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BLIND PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION (INDIA)

STONE LAYING OF BELLABEN & YOGESHBHAI REHABILITATION CENTRE



Stone Laying of Bellaben & Yogeshbhai Rehabilitation Center took place on 1 October, 2025 at Bareja Health Campus.

Shri Kshitijbhai Patel, Vice-President of Blind People's Association and relative of Yogeshbhai the main donor, was the Guest of Honor.

The rehabilitation center will be the first of its kind in collaboration with an Eye hospital. The center will help newly blinded people to get adjustment training in coping with blindness and training in technology. Mr. Yogesh Patel has been a very dedicated donor of the BPA and has funded the Bhojanshala, the newly developed operation theaters at Bareja and has funded the Eye Hospital at Vatrak which has been named as the Smt. Bellaben and Shri Yogeshbhai Eye Hospital.

UP STATE AWARD FOR KINNARI



Shri Himanshu Nagpal, the Municipal Commissioner of Varanasi was felicitated for his work for disability along with Ms. Kinnari Desai, Deputy Director, BPA for her path breaking work for disabled women in Varanasi by Shri Yogiji, Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh on 3 December, 2025

DASHERA PUJA

The Dasher Puja was performed at the Workshops and Skilling Centres of the BPA on 2nd October – 2025. The Trustees, staff and trainees participated in the Puja and had the traditional Dasher snacks of Fafda and Jalebi.



SAMBHAV 2025

BPA Dance Trape participated in SAMBHAV 2025, a platform for highlighting the talents of people with disabilities by Association for Learning Performing Arts & Normative Action (ALPANA) on 5th October at Delhi.

48TH INCARNATION OF MUNI SHRI SUNIL SAGARJI

On the occasion of the 48th incarnation of Muni Shri Sunil Sagarji, a sum of more than 3 lakh was announced for BPA and will be given to Shri Rajendra Bhai President of BPA.



MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMME

BPA India & Lion's club of vastrapur mostly of the blind has jointly organized rally for Mental Health Awareness on 7th October 2025 from Vastrapur Lake to BPA. BPA officials and District governor of 3232D2 were present in this rally.



ORIENTATION ON SIGN LANGUAGE

Chaitali and Dharti, Special Educators of BPA did orientation on sign language and Braille at Ahmedabad International School on 10 October, 2025. Children were delighted with the practical and interesting presentation.



SECRETARY DONATION VEHICLES CLOTHS



Shri Rohitbhai Shah, Secretary, BPA motivated the residents of Prarthana Vihar Bungalows to donate their discards to BPA. A donation of Rs. 25100/- and a vehicle full of clothes and other essential items were received as donation on 9th October, 2025.

ORCHESTRA PROGRAM IN S&P GLOBAL COMPANY AT MAKARBA



BPA INCLUSIVE SCHOOL

Smt. Reenaben and Shri Pravinbhai Bhagwati have kindly provided a donation of Rs. 1.5 Crores for naming of BPA Savinay Sammilit Vidhyalay as "PRAVIN MANDAKINI BHAGWATI SAVINAY SAMMILIT VIDHYALAY". This school is an inclusive school with disabled and non-disabled children studying together. The School celebrates all festivals and national days. Navratri Celebration at Bavla Savinay School was held on 1 October, 2025



SWABHIMAN DJ NITE

The blind, the deaf, the children with cerebral palsy, mental retardation and multiple disabilities had an occasion to remember on Saturday, 11th October, 2025. They had a Swinging Saturday with the same kind of fun and frolic like other teenagers!

A group of committed persons who call themselves "SWABHIMAN GROUP" organized this special event. According to their spokes person, "we want to tell the world that people with disabilities are as normal as the rest of the world. They also enjoy dancing, singing and playing games like their able body peers".

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ANAMI'S ACHIEVEMENTS



Anami, student of B.P.A. MSM. Naaz Center went to Odisha to play in the National Championships and participated in the basketball section of Special Olympics and secured second position.

BPA STUDENTS IN MARATHON



Arvind Fashions organized a Marathon on 12 October, 2025. Our 20 Para Athletes and 12 guide runners participated in 2.5 Kilometres run. All participants finished 2.5 kilometres run and won medals and certificates. Congratulations to all athletes!

ATTENDANCE AT PURPLE FEST

Ms. Kinnari Desai, Deputy Director, BPA, attended Purple Fest at Goa on 12 October, 2025. She attended gender and technology workshops. She had a meeting with Mr. Pranav Desai founder VoSAP.



GMDC VISIT



As part of the Swachbharat campaign, a Rangoli competition and hair styling competition for Divyang sisters was organized by GMDC on 13 October 2025.

ZYDUS PRESIDENT MEMBERS



NGO Mela vocal for local They gave CSR activities support for some NGO participants. That place, We sold clothes products & Jute products items, like many types bags, pouches, sling purse, sadi cover, puja aasan & many more. Gave all people (staff & management staff gave good response enclosing dinner.

FOOD DONATION AWARENESS



Mr. Paritosh Dave, Hostel Supervisor, attended the Food donation awareness at ITC Narmada on World Food Day, 15 October, 2025. The participants were taught about food management like reducing wastage of food, preparation of food and serving

EXHIBITION BY VTU TEAM



The Products made by the persons with multiple disabilities in the Vocational Training unit of the BPA were displayed at various places.

INTERNATIONAL LIONS VISIT



On 16th October 2025 30 Past International Directors and current directors visited BPA. They have visited all activities of BPA specially activities of Mentally challenge students. They have visited VISION-IN-THE DARK.

DIWALI CELEBRATION



As every years, the staff trainees and students of BPA went back home before Diwali with Sweets, Dry fruits and Gifts.

SNEH MILAN PROGRAMME-2025



The Blind People’s Association has a short Diwali break for all its staff every year and when it reopens, it has a Gala reunion where all the staff members, students, donors and well wishers com ,wish each other and have lunch together. New projects are discussed and staff are made aware of new achievements.

FOOTBALL COMPETITION

Vishnubha, Vijay, Rohit, Nirma, Chetna, Madhi, Hira participated in the Blind International Football Competition Kochi – Kerala from 12 -26 October, 2025.



JUDO CONTEST

14 th National Blind para Judo championship 2025 was held Ganganagar Rajasthan. Chetna Galchar won Silver medal and Vanraj won Bronze medal. Date 19-23 December 2025



CHESS TOURNAMENT

The National Chess Championship sponsored by Concord Biotech was organized from 31 October to 2 November 2025. Concord is a regular donor that supports sports and athletics. Concord is also sponsoring the BPA hospital Vision Centres at Dholka and Matar.

MENTAL HEALTH SYMPOSIUM



Nandini Rawal spoke about the importance of mental well being in Mental health Symposium jointly organized by Sense India, Indian Institute of Public Health and Hospital for Mental health, Government of Gujarat on 1st November, 2025.

Children with deaf blindness their families and special educators attended this very important seminar.

**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
ORGANIZED BY AMARJYOTI CHARITABLE TRUST**



Dr. Punani, Mr. Akhil Paul, Mrs. Kinnari Desai and Mrs. Nandini Rawal participated in the International Conference organized by Amar Jyoti Charitable Trust in collaboration with Rehabilitation International (RI), New York from November 3–5, 2025, at the India International Centre, New Delhi. All the four persons made plenary presentations on disability, rehabilitation and rights in front of a 600 strong audience. It is also a record that all of them also chaired sessions in the Conference.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF SENSE INDIA



Mrs. Nandini Rawal attended the Executive Committee Meeting of Sense India in her role as Trustee of Sense India. Board Meeting in Bhubaneswar

PHYSIO SNEHMILAN



Former students of the BPA NRG School of Physiotherapy organized at Bpa on 8 and 9 November, 2025. Physiotherapy Sneh Milan Closing Ceremony. Students from the first batch who had joined in 1982 were present as the students who had completed the course last year.

Dr. Bharat Bhagat, Chair Person Health Care Foundation motivated the audience by his inspiring address where he emphasized that what the mind can conceive the mind can achieve. Mr. Milan Dalal, Secretary of Blind School Navarangpura was also present. Darshu Care Trust and Lions Club of Samvedna sponsored the Meet.

The group organized a Musical Night on 8 November and Dr. Dharmendra Jena, Deputy Director was specially invited as it was his birthday.



PERKINS INCLUSION OF CHILDREN WITH VIAD IN MAINSTREAM SCHOOLS

The Perkins team conducted the trainings and assessments at five centers in Gujarat –Bawala, Sayla, Deesa, Bhuj, and Nakhtrana. The Perkins team visited the respective centers from 9th and 15th of November 2025 and completed the PQA assessment of the centers. This training was under the Prayas Model Program”Inclusion of Children with VIAD in Mainstream Schools. The team conducted two days training 30th and 31st of October 2025.at Ashirvad Viklang Trust Sayla . 18 teachers from 5 centers including coordinators attended the training. The training was designed based on identification of needs of teachers from various centers. It focused on improving quality services to children with VIAD.



DISTRIBUTION OF 102 SEWING MACHINES AT VARANASI



BPA distributed 102 sewing machines to women with disabilities in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh, on 31st December 2025. These women successfully completed a one-month Cutting and Tailoring training programme, enabling them to begin or strengthen their self-employment journeys. This distribution was made possible with the generous support of the Arvind Mafatlal Foundation. With this initiative, BPA has now distributed a total of 502 sewing machines in Varanasi to date. The Association continues to expand its services to nearby blocks, ensuring that the most deserving women with disabilities gain access to sustainable livelihood opportunities.

EVALUATION BY SIGHTSAVERS

Mr. Chetal Patel, Senior Consultant from Soulace Co., conducted a 3-day third-party evaluation of Raahi Vision Center, Bhuj, on behalf of Sight Savers on 13 November, 2025. Ms. Hetal Ahir and Ms. Bhumika Rajput from Chola Bhuj branch staff also actively participated in the evaluation.



DONATION RECEIVED



On the occasion of the conclusion of the Chaturmas of Acharya Shri Sunil Sagarji, a cheque of Rs 1 lakh and a memento were presented to the BPA on 6th November

CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATION



The children of BPA Special Needs Center celebrated children's day by playing one-minute game. This program was sponsored by Ahmedabad Roundtable 40 and Ahmedabad Ladies circle 64 on 14 November 2025.

Other children of BPA celebrated Children's Day at Gopi Dining Hall . The owner Shri Dilipbhai himself served food to our children. Thanks, Dilipbhai, you have always supported BPA.

PARTICIPATION IN PARALYMPICS



National Para Swimming Competition was held at Hyderabad, Telangana from 17-21 November, 2025. Atul and Jitendra participated.

MOUNT CARNEL SCHOOL PERFORMANCE



Our students with disabilities were specially invited by Mount Carmel Convent School to give a performance on 19 November. The dance was greatly appreciated and the troupe was given a special award. Sudhaben Joshi, our former Principal who is in charge of cultural activities guided the troupe.

Celebrating Guruji Birthday



BPA and PYCT have been collaborating for the past 15 years to empower persons with disabilities through inclusive development initiatives. To celebrate the birth anniversary of Guruji Shri Paramhansa Yoganand on 5 January 2026, PYCT distributed 12 handcarts, 5 wheelchairs, and 6 Orbit Daisy Players to persons with disabilities identified through BPA's community outreach programmes. We express our heartfelt gratitude to the entire PYCT team for their generous support, compassionate commitment, and proactive approach towards strengthening the lives and livelihoods of persons with disabilities.

DEAFBLIND SPORTS TRAINING



National Conclave of Network members (Teachers, parents and young Adults Networks) was organized on 16th -18th December. On 16th a session on Sports Activities of students with deafblindness & Multiple disabilities was conducted and students with deafblindness demonstrated various sports activities like scattering, botchy game, hurdle game with the members. More than 120 members were present, and they were motivated to involve students with deafblindness in various sports activities.

DAY OUT AT BPA FOR NIVEA



Around 100 employees of Nivea visited the blind people’s association on 21st November and spent the whole day in volunteering and understanding the activities of the BPA and the abilities and needs of persons with disabilities.

This is the first time that the entire workforce of a corporate has spent the full day doing various activities with the students and trainees at BPA like making of jewelry paper bags playing football and chess, teaching social skills . The day also included a visit to the Vision in the Dark.

NAKHATRANA EYE AWARENESS CAMP



An eye examination camp was organized for truck drivers under traf-
fic awareness and road safety at Nakhatrana Smart Police Station by BPA
K.C.R.C. Bhuj, Shri Nakhatrana Lohana Mahajan and Sight Saver India on
21 November, 2025. Sight saver India Project monitoring in progress at the
smart police station location in Nakhatrana

JACKET DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

GIFT GIVEN BY WELL WISHERS PATIENT



A gift was given to the physio-
therapy center for two exercise bi-
cycles from a well-wisher patient.



The Retired IPS Association has been supporting the activities of the BPA for the past many years. The group visits the BPA and donates many items which are very useful and treasured by the students. This year the distribu-
tion program of winter hoodies was organized on 21 November 2025 in
which the following people were present:

- Shri S. S. Khandwala, President of Gujarat Ex-Police association
- Shri M.O. Khimani, Vice -president
- Sri L.P. Solanki, General Secretary
- Shri D. D. Chauhan was the main donor of the event and was accompanied by Shri M.L. Yadav, Shri Suthar, Shri Jadeja Shri Aswinbhai, Shri Ranjitji, Shri Bhamre and Shri Hada.

ARTIFICIAL LIMBS DISTRIBUTION AT BHUJ

29 people with disabilities who have amputation received good quality artificial limbs with the financial support of Aavas Foundation.

Local volunteers, supporters and officials of Aavas were present on this occasion. The BPA team made, distributed the artificial limbs and trained the beneficiaries in the use of the limbs



FOOTBALL FRIENDLY MATCH

Three day friendly football match was held at the King's star sports Academy between the Gujarat Blind Football Team and the Tamil Nadu Blind Football Team from 30 November to 2 December.



OPEN GUJARAT CHESS TOURNAMENT



Open Gujarat Chess Tournament FOR Persons with Visual Impairment took place at Baroda on 30t November, 2025



WAGH BAKRI GDA COURSE

The General Duty Assistant Course was started at BPA KCRC bouche supported by the Wagh Bakri Foundation. The inaugural function was graced by Dr. Bakrania, Dr. Bhanushali, Dr. Varma, Dr. Jadeja, Dr. Shah and the trustees and local volunteers. This course will help people with disabilities to get jobs as caregivers and companions of people who are ill or bedridden or need support due to old age.

SOUTH KOREA VISITORS

Ms. Lee Sang He , First secretary of the Embassy of the Republic of Korea visited the BPA on 2 December, 2025 along with Ms. Arleen Khurana, Economic Assistant. They visited the eternal Eye-Eye Collection Centre funded by Areez Khambatta Benevolent Foundation. They also handed over a personal donation cheque of the Republic of Korea Ambassador to India-Mr. Lee Seong Ho.



RUDMI AWARDS

Dr. Punani was the Chief Guest at the Awards Ceremony of Rural Development and Management Institute. Mr. Santosh Rungta, Supreme Court Advocate, founder General Secretary, National Federation of the Blind has recently been voted as the President of the World Blind Union. This is the first time that an Asian has been chosen for this coveted post.

The NFB Gujarat Branch arranged the felicitation of Mr. Rungta at Gandhnaagr on 28 December, 2025. Mrs. Rita Patel, MLA, Gandhinagar was the chief Guest. Dr. Punani was the Guest of Honour at Felicitation Ceremony along with Mr. Dinesh Vyas Of Anandima no Vadlo.

Around 400 blind persons from all over Gujarat attended the function. Various NGO heads were felicitated on this occasion.



INAUGURATION OF VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE AT IDAR.



The Vocational Training Unit for Persons With Mental Illness and Multiple Disabilities was inaugurated on the 25th November at the Nab Sabarkantha District Branch (SDB) by Shri Madansinh Chauhan, Principal, DIET. The Guests of honour were Dr. Gajendrasinh Gadri, Civil Hospital Idar, Dr. Anil Tabiyal, Psychiatrist, Shri Rajendra Shah, President. This is a joint project of BPA and the Branch which has given the space. The recurring expenses will be borne by the BPA for the first three years. BPA Trustees Rohitbhai Shah, Dr. Punani were present as also the founder of SDB Shri . Bhasker Mehta who was present in spite of his fragile health along with the President, Vice-President and Secretary.

ANNUAL SPORTS FESTIVAL 2025 CIVIC COURTESY



The annual Inclusive sports day was celebrated at Pravin Mandakini Bhagwati, Savinay Sammlit Pathshala, around 400 children participated in various games like 100 meters running, hurdle game, javelin throw, lemon and spoon, long Jump, kabbadi, kho-kho and cricket. The winners were given prizes. Children with disabilities also participated with other nondisabled children. All the children had lots of fun and enjoyed a lot.

MAFATLAL GROUP SPONSORED PROJECT



A self employment assessment camp was conducted at Sagbara on 29 November. 155 potential clients with disabilities who required self employment support were identified and assessed. 20 people with multiple disabilities were also identified who will be visiting the centre at Sagbara. This work in the tribal areas is being supported by Navin Fluorine International Limited.

Talk at the Ahmedabad Management Association



Mrs. Abha Joshi and Mrs. Jigna Joshi who are experts in early intervention and rehabilitation of children with severe disabilities gave a talk at the Ahmedabad Management Association on skilling of disabled children and rehabilitation based on the life cycle approach on 29 November, 2025.

EX. MINISTER VISITS PORECHA EYE HOSPITAL



Mr. Saurabh Patel, former minister in the Government of Gujarat visited the BPA Porecha Eye Hospital on 27th November and saw the working of the hospital and interacted with patients. Mr. Patel, whose constituency was Botad, has promised that he will sponsor monthly camps at Botad and pay for all the surgeries and eye related conditions of the patients identified in the camps. The first camp was held on 6 December, 2025 in which Mr. Saurabh Patel was present. Mr. Rohit Shah, Secretary, BPA accompanied him.

COURSE COMPLETED



Mr. Ankit Panwar from Porecha Eye Hospital Successfully completed the course on vision center management at the Arvind Eye Hospital, Madurai

CONVOCATION GUEST



Dr. Punani was the Chief Guest at the convocation ceremony of ITM University, Vadodara on 13 December, 2025. The other guests were Dr. Tessa Thomas, Missle Woman Of India and Mrs. Neerja Choudhary, Eminent Journalist. Truly a great honour for Dr. Punani and BPA.

WORKSHOP ON TECHNOLOGY



Advanced Training in Technology for Persons with Visual Impairment was organized on 13 and 14th December, 2025, by the International Council for Education of People With Visual Impairment, the Andhjan Kalyan Trust at the BPA. Mr. Prafull Vyas conducted the training which had 50 participants.

CHESS CHAMPIONS

BPA Chess champions participated in the second Bhilwara international Open Fide Rating Chess Tournament organized by Zula Shatranj Sangh, Bhilwara, from 24 to 29 December. The four students from BPA Aniket, Rahul Sahani, Rahul Vaghela and Dhruv Bhuva all won and were ranked in 11-20 .

SAMSARA EMPOWERMENT SUPPORT

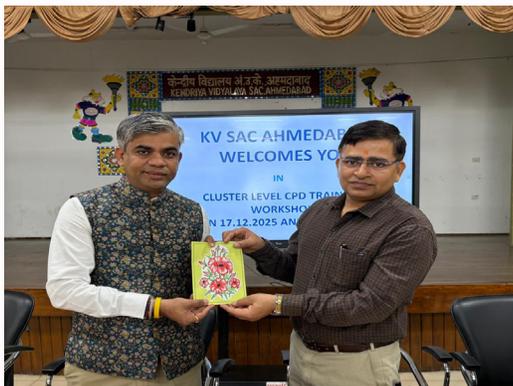


21 sewing machines were distributed to women with disabilities at the worthy hands of district collector three J. S. Prajapati at Vav Tharad in North Gujarat on 29th December 2025. The space and lunch to all disabled women was provided by M.S. Viya Mandir. The 10 days intensive training in tailoring and cutting was sponsored by Samsara group and implemented by the BPA Banas-kantha unit. Samsara has been very strongly supporting the empowerment of disabled women through silai training and in a short time BPA will finish the target of training 1008 women in stitching and earning their own livelihood. Shri Mukesh Oza the Chairman of the group always remains present virtually at every inauguration and distribution function in spite of his excessive domestic and foreign travel.

STUDENTS WITH SONU



Students and music lovers of the BPA were given special passes to attend the Sonu Nigam night on 21st December. Sonu himself met the students and sang with them, and it turned out to be a once in a lifetime experience for these students.



Cluster training

Dr. Bharat Joshi, Deputy Director, conducted classes for the CPD Training Course for Teachers on Effective Classroom Management & Professionalism and Ethics on 17 and 18 December 2025, at the Kendriya Vidyalaya. His presentation and expertise was greatly appreciated by the management of the Kendriya Vidyalaya.

NIGHT CRICKET

Noted construction company LCCE, celebrated year end with the students of the BPA by playing night cricket. They enjoyed the game with the students and also gave them generous gifts and snacks .



AWARDS TO TRUSTEES

Shri Rohit Shah and Shri Natubhai Shah, Trustees of BPA were conferred Awards by the Amdavad Chamber of Commerce Welfare Foundation and the Gujarat Traders Federation on Sunday 28th December for their decades of service to industry and society. Congratulations to these young at heart BPA Trustees!!!



ARVIND SINH AWARDED

Sri Arvindsinh Project Manager of BPA KCRC Bhuj was conferred an award by Navchetan Andhjan Mandal For his noteworthy this is to society on 24 December, 2025 at Madhapar. Congratulations Arvind for your networking and creation of good reputation of BPA.



Awards Ceremony

Dr. Punani was the Chief Guest at the Awards Ceremony of Rural Development and Management Institute on 1 December 2025. These awards are given annually to persons with disabilities from all categories. Awardees are selected on merit from Gujarat and Maharashtra.



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