



DEEP GRIHA SOCIETY  
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## Introduction

Welcome to the 2008 edition of the Director's Report. The format of the report has changed slightly this year, to more accurately reflect the way our projects are categorised.

If you are already fairly familiar with Deep Griha Society's work, you may be content to read the '2007-08 Highlights' in each section, along with 'New Projects in 2007-08' towards the end of the report.

Alternatively, if you are new to Deep Griha Society, then this report should give an impression of the wide range of programmes and activities that DGS conducts throughout the year.

Regular news and updates can be found on the Deep Griha Society website - [www.deepgriha.org](http://www.deepgriha.org). The site is currently undergoing a major overhaul and a relaunch is planned in September 2008.

This year we were visited by Mr Bogdan Dinca, a photographer from Romania. He visited several of our projects and took many great pictures, some of which are included in this report. We have recently produced postcard sets and a calendar featuring his striking photographs. These are available against a small donation - please contact the Events and Fundraising Team for details ([deepgriha.eft@gmail.com](mailto:deepgriha.eft@gmail.com)), or visit the website for further information.



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## Director's Message

The latter half of 2007 saw the implementation of some exciting and important reforms at Deep Griha Society, which started the process of bringing the organisation into an era of increased professionalism, accountability and transparency.

DGS engaged the services of two external consultants, Susan Raj and Augustine Mendonca, to implement the reforms. Susan joined us in October 2007 and looks after project designing, monitoring, evaluation and implementation. Augustine joined us in June 2007 and is responsible for HR and administrative reforms.

The changes will bring about significant benefits for all DGS stakeholders, but will show themselves most especially in improved services for our beneficiaries! Moreover, the professional work ethos will result in a substantial reduction in operational costs all across DGS activities, enabling us to consider the much needed salary reform package for our staff. Emphasis is also being placed on staff capacity building.

These developments have been made possible by the hard work and persistence of both our consultants. The reforms are bringing about a reorganisation of DGS programmes and management structures with new systems and policies.

A special mention needs to be made about our long term supporters Friends of Deep Griha (a UK registered charity) and Deep Griha USA. This year both organisations hosted several fundraising events to support different projects of Deep Griha Society. We now celebrate the accordance of non-profit status in the USA as 'Deep Griha USA'. This has been achieved because of the great efforts of Sandborn Wood and other committee members of First Community Church, Columbus, Ohio. This allows individuals and organisations in the US to make tax-exempt contributions towards the mission and work of Deep Griha in Pune.

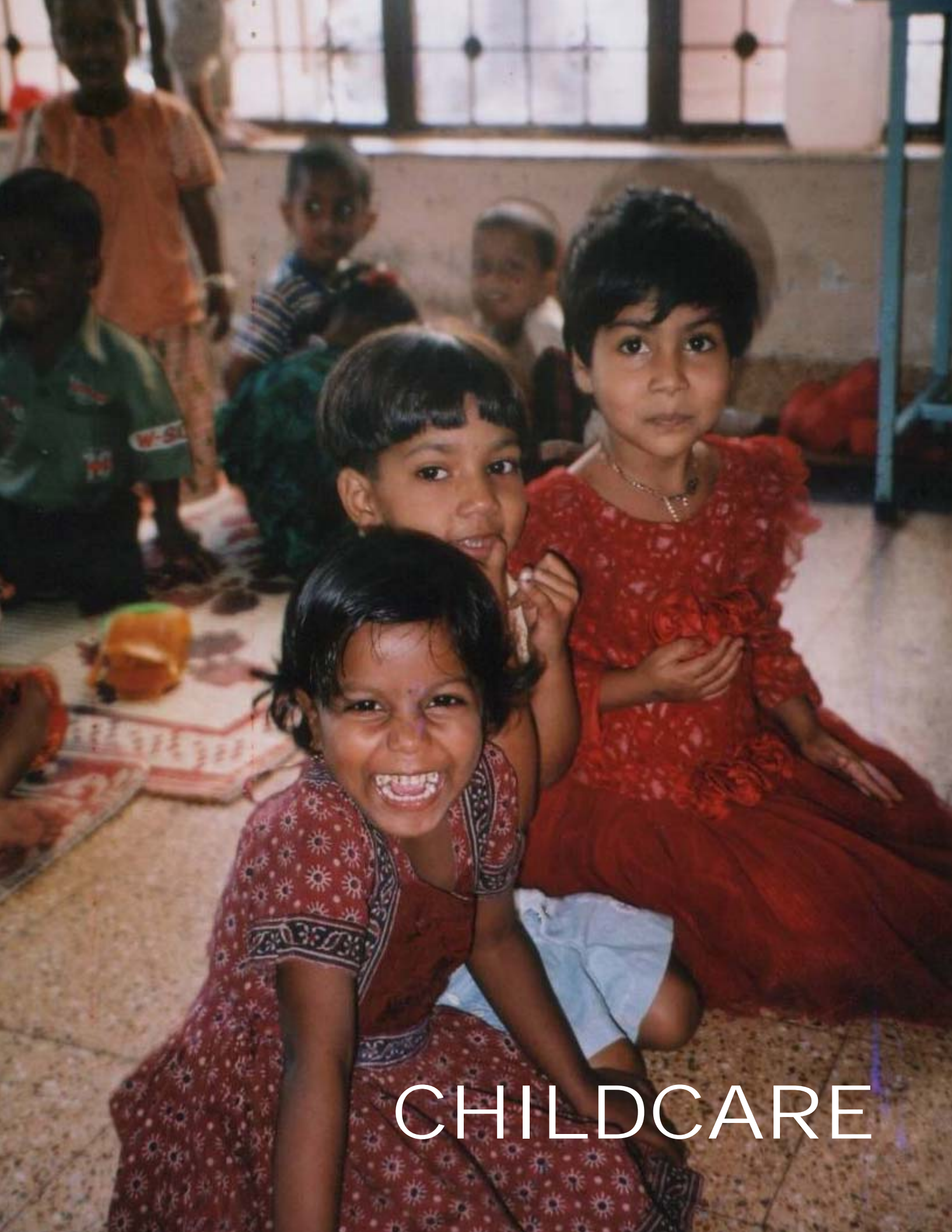
This year the focus has also been on expanding the Events and Fundraising Team (EFT) to secure new sources of funding for the organisation, both at home and abroad. This includes raising our profile, building relationships with our current and potential future donors by maintaining transparency and exploring new avenues for raising funds for Deep Griha Society.

The changes at DGS are necessary to ensure that the organisation is able to continue working professionally towards our mission:

**"Empowerment of the marginalised  
through capacity building  
and sustainable rural and urban  
development programmes."**

Dr. Neela Onawale  
Director, Deep Griha Society  
August 2008





CHILDCARE

Deep Griha Society runs several projects promoting the health and education of children living within the slum communities of Pune. Our crèches and balwadis (pre-schools) provide a safe and stimulating environment for young children to learn and develop through play. They also meet a need in the community for a place where mothers can leave their children enabling them to go to work. The crèches care for children aged 6 months to 3 years, with the balwadis operating for 3 to 5 year olds. Approximately 600 children currently benefit from the programmes.

All children attending the crèches and balwadis receive:

- Pre-school education
- Regular medical check-ups
- Free medical treatment and immunisation
- Periodic parents' meetings
- Recreational programmes
- Daily nutrition (one meal a day)



These are a wonderful way of developing rapport with the community, since the teachers have regular contact with the children's families. As part of their training, teachers are given basic health education and are in an ideal position to spot signs of illness or malnutrition and to discuss any concerns with parents.

## Crèches

With very low incomes it is often necessary for both parents in a household to go out to work. DGS became aware that many mothers of young children were unable to work due to a lack of any local childcare facilities or that they were relying on their older children to look after the younger ones. To enable such mothers to take up jobs, crèche facilities were organised in the Tadiwala Road and Ramtekadi areas.

## Balwadis (pre-school)

Many of the children that attend the crèche move on at age three into a balwadi class. The balwadis perform a similar function to the crèches in terms of childcare but also serve to prepare children for school, which they will join at the age five. The local primary schools run by the Pune Municipal Corporation have insufficient places for the number of children living in the slums. Children who have attended Deep Griha balwadis are given preference for admission in the first standard in the local schools.



## Special Nutrition Centres

For children identified by our health workers as suffering from malnutrition or chronic ill health (e.g. tuberculosis, pneumonia) we provide daily nutrition in the form of one free meal. These children are not required to be enrolled in the crèche or balwadi classes to benefit. If a child is too sick to come to the centre, meals are sent to their home.

### 2007-08 Highlights

- Responding to the needs of the community, DGS replaced two balwadis with crèches - one in Ramtekadi and one in Tadiwala Road.
- Jehangir Hospital is undertaking special nutrition research involving 60 children in the Tadiwala Road crèches.
- The improvement drive continues. DGS is providing ongoing training for teachers and assistants to improve care and hygiene standards. This year, Dr Nene (a psychiatrist) took a special workshop for balwadi and crèche teachers and helpers to help them understand the physical and psychological changes experienced by children in the 0-6 years age group.

# CHILD DEVELOPMENT



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Deep Griha Society runs a range of Child Development Programmes, taking a holistic approach. The programmes fall into three main categories: **Education**, **Aadhar Kendra Child Sponsorship**, and **City of Child**.

## Education

Children over 5 years old receive education at local state run schools. Deep Griha provides additional support to children from the slum areas. Many homes within the slums are cramped and there is little or no space for children to study. Many parents have had little or no education themselves and may not be in a position to help their children advance with their studies.

Some of the classes focus on children who are struggling in their studies. Special attention is given to the basics of their education - literacy and numeracy - to enable them to make speedy progress and catch up with other students in their class.

### Coaching Classes

Extra tuition is given to school children from deprived families who are studying in the 1st to 7th standard. Deep Griha's goal is for all children to sit for the Secondary School Certificate examination which will greatly improve their future prospects. Classes are also provided for children for special educational needs.

### Juvenile Guidance Centre (School Dropout Programme)

In this programme informal education takes precedence. The beneficiaries of this programme are children who, for reasons beyond their control, have either dropped out or have never been to school. These children often live the life of an adult, with similar responsibilities. The centre allows these children to be children, at least for a few hours each day. Counselling is available for all children.

Formal Literacy and Post-literacy Classes are also available, covering classes from 4th - 7th standard. We also try to arrange entertainment and day trips, such as picnics and educational tours. Additionally, all children on the programme receive education materials, medical care and nutrition (one basic meal per day).

### Hobby Classes / Summer School

Run by staff, volunteers and visitors, the summer school runs for two weeks every year and provides a safe environment for children to relax after their summer exams. The summer school is organised for approximately 120 children aged 6-14 years and provides them with opportunities to participate in games, songs, crafts and performances and to see movie screenings.

#### 2007-08 Highlights

- Exam results were very encouraging this year.
- 150 children took part in the Hobby Classes held over two weeks in April. (A further 25 children at City of Child also had a Hobby Class of their own.)



## Aadhar Kendra Child Sponsorship

Over the years we have come into contact with many young children living in dire circumstances. Especially vulnerable are the children who have lost one or both of their parents. It is not necessarily the case that these children are unloved. However, where incomes are desperately low and a single-parent family is unsure if there is enough money to buy food for the next meal, children cannot be allowed to be children; they must work to earn much needed money.

Orphaned children are often taken in by the extended family but with already very limited incomes and cramped living conditions many are viewed as a burden. It is not unusual for such children to be required to go out to work from a very early age.

Children in these situations do not experience the childhood of fun and games. They work in unpleasant conditions for long hours and receive low incomes. They miss out on having an education so their long-term employment prospects remain poor. Poor nutrition and ill health are common leading to high child mortality rates. Many children are affected by HIV & AIDS in the family.

It is with this background that in 1989 we developed the Aadhar Kendra Child Sponsorship Programme. 'Aadhar Kendra' is Marathi for 'Support Centre'. The primary beneficiary is the child but the scheme also aims to give help and support to the foster family / single parent.



### Sponsorship

The limited state welfare system in India does not have sufficient infrastructure to cater to all the children who have lost one or both parents. We therefore hope that by raising awareness of their situation that sponsors will come forward to help.

A child's basic needs can be met with a monthly sponsorship sum of Rs 667 (Rs 8000 per year). At present exchange rates this is approximately GBP 100 or US\$180. This fee provides each sponsored child with:

- Daily nutrition - this is one meal each day at our nutrition centre.
- Medical care - monthly checkups as well as free medical care during illness.
- Guidance & counselling - a counsellor looks at the problems and needs of these vulnerable children, especially as they reach adolescence, and provides support and guidance.
- Educational instruction - where it is needed children are given extra guidance with school work.
- Educational material - books, stationary, school bags, uniforms and other educational materials required are all provided. If children are interested in any extra courses we aim to meet the cost of the fees payable.
- Clothes & miscellaneous - the children receive clothes twice a year and shoes if they need them. We try to meet any additional needs based on their requests.
- Entertainment programs - plays, picnics, educational tours, or just an opportunity to leave the city's hustle and bustle behind. Events are organized for groups of children in the same age range and from the same community so as to ensure better interaction.
- Assistance to the family during any crisis period - illness and death are common and can bring high unexpected costs. Bad weather conditions can wreak havoc and those living in poorly constructed homes are left exposed to the elements. With such limited incomes it is impossible for a family to save money for a "rainy day". We will try and help the family with money or construction materials (e.g. tin sheets for a roof) on a case-by-case basis.

All the children awaiting sponsors are in need. Children are allocated to sponsors depending on the severity and urgency of the child's need and how long they have been waiting.

### Keeping in touch

We feel it is beneficial for the child and the sponsor to learn about each other and to keep in touch. For this reason we encourage communication by way of letters/cards. Where the child does not read and write English we will ensure letters to sponsors are accompanied by a translation. Similarly, Marathi translations are provided for letters from sponsors.

Sponsors receive a progress report each year following the child's annual exams. Updates are also sent out with Christmas cards in December.

### A little extra

We are now exploring the possibility of providing our Aadhar Kendra children with an English-medium education. Proficiency in English is fast becoming a necessity for both higher studies and employment. Most application forms and interviews for government jobs are in English. Jobs available as a result of the new stream of foreign investment in Pune also require proficient knowledge and use of English. Traditionally our children, from the slum areas, receive a free education at state run schools. The standard of education in such schools is significantly lower than in private schools. Furthermore, although English is included on the curriculum it is often poorly taught and very few students attain a competent level in the subject. Our children are therefore unable to compete for jobs and remain in low paid unskilled areas of employment.

To send a child to an English-medium school fees are in the region of Rs 5000 per annum. While we recommend an English-medium education to enhance the future prospects of our children we leave this decision to the sponsor. It is by no means compulsory.

### 2007-08 Highlights

- This year, the total number of children enrolled in the Aadhar Kendra Child Sponsorship Programme increased to 386.
- Career guidance sessions and a workshop were arranged for Aadhar Kendra children appearing for 10th Standard exams.
- Victory Arts Foundation organised three batches of dance sessions for Aadhar Kendra and School Drop-out children at Ramtekadi, Bibwewadi and Tadiwala Road. The children had the opportunity to perform at an SDIPA presentation show.
- Field visits, birthday parties and treats were organized for all sponsored children
- 40 Aadhar Kendra children were taken to a local multiplex for a special movie screening of 'Dashavatar'.

NOTE: due to rising inflation, DGS is currently considering increasing the Aadhar Kendra sponsorship amount to Rs 10,000 per year.



## City of Child

Located on 14 acres of land in Kasurdi village, 45km from Pune, City of Child is a child development project to provide a safe home for destitute women and children, enabling them to focus on the future.

Residents at City of Child benefit from:

- Safe and secure accommodation
- Three meals a day
- Enrolment at the local village schools
- Help with homework from staff and volunteers
- Free school materials
- Free medical care
- Recreation facilities (playground, games and planned cricket pitch)
- Guidance, support and counselling



There are currently 50 children living at City of Child, all sponsored under the Aadhar Kendra scheme.

The rural location and facilities also provide an ideal environment for recreational breaks for the children of Pune's slums. In conjunction with the School Dropout and Youth Development programmes, children are taken for outings and picnics to Kasurdi. The playground area is also open to local children. The 'Temple of Peace' provides a quiet place for meditation and prayer.



Guest accommodation is utilised by volunteers and visitors attending for seminars, meetings, voluntary work and training. Tailoring classes and seminars are arranged for the local rural community. A specially

designed medical unit has now been completed, and City of Child also incorporates a farm with livestock and a variety of crops.

We also work with the Preventative and Social Medical (PSM) department of the Armed Forces Medical College (AFMC), Pune, who have adopted Kasurdi village for a rural medical outreach programme. Along with periodic special health camps, the PSM department of AFMC conducts a regular clinic in the village every week, and weekly dental and gynaecological clinics at the City of Child premises. These clinics are benefiting the residents of Kasurdi and other villages in the vicinity. If required, case follow-up takes place at the AFMC Hospital. All these medical services are provided free of cost.



### 2007-08 Highlights

- This year the focus has been on community outreach. A range of activities were organised throughout the year to achieve this goal.
- In July, DGS arranged for 11 young people from Kasurdi village (including two CoC residents) to visit Vigyan Ashram at Pabal. This visit was a part of vocational guidance programme where they were able to receive training and observe several industries in action.
- Several residential visits from international volunteers.
- Continuing upgrade of facilities.
- Organic farming techniques have been adopted this year.



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YOUTH EMPOWERMENT

## Yuva Sphurti Kendra - IT School

The Yuva Sphurti Kendra (Youth Inspiration Centre) IT School is a collaboration between Deep Griha Society and Satyam Foundation (the corporate social responsibility programme of Satyam Computers).



The goal of the programme is to reach out to students from the urban slums and underprivileged sections of society through ITES (Information Technology Enabled Services), in order to:

- Provide a skill-building training programme (computer training and spoken English)
- Facilitate underprivileged youth to find jobs in Pune's vibrant IT and hospitality sectors
- Add value to the local economy through an increasingly skilled workforce

The classroom has been equipped with 35 computers, courtesy of Satyam, which also provides the lecturing staff. DGS hosts the facility and refers candidates for the programme.

Prospective students must meet several criteria, including having their SSC qualification, passing an entrance exam and interview, and having a family income of less than Rs 6000 per month.



The first batch consisted of 19 students of which 75% were found employment upon completion. They are now earning to an extent which makes their families feel proud of the financial support. To large extent it has helped them to be independent and self-sufficient. 52 placements have been completed in the past year.

Satyam associates devote time out of their packed schedule to strive towards enhancing the overall personality of the students making them self-reliant.

The latest batch has seen Taj Blue Diamond join forces with Deep Griha Society and Satyam Foundation. From this batch onwards, a new element has been added to the training programme: the syllabus designed by Taj Blue Diamond includes elements that are relevant to the hospitality industry. The rationale behind this is to run a course for to equip students with the necessary skills to work at a catering establishment. The content has been kept basic in terms of vocational skills and knowledge and directly relevant to the hospitality industry. This also includes training in etiquette and grooming along with life skills training.

"Earlier I was not ready for this course. I thought I won't be able to do this course as I stay far away. But my friend forced me to do it along with him so I did it and today I cannot believe that I hold the 1st rank among the 32 students. I have learned many new things within two months and it's a pleasure to share this."

**Vasudev Mujumale, 4th Batch.**

"It's wonderful to be a part of such a knowledge sharing organisation. I consider myself fortunate to get this opportunity."

**Savita Sonawane, 5th Batch.**



"I heard about this course from my neighbour. The course has helped me learn not just the basic computer skills and spoken English but has helped me to build confidence in myself. I have now secured a job in Taj Blue Diamond as a data entry operator."

**Rajashree Parkale, 5th Batch.**

## Youth Development Programmes

Targeting youths aged 12 to 18, the overall aim is to increase self-confidence and future prospects through short seminars and courses. Special attention is given to girls who otherwise might receive no education at all. Seminars cover a range of relevant topics including:

- Sex education
- HIV & AIDS
- Health and hygiene
- Women's status and rights
- Skills training

Separate sessions are organised for boys and girls. The Girl Child Programme gives special attention to girls who otherwise might receive no education at all. Although it is illegal for girls to be married before the age of eighteen the practice of child marriages continues. We strongly disagree with this practice and do our utmost to educate the communities we serve to change attitudes. Progress is being made but it is slow; while the practice continues we aim to provide the young girl child with as much information as possible to prepare her. We hold 2-3 day seminars each quarter covering topics such as sex education (incorporating family planning), health and hygiene, family relationships, the role of the mother-in-law and so on.

## Technical Training Courses

We offer services to older students who have discontinued school past the 7th standard. The aim is to help them gain practical skills that will enable them to find employment and a regular source of income. For example:

- Referrals are made to relevant Technical Training Institutes
- Assistance is given to obtain a driving licence
- Tailoring and Embroidery classes are held at the Family Welfare Centre

### 2007-08 Highlights

- The Yuva Sphurti Kendra celebrated its first birthday in July, and ran 6 batches this year.
- Deep Griha Society has launched an entirely new project - DIYA (Deep Griha's Integrated Youth Activities) specifically aimed at young people. See the 'New Developments in 2007-8' section for complete details.



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WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT

Women form the backbone of the local community, yet are also the most marginalised and oppressed. Deep Griha Society aims to provide them with as many opportunities as possible to make a better life for themselves and their families.

## Adult Education

Literacy classes are arranged with women as the main beneficiaries. Participants receive both formal education (literacy classes, examinations up to 7th standard) and informal education (seminars on health, hygiene, rights and so on).

The basic literacy classes are for illiterate members of the community, and proceed up to 4th standard. The post-literacy classes are for those studying 4th to 7th standard. Since the programme began in 1986, several thousand women have benefited from personality development and increased confidence. There are many success stories of previously illiterate women going on to pass examinations. Classes are organised in both rural and urban areas.



In addition to literacy classes the adult education programme also incorporates awareness sessions and self-sufficiency training.

Recently we learned that Laxmi Babaiya Jangle (a student of the post-literacy class of 2000) continued her studies and cleared her Standard XII exam. She is now working in the marketing field earning a decent salary.

## Self-Help Groups

Groups have been formed in three slums and in selected villages, enabling women to come together to discuss and exchange ideas and to solve their problems. Women learn about personal and household financial management, and the groups also run credit co-operatives enabling women to source finance either for emergency expenditure or to set up their own small businesses. Deep Griha is responsible for motivation, organisation, training and supervision of these groups but the women run the groups themselves.



There are presently around 40 groups in total with approximately six hundred members. Self-help groups run in both urban and rural areas.

## Women's Cooperative

This year Deep Griha Society decided to (temporarily) close down the women's cooperative. One of the reasons being migration; many women have shifted to other places but at least 50 members are required for smooth functioning of the cooperative. Although the cooperative is closed for now, plans are underway to reintroduce cooperatives in the communities in which DGS is active.

## Women's Development Seminars

Week-long seminars are organized in urban and rural communities with a view to giving women increased levels of awareness and confidence. The seminars cover a wide range of topics including education, caring for the family, the woman's role within the family and society, personality development, health and hygiene and so on. They focus on women's issues in India, as well as discussing pragmatic approaches to the challenges women face in their daily lives. These are organised predominantly in urban communities although they are also run in some rural areas.

## Couples Seminars

Special seminars are organised periodically in all DGS areas for married couples. These give information about health issues (including immunisations), family planning, hygiene, income generation, alcohol and substance abuse, social welfare, home finances and so on.

## Tailoring Classes

Another popular vocational training option, Tailoring Classes are organised in the Tadiwala Road and Ramtekadi urban centres along with Nasrapur and Kasurdi villages. Many women benefit from these classes and can use their skills to generate personal income.



## Miscellaneous

### Awareness Programmes

Awareness programmes were organised for the women in the community on a range of topics including sex and sexuality, gender issues, domestic abuse, and HIV & AIDS.

### Educational Tours

Annual visits are organised to sites of historical interest, gardens or museums. These allow women to have a relaxing break from the pressures of work and looking after the family.



### Legal Aid and Advice

In addition to the above we work with the Legal Aid Centre of Pune and ILS Law College to provide legal aid and advice. In 2006-07, ILS Law College started 'Law Clinics' in Tadiwala Road and Bibwewadi. The clinic gives free legal advice to those in need.

In each of our three urban centres, the Indian Institute of Education is now supporting cells of women for literacy classes, self-help group formation, skills training and guidance in starting a business.

On **International Women's Day** and **World Literacy Day**, celebrations and cultural programs are organised giving women an opportunity to come together to discuss and exchange ideas and experiences and showcase their talents through music and dance.

A special **Men's Adult Education Class** operates in Bibwewadi slum. The first of its kind in Maharashtra, the class has proved very successful with 28 men attending in 2007-08.

### 2007-08 Highlights

- There are currently around 2300 women benefiting from the Women's Empowerment programmes.
- The women enrolled in the post-literacy programme achieved a 100% pass rate in exams this year.
- Over a period of time, we have recognised the need to improve the employment opportunities for women. For that they need to learn to use computers and communication skills, especially spoken English. This year the focus has been on literacy and strengthening the Self Help Groups.
- Improved networking with other NGOs working in the same field.
- More women benefiting from Self Help Groups. The Educational Tours were also well received.
- Support from Indian Institute of Education.
- As part of the income generation programme, Sangam volunteers conducted a three-day skills training workshop for 10 women from Tadiwala Road.
- Celebrations for International Women's Day (8 March) and World Literacy Day (8 September).
- DGS staff and beneficiaries participated in Anti-Domestic Violence Rally on 10 December 2007.
- In-house teambuilding training and counselling sessions were organized for DGS staff working on the Women's Empowerment Programme.
- After receiving a donation for micro loans last year, this year 100% repayment has been achieved. The new cycle will start soon.
- Regular evaluation study of the literacy programme is in process.
- The staff are currently being trained in financial literacy will subsequently train people from the community in batches of 15 each during the current year.
- Five women received sewing machines courtesy of Sakaal Foundation and Nascent Educational and Development Society. Three sewing machines were also given to three SHGs in Kasurdi village.

# MEDICAL & HEALTHCARE



Historically, Deep Griha Society has always been involved in providing primary healthcare to the urban slum communities. Increasingly needs have been met by government, private and other non-government organisations. The response has been to scale down projects where the need is being met elsewhere but to continue and expand where gaps remain.



## Urban Clinics

Deep Griha used to run clinics in three slum areas but with other agencies moving into the same areas we now run a single clinic at the Family Welfare Centre, Tadiwala Road. The clinic is open daily until 8pm. The late sessions allow men and women who work during the day to seek treatment in the evening. The clinics provide preventative and curative medical care, with conditions requiring special attention being referred to suitable medical institutions for further treatment.



Treatment and medicines are given at a very nominal cost, although no one is turned away for lack of money. We benefit from having worked with the community closely over thirty years so we know many of the families and their situations.

Since August 2006 Deep Griha Society has had a comprehensively equipped Pathology Laboratory facility, providing a wide range of tests at subsidised rates.

## Eye Care

Deep Griha runs an eye clinic, held four times a week at the Family Welfare Centre, Tadiwala Road. The eye clinic is equipped according to the specifications of optometrists from the UK. Deep Griha also runs a mobile eye clinic to various urban slums and rural areas in and around Pune. The eye clinic personnel include professors and students from the Bharatiya Vidyapeeth Medical College, Pune.



We also run yearly Eye Camps in collaboration with [Vision Aid Overseas](#), a team of optometrists from the UK. Camps are arranged in urban centres and several rural villages. In 2008, approximately 2,100 people benefited from the clinic and camps.

## Special Health Camps

These are organised, in collaboration with specialists, for both adults and children. Dermatology, dental, cardiac, paediatric and gynaecological camps have been run in recent years.

## Sure Start (maternal and newborn health)

Since mid-2007, Deep Griha Society has been working as a partner with Project Concern International (PCI) as the implementing agency in Pune for PATH's Sure Start project.

Sure Start is an initiative to support community action for improving maternal and newborn health (MNH) in India.





"Every year, four million newborns die in the first month of life, 99 percent of them in developing countries. Yet three out of four of these newborn deaths could be prevented with relatively simple, evidence-based interventions delivered at home – such as antibiotics for pneumonia, sterile blades to cut umbilical cords, and skin-to-skin contact to keep babies warm.

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation is providing critical support for advancing these solutions in the developing world. The Foundation recently provided a landmark grant to PATH to implement key initiatives that support home-based newborn and maternal health in India."

Extract from PATH's Sure Start summary

Sure Start's primary objectives are to:

- Support and increase individual, household and community action that directly and indirectly improves maternal and newborn health
- Enhance systems and institutional capabilities for sustained improvements in maternal and newborn care and health status

With many years experience in healthcare and child development, Deep Griha Society is ideally placed to implement the Pune project. DGS is implementing Sure Start in the Tadiwala Road, Ramtekadi and Bibwewadi slums, covering a total population of around 120,000. The team has 16 members.

Key activities in 2007-08:

- Social mapping
- Situational analysis
- Focus group discussions with mothers-in-law, husbands, pregnant women
- Interviews with Health Service Providers (e.g. Doctors, Nurses, Midwives)
- Meeting Health Officers from Pune Municipal Corporation
- Angamwadi (crèche) Teacher Meetings
- Linkages with hospitals and health service providers
- NGO exposure visits for networking
- Staff training and stakeholder meetings

#### 2007-08 Highlights

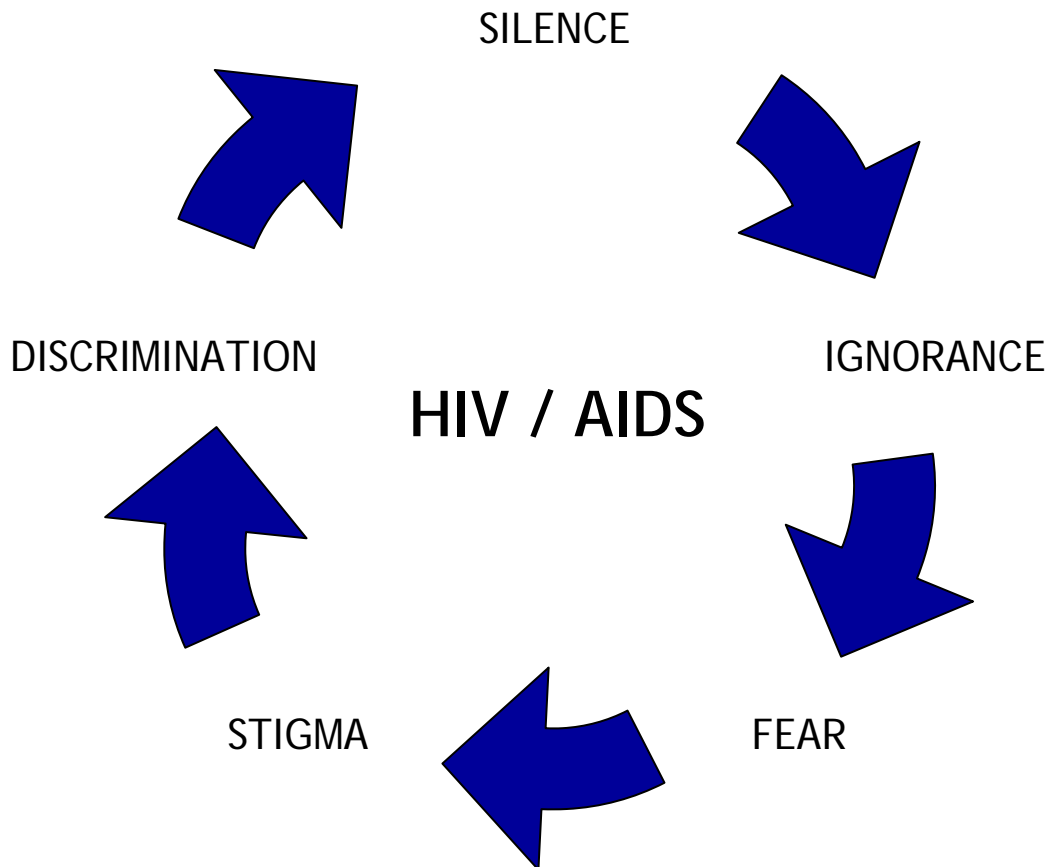
- Regular health check ups were organised for the children in crèches, balwadis and Aadhar Kendra Child Sponsorship Programme.
- Since February, the Eye Clinic has operated four times a week (previously it was held twice a week).
- 929 women have received or are receiving antenatal and postnatal care.
- Sure Start conducted approximately 1800 antenatal visits and 850 postnatal visits this year.

## DISHA (Deep Griha's Integrated Service for HIV & AIDS)

DISHA is an HIV prevention, treatment, care and support programme, working not only within our regular target communities but also with the wider public in Pune.

For people living with an affected by HIV and AIDS, the stigma and discrimination surrounding HIV can be far more damaging than the effects of the virus itself. Deep Griha Society aims to tackle the SILENCE surrounding HIV. It is this silence that leads to a vicious cycle of ignorance, fear, stigma, discrimination... and as a direct result, more silence.

### The 'Stigma Chakra'



Pune is the second largest city in Maharashtra, with a growing population of more than 40 lakhs (4 million). It ranks among the top five HIV prevalence cities in the state.

Official figures report that in Jan-Oct 2007, 18,039 people in the city were tested for HIV at government testing centres. Of these, 12.27% tested positive. These figures exclude the thousands of people already living with HIV in Pune, along with those who are as yet **unaware** of their HIV+ status.

It is crucial to bear in mind that the HIV & AIDS 'numbers' represent real people. They have families, friends, and a community. The numbers have faces. The 115 DISHA clients have faces and people that love them and that are affected by their HIV+ status.

Since DISHA started in January 2005, the project has grown rapidly to offer a wide range of services:

- Nutrition programme for clients (two healthy meals a day, six days a week)
- Drop-in centre with recreation facilities
- Counselling services
- Home based care and support
- Treatment of opportunistic infections
- Referral services (e.g. to Sahara Aalhad Centre for Residential Care and Rehabilitation)
- Weekly outpatient clinics (courtesy of Dr Madhu)
- Shelter home at Vishrantwadi
- Income generation programme (helping clients to achieve financial security)
- Voluntary testing and counselling services

Regular DISHA gatherings feature dance and music, giving an opportunity for PLHIV and their families to relax, have fun, and showcase their talents. DISHA's emphasis on 'Positive Living' is one of the most distinctive aspects of the project.

DISHA has centres in Tadiwala Road and Ramtekadi, and also performs outreach using the DMAV (DISHA Mobile Awareness Vehicle). The DMAV delivers the DISHA team to the urban and rural communities who otherwise have notoriously poor access to education and health awareness in general.

### 2007- 08 Highlights

- Deep Griha Society remains one of the driving forces behind the *Wake Up Pune* HIV & AIDS awareness campaign (see below).
- Launch of Drop-In Centre and Outreach Programme for Intravenous Drug Users, based at Patil Estate (part of the Pune City Action Plan for IDUs). See 'New Projects in 2007-08' for further details.
- Deep Griha Society has been chosen as one of two implementing agencies for the international World AIDS Campaign's events taking place in India on World AIDS Day 2008 (1 December).
- Many awareness sessions were conducted in schools, colleges, corporates (and more) in both urban and rural areas.
- DISHA has now started running outreach sessions at Yerawada Jail twice a month. Prisoners are disproportionately at risk from HIV, so this is an excellent (and progressive) development.
- Regular client-run parties at the Tadiwala Road centre.
- Tutorials have now started for the DISHA children. Picnics and dance programmes have also been organised for them.
- DISHA has participated in youth festivals and joined forces with departments of Pune University to promote HIV awareness among young people.
- The DISHA Cricket Challenge 2007 was a great success. DISHA has now developed 'Condom Cricket'; a variant of the game that highlights the importance of condom use as protection against HIV.
- This year, awareness sessions were organised in a number of villages on the Pune-Solapur Highway.



## Wake Up Pune

Deep Griha Society is a major partner in the *Wake Up Pune* campaign, which brings together a coalition of NGOs and civil society groups to run city-wide HIV awareness programmes. The campaign has received significant international coverage and has reflected very positively on Deep Griha Society.

DISHA has organised or contributed to many events under the *Wake Up Pune* banner this year - please visit [www.wakeuppune.org](http://www.wakeuppune.org) for full details about the campaign.

In January, *Wake Up Pune* was given an award by UNAIDS as recognition for the events organised on World AIDS Day 2007 (1 December). Deep Griha Society has subsequently been chosen by the World AIDS Campaign to be an implementing partner in the 2008 event.

In March, the campaign was selected as a finalist for the World Bank-sponsored South Asia Regional Development Marketplace, held at the Taj Mahal Hotel in Mumbai. Grants of \$40,000 were on offer for winning projects. Although *Wake Up Pune* was unsuccessful on this occasion, getting shortlisted was a significant achievement in itself. The event was also a great opportunity to network with other organisations and leading individuals working in the field of HIV & AIDS.

<b>Wake Up Pune event</b>	<b>People reached</b>
'A Life Less Ordinary' film premiere (documentary featuring DISHA clients)	150
International Youth Day celebrations at ADLABS	3000
'A Bloody Calamity' presentation on the reality of HIV & AIDS in China	50
Be HIV <i>Positive</i> – HIV Education session at ILS Law College	200
Corporate Awareness at 3 Global Services	150
WORLD AIDS DAY events	5000
Dhruva 2008 at the International Institute of Information Technology	1000
Perception 2008 at VIIT	1500
Awareness day at Satyam Computers	800
Street plays + Condom Demonstrations + Eaton Factory Workers = HIV Knowledge	100
Innovision '08 at Rajarshi Shahu College of Engineering	600
'Taking The Wheel' launch	100
PUMBA FestHIVaI '08	800
HIV/AIDS Awareness Campaign in Modern College	400
HIV/AIDS Awareness event at Indiabulls Megamart	400
Launch of 69 restaurant (certified as an 'HIV <i>Positive</i> ' organisation)	100
Herman Death Willy Tail (Scottish folk band) performing at various venues in Pune	750
Awareness Day @ INOX Cineplex	5000
Global AIDS Week of Action events and stage show	6000
HIV BOOTCAMP (peer training session for young people)	20
<i>Postive Connections</i> , the <i>Wake Up Pune</i> newsletter (in English, Marathi, Farsi)	2500
<b>Total number of people reached (estimated)</b>	<b>28620</b>



RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Although Deep Griha's work is primarily focused within the urban slum communities of Pune, we also work within nearby rural communities.

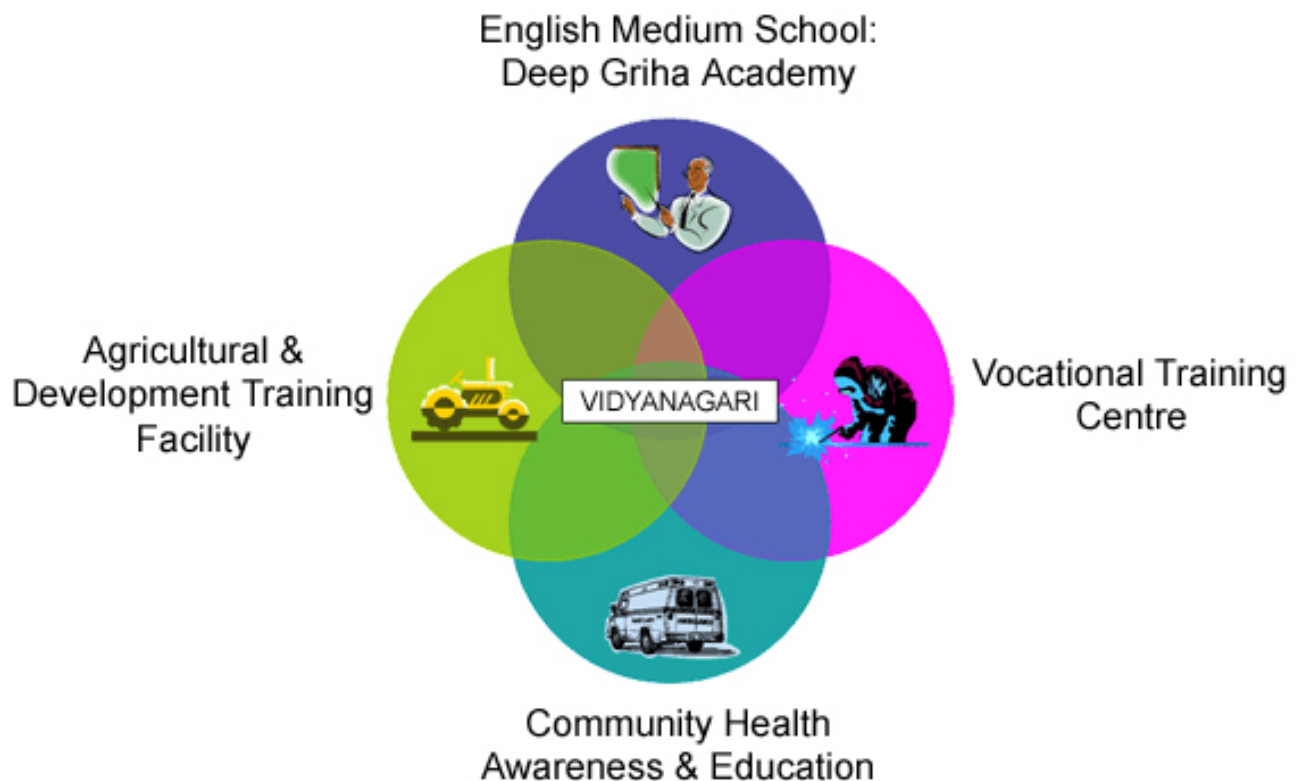
## Vidyanagari

'Access, progress and excellence in education in rural India.'

Through our rural activities around Kasurdi (including the City of Child project) and following wide-scale survey of families within a 20 mile radius of the village, Deep Griha Society has identified demand in the vicinity for a high quality English-medium school, along with improved health care services and vocational and agricultural training.

To this end, DGS has started a new project called Vidyanagari ('City of Knowledge'). Vidyanagari aims to address the lack of access to quality education and training faced by rural communities, by providing the following:

- English Medium School - 'Deep Griha Academy'
- Vocational Training Centre
- Community Health Awareness & Education
- Locally relevant Agricultural & Development Training Facility



In August 2006, Deep Griha Society purchased a 16 acre disused poultry farm in Choufula village, located just off the Pune-Solapur highway approximately 15km from Kasurdi and City of Child. The site will become the centre for the Vidyanagari project. Existing poultry sheds are to be renovated into classrooms, workshops, and laboratories. The old grain store will be converted into a multi-purpose Community Hall, serving as the base for Vidyanagari's community outreach activities.

There are more than 150,000 people living in the 20 villages forming Vidyanagari's catchment area. The project will benefit both the local population and a number of underprivileged users from Deep Griha's existing projects, most notably some of the children from City of Child. Through Vidyanagari, DGS seeks to address the increasing disparity in development between urban and rural India. Many people in Pune have migrated to the city from rural areas in search of employment, education and better opportunities, but end up living in the city's slums. DGS would like to address one of the root causes of the slum problem by improving access to quality education, vocational training and health service for those living in rural areas.

### Environmental Sustainability

The land, which has suffered from years of human interference causing extensive soil erosion, will be treated and restored. It will be reforested using native plants, trees and shrubs which will not only attract wildlife, birds and insects but which will also be used as an educational resource for students, farmers, and members of the wider community. The site will also include a demonstration agriculture plot, which will be used to train local farmers in organic and environmentally sustainable farming techniques.

### English Medium School: Deep Griha Academy

In September 2007, the pre-primary section of Deep Griha Academy was inaugurated. The pre-primary school is an exciting beginning for Vidyanagari, which will be an English-medium school for the rural community with standards and facilities to rival any urban school. The school currently has three sections: Nursery, Lower Kindergarten and Upper Kindergarten.

The school will address many of the problems faced by people living in the rural areas by employing a specially designed agri-based and learner-centred curriculum. The holistic development of each child will be a priority and these methodologies will develop confident, responsible, socially aware and environmentally conscious people.

Adopting an approach to learning only seen in a handful of nurseries around Pune, this new and exciting project will offer children the opportunity to gain a quality education in a stimulating and safe environment.

The agri-based curriculum will sensitise students to their environment, encourage an appreciation of the significance of agriculture and foster in them a responsibility toward their community. This curriculum will utilise project-based 'learning by doing' methodologies to help facilitate creative and practical thinking in students in order for them to meet the challenges of modern rural India.

DGA aims to be a fully inclusive school. The school buildings have been designed to be fully accessible to people with disabilities and the curriculum will ensure that those students with special educational needs can be educated in the mainstream classroom as far as possible and our teachers will receive training to ensure that they can take care of the special needs of these children.



A survey has recently been conducted within the local community. Representatives from Deep Griha have met with local village heads and students from nearby schools to assess demand for services. In time, the project will grow to support the Vidyanagari mission:

**'Empower rural communities and support rural development by providing quality education, training and opportunities through locally appropriate programmes.'**

### Armed Forces Medical College (AFMC)

We are working in collaboration with the Preventive and Social Medicine (PSM) Department of AFMC, who have recently adopted Kasurdi village – where Deep Griha's City of Child is based – to run a rural medical centre. Since we have strong links with the area and local people we have been able to promote AFMC's services. Every week AFMC runs a consultancy clinic, with dental, gynaec, orthopaedic and general physicians visiting in turn. These services are well utilised by people from the surrounding villages, with more than 5000 beneficiaries attending this year.



### Special Medical Camps

Deep Griha organise annual eye camps in collaboration with Vision Aid Overseas, a team of optometrists from the UK. These camps provide eye care to disadvantaged people in several rural villages. We also organise gynaecological camps in partnership with medical professionals and organise medical checks of students in local schools.

### Women's Empowerment

Having seen the women in the urban slums benefit from literacy classes, self-help groups etc, we are running many of the same projects in rural areas. These include:

- Women's Development Seminars
- Self-help Groups / Credit Cooperatives
- Tailoring and Embroidery Classes
- Skills Training (henna, rangoli, crafts, cookery etc.)



We also run seminars aimed at girls providing education incorporating sexual awareness, family planning, health issues related to family members, HIV & AIDS, women's rights and so on.

### DISHA Mobile Awareness Vehicle (DMAV)

The DMAV goes to rural areas in Pune District once a week to run HIV & AIDS awareness programmes for local people. The programme typically includes a street play, talk show and condom demonstration and distribution. The team performs in markets, truck stops, village squares, schools and bus stations - wherever there is a mass of people to listen. We are determined to educate people about modes of transmission, preventative measures and the facts (rather than the myths) surrounding HIV.

### 2007-08 Highlights

- This year the DMAV has continued to have a highly visible impact in many rural areas, especially villages along the Pune-Solapur highway.
- A new tailoring class has been started for women in Kasurdi village.
- Special meetings are now held in Kasurdi village between SHG members and DGS staff on the first Friday of every month.
- Deep Griha Society has also launched a 'clean and beautiful home' competition in Kasurdi.
- An initial counselling session was organised for youth from Kasurdi village. A series of similar sessions will follow in the coming year.

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JYOTI DEVELOPMENT PROJECT, RAMTEKADI, PUNE

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NEW PROJECTS  
IN 2007-08

Deep Griha Society always strives to meet the needs of the community. This year has seen the launch of two exciting new projects.

## Youth Resource and Activity Centre, Ramtekadi

On July 14, DIYA (Deep Griha's Integrated Youth Activity Centre) was inaugurated in Ramtekadi.

After interacting with youth in the communities that DGS works in, we have realised that there is a real need to empower Pune's urban youth, who face many challenges during this critical period in their development. Presently, economic necessity forces many youth to seek employment at the expense of education. Local schools offer primarily Marathi medium education, which limits youths' job opportunities in today's global context.



Additionally, youth encounter a number of social issues. Reproductive health problems are rising steeply; there is a lack of sexual health awareness, yet youth do not know where to seek medical and counselling advice. Topics like teenage marriage, early pregnancy inside and outside wedlock, menarche-induced anaemia and STIs, especially HIV/AIDS, remain taboo. Young people have limited or no access to counselling on lifestyle issues relating to education, careers, marriage, family planning, drug use, and sexual behaviour. Women feel they are financial burdens on their families and feel pressured to marry.

### The role of a Youth Resource and Activity Centre

DIYA aims to enable both holistic and skills development in urban youth as a means to empower them to take control of their lives and access a wider range of opportunities. Youth also profit from safe and productive recreation activities, which can increase their happiness and reduce engagement in harmful alternatives like criminal or gang behaviour or drug use. No such facility currently exists. This centre will encompass a range of activities that will benefit young people:

- Recreation facilities, including dance lessons, theatre, fine arts, and board games
- Skills development, including English, computers, and tailoring
- Awareness sessions on topics including sex and sexuality, drug abuse, and family violence
- Counselling facilities

One of our primary aims is to ensure the sustainability of the centre, which will eventually be accomplished through the extensive involvement of youth in the administration and execution of the centre's programmes. This capacity-building is another key way to empower beneficiaries to assume ownership and responsibility.

In summary, we envision a youth-centric, youth-run centre that will equip participants with the confidence and life skills that will expand their opportunities in the future.

We are proposing to establish similar Youth Resource and Activity Centres in each of these three communities. DIYA in Ramtekadi will serve as a model for centres in other communities, both urban and rural.



## Drop-In Centre and Outreach Programme for Intravenous Drug Users

Maharashtra ranks among the top four HIV prevalent states in India (NACO 2006). A recent study of government VCTCs indicated a staggering 12.27% prevalence rate among 18,039 people tested for HIV in Pune between January and October 2007 (MSACS). Intravenous drug use (IDU) contributes significantly to the spread of HIV in India and is on the rise (UNAIDS 2007). UNODC (2004) reports that 0.1% of males between the ages of 12-60 in India have injected illicit drugs, with most reporting needle-sharing, and the use of other drugs prior to injection. AVERT estimates that 0.20% of India's population is currently injecting drugs, and non-injecting routes of drug use are also common, like sniffing, chasing and smoking opiates (Vaswani & Rao, 2006).

The number of injecting drug users in Pune is unknown, but Pimpri has registered well over 100 IDUs in its oral substitution programme since June 2007. The IDU population in neighbouring Mumbai, and Nagaland, Mizoram and Manipur in the northeast of India, all have HIV prevalence well over 20% (UNODC 2004). Though our work with both injecting and non-injecting drug users, we have identified users from these areas who have migrated to Pune for work or study. Students from these cities, as well as from other countries with a high prevalence of drug use (e.g. Iran) make Pune vulnerable to greater incidences of drug use.



Currently, limited options exist for drug users in Pune to learn about, and engage in safer drug-use, and sexual practices, or to be given the support needed to choose a drug-free lifestyle. The stigma and discrimination surrounding drug use makes it difficult for users to seek treatment for their addiction. This creates a hopeless environment perpetuating the further use of drugs to alleviate the negative emotional and physical feelings associated with drug use, like depression and withdrawal. Many drug users' families have disowned them, leaving them with little social support. Therefore, drug users are in great need of a supportive environment to help them discover the options available to them and empower them to regain control over their lives and their health.

As a part of the **Pune City Action Plan for Injecting Drug Users** project, four organisations are working together - Deep Griha Society, Sharan (Delhi), Sahara (Pune) and Muktangan (Pune). Three drop-in centres (DIC) have been established by these organisations. The DIC in Pimpri is taken care of by Sahara and Sharan, the DIC in Gultekdi is run by Muktangan and the DIC in Patil Estate is run by Deep Griha Society. Though separate organisations run these drop-in centres, all work together. For example, DGS provides nutrition at the DIC in Pimpri and Sharan provides technical support to the DIC in Patil Estate.

The Drop-In-Centre /Outreach Programme for Drug Users at Patil Estate was inaugurated on July 1, 2008.

### Key elements of the Drop-In-Centre and Outreach Programme

(Derived from NACP 3 Guidelines for NGOs involved in IDU targeted interventions.)

The DIC follows the Harm Reduction Framework which has been proven to be an effective way of reducing the harmful effects of drug use such as HIV and Hepatitis transmission, STI and abscess development, and risk of overdose.

**Harm Reduction:** this approach focuses on short-term pragmatic goals over long-term idealistic goals. Harm reduction aims to prevent the transmission of HIV and hepatitis by reducing the incidence of unprotected sex and the sharing of drug equipment like needles. Harm reduction provides safer options for drug users without asking them to completely quit using drugs. However, when these safer options are provided, the number of drug users who later choose to become drug-free has been shown to increase (UNAIDS 2006).



**Community Outreach:** outreach workers will target drug users in the community and bring them to the DIC.

The following outreach initiatives will be utilised to reduce the harm associated with drug use:

- Information, Education and Communication (IEC) materials distributed to promote the DIC and safe drug injecting practices.
- Drug-injecting kits that include a new needle and syringe, and other drug-use paraphernalia will be distributed.
- Health Promotion; illustrate harmful effects of drug use and provide education on safer modes of drug use, including the promotion of oral substitution.
- Free distribution and social marketing of condoms to drug users and their partners.
- Promotion of primary healthcare (VCTC referral, abscess management) for drug users (both intravenous and non-intravenous) and their partners.
- Needle/Syringe Exchange for IDUs.
- Counselling.
- Outreach to sexual partners of IDUs to promote condom use, STI and HIV testing.
- Daily Activity Room and Overnight Shelter: a room with comfortable seating, TV, carrom board, reading materials, and other activities will be open to all clients. Having a safe and comfortable environment can help keep clients off the streets. Peer Counsellors will interact with clients casually in this environment and provide support, counselling and promote healthy living. This room will also be open for clients who wish to stay the night.

# SPECIAL EVENTS 2007-08



In addition to the many regular events and programmes taking place during the year, many more special events have taken place.

For all the latest news and information, please visit the website - [www.deepgriha.org](http://www.deepgriha.org).

15 August	Independence Day celebrations
18 August	DISHA participated in the rally against the Immoral Traffic Prevention Act
8 September	World Literacy Day
October	Diwali gifts and special sweets were distributed to all Aadhar Kendra children
November	Aadhar Kendra children participated in 'Balmela' organised by St. Joseph's Technical School
16 November	DISHA streetplay competition
30 November	DISHA organised a rally at Ramtekadi to create awareness about HIV/AIDS
1 December	World AIDS Day, DISHA 'Celebration of Life'
18 May	DGS participates in Global AIDS Week of Action
January	Eye Camps: Vision Aid Overseas visited Pune
26 January	Republic Day celebrations at Tadiwala Road
February	Aadhar Kendra children performed at Yashwantrao Chavan auditorium at Shiamak Davar Institute for Performing Arts show
February	Team of visiting international volunteer nurses ran health checks at DGS crèches
March	Leprosy Awareness training for staff
10-14 March	Women's Empowerment Project celebrated Women's Week
April	Hobby classes organised for Aadhar Kendra children
April	Key DGS staff attend <a href="#">McCarthy Bootcamp</a> training.
June	Educational material and new uniforms distributed to Aadhar Kendra children
16 June	Deep Griha Academy began the new academic year
1 July	Inauguration of Drop-In-Centre /Outreach Programme for Drug Users at Patil Estate
6 July	Yuva Sphurti Kendra completed one year: celebration
8 July	Deep Griha Birthday celebrations
10 July	Sangam volunteers conducted a three-day skills training workshop for 10 women from Tadiwala Road
14 July	Inauguration of Deep Griha's Integrated Youth Activity (DIYA) Centre

### Relationships with colleges

Twice a week, MSW (Master of Social Work) students from Karve Institute, Bharatiya Vidyapeeth, Tilak Maharashtra Vidyapeeth and Pune University visit Deep Griha Society as a basis for their practical assignments. Social work students from colleges across Maharashtra (including Amravati, Akola, Chandrapur and Nagpur) visit Deep Griha during their educational exposure visits.

Students from the Garware Counselling Institute also come to Deep Griha for their practicals.

ILS Law College students - who participate in the Legal Clinics - also visit City of Child twice a year to interact with the children there.

### Sangam and Girl Guides

Deep Griha Society has a longstanding relationship with 'Sangam', one of the world centres of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. Based in Pune, Sangam regularly send their international delegates to visit Deep Griha to showcase what local people are doing for development.

In July, Sangam volunteers conducted a skills training programme for 10 women from the Tadiwala Road community.



### Staff Capacity Building

In April, several key staff members took part in [McCarthy Bootcamp](#) training, generously donated and run by Paul Reeves and Vicky Gray. Attendees included Team Leaders, Project Managers, fieldworkers and the Director. Volunteer Allison Reeves played a key role in organising the Bootcamp.



Special training on Leprosy Awareness was conducted in March for a selection of general staff members.





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# STATISTICS

## DGS beneficiaries 2007-08

(1 August 2007 to 31 July 2008)

Activity	Batches	Total number of beneficiaries
<b>Medical &amp; Healthcare</b>		
Dispensary		29365
DOT Centre (TB patients)		10
Pathology Laboratory		1532
Eye Clinic / Eye Camps		2198
Medical Camp (dental, cardiac, paediatric, gynaec, etc.)		815
<b>DISHA (Deep Griha's Integrated Service for HIV &amp; AIDS)</b>		
Tadiwala Road (TRC)		115 clients
Ramtekadi (RC)		50 clients
Drop-In-Centre /Outreach Programme for Drug Users		33
HIV & AIDS awareness programmes	Pune City -304	10939
	Rural - 139	5336
World AIDS Day rally and stage show		5900
<b>Childcare and Child Development</b>		
Nutrition Centre (Age group up to 5 years)	2	73
Crèches (Age group up to 3 years)	9	270
Balwadis (Age group 3 to 5; two shifts AM & PM)	8	429
School Drop out Class (Age group 6 to 14 )	7	132
<b>Aadhar Kendra Urban</b>		
Coaching Class (1st to 7th std)		Incl. in AK
Aadhar Kendra (Child Sponsorship Programme)		336
Youth Development Programme		Incl. in AK
Girl Child Development Programme		Incl. in AK
Hobby Classes (April, 15 days)	3	150
<b>Women's Empowerment Programme</b>		
Self-Employment Scheme	-	-
Adult Education Classes	20	184
Post Literacy Classes 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th std	19	120
Tailoring Classes	5	74
Assistant Nursing Course (one year course)	-	-
Self-Help Groups (SHG)	35	658
Beautician, Henna & Rangoli Design Courses	-	-



Balwadi Teacher Training Course	-	-
Awareness Program (monthly programmes)	10	598
Worker Seminars & Couples Seminar (CWEB)		40
Women's Cooperative	-	-
World Women's Day & World Literacy Day programmes	2	420
Legal Aid Centre (through ILS Law College)		70
Skills training (cookery)		108
<b>MNH (Maternal &amp; New Born Health-PCI-Sure start )</b>		
Women receiving ANC & PNC		929
Newborn babies (0 to 6 months)		438
<b>Youth Empowerment Programme</b>		
Yuva Sphurti Kendra IT School	6	181
DIYA Youth Centre Ramteakdi		63
<b>Rural Development</b>		
<b>Aadhar Kendra Rural - City of Child</b>		
Residents at City of Child		50
Medical Program with PSM department of AFMC		5760
Tailoring Class (2 villages: Nasrapur and Kasurdi)	4	150
Beautician, Henna & Rangoli Design Courses	-	-
Self-Help Groups (SHG)	3	60
Eye Camp (Rural Areas)		1053
Hobby Class (Month of April, 10 days)		25
Emergency Relief (Flood, Earthquake, Fire victims)	-	-
<b>Vidyanagari</b>		
Children in preschool classes	2	28
<b>Total Beneficiaries</b>		<b>68,527</b>

NOTE: This is quantitative data only. For qualitative data and in-depth analysis, please contact us.