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THE FUTURE OF INDIAN GIRLS AND YOUNG WOMENS



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INTRODUCTION

In 2023, our journey was one of immense joy and gratitude as we witnessed transformative impacts in the lives of women, children, and youth across our communities. It was a year marked by extraordinary accomplishments, heartfelt stories of empowerment, and profound change. Every step we took reverberated with hope, resilience, and unwavering commitment. We extended our compassionate outreach to the homeless community through diverse donations while fostering tangible skills and nurturing dreams.

We proudly celebrated the graduation of two batches of talented tailoring students and one batch of aspiring beauticians and tassel artisans, witnessing their journey towards self-sufficiency and empowerment. Moreover, our efforts in empowering women resonated through successful job placements and internships for beautician students, amplifying their voices in the beauty and wellness industry. Throughout the year, our volunteers, supporters, and partners stood as pillars of strength, embodying compassion and service. Their tireless efforts ignited sparks of hope and resilience in the darkest moments.

As we look ahead, let us reaffirm our commitment to a more inclusive, just, and compassionate world. Together, let us continue to write the next chapter of empowerment and possibility for all.



“Pongal is the festival of harvest, the festival of joy, the festival of togetherness”

This festival of harvest, the women from all the vocational courses actively took part in the Rangoli competition. The Rangoli represents the happiness, positivity and liveliness of a household, and is intended to welcome Lakshmi, the goddess wealth and good luck.





The celebrations were integrated into the competition, and as a result, the entire team, including the women, were able to recognise their hidden skills and creative side.



As a result, people started to feel prouder of themselves, more capable of doing independent research, and more inclined to have a sporting spirit.



Dental Camp and awareness on oral hygiene

In line with the quote the and as a part of the community development programme, the beautician students underwent a dental camp. The main aim of the camp was to provide basic dental health education to the women and motivate dental hygiene maintenance. This camp was carried out by Dr Raghunandhan & Dr Beena from smile Rehabilitation clinic to motivate dental health in the young generation and activate dental hygiene for their future professions.

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The beautician professionals require a good smile and good oral health as they closely face their clients and therefore this session was part of their profession.

Through the dental camp the students learnt about maintaining oral hygiene, the importance of it, a demo of how to brush teeth. The dentist also explained different issues of health because



of negligence of oral health, some health issues like tooth decay and gum infections which are also linked with oral cancer, cardiac diseases and diabetes.



The doctors donated dental kits to the women as a way of promoting oral health hygiene.



NGO mela and collaboration at Christ University



The NGO mela was conducted in Christ university Bangalore for many NGOs to participate and network, and a platform to speak and exchange knowledge about the organization. The participants were welcomed and accompanied by the student volunteers from the University.





And the team was given a stall to put up our banner, we got help from the volunteers to set up the stall, and we stated visiting the other NGO's stall. The first one being Bosco an agency which works for street children, where the team members introduced the organization and spoke about the scope of work, its mission and vision.



The participant also represented the organization and gave a presentation to other NGOS in a gathering, the participants stayed there only for 4 hrs as there was another event to be attended.



A new beginning to the Khuchu batch and an advance tailoring course



The saree tassel /Khuchu classes kickstarted with a new batch of new students who are very active in learning the saree tassel work, it is also the first time that the Domlur community are getting trained by Khuchu classes. The women work on embellishing the sarees with pretty tassel designs to enhance the look of the saree, the women are trained to do the handcrafted tassel work on premium quality threads and beads that the silk saree rightfully deserves. Not only do saree tassel designs give a special attraction to the Pallu with handwork and detailing, they also add a



charming twist to a saree. These women in 6 months' time will become entrepreneurs and start their own small businesses of making handcrafted tassels for the sarees. the Batches were provided



Advance course in tailoring

After successfully completing the basic course in tailoring and entrepreneurship, the students have enrolled for an advance course in tailoring, which comprises of courses like stitching in Practice of different sewing machines using various types of sewing threads, needles, Fashion Cycles, Types of Designs, Role of Designers, Principle of Fashion, Forms, Balance, Rhythm, etc.



Dress and body measurements and techniques, calculating and drafting patterns method to fold the fabric , detailed techniques of stitching, different designs of Kurtis, like 30 number of designs and churidars, and blouses for sarees. The women are curious to learn advance tailoring course and are eager to learn new things in tailoring and dress making, as it it's a thriving industry.

Therefore, there is a great interest in the community women who have already finished the basic course with us and now take active part in the advance course as well.





Advance course in tailoring

This republic day the 26th Jan 2023. the teams from every centre unanimously recited the Preamble of the Indian constitution, in their local language and also there were some women who dressed up like freedom fighters as a mark of respect to Indian freedom fighters.



The women read out the preamble which marked as an important occasion to re-in still the spirit of being free and being together united emphasising on the lines of the preamble such as fraternity, equality and justice brought back hopes in the lives of the women.



European Union W4GEA Projects:

The W4gea projects as a part of the European Union programme was conducted in Bangalore India for 5 days.



The project was in the topic of peace building and participatory democracy,

Peacebuilding refers to those processes and activities involved in the resolution of armed conflicts and social inequities in order to establish sustainable peace and ensure the protection of fundamental human rights.

It is a comprehensive concept that encompasses conflict transformation, transitional justice, reconciliation of parties, development, and leadership. It highlights the difficult reality that



the end of a conflict does not automatically lead to peace and stable social and economic development.

This concept will be explored through workshops and group activities during the training, also aiming to discuss with youth workers tools and knowledge useful for participatory democracy, so as to empower citizens, especially women, to participate individually in social policies and activities that affect them.



The 5-day programme consisted of sessions by a local NGO on life of prisoners and challenges faced by Indian prisoners by an organisation called justice initiative.



A presentation about the host was also made, as to the different projects of planet hope Asia and the need of an agency and the projects were presented. During this time there were questions about social issues in India. There were visits to a community where the migrants are staying and the stone quarry place to understand about the lifestyle of how hazardous it is to work in a stone quarry.

The following day there were community visits and house visits of women from the community, the participants had the opportunity to interact with the women from the projects and also visit houses which gave an exposure to the community and a different perspective on lifestyle of the women who are part of the projects.



The women from the community also opened their doors for a visit to the participants and were happy to invite them home. The Lithuania youth workers gave the training for the next few days on peace building, and conflict management- dealing with conflicts by conducting activities to the participants and



explaining about the type of conflicts human beings encounter in work and in personal life, and as youth workers how to deal with them all.

Each of the participants were able to learn about different types of conflict management and took the crowd on an active session on how to manage conflict within a group and also individually.

A few minute session on the Indian social institute and the projects was also taken by the vice president of the campus and an orientation on the campus.

The program ended by discussing a recap and the future plans about the projects.

During the week there were a number of sightseeing and exposure visits to the participants.

Overall it was an insightful experience both for the trainers and the youth workers to take part in the event, there was cultural exchange of food, knowledge of other countries' issues.



Grassroots projects of W4gea

The W4gea in continuation conducted a grassroots programme conducted by youth worker -Ms Vera Gorunova from Eduplus, Lithuania, visited the organisation to see the projects. The main aim of the grassroots projects is to create awareness on the topic of peacebuilding and participatory democracy. The program took place after a pilot visit to each centre and after having an interaction with the participants before starting off so that the trainer will have an understanding of the group and also the participants will be comfortable with the trainer.



During the pilot visit the Trainer interacted with the participants, observed their work and had an idea about the target group and type of topic to be prepared.



The topics were on communication, self esteem and self respect, The workshop was conducted for all the women from vocational training courses, who are all from disadvantaged backgrounds. The workshop focused on empowerment of women through building their self-esteem and communication skills for starting their own business and the ways it can contribute to participatory democracy in India. A testimonial video was also recorded from one of the participants on her experience about the training.





Graduation of Branding and design

The Students who underwent the International branding & Designing certificate courses have another feather on their hat, as they completed their certificate course offered by Planet hope Asia. The students are Commerce and Arts under graduate students who were keen on learning about branding.

The event was hosted by the team and the faculties and college management were all invited as guests, lunch was served for the students, teachers and other support staff.



Certificates were distributed to the students and they were all very thrilled to receive an international certificate. Students gave good feedback about how the experience will add value to

the career and future, and how helpful the course will be for them to also get a job with this certificate.





Graduation for Multimedia

The graduation ceremony for the Multimedia course to the school students was completed and certificate of completion was also distributed.



As a part of the ICT courses offered, multimedia is also a big part which trains the school students from low economic groups about basic computer operations. The students do not have computers and labs in their

schools and the experience that was given to them to use the laptop and phones were very new and most of the girls shared about how they are not given equal rights in their houses to use gadgets and devices, which are only being given to the male member of the families.

During the graduation ceremony, the students enjoyed celebrating it with cutting cakes and serving delicious lunch as congratulating the students for the knowledge and achievements they gained.





ICT - Computer classes for college students

The Computer Training and Digital Literacy Program is a project under the ICT that aims to give girls and women who have either dropped out of school or are currently pursuing their education basic computer and digital literacy training. The onsite training programme has also expanded the options available to married women and stay-at-home moms who want to receive practical training in the field of computer and digital literacy.



The programme aims to empower girls and young women by bridging the digital divide by teaching them the fundamentals of digital literacy. The extensive use of computers will have an impact on various

aspects such as the workplace, schools, and medical facilities. These areas have already established with usage of computers, but as time progresses, they will become even more essential in every field of work.

The students are mostly from low income and middle-class backgrounds who cannot afford to pay for regular computer education, and even their colleges and





universities do not have basic computer labs or facilities which teach them or give knowledge about computers. The course took root and has begun to take place regularly to the students who come from the neighbourhood communities and who are college goers. They attend the classes offered by Planet hope Asia under an experienced teacher.





Awareness programs for women organised by Indian council for peace and Education Mission

The women from all the vocational centres received knowledge through an awareness programme organised by the INDIAN COUNCIL FOR PEACE AND EDUCATION MISSION (ICPEM) an organisation to impart Non-Conventional Courses to under privileged, less fortunate, downtrodden, school dropouts and others who lost their opportunity to study in Rural areas all over India. It is governed by the Board of Academicians and Technicians from different expertise.





The organisation visited each of the centres and gave a lecture as a part of empowering the women who get trained in our vocational training. And distributed the certificates.



Some of the topics covered were being aware of legal rights and knowing women's rights by an advocate from the organisation. The motive of this ICPEM to come and give the training is also because of opening a

Women's Forum. Skill based Training Program which is a 3 weeks program for any girls, there will be training on Jewellery making, basic computers with students, English classes, perfume and making handmade products and parenting, tailoring - Basics and saree work.



International Women's' Day.

International Women's Day Celebrated all across the vocational training centres for the women hosted by the team.

This women's' day the team planned up various events in order to celebrate womanhood, and to remember the pioneer women who brought us so far, this women's' day the women took part in activity.

1. Honoring women professionals who work in difficult circumstances.
 2. A session on gender stereotype and breaking taboos by a soft skills trainer.
 3. Awareness on Postpartum depression to the Ulsoor community women.
 4. Self Defence workshop for the Domlur community women.
 5. Donating home cooked food and distribution to the homeless people.
 6. women's' day celebration in each centre by distributing sweets and roses to women.
- All the activities were successfully completed and it was an honour for the team to host this programme together.



Honouring the women working in difficult circumstances

On a daily basis, women face difficulties from their families, partners, children, siblings, and in-laws. And to come out of this and fight for themselves is unquestionably commendable. Working Women professionals are rare to come by, so on this Women's Day, the team decided to recognise the women who work in tough circumstances and in hazardous conditions by making their day special. We divided into groups and covered a good 60 women professionals, including autorickshaw drivers, food delivery people, florists, small business owners, security guards, police constables, construction workers, and so on.



This experience made the days of each women better and bought a smile on their face, “a small act of kindness creates an endless ripple”. It was a great experience for the team to go out and meet new people from different walks of life and honour their effort and work what they do.



A session on gender stereotype and breaking taboos by a soft skills trainer.

Gender stereotypes primarily harm girls' self-worth, aspirations, and expectations. As a result, eliminating clichés and the associated behaviours have to be a top priority for every society starting from the family.



Ms Bhagya US, a soft skill and personality development trainer, spoke to the Domlur tailoring and Khuchu women about breaking gender stereotypes and taboos and promoting gender equality.

The students were taught the importance of knowing their own worth and feeling proud to be a women, the trainer also spoke about how gender stereotyping and taboos affects the generations to come, what is practiced today in families will continue and the trainer spoke about how the students have to correct their sons and also as parents children imitate their actions, and highlighted on the fact about the gender roles within families should not be man's job and a women's job.





Awareness programme on postpartum depression.

Postpartum depression - The students in the Ulsoor community mostly are young mothers and Newlyweds, the term PPD is very unknown, the special guest lecturer from NIMHANS highlighted about the topic. And also, topics like depression, anxiety, types of depression, symptoms and so on were being covered, with an activity.



The students had a good understanding about the topic, and they also gave a good feedback about the session. Many were un-aware about the term depression and anxiety and the symptoms involved in it.

The session also motivated the group to be more curious about the topic and that made them to ask more questions about the topic, a helpline no for suicide prevention and counselling were given to the students in case they or their families and friends may need help.



Self-defence and motivation

Students from the Domlur community, underwent a training on being self-defensive in times of attack from their spouses, strangers. As women face domestic abuse some times its important to teach them to defend them selves in such times. And it also helps them in helping them selves in times of any strangers who misbehave.



The trainers from Steve's gym , motivated the students by showing examples of how as a individual every person bottles up their emotions, the trainer illustrated the scenario showing a lady laying on

on nails and when people stamp on her she does not get hurt, similar to this situation it's the same in case of every persons life that the more people push into problems, yet they are strong.

The session ended by motivating the girls on not giving up about anything in their lives. The students gave a positive feedback, and shared that they gained good knowledge about the program and it was useful for them.



Distribution of hot home cooked meals for the homeless and needy

One day of hot cooked meal is a treasure in the eyes of the homeless and we as a team decided to make a difference and make their day. We distributed hot home cooked food to the homeless who do not have a kitchen and cannot afford a good meal every day, along with all the women from the Vocational training and the computer students from Domlur.



We reached out to 169 homeless and needy people in 3 different localities in different groups.

This programme was very rewarding, the students and along with the staff and teachers prepared home cooked food and served to 169 homeless and needy individuals. This was a enriching experience for all of them who took part, this was fulfilling and satisfying that through us we have taken care of a persons' meal per day.



Honouring women with flower and sweets, sharing about Womens' day.

As it was the final day of the Womens' week, and on the international womens' day, we as a team visited all the canters to encourage the women and present them with sweets and roses.

And also conduct some small activity and games.



The team shared about the reason why womens day came into action and the reason behind it, the women in Ulsoor community also enjoyed celebrating it by celebrating the Holi festival as it was also on

the same day, the other groups of women spent time in conducting games and having some open dance floor.

Over all the events that was done for the women and for the team this year was fruitful and productive as it made little changes in many lives and made a difference and added meaning to the women from our vocational training as well.





Graduation ceremony for the Anantapur community of tailoring students.

The 5th Batch of Tailoring and Entrepreneurship graduated successfully from their course, certificates were distributed to all the women. And lunch was served by the organisation to celebrate their milestone.



Graduation was celebrated and distribution of certificates was done, certificates were distributed to all the women. And lunch was served by the organisation to celebrate their milestone. The women shared how their lives transformed because of the course and how accomplished and satisfied the women felt.



The women also honoured the staff of Planet hope Asia as well as the teachers by thanking them with presents and flowers. The teacher was appreciated for his effort and the women were glad that they were able to start their



own business on their own. The women also received free sewing machines for completing the course, the certificates from (ICPEM) Indian council of peace and education Mission and the certificate from planet hope Asia was also provided.



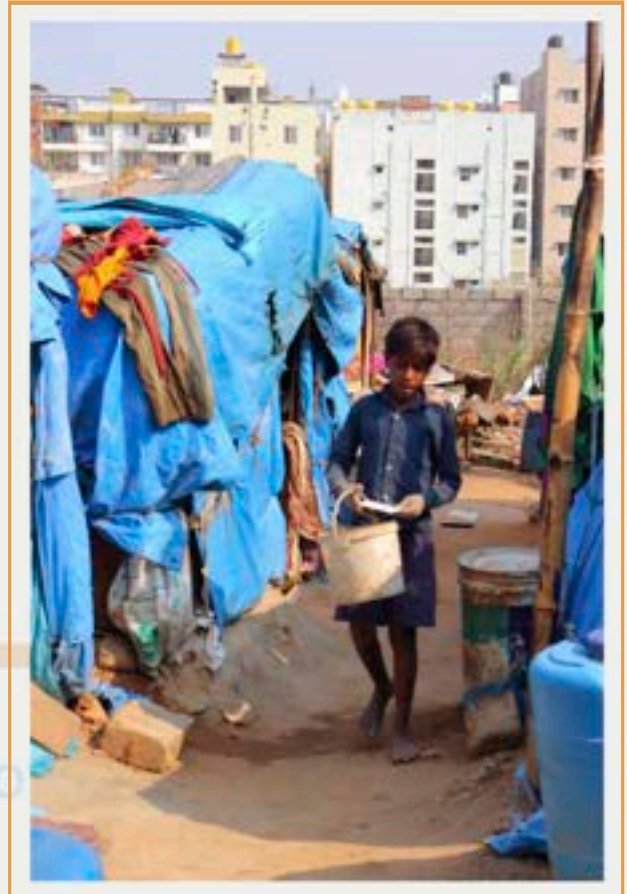


Work Anniversary

On the occasion of our company's work anniversary, we decided to celebrate it by giving back to society. Our team organized a donation drive where we collected blankets to distribute to families living in tents in the nearby area.

Event Details:

The Organisations Anniversary celebration was held on April 1st, 2023, at a nearby community called Doddabyrathi. The event was attended by all staffs, then proceeded with the donation drive where we collected blankets.



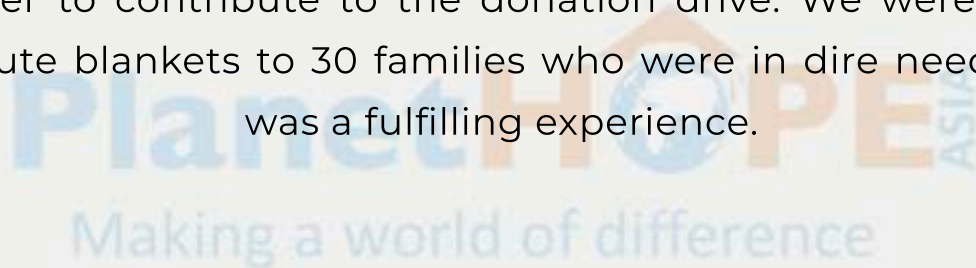
We divided the blankets into 30 packs and headed to community area where families were living in tents. We had identified these families earlier and had notified them of our visit. On reaching the site, we were welcomed by the families, and we distributed the blankets to them. Each pack contained 3 blankets per family, and we were



happy to see the joy and gratitude on their faces.

The donation drive was successful as we received an overwhelming response from our donors who donated blankets. The blankets were all new, and we had them packed and ready for distribution.

In conclusion, the Organisation's anniversary celebration was a great success. It was heart-warming to see our employees come together to contribute to the donation drive. We were able to distribute blankets to 30 families who were in dire need, and it was a fulfilling experience.





Summer Outreach

This Summer we as an organisation together organised the summer camp 2023. The reason for organising this is as a team we enhance our team working skills, Summer camp is conducted for children during the summer break after their school academic year closes. The program was designed and planned by the team based on the need of the children, sessions that will help them in their studies, which will improve their concentration, group works, leadership skills, awareness about gender biases, child rights, values of families.



Summer camp helps a child to develop new skills, make new friends and enhance their socialising skills. Participating in summer camp helps in the growth of children, as it allows them to experiment with new

challenges and errors, find solutions to problems, work out the best strategies, and build new confidence and skills. It also keeps them occupied during the summer time and acts as a refresher to restart the next academic year with freshness and good energy. The children from the near by community do not get the exposure for coming to summer camps as most of the camps are paid and very expensive. Therefore, we decided to invite children from the near by community to the free summer camp which is hosted by Planet hope Asia.



Most of the children belong to families which consists of alcoholic parents and sometimes it is the children who have to bear the brunt of the family and they get abused physically by their fathers, or brothers and even mothers some times.



Gender roles and gender bias: This session was done by the team for the children age above 10 years to understand body image issues, puberty, hormone imbalances, teenage issues

and so on through role plays and by diviing into groups.

Face painting, egg painting and making friendship bands helped the children to show case their talents by the children and it was a new experience for the children to experience this form of activity and we saw so many creative ideas. With egg painting helped children to think out of the box and paint and colour the egg shells. This was also a unique experience for the children.



The interns also took active part in this summer camp which was of a great support to the team. The interns from St Joseph's college took part in conducting games to the children and also by helping them learn craft and

them learn craft and presenting them on topics like child rights, family values and so on.



All the activities were successfully completed and it was an honour for the team to host this programme together.



Self-defence and awareness for children to be aware of forms of martial arts.

The summer camp program (Summer outreach) was conducted for 2 weeks in two

different locations for 2 groups, both the groups are for children from very vulnerable backgrounds and who cannot afford to go to a summer camp by paying money. There were also external resource persons from Steve's gym who volunteered for the summer camp by teaching self defence mechanisms for children when they are attacked, by their families, Siblings or even the society.

Yoga session for stretching and for promoting good physical health and fitness to the children were also taught by the staff, so that the children practice it regularly and have a good and healthy lifestyle.



There was also food and snacks which was arranged and distributed every day of the camp, keeping in mind the weather and the nutrition for the children the team decided to serve healthy food as snacks such as eggs, Lemon, Orange and Mango juices, and seasonal fruit Bananas to the children.



Certificates was distributed to all the participants after completion of the summer camp in order to encourage them, followed by some fun activities like fashion parade and dance where the children were dressed up their best and took part in this with energy and enthusiasm.



Distribution of Certificates to IT course students Basic computer class level 1 for community

The basic computer classes for students from the Geddalahalli and Domlur communities were successfully completed. The program aimed to teach basic computer skills to students who had limited access to technology.



Course Content

The course was designed to provide children with a basic understanding of computers. The course started with an introduction to the computer system, where children learned how to switch on and off the system, identify the different

Certificate Distribution

At the end of the course, a certificate distribution ceremony was held for the children who completed the course. The ceremony was attended by the staff and teachers. Certificates were distributed to all children who completed the course. The certificates were designed to recognize the children's efforts and to encourage them to continue learning and exploring technology.





In conclusion, the computer classes for students from the Geddalahalli and Domlur communities were successful in providing girls with a basic understanding of computers. The course content was designed to be engaging and easy to understand, which resulted in students being happy and excited about learning. The certificate distribution ceremony was a great way to recognize the students efforts and to encourage them to continue learning. We hope to continue providing similar programs to girls who have limited access to technology.





External visit by IT Professionals

On 19th April 2023, a group of donors visited to meet the beneficiaries that is our IT course students and to distribute ration kits to the beneficiaries. The donors were received warmly by the staff who briefed them on their work and how the donations would be utilized to benefit the community. The donors were then taken to meet the beneficiaries and distribute the ration kits.



Interaction with Beneficiaries:

The donors spent time interacting with the beneficiaries and listening to their stories. They were deeply moved by the plight of the beneficiaries who

were struggling to make ends meet on a daily basis. Most of the beneficiaries were daily wage workers who had lost their livelihoods due to the lockdowns and were finding it difficult to provide for their families. The donors were impressed by the resilience and determination of the beneficiaries who were determined to overcome the challenges they were facing.

The IT course students came forward to explain about how the course has been benefiting them in their lives after the studies.



Distribution of Ration Kits:

After spending time with the beneficiaries, the donors distributed the ration kits to a community in Bellahalli who are nomadic and migrants from west Bengal state.

The ration kits contained essential items such as wheat flour. The donors were careful to ensure that the kits were distributed fairly and that each beneficiary received their share. The staffs assisted in the distribution process, ensuring that everything went smoothly.





Conclusion:

The visit of the donors to the projects was a great success. The donors were impressed by the work being done by the whole staff team to help the community, and they were happy to contribute to the cause. The interaction with the beneficiaries was a humbling experience, and it reminded the donors of the importance of giving back to society. The distribution of the ration kits was an essential step in helping the beneficiaries cope with the pandemic, and it was heartening to see the smiles on their faces. The donors left the place with a sense of satisfaction, knowing that their contribution would make a difference in the lives of those in need.





Graduation Ceremony

The graduation ceremony for Khuchu students was held on 26th May 2023 to commemorate the successful completion of their training program. The event was organised to celebrate the achievements of the students and to recognize their hard work and dedication throughout their studies. The ceremony was marked by various activities, like cake cutting, and lunch which added joy and festivity to the occasion.



The presentation of certificates to the graduating students was the focus of the programme. Each student was summoned up to the platform individually to receive their certificates

from a dignitary or a representative of the institution. This historic occasion signified the completion of their studies and symbolised their entry into the professional world.





The students also took time to share their feedback and experiences as well as how the course has changed their lives in big ways, they were very grateful to planet hope asia for planning the program and providing them with possibilities.



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Presentation of Certificates

The highlight of the ceremony was the presentation of certificates to the graduating students. Each student was called on stage individually, where they received their certificates from a dignitary or a representative of the institution. This momentous occasion marked the culmination of their studies and symbolised their transition into the professional world.



The students also gave feedback and shared their experiences and how the course transformed their lives. They were very thankful to the team Planet Hope Asia for organising the event and also for providing them with the opportunities.

The graduation ceremony for beautician students was a remarkable event that honoured the achievements of the graduating students. It provided a platform to recognize their hard work, dedication, and successful completion of their training program. The ceremony, accompanied by a lunch gathering and cake cutting, created a joyful and festive atmosphere, leaving the graduates and attendees with lasting memories. The event not



only celebrated the graduates' accomplishments but also instilled a sense of pride, confidence, and excitement as they ventured into their professional careers in the beauty industry.





The graduation ceremony for the IT course, designed for beautician students, tassel work and tailoring course students, and college-going students from the Domlur community. The event aimed to celebrate the successful completion of the course and distribute completion certificates to the graduating students.

Participants: The graduation ceremony was attended by a diverse group of participants such as

Beautician Students: Students who pursued the beautician course as part of their career development also underwent the IT course for their upgradation of skills.

Tassel Work and Tailoring Course Students:

Individuals who also attended Kuchu and tailoring classes also attended the basic IT course part of enhancing their skills.



College-Going Students: Students from the Domlur community who were interested in exploring the field of IT.

Distinguished Guests:

Mr. Balasubramaniam, the Secretary of the Senior Citizens Charitable Trust, played a vital role in the event by distributing certificates to the graduating students. His dedication to community service and support for educational initiatives was commendable.



Certificate Distribution: *Mr. Balasubramaniam*, and the teacher / director of planet hope asia as the Secretary of the Senior Citizens Charitable Trust, distributed the certificates to the graduating students. The certificates symbolise their successful



completion of the IT course and will serve as valuable assets in their future careers. The students expressed their joy and gratitude upon receiving the certificates, recognizing their significance in enhancing their employability prospects.





The IT course graduation ceremony provided a platform for the beautician students, tassel work and tailoring course students, and college-going students from the Domlur community to celebrate their accomplishments. The presence of the Guest of Honor from the Senior Citizens Trust, along with the support and appreciation extended to the Planet Hope staff, emphasised the community's commitment to education and skill development.





Inauguration of ICT Tally course.

Empower Students through Computer Education

We are thrilled to share some exciting news with you about our latest collaboration with St. Xavier's College, North Bangalore. At Planet Hope Asia, we believe that education is the key to unlocking opportunities and transforming lives. We are delighted to have partnered with St. Xavier's College to initiate a special project aimed at providing computer education to students from vulnerable backgrounds.

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Initiating the Project

Thanks to the unwavering support of our generous donors and volunteers, we are delighted to announce the launch of the "Computer Literacy for Empowerment" . The project aims to provide basic computer education to underprivileged students and equip them with the necessary skills to enhance their future career prospects.

Impact and Enthusiasm

We are overjoyed to report that the response to the project has been phenomenal! A considerable number of students have eagerly registered for the computer classes. The enthusiasm displayed by these young minds to learn and grow is truly inspiring. *Making a world of difference*

Curriculum and Frequency

The "Computer Literacy for Empowerment" course offers a well-structured curriculum that covers fundamental computer skills. The classes are held twice a week to ensure a comprehensive learning experience while allowing students to balance their other academic commitments.

Passion for Learning

One of the most remarkable aspects of this project is the passion and curiosity displayed by the students. Their proactive



approach to learning and eagerness to grasp new concepts truly warms our hearts. We firmly believe that these skills will not only enhance their employability but also instill confidence in them to face any challenges that come their way.

Impact on the Future

By providing these students with computer literacy, we envision a future where they can access a wide array of opportunities. Empowering them with essential skills



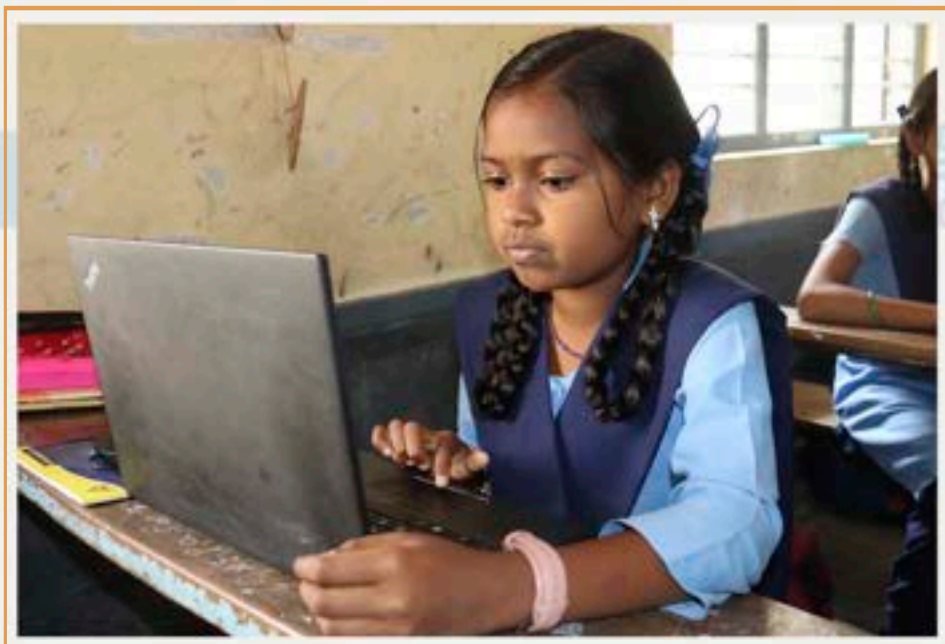
aligns perfectly with Planet Hope Asia's vision of nurturing young minds and creating a positive impact on society.

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Empowering the Future: Partnering with Jyothi School to Initiate Computer Basics Course.

We are excited to share some incredible news about our latest project at Jyothi School, where we have taken a step towards empowering the future of children from vulnerable communities. Through our collaboration with Jyothi Social Service Center, we have initiated a Computer Basics Course that promises to open up new horizons for these young minds.



A Vision to Bridge the Digital Divide:

As part of our mission to make a positive impact in the lives of underserved communities, Planet Hope Asia joined hands with Jyothi School to bridge the digital divide. Many of these children face significant challenges due to their economic and social circumstances, but we firmly believe that education is the key to unlocking their full potential.



The Computer Lab:

Jyothi School already had a well-equipped computer lab, generously sponsored by our donors. However, despite the resources available, the lab remained underutilized due to the absence of a dedicated computer teacher. This is where our partnership stepped in to create a lasting impact. We are delighted to introduce Ms. Marta, an enthusiastic and skilled computer instructor who has been diligently conducting lessons at the computer lab every alternate day. Her passion for teaching and dedication to the cause has left a profound impact on the students.

Thrilling Moments of Learning:

The response from the children has been overwhelming. Each day, they come to the computer lab with excitement, eager to learn and explore the world of computers. Witnessing their enthusiasm and willingness to learn has been a true inspiration for all involved in this project.





What the Course Entails:

The Computer Basics Course covers essential computer skills, including:

Introduction to Computers: Understanding the components and basic functions of a computer system.

Operating Systems: Navigating through different operating systems and understanding their functionalities.

MS Office Suite: Learning the basics of Word, Excel, and PowerPoint to enhance their digital literacy.

Internet and Online Safety: Discovering the vast resources available on the internet while being aware of online safety and security.

Our efforts are already making a difference in the lives of these students. By equipping them with computer knowledge, we are providing them with valuable skills that can open up new opportunities for their future. Through this initiative, we envision a generation of empowered individuals who can confidently navigate the digital world and achieve their dreams.



W4gea Project Conference:

The W4GEA project conference proved to be an enriching experience for our employees. During the conference, they delved into the realms of organisational management, practical education, fundraising strategies, and the significance of skill development. The main focus was on empowering communities through skill-building initiatives, providing them with the tools to lead better lives. Representatives from Planet Hope Asia actively participated in events like storytelling workshops, digital invasion, human library sessions, and stop-motion animation workshops. These activities allowed our team to gather valuable insights and strengthen their commitment to our mission.





Tassel Work Batch Inauguration: We are excited to announce the successful inauguration of the Tassel Work Batch, also known as the Khuchu group. The inauguration marked the beginning of an essential skill-building journey for these individuals. The Khuchu group will learn traditional tassel work techniques, preserving and promoting cultural heritage. By empowering this batch, we aim to create opportunities for economic growth and upliftment within their communities.



Happy Home Inauguration for Geriatric Nursing Students: We are incredibly proud of the geriatric nursing students from Ashley Homes who received training from Planet Hope Asia. These dedicated individuals have completed their training and are now working as full-time nurses. Moreover, they have moved into a new home and are living independently as a group of three girls. This step towards independent living is significant in their personal and professional development. Living together fosters a sense of companionship and support, enabling them to grow both individually and as a team.

Living independently in a group setting will offer several benefits to these young nurses. They will learn to manage household responsibilities collectively, promoting teamwork and communication skills. Moreover, living together will create a



nurturing environment where they can share experiences and challenges, offering emotional support to one another. The girls will also have the opportunity to practise the skills they learned during their training, such as patient care, medical administration, and dealing with various medical conditions. Additionally, managing their finances together will foster financial literacy and responsibility.



Furthermore, the home will be a space for these nurses to engage in continuous learning, as they can share their knowledge and experiences from their respective workplaces. This knowledge exchange will contribute to their professional growth and keep them updated with the latest developments in geriatric care. We are incredibly proud of these young nurses and wish them all the success in their independent living journey. Planet Hope Asia will continue to support them in their endeavours and remain committed to empowering more individuals in the future.



Distributing Mosquito nets for the Bellahalli community:

Mosquito Net Distribution to the Belahalli Community, The distribution of mosquito nets to the Belahalli community by our team marks a crucial step in safeguarding the health and well-being of vulnerable populations. Homeless communities are particularly susceptible to the harmful effects of mosquito-borne diseases due to their limited access to proper shelter and healthcare facilities. Providing mosquito nets to such communities is essential for several reasons: Mosquitoes are carriers of various dangerous diseases, including Malaria, Dengue, Zika, and Chikungunya. Homeless individuals often live in makeshift shelters or open spaces where they are highly exposed to mosquito bites, increasing the risk of contracting these illnesses. The distribution of mosquito nets offers a vital line of defense against these diseases.





Malaria, caused by the Plasmodium parasite transmitted through the bite of infected female Anopheles mosquitoes, remains a significant health concern in many parts of the world. The use of mosquito nets is one of the most effective ways to prevent malaria transmission. Sleeping under a mosquito net provides a physical barrier that prevents mosquitoes from biting, reducing the risk of infection.

Dengue fever, transmitted by Aedes mosquitoes, is another prevalent mosquito-borne disease. In areas with high mosquito activity, using mosquito nets becomes crucial to minimise the



risk of Dengue transmission. By preventing mosquito bites during sleep, individuals can significantly reduce their chances of contracting this severe viral infection. Protection of Vulnerable Groups: Homeless communities, especially children, pregnant women, and the elderly, are particularly vulnerable to the adverse effects of mosquito-borne diseases. For pregnant women, contracting diseases like Zika can have severe consequences for fetal health. The distribution of mosquito nets is an act of compassion and care that can safeguard the health of these vulnerable populations.



The distribution of mosquito nets to the Belahalli community is a proactive and compassionate initiative aimed at protecting individuals from the harmful impact of mosquito-borne diseases. By using mosquito nets, the residents can significantly reduce their exposure to mosquito bites during sleep, thereby preventing the transmission of diseases like Malaria, Dengue, and other potentially life-threatening illnesses. Through such interventions, we strive to create healthier and safer living conditions for vulnerable communities, promoting their overall well-being and fostering a healthier society as a whole.





We're excited to share with you the inspiring story of a groundbreaking initiative that has been changing lives in the heart of Bangalore. In this special edition of our newsletter, we'll take you on a journey to discover how access to computer education is transforming the futures of young women in Domlur, who hail from low-income backgrounds and face unique challenges in their pursuit of knowledge and empowerment.

Empowering women through ICT

In a bustling neighbourhood of Domlur, Bangalore, a group of university students has embarked on a mission to uplift the lives of young women. This mission, known as the "ICT Course," aims to provide basic computer training to university students attending colleges that lack computer facilities. The classes are conducted in the evenings, specifically catering to these determined young women.

Why Computer Education matters to Women?

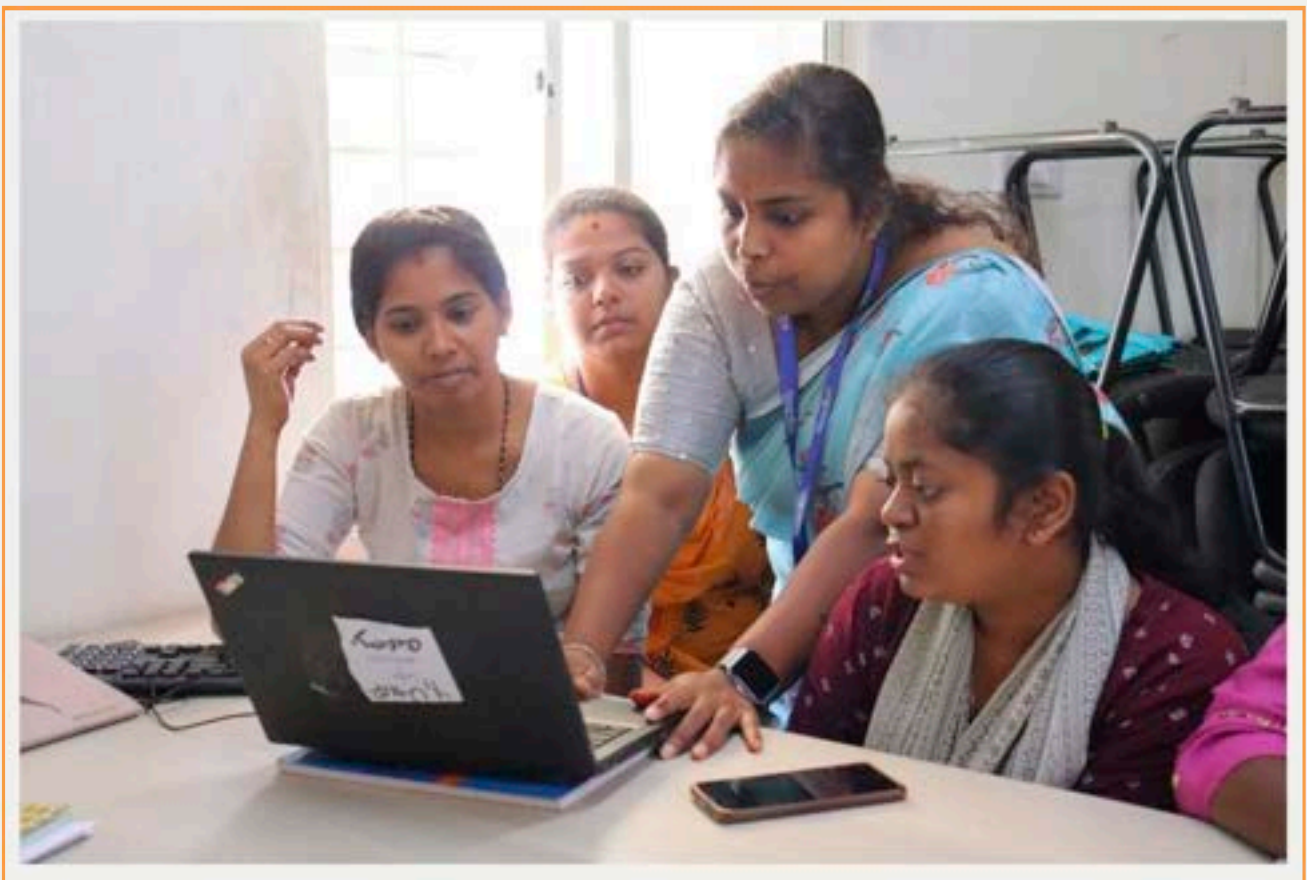
In today's digital age, computer education is more than just a skill; it's a key to empowerment, especially for women. Here are

Computer literacy opens doors to a wide range of career opportunities, allowing women to become financially independent and contribute to their families' well-being.





By bridging the digital gender gap, we empower women to compete on an equal footing with men in the professional world. The internet provides a wealth of information on health, education, and numerous other topics, enabling women to make informed decisions about their lives.



Computer skills are increasingly required in today's job market, and being proficient in technology enhances women's employability.

Understanding digital tools and platforms is essential for women to navigate an increasingly connected world.

For girls from low-income backgrounds in a city like Bangalore, the road to empowerment is fraught with challenges. Here are some of the obstacles they face:



Lack of access to computers and the internet can hinder educational and career prospects.

Many girls face resistance from their families and communities when pursuing education and careers outside traditional gender roles.

Safety remains a concern for women in public spaces, making evening classes a particularly courageous endeavor.

Tuition fees, transportation costs, and the need for study materials can be substantial burdens on their families. The absence of visible female role models in the tech industry can deter aspiring young women.

Despite these challenges, the ICT Course is making a significant impact on the lives of these young women. Through dedicated teachers and the support of their peers, they are breaking barriers and charting new horizons.

On the auspicious occasion of India's 75th Independence Day, we are thrilled to share a heartwarming celebration that took place at our organization. The students from our beautician course came together to commemorate this momentous day with patriotic fervor, songs, and dance. Join us as we relive the spirit of freedom and artistic expression!



Independence day a symbol of Freedom and unity:

Independence Day, celebrated on the 15th of August each year, holds a special place in the hearts of every Indian. It marks the day when India gained freedom from British colonial rule in 1947, leading to a new era of hope, unity, and progress.



Our beautician course students, known for their creative flair, decided to infuse their celebration with patriotism. Here's how they made Independence Day a truly special occasion:

1. The day began with soul-stirring renditions of patriotic songs that echoed the sentiments of freedom and love for the nation. The students' melodious voices filled the air, evoking a sense of unity and pride.
2. To further enhance the celebratory mood, the students put on a captivating dance performance set to patriotic tunes. Their graceful movements and expressive choreography left everyone in awe.
3. The Tri Color Décor: The entire venue was adorned with the colors of the Indian flag. Tri-color decorations added a festive touch to the celebration.



Our beautician course students come from diverse backgrounds, and their celebration epitomized the unity in this diversity. They showcased the strength of togetherness and the power of dreams.

Onam celebration

As the vibrant colors of Onam bloom across Kerala, we are delighted to bring you a glimpse of this magnificent festival and how our organization came together to celebrate in the spirit of unity and togetherness. Join us on this journey of cultural immersion and camaraderie as we share our experience of the joyous Onam celebrations!



Onam, Kerala's most significant and beloved festival, is a celebration of bountiful harvests, unity, and cultural richness. It is a time when Malayalis worldwide come together to honor their heritage and the legendary

King Mahabali, whose rule was known for its prosperity and equality. At our organization, we understand the importance of embracing diversity and celebrating the cultural richness of our team. This year, we came together to celebrate Onam with great enthusiasm. Here's how we made the day special:

1.Pookolam:talented staff members created stunning Pookalam displaying their artistic skills and teamwork.



2.Delicacy: Onam Payasam(delicacy) was enjoyed by all, bringing a taste of Kerala's culinary delights to our workplace.

3.Some of our team members showcased their talent through traditional dances and songs, adding a touch of Kerala's cultural heritage to our celebration.

4. Meeting and fun getaway: Alongside the festivities, we had a productive meeting to discuss our goals and future plans, followed by a fun-filled team outing that strengthened our bonds.





Our Onam celebration was a reflection of our commitment to fostering unity, embracing diversity, and creating a warm and inclusive work environment. It was a day filled with laughter, delicious food, and cultural immersion, reminding us of the beauty of Kerala's traditions and the importance of coming together as a team.





As we embrace the beautiful month of September, we're excited to share with you the heartwarming story of our recent graduation ceremony for the Khuchu batch. This special event brought together women from diverse backgrounds, marking a significant milestone in their lives. Join us as we relive the moments of pride, accomplishment, and unity!

Khuchu Graduation day- A day of celebration and Inspiration



The Khuchu Graduation Ceremony, held at Jyothi School, was a testament to the power of education, determination, and the unwavering support of our community. This event not only celebrated the achievements of our students but also highlighted the spirit of collaboration between Planet Hope, Jyothi School Social Work Centre, and our incredible participants.



The day was filled with meaningful moments that touched the hearts of all who attended:

The ceremony commenced with a warm welcome to all the guests and the symbolic lighting of lamps, signifying the dispelling of darkness and the dawn of knowledge.

Both the staff members and students had the opportunity to share their experiences. Ms. Kavitha, a dedicated teacher, expressed her immense pride in the Khuchu batch and commended their outstanding work on tassels.

Sister Priscilla, the coordinator from Jyothi School Social Work Center, extended heartfelt gratitude to Planet Hope for introducing the Khuchu class. Students who shared their experiences conveyed deep emotions, with some shedding tears of joy and achievement.

To mark this special occasion, a delicious cake was cut, symbolizing the sweetness of success and the bonds formed throughout the program.

The ceremony concluded with a shared lunch, where laughter, conversations, and camaraderie flowed freely. It was a moment of togetherness that reinforced the sense of community among all participants.

The Khuchu Graduation Ceremony underscored the transformative power of education and the profound impact it can have on the lives of women from all walks of life. It was a day that celebrated not only academic achievements but also the resilience and determination of our participants.



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Honoring the vocational training heroes

Teachers' Day was an occasion to express our deep appreciation for the instructors who play a pivotal role in shaping the future of our vocational training course students. Here's how we celebrated their dedication and hard work:

To kick off the day, a cake-cutting ceremony was organized to honor our teachers. It was a sweet gesture of gratitude for their tireless efforts and commitment to nurturing the talents of our students.

Staff members and students alike took the opportunity to share heartfelt tributes, expressing how these teachers have not only imparted knowledge but also served as mentors and role models.

A day of joy with the tuition children from the community:

At our office premises, the excitement of Teachers' Day extended to our young tuition students. Their energy and enthusiasm added an extra layer of joy to the day's festivities:

Cake cutting with the little ones:

The children threw a surprise with the sweet aroma of cake as our tuition kids gathered to celebrate their beloved teachers. A special cake cutting ceremony marked the occasion.

The highlight of the day was the lively performances by the children. They dazzled the audience with their dance routines, showcasing their talents and appreciation for their teachers.

Laughter echoed through the office as the kids, staff, and



teachers shared moments of joy, creating cherished memories together. Teachers'

Day serves as a reminder of the remarkable individuals who dedicate their lives to nurturing knowledge,



creativity, and values in the next generation. It's a day when we acknowledge and celebrate the teachers who inspire, guide, and empower us.

The dual celebrations on Teachers' Day allowed us to recognize both the dedicated instructors who shape the future of our vocational training course students and the young minds who are eager to learn and grow.

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Branding and Designing Course

We are thrilled to announce the commencement of a new batch for Photoshop enthusiasts in Ulsoor & in Domlur. The addition of a new class reflects our commitment to providing diverse learning opportunities. We're excited to see our students delve into the world of creativity, guided by the expertise of our newly appointed teacher, by name Bala Kavya.





Bala Kavya brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to our team, and we are confident that her passion for teaching will inspire our students to reach new heights.





Children's day Celebrations

Planet Hope Asia believes in nurturing not only skills but also the joy of childhood. This week, we conducted pre-celebrations for Children's Day, creating a memorable experience for our young learners. The event was organized by our dedicated team of interns who went above and beyond to make it a day filled with laughter and excitement.



Our interns organized a variety of games, fostering a spirit of camaraderie among the children. From traditional games to creative challenges, the activities were designed to engage and entertain



Intern's initiative

Kudos to our dedicated interns who took the lead in organizing the event. Their enthusiasm and hard work ensured that the children had a wonderful time, strengthening the bond between the Planet Hope Asia communities.





HIV AIDS Day awareness program:

On the 1st December, in view of World HIV AIDS day a significant event was held at Ulsoor with the beautician batch students to observe HIV-AIDS Day.

The event aimed to provide crucial information about HIV-AIDS, its origins, reasons for transmission, preventive measures, and to foster empathy and solidarity with AIDS patients.



Events Details:

The event saw the active participation of 25 students from both beautician batches. The diverse group of students demonstrated a collective commitment to understanding and spreading awareness about HIV-AIDS.



Topic and presentation:

The primary focus of the event was to educate the participants on the various aspects of HIV-AIDS. The presentation, delivered through a well-structured PowerPoint, covered topics such as the origins of HIV, reasons for transmission, and essential precautions to avoid contracting the virus. The information was presented in a manner that was accessible and engaging for the beautician batch students.





Interactive Session:

To ensure a thorough understanding of the subject, interactive sessions were incorporated into the event. Participants were encouraged to ask questions, share their thoughts, and engage in discussions about HIV-AIDS. This approach facilitated a more personalized learning experience.

Solidarity with AIDS Patient:

An impactful element of the event was the symbolic gesture of wearing red ribbons by all participants. This gesture signified unity and support for individuals affected by HIV-AIDS. The red ribbon has become a globally recognized symbol of awareness and solidarity, and its inclusion in the event conveyed a powerful message of empathy.



DONATION DRIVE AT BELAHALLI COMMUNITY

Planet Hope Asia, in collaboration with students from the Planet Hope Beautician Course, organized a donation drive in Bangalore's vulnerable Belahalli community during the Christmas season.

The drive aimed to provide immediate relief by distributing 150 ration kits and pre-used clothes to homeless families and a rag-picking community. The initiative addressed the multifaceted challenges faced by these



communities, including of shelter, sanitation issues, and limited economic opportunities. The living conditions, particularly for women and children, were highlighted, emphasizing health hazards and educational constraints.

The donation drive took place on December 6th and involved a team of volunteers, including a social worker. Each ration kit contained non-perishable food items and basic necessities. Beyond material support, the drive facilitated interaction and dialogue with the community to better understand their challenges for future interventions.



The impact was positive, providing tangible relief, fostering hope, and promoting solidarity within the Belahalli community.



In conclusion, the Belahalli Community Donation Drive for Christmas exemplified a small yet impactful step towards a more inclusive and compassionate society. It emphasized the significance of collective efforts, especially during festive seasons, to bring joy and support to those in need. Advocacy, empathy, and ongoing support from social workers and concerned citizens are crucial for building a more equitable future.



CHRISTMAS CAROL ROUNDS TO ELDERLY CARE HOMES AND CHILDRENS'

Dates : 13th & 14th December 2023

In keeping with our annual tradition, Planet Hope Asia organized Christmas carol rounds on December 13th and 14th to bring joy and warmth to the lives of the most vulnerable members of our community. This year, our visits extended to Elderly Care Homes and a Children's Home, where our community tuition children took center stage to spread holiday cheer.



Locations visited :

Preeti Nivas (Elderly Care Home)
Ashley Care Home (Elderly Care Home)
Alder Care Home (Elderly Care Home)
Blessing Home (Children's Home)



The heartwarming visits included a series of activities designed to bring smiles to the faces of the residents.

Carols performances: Our community tuition children showcased their musical talents by performing Christmas carols. The songs resonated through the halls, bringing a festive atmosphere to each location.

Dance performances: In addition to carol singing, the children engaged in lively dance performances, spreading the joy of the season through the universal language of dance.

Handmade greeting card: The children crafted handmade greeting cards, adding a personal touch to the festivities. These cards were distributed to the residents as tokens of love and well-wishes.

Warm wishes: Our thoughtful children extended warm wishes to all the inmates, emphasizing the importance of compassion and connection during the holiday season. The messages conveyed the true meaning of Christmas - spreading love and joy, especially to those who may feel alone or in need.





Token of love: To ensure the physical comfort of the elderly and children, Planet Hope Asia distributed blankets as a symbol of love and care. This small gesture aimed to provide warmth during the winter season and showcase our commitment to the well-being of the community.

Impact: The Christmas carol visits left a lasting impact on both the performers and the recipients. The joy and gratitude expressed by the elderly and children highlighted the significance of community engagement and the positive effect it has on the lives of those in need.



The Christmas carol visits were a resounding success, thanks to the enthusiasm and compassion of our community tuition children. Planet Hope Asia remains committed to spreading joy, love, and hope during the holiday season and beyond. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who contributed to making these visits a memorable experience for all involved.



CHRISTMAS PROGRAM WITH TUITION CHILDREN

Date: 18th Dec 2023

On the evening of December 18th, the dedicated staff of Planet Hope Asia came together to organize a heartwarming Christmas program for the students attending the community tuition center. The event was a delightful blend of festive activities, joy, and shared moments.

Carol singing by staff: The program kicked off with soulful carol singing by the enthusiastic staff, setting the festive tone for the evening.

Dance performances by children: Children of all ages showcased their dance talents in different groups, spreading joy and laughter through lively performances.

The celebration continued with the sharing of delicious snacks and small drinks, creating a warm and convivial atmosphere for all in attendance. The Christmas program had a profound



impact on both the children and the organizers, encapsulating the true spirit of the season.



Fostering joy & Cheer: The children radiated joy as they participated in the festivities, experiencing the magic of Christmas in a supportive and caring environment.

The event provided an opportunity for the community tuition centre to come together as a close-knit family. The shared moments of celebration strengthened the bonds among students and staff. For many children, the program created a sense of belonging and inclusion, especially during a season that emphasizes the importance of togetherness. The memories created during the Christmas program will linger in the hearts of the children, contributing to a positive and joyful outlook that extends beyond the event itself.





The Christmas program with the community tuition center children was a resounding success, thanks to the collaborative efforts of the dedicated staff and the enthusiastic participation of the students. Planet Hope Asia remains committed to creating memorable experiences that nurture the well-being and happiness of the communities we serve. As we reflect on the joy shared during this festive occasion, let's continue to spread love and warmth, making a positive impact on the lives of these wonderful children.





CHRISTMAS AND NEWYEAR & ANNUAL GATHERING OF ALL COURSES

Location: Domlur senior citizens charitable trust.

Date: 20th Dec 2023



In the spirit of unity and festive joy, Planet Hope Asia hosted a grand Christmas celebration at the Domlur center, bringing together students from Vocational Training Centers (VTC) and Information and Communication Technology (ICT) programs, alongside the entire staff and teachers. The event, held 21st December 2023, was a vibrant and fun-filled day, showcasing the diverse talents and camaraderie within the Planet Hope Asia community.



The celebration kicked off with a burst of energy as students from both VTC and ICT programs presented captivating dance performances. The diverse array of dances reflected the cultural richness and enthusiasm of the participants. The stage was graced with solo performances that showcased the individual talents and creativity of the students. It was a testament to the unique skills and personalities within the Planet Hope Asia community. Adding a touch of professional flair, the dedicated staff and teachers took centre stage to deliver a special carol singing performance. The harmonious melodies filled the air, spreading the spirit of Christmas throughout the venue. The joyous occasion included a ceremonial cake cutting, symbolizing the sweetness of the festive season. It was a moment of shared delight that brought everyone together in celebration.



The festivities continued with a fellowship lunch, where all participants gathered to share a meal and strengthen the sense of community. The lunch provided an opportunity for joyous conversations and the

forging of new connections. The combined celebration highlighted the cultural diversity within the Planet Hope Asia community, fostering an environment of mutual respect and appreciation



The event served as a platform for students to showcase their talents, boosting confidence and encouraging self-expression. The Christmas celebration promoted a sense of togetherness among staff, teachers, and students, reinforcing the importance of collaboration and unity.

The festive atmosphere created during the event uplifted spirits and generated a positive and joyful ambiance that will resonate throughout the holiday season.



The Christmas celebration at the Domlur center was a resounding success, exemplifying the spirit of unity, joy, and celebration that defines the Planet Hope Asia community. As we reflect on the memorable moments shared during this festive occasion, let's carry the warmth and camaraderie into the New Year.



Graduation ceremony for tailoring and ICT Students

On December 21, 2023, Planet Hope Asia proudly hosted a momentous Graduation Ceremony, a celebration of achievement and resilience for the talented vocational training students. The ceremony was a culmination of hard work, dedication, and the pursuit of knowledge, marking a significant milestone for tailoring students from Anantpura & Domlur, as well as computer students. Students specializing in tailoring, hailing from both Anantpura and Domlur Centres, proudly received their certificates and also sewing machines were distributed to each one of them as a sign of encouragement and continuing their professions. Ten computer students, having completed their rigorous training, were recognized for their dedication to mastering the intricacies of information and communication technology. Their achievements reflect their commitment to enhancing their technological proficiency.





The highlight of the ceremony was the distribution of graduation certificates and the sewing machines , a tangible representation of the students' hard work and commitment throughout their vocational training.



Following the heartfelt ceremony, a celebratory lunch was served, providing a moment for graduates, to share in the joyous occasion



and create lasting memories. The graduation ceremony signifies more than the acquisition of skills; it represents the empowerment of individuals to create a better future for themselves and their communities.

Planet Hope Asia extends its heartfelt congratulations to the graduates of the tailoring and computer programs.



TESTIMONIALS FROM OUR BENEFICIARIES FOR 2023

Seema is a 34 year old woman who has three children, she was part of the vocational training beautician course and she is really grateful to Planet Hope Asia Foundation for giving the beautician training which was taught very well her in a step by step process clearly and became confident enough in all the concepts of the beautician course she now even works with some customers. Therefore believes if not for this esteemed organization she wouldn't have been able to achieve such results in her carrier.



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Nethravathi is a 29 year old married woman who has two children, she is part of the vocational training kuchu/tassel course and she is really grateful to Planet Hope Asia Foundation for training her in this particular course cause she has become more passionate about this course also this organization has turned out to be one of her most favorite places to come and she said there is still more she would learn from this course.



Sabitha is 31 year who has two children, she was part of the vocational training course for tailoring she is really grateful to Planet Hope Asia Foundation as she was one very happy trainee for having a teacher who coached Sabitha so well and is able to be proud of herself as she is able to apply her skills what she learnt, as they cleared very doubt she had and explained it to her very well.





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