Routinely we are doing procedures like wax and fungus removal from ears, foreign body removal from nose and ears, diagnostic nasal endoscopy and laryngeal telescopy also. Dr. Mitul Thakker provides his services at the ENT Department as ENT Specialist.



AUDIOMETRY UNIT

The Lotus Charitable Trust sponsored Audiometry Unit is run under the Porecha ENT Department.



The audiology unit helps people with hearing loss by measuring hearing acuity for variations in sound intensity and pitch and for tonal purity, involving thresholds and differing frequencies.

VITHALBHAI GATORBHAI ORTHOPAEDIC HOSPITAL

Every day a large number of patients visiting for eye problem to Porecha Eye Hospital are mostly from the aged community. As life expectancy is increasing in India because of better health facilities and better



life style management in general community in India, orthopedic problems are more common among aged men than in aged women. Keeping in view the orthopedic problem of old age people coming to the hospital, Orthopedic unit started and not only the old age community has taken benefit of the center but also the PWDs who require corrective surgeries. Dr. Gaurang Bhabor is providing his service in the unit as Orthopedic Specialist. The Shardaben Vitthalbhai Patel Swasthya Kendra gives free treatment to poor women.

CHANDRIKABEN SUMANT SHAH GENERAL OPD

Dr. Nitin Shah has donated this service in the memory of his parents. People who are aged and who come for eye surgery have a host of other problems like blood pressure, diabetes and



other disease. The general OPD was started keeping in view the need to provide services to the poor and needy patients in nearby areas and the patients referred from the eye department for fitness before surgery. Dr. Alok Gajjar is providing his services as MD medicine and medical officer in the general OPD department.

PHYSIOTHERAPY UNIT

The Unit handles patients with disabilities, and works to mitigate physical disabilities, dependency and functional deterioration. The physiotherapy unit of the hospital diagnoses the problem, then plans and provides treatment that aim to restore function or minimize dysfunction after disease or injury. This is achieved through a combination of manual therapy, movement training and the use of physical and electro physical agents.





BPA SATELLITE HOSPITAL AT BHUJ

BPA Modular Operation Theater Eye Surgical Unit at Bhuj sponsored by DP World Mundra was inaugurated on 6 June, 2018. This Unit is a branch of the Porecha Eye Hospital and follows the same operating and other protocols. The Unit is providing services of cataract, glaucoma and other minor surgeries and conducts outreach eye care programmes in the far flung areas of Kutch.



VISION CENTRES APPROACH

BPA- Bareja is running 7 vision centers in different part of the state in order to provide comprehensive eye care services to the rural, urban slum and tribal masses. The objective of the vision center is to bring basic eye care services to the community by which only patients who need surgical intervention or advanced eye care need will be referred to the base hospital for further intervention. 90% patients with minor eye problems can be treated at the vision Centres which are run by BPA Porecha Eye Hospital. These Centres are well equipped with all diagnostic equipment and trained staff. Thorough understanding of the community structure, their cultural and social beliefs, level of awareness about eye care is another important aspect for the success of any vision center in a specified community.

 <p>BPA Campus (equipments by SEVA Foundation, USA through Poona Blind Men's Association)</p>	 <p>Bhiloda (Place and equipments by Uday Seva Sansthan and SVCT)</p>
 <p>Kalol (Place and equipments by Noor Mohamadi Charitable Trust)</p>	 <p>Bavla (Place and equipments by GRUH Finance Ltd. Now Bandhan Bank)</p>
 <p>Modasa (Place and equipments by Annapurna Charitable Trust)</p>	 <p>Mahemadabad (Place by Baijnath Mahadev by and equipment by Wagh Bakri Tea Parivar)</p>
 <p>Vatrak (Place by KK Shah Arogya Mandal and equipments by Samta Vikas Charitable Trust)</p>	

CATARACT FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The Porecha Eye Hospital Bareja offers six month cataract fellowship program for the ophthalmologists for Small Incision Cataract Surgery(SICS) and Phacoemulsification. The objective of the fellowship program is to offer technical knowledge and bring competency in doing the surgery perfectly. The doctors training program starts with the wet lab facilities by which doctors get equipped with the advanced equipment and technology before they go on to actual surgery. Till the end of March 2020, 83 Ophthalmologists have undergone the fellowship program successfully and providing their services at different parts of Gujarat, India and abroad.



TRUCKER'S PROJECT FUNDED BY SIGHT SAVERS:

This project named as RAHI Truckers Project provides services through Static vision center at Aslali and camp in different truckers locations and parking. The vision center runs from Monday to Friday and outreach program are conducted on Saturday and Sunday. The major objective of the project is to provide better sight to the truckers in a bid to reduce accidents. The Sight Savers has also provided the vision center with multi media for awareness on good practices for drivers.



VASANTIBEN PATEL UNITS

Shri Vasantiben Patel is a Donor who has donated for the following units :

- **Vasantiben Baldevbhai Patel Anna Kshetra** : This Anna Kshetra Building houses the kitchen, store and the Mangalbhair. Patel & Shardaben M. Patel Bhojan Shala
- **Santokben Baldevbhai Patel Mental Health Centre** : Provides assessment and diagnosis of psychiatry disorders, patients are given medicines, therapy and help for resettling them in income-generation activities.



NEW SATELLITE EYE HOSPITAL AT VATRAK "SMT. BELLABEN & SHRI YOGESHBHAI PATEL EYE HOSPITAL"



The K.K. Shah Sabarkantha Arogya Mandal at Vatrak, District Sabarkantha has offered the Blind People's Association land free of cost for use for setting up the eye hospital. This land is on the Modasa-Bayad Highway, very close to the Trust hospital at Vatrak. This project is part of a triangular partnership between the Blind People's Association, K.K. Shah Sabarkantha Arogya Mandal and Samta Vikas Charitable Trust. Blind People's Association applied to our BPA Bareja Eye Hospital donors in the US and our dedicated donor Bellaben and Yogeshbhai Patel have agreed to donate Rs. 2 Crores for naming of this hospital. We have received funds for the Operation theatre and Phaco machine of Rs. 35 lakhs from Dineshbhai Shah from the USA. Shri Rameshbhai Shah from USA has already sent \$ 19000 for the hospital.

The Architect has already drawn up plans. This eye hospital will serve lakhs of poor and needy people from Sabarkantha, Aravalli and neighbouring state Rajasthan to get premier eye care at no cost. This will be the first such hospital in this area. The local community will help in mobilization of patients and other resources for the successful implementation of the project.

The Shilanyas/ground breaking/Bhoomi Poojan ceremony of the hospital was conducted on the auspicious day of 02-02-2020 .



MOTIYA MUKT (CATARACT FREE) SABARKANTHA

The union of BPA and Samta Vikas Charitable Trust has resulted in the commendable Cataract Free Sabarkantha - Aravali Project. This project has not only enabled patients to get perfect eye sight but has also given them lessons in hygiene, cleanliness and eye health.

Motiya Mukta (Cataract Free) Sabarkantha-Aravali Projects, is a resounding and laudable success with the support from Samta Vikas Charitable Trust, through its four vision centers, not only enables thousands of patients each year, to get perfect eye sight, but also medicines, spectacles and guidelines for hygiene, cleanliness and etiquette.

These vision centres enable patients to be checked up, given medicines and spectacles. An amount of approximately Rs. 40 lacs has been spent on saving sight in Sabarkantha - Aravali. BPA thanks the USA team consisting of Shri Arvind Thekdi, Shri Rasikbhai M. Shah and Shri Rameshbhai P. Shah for their herculean support to this work. Mega Camps were held in the area and around 3000 surgeries were conducted during the year.



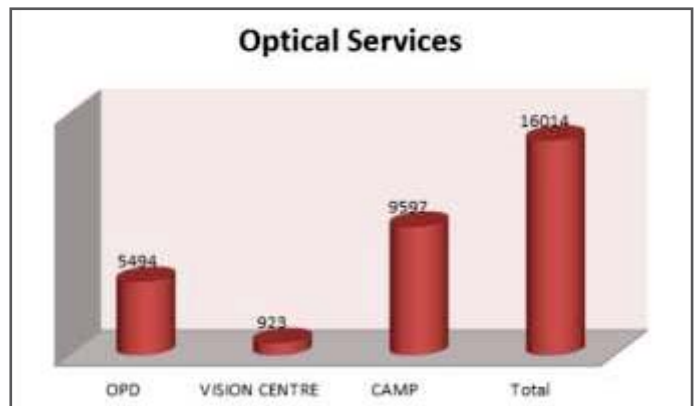
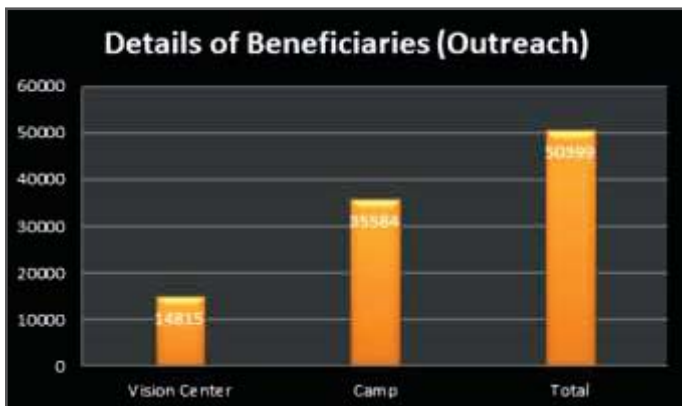
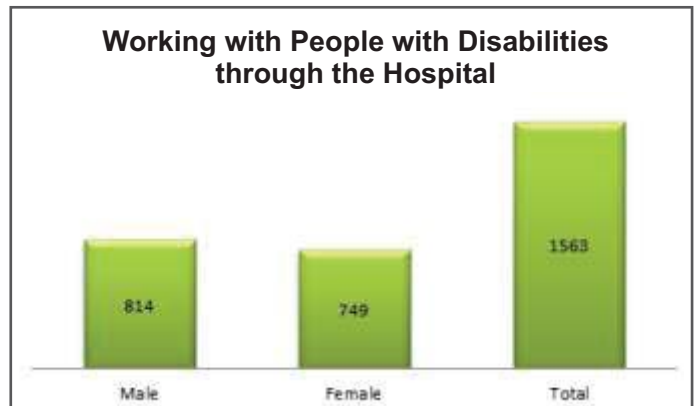
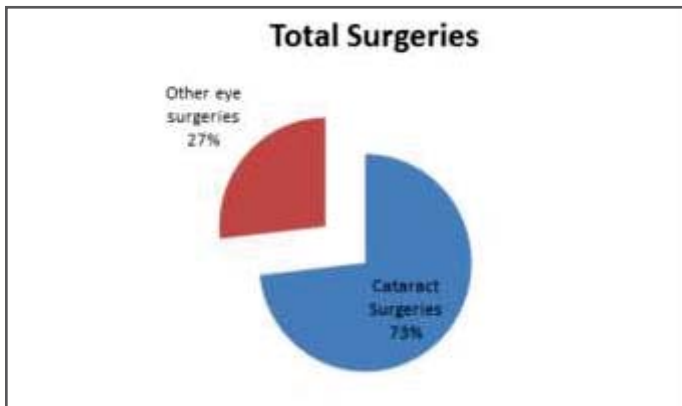
Outreach services: Porecha Eye Hospital believes that the poorest of the poor should get services specially if they are unable to visit the hospital for checkup. The hospital has a large outreach team which meets the community and organizes screening camps at prominent locations. People from nearby villages are easily able to come to the camp and get their health checkup along with eye checkup. The Camp organizer of the hospital along with the team work in the community in association with service organization for the fool proof conduct of the outreach programmes. The outreach department shares the results of camp, patients screened, number of surgeries performed, patient discharged etc. with Government and the donors who support the camp in the community. Opticians also attend the screening camp as part of the medical team. A set of frames and required indent of power glasses are taken to the camp venue. Patients are given medicines and a pair of spectacles free up cost. People needing surgery are taken to the Porecha Hospital in the hospital bus for surgery. These outreach camps have helped our work in Sabarkantha and Ahmedabad become very strong.

SAVE SIGHT AHMEDABAD



Mr. Areez Khambhatta Benevolent Trust donates Rs. 20 lacs every year for conducting sight restoration surgeries in periphery and slums and local areas of Ahmedabad. 20,000 Cataract surgeries have been conducted under this project. The outreach camp team visits the different slums and poorer areas and contacts the local NGO, Youth Club or any such service organization. Pamphlets are distributed in the community about the next camp to be held. Patients line up in a community shelter/panchayat/school compound and eye checkup takes place. Patients needing surgery are taken to the hospital by vehicles and the others are given medicines and advice for managing their conditions.

OUR ACHIEVEMENTS



EVENTS DURING THE YEAR



BPA Bareja Hospital Team on World Sight Day.



Gruh Finance - now Bandhan Bank have supported for lenses, equipment's and eye camps under the project of expansion and maintenance of Hospital.



BPA Bareja Hospital Team on Republic Day.



Trachoma Elimination programme Workshop was conducted by NPCB & VI at Bareja on 9th and 10th May, 2019. Dr. Promila Gupta from NPCB New Delhi and Dr. Praveen Vasisht, HOD, AIIMS, Community Ophthalmology Department, Delhi conducted the training along with faculty from M.J. Institute of Ophthalmology, Ahmedabad, NPCB Gujarat.



The vision 2020: The Right to Sight (Gujarat Chapter) conducted one day long seminar on "Infection Prevention in Eye Care" at the conference room of Blind People's Association, Vastrapur, Gujarat on 11th of January 2020. 143 doctors, allied health professionals from Government and NGO eye Hospitals Participated in the program.



Japanese consulate have supported for OCT, SLT with Yag which will be useful for treating Retina and Glaucoma patients in need.



PARTICIPATION IN TRAINING/WORKSHOP/MEETING BY BPA BAREJA TEAM



Mrs. Sonia Jena and Mr. Soumen Maity attended the strategic planning workshop at H. V. Desai Eye Hospital, Pune on 28th and 29th December 2019.

Dr. Dharmendra Jena and Mr. Soumen Maity attended the SEVA Scale Evaluation Meeting at Sankar Foundation Eye Hospital



Vishakhapatnam on 13th and 14th December 2019.



Mr. Soumen Maity and Mr. Hiren Rana attended training on Standardizing primary eye care services at Alakh Nayan Manid Eye Hospital Udaipur organized by Vision 2020 – The Right to Sight India during 6th & 7th September, 2019.



Mr. Mahesh Solanki & Mrs. Rekha Parmar attended training programme on, "Patient Care Counseling" held at MGM Eye Institute, Raipur, Chhattisgarh on 17th & 18th January 2020 organized by VISION 2020, The Right to Sight India.

BPA - PORECHA HOSPITAL TEAM



PORECHA EYE HOSPITAL

A Project of Bareja General Hospital Trust & Blind People's Association (India), Ahmedabad

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CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY (CSR) ACTIVITIES

The Government of India has enacted the CSR Law under which all Corporate & whose net profit is more than 5 crores have to donate 2% for CSR Projects. This year the BPA saw a rise in the contribution of Corporate donations. It was heartening to witness the enthusiasm and generosity of Corporate Giants. Corporate contribution for various projects is given below:

Name of the Company	Contribution (₹)	Purpose
 Tea Group	Gujarat Tea Processors and Packers Ltd. 3859000	Installing Roof Top Solar Project at Building No.-8 Establishing Vision Centre at Mahemdabad
 GRUH FINANCE LIMITED <i>We help you build homes</i>	Gruh Finance Ltd. 2587500	1000 Torch-It Canes for Persons with blindness distributed in M.P.
 DP WORLD Mundra	Mundra International Container Terminal Pvt. Ltd. 2401531	Establishment of Vocational Skill Development Centre at KCRC Bhuj
 Bandhan Bank	Bandhan Bank Ltd. (Regional Office) 1956589	Maintenance & Expansion of Eye Hospital Prayas Day Care Centre Jodhpur, Rajasthan
 USHA	Usha International Ltd. 1184118	Silai School
 MILACRON	Milacron India Pvt. Ltd. 1000000	Endowment Fund
 SUZLON FOUNDATION <i>Engage > Empower > Sustain</i>	Suzlon Foundation 811225	Inclusive Approach for Comprehensive Development of Villages, Bhuj
 BHARTI ENGINEERING Delivering value proposition	Bharti Engineering 600000	Sponsorship of whole year Snacks for students with disabilities



Name of the Company	Contribution (₹)	Purpose
	Ramana Safety and Systems (India) Ltd. 550000	Deesa Day Care Centre Services Endowment Fund
	Nu-Vu Conair Pvt. Ltd. 546000	Cataract Surgeries Competitive exams Petty Shops for PwD
	Haldyn Glass Limited 512000	For Aid and Appliances Cataract Surgeries
	Mazda Limited 500000	Bareja Eye Hospital Machine purchase
	Gujarat Informatics Ltd. 320000	Vision in the Dark Sensor Based Audio Systems
	Madison Resource Foundation 300000	Tanya Computer Centre for Persons with Visual Impairment
Bhagwat Engineering Pvt. Ltd.	Bhagwat Engineering Private Ltd. 251000	Cataract Surgeries
	Rameswar Udyog Private Ltd. 227500	Eye Camp at Koth village and Eye Surgeries
	Sone Ki Chidiya Foundation 217350	Skill Development of 20 PwDs
	Astral Poly Technik Limited 206999	C3 ophthalmic Screening Device Project at Bareja Hospital
	Bhagwati Spherocast Pvt. Ltd. 206100	Power Press Machine for ATC Workshop

Name of the Company	Contribution (₹)	Contribution (₹)	Purpose
	The Ahmedabad Mercantile Co-Op. Bank Ltd.	200000	Eye Check-up & Surgeries
	Devarsons Industries Pvt.Ltd.	200000	Corpus Fund
	Softech Pharma Pvt.Ltd.	150000	ATCB (School) Hostel's Milk For Students with Blindness
	Shreeji Corporation	101000	ATCB School Uniform & clothing
	Aeon Chemicals Ltd.	100000	Hope Project
	Nippon Dekor (Prop. Trilochan Trades & Agencies Pvt. Ltd.)	100000	For General Donation
	Shah Investors Home Ltd.	100000	Sponsoring Rasostav Annual Cultural Event
	Shayana Lingoo Bidiwala & Co.	100000	Corpus Fund
	Shreem Industries	100000	General Donation
	Torch-IT Electronics Pvt. Ltd.	100000	General Donation
	Canara Bank	89990	Smart Classroom at MHC



Name of the Company	Contribution (₹)	Purpose
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 DAWN AGROVET PVT. LTD. Dawn Agrovat Private Limited	51000	Vatrak Eye Hospital
 SMART CARE Facility Management LLP Smart Care Facility Management	51000	2 Telephone Booths Printer for ITI
 TELE Switchgears Tele Switchgears	51000	Samhita Dairy
 United Chemie Pvt. Ltd. <i>Infinite Possibilities</i> United Chemie Pvt.Ltd.	51000	Fafda-Jalebi on occasion of Dasherah
Chatla Narsaiah Ramaiah Chatla Narsaiah Ramaiah	50000	Corpus Fund
 DURGA CONSTRUCTIONS Durga Construction Co.	50000	General Donation
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 Ramdev SINCE 1965 Ramdev Food Products Pvt. Ltd.	Donation In-Kind	Spices for Hostels managed by BPA



Major Donors

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Anugraha Drishtidaan	466980
Gujarat Tea Processors and Packers Ltd.	3859000
State Mental Health Authority	2962700
Gruh Finance Ltd.	2587500
India Development and Relief Fund	2582600
Mundra International Container Terminal Pvt. Ltd.	2401531

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- **Societies Registration Act, 1860** as a Registered Society with registration No. BOM/46/ABD
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Name	Age	Sex	Position on Board	Occupation	Meetings attended
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Mr. Manubhai G. Patel	86	M	Vice-President	C. A.	0/3
Mr. Prakash Mankodi	70	M	Vice-President	Social-Worker	2/3
Mrs. Nandini P. Munshaw <i>Passed away on 26-03-2020</i>	84	F	General Secretary	Industrialist	0/3
Mr. F. J. Porwal	73	M	Secretary	Social Worker	3/3
Mr. G. J. Vachani	79	M	Secretary	Social Worker	2/3
Mrs. Sunita Thakor	84	F	Treasurer	Social-Worker	2/3
Dr. Bhushan Punani	66	M	Executive Secretary	Management Professional	3/3
Directors					
Mrs. Nandini Rawal	61	F	Executive Director	Employee	2/3
Mr. Harish M. Panchal <i>Passed away on 31-05-2020</i>	74	M	Training Director	Employee	2/3
Mrs. Vimal Thawani	64	F	Project Director	Employee	1/3



Accountability and Transparency

Staff Salary Disclosure	₹ per year		
Remuneration of the highest paid staff member:	9,31,800		
Remuneration of the lowest paid staff member:	1,08,000		
DISTRIBUTION OF STAFF AS PER GROSS SALARY PER MONTH (in 2018-2019)			
Slab of Gross Salary in scale (in ₹)	Male	Female	Total
5,001 - 10,000	12	11	23
10,001 - 25,000	20	37	57
25,001 - 50,000	15	26	41
50,001 - 1,00,000	24	22	46
GREATER THAN 1,00,000	00	00	01
TOTAL	71	97	168
FIXED PAY			
5,001 - 10,000	50	68	118
10,001 - 25,000	20	55	75
25,001 - 50,000	04	14	18
50,001 - 1,00,000	03	02	05
GREATER THAN 1,00,000	00	00	01
TOTAL	77	140	217
GRAND TOTAL (SCALE + FIX)	148	237	385

Regular Volunteers : 60 Regular Volunteers provides their services in various activities and departments.

Board Details

- No remuneration, sitting fees or any other form of compensation has been paid since the inception of the organization, to any board member/trustee.
- None of the board members are related to each other.
- The Board/Managing Committee met 4 times in the FY 2018-19 as shown in the table below. Minutes of the board meetings are documented and circulated.
- A Board Rotation Policy exists and is practiced.
- The Board approves programs, budgets, annual activity reports and audited financial statements. The Board ensures the organization's compliance with laws and regulations.

Annual General/Managing Committee Meetings of BPA		No. of Members Attended
22 June, 2019	Managing Committee Meeting	22
7 September, 2019	Annual General & Managing Committee Meeting	17
24 December, 2019	Managing Committee Meeting	22
31 March, 2020	Managing Committee Meeting	Cancelled*

Note : *Due to Covid-19 Pandemic Virus, the meeting in March, 2020 was cancelled. An AGM Webinar meeting held on 15 July, 2020. 33 members were participated.



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Jetalpur Pirana Road, Taluka Daskoi,
Dist Ahmedabad-382425.

(O) : 9429541338

SHRI R.M. PARIKH RESOURCE CENTRE (SUMERU CENTRE) PALDI



Property donated by Snehvinaben Shah for pre-vocational services for persons with severe and multiple disabilities

Contact Person

Ms. Kavina Khatri

(M) : 8487036597

3rd Floor, "SUMERU" Centre,

Nr. Suvridha Shopping Centre,

Parimal Rly. Crossing, Paldi,

Ahmedabad-380 007

Tel : +91-79-26652209

KASHIBHAI LALITABEN BHADRABEN & JAGDISHBHAI PATEL "SAMARPAN SANKUL"



Early Intervention Centre for Multidisabled Infants. Donated by BPA founders Jagdishbhai, Bhadraben & Family for early intervention services to disabled children in the age group 0-6 years.

Contact Person

Mrs. Abha Joshi : (M) : 9712151746

1, Devi Park, Vastrapur, Ahmedabad-380 015

Tel : +91-79-26308650

SAVINAY CENTRE FOR INCLUSIVE EDUCATION - BAVLA



Property donated by Mr. Jitendra Ajmera for running an inclusive school where 300 disabled and non disabled children study together.

Contact Person

Mr. Darshan Patel (In-charge Principal)

Nr. Maruti Mamra-Pauva Factory

At. Rajoda-Bavla, Dist. Ahmedabad.

Tel : 9016168688

KHUSHIYO NU SARNAMU DEESA



BPA Day Care Centre for Children with Disabilities in Deesa under the auspices of Deesa Nagarpalika.

Contact Person

Mr. Vanraj Chavda, Coordinator

Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay Divyan Bhavan,

"Khushiyo nu Sarnamu" Lati Bazar, Deesa,

Dist. : Banaskantha-385535

Tel. : 02744-222526

(M) 9377468365, 9824922010

**JYOTSNABEN DHIRUBHAI NAIK
PHYSIOTHERAPY SANKUL**



Property donated by Jyotsnaben Dhirubhai Naik for giving free Physiotherapy services

Contact Person

Dr. B. K. Panchal & Mr. Dilip Shah
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Plot No. 155, B/h. Usmanpura Municipal Market, Usmanpura Village, Ahmedabad-380013.
Tel : +91-79-27544805

**DR. JIT MEHTA
BALSHALA TRUST**



Donated by family members of Late Dr. Jit Mehta to perpetuate his memory. Provides services to persons with mental retardation in the age group of 15-25 years.

Contact Person

Mrs. Mira Shah & Ms. Sangita Patel
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B/h. Usmanpura Municipal Market,
Usmanpura Village, Ahmedabad-380013.
Tel : +91-79-27543370

**PRAYAS DAY CARE CENTRE
JODHPUR, RAJASHTHAN**



Supported by Bandhan Bank & Shared Vision Foundation

Contact Person

Mr. O.P.N. Calla, Managing Trustee
Shared Vision Sansthan
13-B, First Polo, Behind Ship House,
Paota Jodhpur (Raj.)
Tel : 9723120925

**SAROJINI SADAN
RAHUL**



Willed and Donated by: Late Ms. G.C. Sarojini an employee of IIM Ahmedabad. This house has been named as "SAROJINI SADAN".

Contact Person

Mr. Arindam Ray

Rahul Flat, Vastrapur, Ahmedabad-380015.
Tel: 9427265957

**NEW HOME
SRUJAN APARTMENT**



Mr. Saurabh Rindani and his wife have donated their three bedroom flat in Vastrapur to BPA. Mr. Rindani is a scientist in Physical Research laboratory and he and his wife wish that their property is put to good use!!

Contact Person

Mr. Bipin Mehta

7, Srujan Apartment, Lad Society Road, Vastrapur, Ahmedabad-15.
Tel : 7574877209

**BLIND PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION
NADIAD BRANCH**



House of Jagdishbhai Patel founder of BPA, now a fullfledged rehabilitation centre.

Contact Person

**Mr. Chandrakant K. Solanki
Mr. Bhaskar Patel**

Jagdish Bhuvan, Kakarkhad Chora, Nadiad-387001
Tel : +91-0268-2551524

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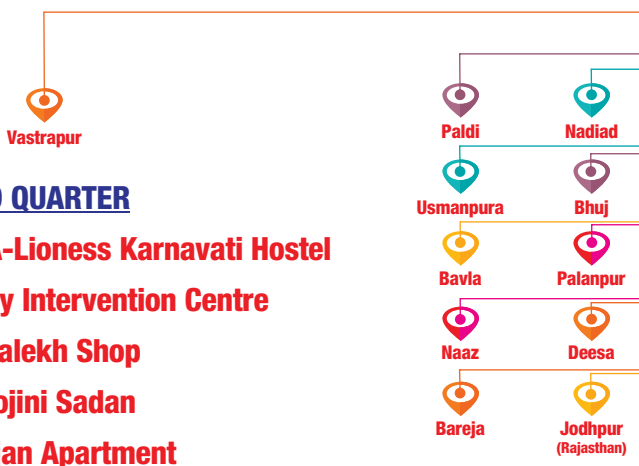
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- **BPA-Lioness Karnavati Hostel**
- **Early Intervention Centre**
- **Shilalekh Shop**
- **Sarojini Sadan**
- **Srujan Apartment**





PRODUCTS MADE BY OUR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Available at Jyotsna Jhaveri Magic Fingers Show Room at BPA main campus

Handicrafts

CONTACT FOR ORDER: Mrs. Vimal Thawani, Project Director Contact No. : 079-26304070



Furniture

CONTACT FOR ORDER: MR. HARISH PANCHAL, DIRECTOR-TRAINING CONTACT No. : 079-26302840



Assistive Devices

CONTACT FOR ORDER : Mr. Futarmal Porwal, Secretary Contact No. : 079-26308174





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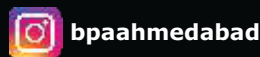
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		Amount ₹
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Hearing Aids/Digital Hearing Aid		1600-15000
Tricycle For Physically Challenged		6800
Educational Kits For Mentally Retarded/Blind		1570
Crutches		750
Calipers		9000-15000
Wheelchair (Fix)		6800
Wheelchair (Folding)		6900
Artificial Limbs		9000-15000
C.P. Chairs		5500
Radio & Pendrive for Blind Students		1000
Sponsor a Child with Multiple Disabilities (Per Month)		2000
Low Vision Magnifier		10500
Smart Cane		3500
Braille Books		1500
2. Meals for Blind Students:		
Meals For Boys & Girls Hostels With Sweet		15000
Meals For Boys & Girls Hostels Without Sweet		9500
One Time Meal With Sweets For Boys' Hostel		9000
One Time Simple Meal Without Sweets Meal For Boys' Hostel		6000
One Time Meal With Sweets For Girls' Hostel		6000
One Time Simple Meal Without Sweets Meal For Girls' Hostel		3500
3. Eye Hospital at Bareja		
Cataract Operations With IOL		2500
Medical Camp		11000
Corneal Grafting		20000
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For Critical Illness		20000
For Trainees		3000
5. Self Employment for Persons with Disability		
Ice Box		1000
Handcart (Lari)		4500
Telephone Booth		15000
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Sewing Machine		7600
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ACCOUNTABILITY

Financial Report

BPA INCOME AND EXPENDITURE HIGHLIGHTS

Balance Sheet as at 31 March, 2020

Funds & Liabilities	Amount (₹)	Property & Assets	Amount (₹)
Trust & Corpus Fund	13,03,47,563	Immovable Properties	14,14,62,074
Earmarked Funds	47,94,40,223	Movable Properties	10,60,82,106
Depreciation Fund	11,00,90,727	Investments	35,58,35,509
Loans (Without Interest)	26,85,664	Loans (Without Interest)	5,73,56,951
Other Liabilities	1,03,39,522	Current Assets	1,83,78,156
Cumulative Excess of Income Over Expenditure	10,48,386	Cash & Bank Balances	5,48,37,289
Total	73,39,52,085	Total	73,39,52,085

Income & Expenditure Accounts For The Year Ended on 31 March, 2020

Expenditure	Amount (₹)	Income	Amount (₹)
Expenditure in Respect of Properties	29,97,524	Interest	1,82,64,581
Other Expenditure	2,78,66,582	Income from Sale of Investment	23,06,667
Depreciation	74,40,035	Donation	4,00,43,721
Expenditure Relating to the Object of the Trust	8,10,30,939	Grant	2,17,85,810
		Other Income	3,27,53,589
		Excess of Expenditure Over Income	41,80,712
Total	11,93,35,080	Total	11,93,35,080

RECEIPT & PAYMENTS HIGHLIGHTS

Receipt & Payments Account for the Year 2019-2020

Payments	Amount (₹)	Receipt	Amount (₹)
Opening Balance Bank and Cash	10,18,22,470	Assets (Increase)	8,73,45,974
Liabilities (Increase)	13,39,15,190	Liabilities (Decrease)	1,51,23,717
Assets (Decrease)	1,07,01,338	Spent from Earmarked funds	1,44,71,159
Other Receipt of Revenue	11,28,47,702	Spent from Specific, Earmark, Assets and Awards Funds	7,70,16,990
		Other Payments of Revenue Nature	11,04,91,571
		Closing Balance Bank and Cash	5,48,37,289
Total	35,92,86,700	Total	35,92,86,700

BPA SECOND LINE



BPA is a large and growing organization due to its strong foundation of professionalization and compassion. As every Organization and its staff age , it is essential to plan a second line to seamlessly and smoothly carry the mission further.

There was a planning meeting in the BPA for sustainability and staff restructuring as result of which four staff members were elevated:

Ms. Kinnari Desai - Senior Manager, Advocacy and Rehabilitation : She will look after employment, self-employment, micro credit, assistive devices distribution, accessibility, adjustment training to newly disabled and community based rehabilitation

Dr. Dharmendrakumar Jena - Deputy Director, Health : will look after Bareja Eye Hospital, Vatrak Eye Hospital, Vision Centre, Orthopaedic Hospital and general health care

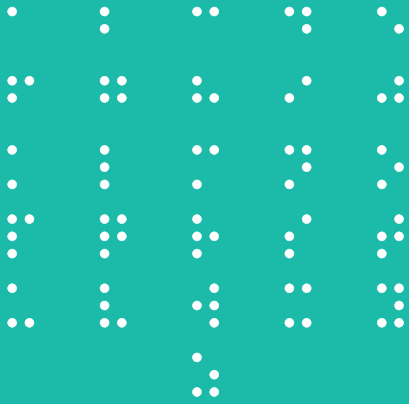
Mr. Arindam Ray - Deputy Director, Training & HR : will look after Workshops, HR and Admin

Mr. Bharat Joshi- Deputy Director : Projects, Centres and Resource Mobilization.

We congratulate all four new post holders and wish them the best.

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