

# NAVSANJEEVAN SOCIAL TRUST

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### INTRODUCTION:

This report provides an overview of the activities and achievements of Navsanjeevan Social Trust for the financial year 2022-23, covering the period ending 31 March 2023. The report follows the guidelines outlined in the Recommended Practice Accounting and Reporting Charities statement.

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

The annual general meeting of Navsanjeevan Social Trust took place on 26 April 2023, with full attendance from all trust members. The secretary of the organization extended a warm welcome to all attendees and invited the Chairman to commence the meeting.

### CHAIR'S REPORT:

The Chairman delivered a comprehensive report on the trust's performance through the financial year in the meeting. The Chairman highlighted significant achievements and outlined future plans for the organization. Notably, the trust successfully implemented and managed various programs, which formed the cornerstone of its achievements.

Furthermore, the Chairman emphasized the importance of an adaptive mindset, the preservation of teacher presence, the delivery of high-quality teaching, and the critical role of school leaders in supporting remote learning initiatives. These principles were not only advocated but also implemented within the trust's own programs and schools across various regions.

The Chairman expressed great pride in the remarkable achievements of the trust's personnel during this exceptional year. Their expertise, enthusiasm, and unwavering dedication were acknowledged and commended. The Chairman also expressed gratitude to the trust's exceptional partners and stakeholders worldwide for their continuous support.

As the world gradually emerges from the pandemic and confronts the challenges ahead, the Chairman emphasized the increasing importance of education. With a strong commitment to its mission of improving education to transform lives globally, Navsanjeevan Social Trust remains steadfast in its pursuit of excellence.

Overall, the report and the Chairman's address highlighted the trust's significant accomplishments, its dedication to research and innovation in education, and its unwavering focus on inclusion and diversity.

### About us

Navsanjeevan social trust is a non-government organization working since 2013 for the rights of marginalized communities in the state of Maharashtra. Navsanjeevan social trust-based in Belawadi, Tal Indapur, district Pune has been working with dedication for the development of the people living in the underdeveloped and marginalized areas of different districts in Maharashtra. This trust mainly works on the Skill Development Program for Quality Education and better livelihood opportunities for the underprivileged.

The organization has been providing the necessary push for livelihood enhancement through Skill development programs. The focus on women empowerment is on awareness generation on social issues through the medium of self-help groups across the district, alleviating poverty in Rural households through sustainable development.

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### ACTIVITIES AND PROJECT

#### 1) SKILLING THROUGH SCHOOLING PROJECT



The Skilling Through Schooling project was recently inaugurated at Sau Vanu Tai Chavan High School in Taradgaon. This project aims at conducting skill development programs for students of 8th to 10th grade through a multi-skill foundation course. The project has been supported by Cummins India Foundation and was inaugurated by representatives from Cummins India, Mr. Ritesh Joshi, Mr. Pravin Gaikwad, and Mr. Balaji Sir.

Other inauguration attendees included MLA Deepakrao Chavan, Taradgaon Sarpanch Mrs. Jayshree Chavan, Vice Chairman of the School Management Committee Mr. Vikas Chavan, Navsanjeevan Social Trust, Chairman Mr. Yuvraj Moholkar and Mr. Sandeep Kumbhare-Project officer.

The program includes hands-on skill practicing and a total of 106 students from the 8th grade will be involved in the project implementation.



The project aims to provide students with the necessary skills to enhance their future job prospects and improve their livelihood opportunities. It is a great initiative by the school and Navsanjeevan Social Trust, and the support from Cummins India Foundation will undoubtedly go a long way in achieving the project's goals. The involvement of local authorities and members of the school management committee also highlights the importance of community engagement and support in such projects. Overall, the Skilling Through Schooling project is a

commendable effort toward providing quality education and better livelihood opportunities to underprivileged students.

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### 2) CAREER GUIDANCE FOR 10<sup>TH</sup> AND 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE STUDENTS:

#### Introduction:

Career guidance is a vital part of a student's life, especially when they are about to finish their secondary education. Proper guidance plays an essential role in shaping their future career choices. With this objective career guidance was provided to 10th and 12th students in Indapur taluka, Pune, a project was initiated in the academic year 2022-23. This report outlines the implementation and results of this project.

#### Implementation:



The project was implemented in 5 secondary schools located in different parts of Indapur taluka, Pune. The schools included were Shri. Chhatrapati Girls High School – Belwadi, Govind Rao Pawar Vidyalaya - Bhavani Nagar, Shri. Chhatrapati High School-Sansar, Shri. Chhatrapati Girls High School - Bhavani Nagar, and Shri. Vardhman Vidyalaya and Junior College – Walchandnagar.

The career guidance project consisted of several stages, including pre-assessment, counseling, guidance, and post-assessment. In the pre-assessment stage, students were asked to fill out a career assessment form which helped identify their interests, strengths, and weaknesses. This information was then used to guide them in the right direction.

In the counseling stage, a team of career counsellors and educators worked with students to help them understand career options and identify potential fields of interest. This stage included individual counseling sessions, group discussions, and workshops on various topics related to careers, such as resume writing, interview skills, and career planning.

In the guidance stage, students were provided with information on different courses, colleges, and career opportunities available in their areas of interest. They were given guidance on how to apply for these courses and colleges and provided with information on scholarship opportunities and financial assistance programs.

Finally, in the post-assessment stage, students were evaluated to assess the effectiveness of the project. This stage included a feedback form that students filled out, which helped to identify the strengths and weaknesses of the project and provide suggestions for improvement.

#### Results:

The career guidance project was successful in providing guidance and support to 307 students from 5 secondary schools in Indapur taluka, Pune. Students reported feeling more confident in their ability to choose a career path and understanding the options available to them. They were able to identify their strengths and weaknesses and match them to potential career options.

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The project also helped students identify scholarship opportunities and financial assistance programs that they may not have been aware of otherwise. This information was particularly helpful to students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds who may not have been able to afford further education without these programs.

### **Conclusion:**

The career guidance project implemented in 5 secondary schools in Indapur taluka, Pune, was successful in providing guidance and support to 307 students. The project helped students identify their strengths and weaknesses, match them to potential career options, and provided information on scholarship opportunities and financial assistance programs. The project was well received by students and identified areas for improvement in future projects. Overall, the project was a success and contributed positively to the future career choices of the students involved.

### **3)Digital learning Program: -**

#### **Introduction:**

Navsanjeevan launched a digital learning program aimed at providing access to digital technology to underprivileged students in Swami Vivekanand High School, located in Asade Pune, region. The program aims to equip students in grades 9-12 with digital skills that are increasingly becoming essential in the modern world. Navsanjeevan also provided computers to the school to start a computer lab. The students are making optimum use of this facility for their school projects and assignments.

#### **Program Implementation:**

The digital learning program was implemented in Swami Vivekanand High School, where students from grades 9-12 were provided with computers. The program implementation process included installation of necessary software such as Word, Excel, and PowerPoint, which students used to complete their assignments and projects. The program's implementation also included the training of teachers to help the students navigate the software and provide guidance.

#### **Impact:**

The digital learning program has had a significant impact on the students and the school community. The students have been able to use the computers to complete their assignments and projects more efficiently. Digital technology has also enhanced the quality of their work, with improved formatting, presentation, and data analysis. Additionally, the program has improved the students' digital literacy, equipping them with skills that will be valuable in their future careers.

The program has also had a positive impact on the school community. The program has helped bridge the digital divide between underprivileged students and those from more affluent backgrounds. The program has also attracted positive attention from parents and the wider community, enhancing the school's reputation and profile.

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### Challenges:

The digital learning program has faced several challenges, including inadequate infrastructure and power supply. The school's power supply is not reliable, leading to frequent power outages that disrupt classes and hinder students' ability to use the computers. Additionally, some of the computers are outdated and require upgrades to run modern software effectively.

### Conclusion:

In conclusion, Navsanjeevan's digital learning program has had a positive impact on Swami Vivekanand High School students and the wider community. The program has improved the students' digital literacy, enhanced the quality of their work, and bridged the digital divide. Despite facing challenges, the program's benefits outweigh the challenges, making it a valuable investment in the student's future.

### 4)Scholarship Program:

#### Introduction:

Navsanjeevan has initiated a scholarship program to support underprivileged students pursuing technical education. In the financial year 22-23, the program provided financial support to Pusha Saluke and Sushant Gawade, two deserving students who faced financial constraints in pursuing their technical education.

#### Scholarship Program Implementation:



The scholarship program's implementation involved a rigorous selection process to identify the two deserving students. The program's criteria was based on academic performance, financial need, and a demonstrated passion for technical education. The selection process involved an application and interview process, where the applicants were assessed based on the criteria. Pushpa Saluke and Sushant Gawade emerged as the two successful applicants who met the program's criteria.

The scholarship program provided financial support for tuition fees, textbooks, and other academic expenses. The program also provided mentorship and guidance to the students to help them navigate their academic journey.

#### Impact:

The scholarship program had a significant impact on the two beneficiaries, Pusha Saluke and Sushant Gawade. The financial support provided by the program enabled the students to pursue technical education without financial constraints. The program's mentorship and guidance also

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helped students navigate their academic journey, enhancing their academic performance and boosting their confidence.

The scholarship programs impact extended beyond the two beneficiaries. The program attracted positive attention from the wider community, highlighting the importance of supporting underprivileged students in pursuing their academic goals. The program's success also encouraged other organizations and individuals to support similar initiatives, further strengthening support systems available to underprivileged students.

### **Challenges:**

The scholarship program faced several challenges, including limited funding and a competitive selection process. The program's limited funding meant that only two students could benefit, despite many deserving candidates. The competitive selection process also meant that many deserving students who did not meet the program's criteria could not benefit from the program and we hope that in future we are able to assist many such meritorious students.

### **Conclusion:**

In conclusion, Navsanjeevan scholarship program had a significant impact on Pusha Saluke and Sushant Gawade in providing them with financial support, mentorship, and guidance to pursue their technical education. The program impact extended beyond the two beneficiaries, highlighting the importance of supporting underprivileged students in pursuing their academic goals. Despite facing challenges, the program's success made it a valuable investment in the beneficiaries' future and a positive contribution to society.

### **5)Vocational Training Program For women: -**

#### **Introduction:**

To reduce poverty and increase employment opportunities, Society has launched a vocational training program for women and youth. The program aims to provide training in various fields, including knitting and tailoring, beauty parlor, and legal training. In the year 2022, a total of 475 women completed their vocational training courses, and 259 women received legal training through Navsanjeevan.

#### **Program Implementation:**

The vocational training program for women and youth was implemented through various centers across the region. The program involved the recruitment of experienced trainers and instructors who provided hands-on training and guidance to the participants. The program also included theoretical sessions and practical exercises to enhance the participant's skills and knowledge.

The legal literacy program provided by Navsanjeevan aimed to empower women with knowledge of their legal rights and the legal system. The program involved workshops, seminars, and training sessions conducted by legal experts. The training program covered

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various topics, including legal literacy, women's rights, gender-based violence, and gender equity.

### **Impact:**

The vocational training program and legal literacy program provided by Navsanjeevan had a significant impact on the participants and the wider community. The training programs equipped the participants with practical skills and knowledge that they could use to secure employment or start their own businesses. The programs also enhanced the participants' self-esteem and confidence, providing them with a sense of empowerment.

The legal literacy program had a positive impact on the women participants. The program equipped them with knowledge of their legal rights, empowering them to assert themselves and demand justice. The program also helped to raise awareness of women's issues and the importance of gender equality and equity.

### **Challenges:**

The vocational training program and legal literacy training faced several challenges, including limited resources and inadequate infrastructure. The program's limited resources meant that not all eligible candidates could benefit from the training. The inadequate infrastructure also meant that some participants had to travel long distances to attend training sessions, making it difficult for them to attend regularly.

### **Conclusion:**

In conclusion, the vocational training program and legal training provided by Society and Navsanjeevan had a significant impact on the participants and the wider community. The programs equipped the participants with practical skills and knowledge, enhancing their self-esteem and confidence. Despite facing challenges, the programs' success made them a valuable investment in the participants' future and a positive contribution to society's efforts to reduce poverty and increase employment opportunities and help beneficiaries explore their full potential.

### **6)Agriculture training program for farmers:**

#### **Introduction:**

Navsanjeevan, in collaboration with the Agriculture Development Trust, launched an agriculture training program for farmers aimed at promoting sustainable farming practices and improving their agricultural productivity. The program focused on greenhouse farming, and ten farmers participated in the training.

#### **Program Implementation:**

The agriculture training program for farmers was implemented through a series of workshops and hands-on training sessions. The program involved the recruitment of experienced trainers

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who provided guidance and knowledge on greenhouse farming techniques. The training program covered various topics, including greenhouse construction, crop selection, planting techniques, pest management, and irrigation.

The program also included practical exercises, where the farmers were given the opportunity to apply the knowledge gained in the training sessions. The program provided the participants with access to a greenhouse for practical exercises, enabling them to gain hands-on experience.

### **Impact:**

The agriculture training program had a significant impact on 100 farmers the participants and the wider community. The program equipped the farmers with practical skills and knowledge on greenhouse farming, enabling them to adopt sustainable farming practices and improve their agricultural productivity. The program's impact also extended beyond the participants, contributing to the wider community's food security and promoting sustainable agriculture practices.

The program's success also encouraged other farmers to adopt similar sustainable agriculture practices, further contributing to the wider community's food security.

### **Challenges:**

The agriculture training program faced several challenges, including limited resources and a lack of infrastructure. The limited resources meant that only ten farmers could participate in the training program, despite the high demand from the wider farming community. The lack of infrastructure also made it difficult for some farmers to implement the knowledge gained in the training sessions.

### **Conclusion:**

In conclusion, the agriculture training program provided by Navsanjeevan and the Sharda Nager Agriculture Development Trust had a significant impact on the farmers and the wider community. The program equipped the farmers with practical skills and knowledge on greenhouse farming, enabling them to adopt sustainable farming practices and improve their agricultural productivity. Despite facing challenges, the program's success made it a valuable investment in the participants' future and a positive contribution to society's efforts to promote sustainable agriculture practices

### **7)Swachh Water: -**

Navsanjeevan, a community development project in collaboration with Shri Krushan Processing and Pvt Ltd, has successfully installed a Reverse Osmosis (RO) water treatment

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plant in Lakudwadi Gram Panchayat, located in the Kolhapur district. This initiative has been taken to provide clean drinking water to the residents of the area.

The RO water treatment plant installed by Navsanjeevan and Shri Krushan Processing and Pvt Ltd has benefited 2745 families in the Lakudwadi Gram Panchayat. The water treated through the RO plant is being used solely for drinking purposes by the beneficiaries.

The installation of this RO plant has brought about a significant improvement in the quality of water available for consumption in the area. The RO plant is designed to remove impurities and

contaminants from the water and produce clean, purified drinking water. This ensures that the residents of the area have access to safe and clean drinking water, which is essential for maintaining good health and preventing water-borne diseases.

The success of this project can be attributed to the collaboration between Navsanjeevan and Shri Krushan Processing and Pvt Ltd, who have worked together to provide a sustainable solution to the water scarcity problem in the Lakudwadi Gram Panchayat. The installation of the RO plant has not only provided access to clean drinking water but has also improved the overall health and hygiene of the community.

In conclusion, the initiative taken by Navsanjeevan and Shri Krushan Processing and Pvt Ltd to install an RO water treatment plant in Lakudwadi Gram Panchayat has been a resounding success. The project has benefited 2745 families in the area, providing them with access to clean and safe drinking water. This initiative has had a significant positive impact on the health and hygiene of the community, and it is a great step towards a cleaner and healthier society.

### **8) Tree Plantation program: -**

#### **Introduction:**

On the 15th of August, 2022, a tree plantation program was organized by a trust in Sus gaon, Pune city. The event aimed to promote a greener and healthier planet, and it was a significant success with the planting of 2500 trees.

#### **Tree Plantation Program:**

The program was a well-organized event that attracted many participants from various walks of life, including government officials, NGO representatives, local community members, and

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school children. The program began with an opening speech from the organizers, who highlighted the importance of tree plantation and the role of individuals in making the planet a better place to live in.

The event was well-planned, and the organizers provided all the necessary tools, including saplings, shovels, and watering cans. Participants were then taken to the designated planting areas, and proper instructions and guidance for tree plantation and subsequent survival of the saplings was provided.

### Benefits of Tree Plantation:



Tree plantation is an essential activity that has numerous benefits for the environment, biodiversity, and human life. Trees help to purify the air, control soil erosion, and provide shade, shelter, and habitat for wildlife. They also play a vital role in regulating the water cycle, reducing the impact of floods and droughts.

Moreover, trees are a significant source of oxygen and help combat climate change's harmful effects. They sequester carbon dioxide, a greenhouse gas, and prevent its accumulation in the atmosphere, which

leads to global warming and climate change.

This program also aims to increase environmental awareness and the importance of nurturing nature.

### Conclusion:

In conclusion, the tree plantation program organized by the trust was a successful event that had a significant impact on the local environment. The planting of 2500 trees will have far-reaching benefits for the biodiversity, air quality, and water resources in the area. The event also highlighted the importance of tree plantation and the role of individuals in promoting a greener and healthier planet. It is hoped that such events will continue to be organized in the future, and more people will participate in making the planet a better place to live in.

The participants were thrilled to contribute to environmental awareness.

