

PRAYAS

SOCIAL WORK IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE



Founded in 1990, Prayas, an initiative of the Centre for Criminology and Justice at the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, is a symbol of hope in the field of social work. Its mission focuses on rehabilitating individuals affected by the complexities of the justice system. Prayas supports a diverse group, including prisoners, the children of incarcerated women, juveniles in conflict with the law, and those needing urgent care and protection. The organization provides a wide range of crucial services, such as legal aid, counseling, educational and vocational support, and emergency assistance. Through its comprehensive approach and ongoing social work efforts, Prayas aims to build resilience and promote recovery within vulnerable communities.

Prayas is profoundly rooted in social work interventions and socio-legal practice principles. It is dedicated to empowering individuals through intentional and focused efforts, helping them become active citizens who lead lives marked by dignity and purpose.



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"Healing Behind Bars: Empowering Women Prisoners through Mental Health Sessions"



Prayas organized 15 mental health and stress management sessions at Byculla District prison in collaboration with Khula Aasman, an NGO working on art therapy with people in difficult circumstances. After completing the sessions, the participants received a certificate. 23 women prisoners received the certificate as they completed the course. The course is designed with 15 sessions including dance and art therapy. After completing the session, the participants gave feedback about the sessions on a broad greeting card which would be displayed to other prisoners to motivate them for future sessions.

"De-Addiction Awareness Session at Dongri Children's Home"

A session was organized in the Dongri Children's Home on de-addiction where we also explained about the work of Prayas. Mr. Yogesh Dhonde from the Support NGO conducted the session on de-addiction. One of the children who has been through the de-addiction programme of Support shared his experiences with the children in the Home.



"A Helping Hand for Prisoners' Families"

Nargis Dutt Foundation donated diapers on the month of May 2023, for Byculla District Prison and Thane District Prison for children of women prisoners. The donation was arranged by Prayas social worker.



"Informative Session on Post Office Insurance Policies and Schemes for Women Clients"



Prayas social worker organized a session for women clients on the accidental death insurance policy provided by TATA AIG with the help of Central Post Offices of India at the TISS campus. Mr. Sunil Roundale, Ms. Aparna Shetye, Mr. Prakash Chavan, and Mr. Roshan Fate were the resource persons from the postal service department who gave information about different post office insurance policies, bank accounts, and schemes to Prayas clients. The post office representatives discussed the Accidental Death Insurance Policy, Sukanya Samridhi Yojana, Recurring Deposit Account, Savings Account, Public Provident Fund, and Mahila Samman Yojana, followed by a Q&A session.

The post office representatives enrolled and registered participants for the scheme for those who were interested. 25 female clients were present in the session and it was a beneficial session overall.

"Awareness and Recreational Sessions at Rajpipla District Prison"

An awareness and recreational session was organized in May 2024 at the Rajpipla District Prison. The first session focused on the Tribal Sub Plan, where government officers discussed various schemes related to tribal welfare and development. These schemes aim to bridge the gap between tribal populations and others by improving access to education, health services, housing, and income opportunities.



70 prisoners attended this session. In the afternoon, a recreational program was held with 65 prisoners participating in activities like games, sports, meditation, and dancing. These activities are essential for improving mental health and refreshing the body and mind. Both sessions were well-received and enjoyed by the prisoners.

“Empowering Women Through Creative Skills Training”

Prayas organized a three-day training programme on paper quilling and tie and dye for women at Navjeevan Mahila Vastigruha. The training aimed to boost creativity and provide livelihood skills to the participants. 13 women from the institution attended the training sessions.

In the paper quilling workshop, trainees learned to create jewellery, pencil holders, greeting cards, and hair clips. Paper quilling involves rolling and manipulating strips of paper to make decorative designs. Quilling helps improve hand-eye coordination and provides a calming effect. The tie and dye course taught traditional Indian fabric printing techniques.

Each tie and dye pattern has a unique design and cultural significance. One participant with a fashion design background plans to incorporate tie and dye into her designs. The training was particularly significant for empowering women rescued from commercial sexual exploitation.



“Recreational Session for CCL at Dongri Children's Home”



In the month of June 2023, an activity session was organized by Prayas at the Observation Children's Home, Dongri. The Recreational activity was undertaken by the Bharuch team of Prayas inside the home for CCL. It was a warm-up session for the upcoming annual event of the Balak Palak Sneha Sammelan. There is a need for CCL to have such type of activities so that they can refresh their mind and body and make their time more enjoyable and interesting and free from stress.



“Balak Palak Sneha Sammelan Celebration”



Prayas' annual Balak Palak Sneha Sammelan fosters a heartwarming environment for rehabilitated children and their guardians to share experiences and celebrate achievements. The programme was held at Dongri Children's Home in the month of June 2023. The event welcomed esteemed guests, including Hon'ble Justice Revati Mohan Dere, Chairperson, Juvenile Justice Committee of the Bombay High Court, and Hon'ble Principal Magistrates of Juvenile Justice Boards of Mumbai city and Mumbai Suburban, alongside representatives from Tata Motors and Lions Club of JJ Crescent, Byculla. The felicitation of children completing academic milestones and vocational courses added a joyous touch to the evening, as they delighted the audience with songs and inspiring stories, creating a memorable and uplifting atmosphere of camaraderie and support.



“Prayas Celebrates World Environment Day with Engaging Activities”



Prayas celebrated World Environment Day through various activities. The JJB Unit of Prayas celebrated this day with a quiz regarding the environment and sustainable living. Prayas social worker at Shanti Sadan Mahila Vastigruh celebrated this day with women who reside at Shanti Sadan Mahila Vastigruh. They planted 3 types of plants. The social worker explained the importance of plantation and why Environment Day is celebrated all over the world.



“Certificate Distribution Programme at Shanti Sadan Mahila Vastigruh”

In the month of June 2023, Prayas organized a certificate distribution programme for the women residents of Shanti Sadan Mahila Vastigruh, Ulhasnagar. The event celebrated the completion of paper quilling and tie and dye courses facilitated by C.B. Kora Kendra. Additionally, the women received certificates for embroidery courses and participation in mental health sessions conducted by the Institute of Psychological Health. This initiative highlights the commitment to skill development and mental well-being among the community's women.



“Addressing Mental Health in Prisons: NHRC’s Advisory and Prayas’ Initiatives”



The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has issued a crucial advisory to state and union territory governments, emphasizing the need to address mental health issues among prisoners to reduce the rate of unnatural deaths in prisons. In alignment with the NHRC's recommendations, Prayas has been actively involved in Maharashtra's prisons through its Galabhet program, which focuses on alleviating mental stress and maintaining family bonds. By organizing regular mental health workshops and recreational-cum-educational activities, Prayas plays a pivotal role in supporting the mental well-being of prisoners, thereby addressing one of the critical factors contributing to unnatural deaths in incarceration facilities.

For more details refer to the following link:
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80 percent 'unnatural deaths' among prisoners are suicides, government needs to pay heed to NHRC's advisory on mental health of prisoners

“Supporting Legal Rights for Low-Income Undertrials: Prayas’ Role”

Prayas works with most of the low-income undertrials and tried to ensure that they can access their legal rights. The goal is to serve as a liaison between the prison department, attorneys, legal aid lawyers, and the undertrials and their families. Social workers frequently struggle to ensure the release of undertrials who are in prison despite favorable bail rulings, sometimes because they lack the money to post bail bonds. Through their dedicated efforts, Prayas works to overcome these financial barriers, ensuring that justice is not obstructed by economic constraints and that undertrials receive the fair treatment they are entitled to under the law. For more details refer to the following link:
<https://scroll.in/.../meet-the-social-workers-helping->



Wrap Up Waste: Switch to Paper Bags

"Prayas Initiative: Promoting Sustainable Alternatives to Single-Use Plastics at Bharuch Prison"

An awareness session was organized by Prayas at Bharuch District Prison in the month of July 2023 to prevent the use of plastic bags. The idea behind this is to create awareness about the hazardous effects of single-use plastic bags on the environment. It is the step towards a sustainable solution as an alternative. Jute and paper bags were distributed to the prison staff as part of this awareness session.



"Promoting Sustainability: Prayas' No Plastic Bag Awareness Program at Rajpipla Prison"



In the month of July, 2023, Prayas conducted a "No Plastic Bag" awareness Program at Rajpipla District Prison, focusing on the environmental benefits of paper bags over plastic ones. With 80 male inmates participating, the program highlighted how paper bags are biodegradable, compostable, and easier to recycle compared to plastic bags, which release harmful gases. This initiative aimed to educate inmates about sustainable practices and the importance of reducing plastic waste, fostering greater environmental consciousness within the prison community.



"Sowing Seeds of Sustainability: Paper Bag-Making Training Begins at Bharuch District Prison"

Paper bags are 100% recyclable because they do not contain toxic and poisonous gas that plastic bags emit during recycling. From July onwards, a 10-day paper bag, envelope, and file-making vocational training course was started at Bharuch District Prison through Baroda Swarojgar Vikas Sansthan. 30 participants are actively participating in this training. The vocational training course ended with a certificate distribution ceremony at Bharuch District Prison.



"A Brush with Opportunity: Byculla Prison Inmates Receive Certificates for Wall Painting Course Completion"

A wall painting course organized by AkzoNobel CSR in collaboration with Prayas was organized at Byculla District Prison for male prisoners. After completing the one-month course, a certificate distribution programme was arranged by Prayas.

Mumbai DLSA Secretary, Hon'ble Mr. Anant Deshmukh, provided legal information, followed by certificate distribution to 15 prisoners on successful completion of the course.



"Mandela's Legacy Lives On: Prayas' Commitment to Rehabilitation and Justice"



Inspired by Nelson Mandela's wisdom that a nation's true character is revealed by its treatment of its most vulnerable, Prayas is dedicated to protecting the rights of at-risk populations, especially those impacted by the criminal justice system. Committed to rehabilitation, Prayas offers free legal aid, employment training in fields like tailoring and wall painting, and awareness sessions on mental health and legal rights. Post-release, Prayas provide emergency support, counseling, transport, shelter, educational aid, and vocational guidance to foster financial independence. Prayas also engages with stakeholders to enhance the condition of the prison, from activating libraries to improving food quality, and trains officials on contemporary issues. Guided by Mandela's vision, Prayas strives to build dignified, stable lives for those ensnared by the criminal justice system and societal stigma.

"Yoga Day"



The theme for International Yoga Day in 2023 is "Yoga for Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam", which represents our shared desire for "One Earth, One Family, One Future."

All units of Prayas celebrated International Yoga Day, encouraging everyone to practice Yoga to bring strength, flexibility, and serenity to their lives.

"Protecting Child Rights through Education: Prayas JJB Unit's Legal Awareness Session"

Prayas JJB Unit organized a legal awareness session on Child Rights. The session was conducted by Prayas Legal Fellow and Prayas Social Work Fellow along with Prayas Senior Social Worker.

70 Children from the Dongri Children's Home participated in this session.



"Empowering Inmates: Three-Day Para-Legal Training at Taloja Central Prison"



In midweek of July 2023, Prayas, in collaboration with the Thane Legal Services Authority, conducted a comprehensive three-day Para-Legal Volunteer training at Taloja Central Prison. This initiative, organized by Prayas Social Work Fellow Manohar Phansekar and Legal Fellow Adv. Nilesh Mohite, aimed to equip participants with the skills to inform and motivate the prison population regarding their legal rights. The program featured guidance from Adv. Abhiraj and Adv. Kanhaiya from the Thane Legal Services Authority, with additional support from Prayas staff Shah Nawaz Pathan, Adv. Saugata Hazra, Adv. Pramod Gade, Chandrakant Shinde, and Vijay More. During the session, around 20 prisoners learned about the benefits of addressing grievances and conflicts through Lok Adalats, Conciliation, Mediation, and Arbitration, thus fostering a deeper understanding of legal recourse and conflict resolution.

"Prayas Hosts Chess Competitions at Rajpipla and Bharuch District Prisons"

In July 2023, a chess competition was organized by Prayas at Rajpipla District Prison and Bharuch District Prison for inmates. Trophies were given to the prize winners by the prison authorities.



"Unlocking Potential: Exhibition and Sale of Products Made by Women Prisoners, Released Women, and Survivors of Commercial Sexual Exploitation"

As part of the Third International Conference on "Punishment in Global Peripheries" in the mid-week of July 2023 for 3 days, Prayas organised an exhibition and sale of products like bags, wallets, quilts, etc. made by women prisoners, released women prisoners and women exiting commercial sexual exploitation on 18th July, 2023. The products made by the women were very much appreciated by the participants attending the conference and many of them along with students and faculty from TISS purchased the products.



"A Sip of Happiness: Indoor Games and Juice Making at Bharuch District Prison"

As the monsoon season brought outdoor activities to a halt, Prayas brought excitement indoors at the Bharuch District Prison by organizing a refreshing juice and mocktail making activity, paired with engaging indoor games. This unique event not only provided a fun distraction for the prisoners but also offered a valuable opportunity to learn about the benefits of juicing for hormonal health. With the abundance of micronutrients in freshly extracted juices, participants discovered a delicious way to support their overall well-being. As 16 enthusiastic members actively participated in hand-extracting juices and crafting colorful mocktails, the atmosphere was filled with joy and camaraderie, making for a truly unforgettable experience.



"Crafting Traditions: A Workshop on Traditional Maharashtrian Jewellery"

In a celebration of cultural artistry, Prayas hosted a two-day training workshop in the month of August 2023 at Shanti Sadan Mahila Vastigruh, focusing on the intricate art of crafting traditional Maharashtrian jewellery. The workshop offered hands-on training in creating beautiful naths—a type of nose ring that doesn't require piercing, adorned with pearls, stones and vibrant green and red beads—as well as decorating hair pins and designing pendants for mangal sutras. Eleven enthusiastic participants immersed themselves in the art of traditional jewellery-making, acquiring valuable skills and earning certificates to mark their accomplishment. This workshop not only highlighted the elegance of Maharashtrian designs but also empowered the participants with the knowledge to preserve and perpetuate these cherished cultural crafts.



"Boosting Well-Being: Prayas' Indoor Games Initiative at Bharuch District Prison"



In the month of July 2023, Prayas organized a day of indoor games at Bharuch District Prison, aimed at enhancing the mental well-being of the inmates. Supported by a generous donation of game accessories from the Rotaract Club of Bharuch, the event provided a valuable opportunity for inmates to unwind and engage in cognitively stimulating activities. Prayas' social worker also offered guidance on the benefits of recreational activities, emphasizing how such engagement can boost serotonin levels, elevate mood, and reduce stress, ultimately contributing to a more positive prison environment.

"Vocational Training Initiative for Prayas Clients"

In August 2023, JJB Unit Coordinator and Assistant Director of Prayas, and Para-professional social worker, met with the Prakash Jayantilal Chauhan (PJC) Foundation, a skill development center in Malad. The meeting aimed to enhance vocational training opportunities for Prayas participants residing in the Malad-Malvani area. Prayas social worker facilitated a session for parents and students to inform them about the PJC Foundation's AC repair training courses. This initiative is set to provide valuable skills and benefits to a large number of Prayas clients.



"Grand Opening of Prayas Women's Empowerment Centre 'Umeed' with Hon'ble Dignitaries"



The Prayas Women's Empowerment Centre was inaugurated on 1st August 2023. The Secretary of District Legal Services Authority Thane, Hon'ble Mr. Suryavanshi was the chief guest. Shri Nalge, President of the Thane District Bar Association, was also present as a special invitee. At the inauguration of the 'Umeed' Centre, the dignitaries were welcomed in a brief ceremony with floral bouquets and handmade items by Prayas women clients. The inauguration was organized with the contribution of the Prayas staff and admin team

"Prayas Showcases Impactful Work at State-Level Consultation on Juvenile Justice"

On August 6th, 2023, a significant state-level consultation was held at the Metropolitan Magistrate Court Conference Hall in Mazgaon, Mumbai, organized by the Bombay High Court Juvenile Justice Committee, Women & Child Development Department, Govt of Maharashtra, and UNICEF Maharashtra. The event focused on "Prevention, Restorative Justice, Diversion, and Alternatives to Detention" for children in conflict with the law. Professor Vijay Raghavan from the Centre for Criminology and Justice, TISS, and Mr. Vijay Johare, Assistant Director of Prayas, presented on Prayas's initiatives, particularly "Post Release Follow-up and Prevention of Recidivism." The consultation featured presentations and talks by various members of the judiciary, including the Hon'ble Justice, Devendra Kumar Upadhyaya, Chief Justice of Bombay High Court, Hon'ble Justice Revoti Mohan Dere, Chairperson, Juvenile Justice Committee of the Bombay High Court, faculty from TISS, and NGOs working in the JJ system.



Justice Dere highlighted the impactful work of Prayas in her opening and closing remarks. This platform provided a valuable opportunity for Prayas to showcase its contributions to the rehabilitation and support of children in conflict with the law.

"Orientation on Legal Aid and Prisoner Rehabilitation at TISS Mumbai"

The Maharashtra Prison Department, organized an orientation programme at TISS Mumbai for 42 prison superintendents. The event featured sessions on accessing legal aid, including the new Legal Aid Defence Counsel (LADC) system, and the rehabilitation of prisoners. DIG Prisons Mr. UT Pawar and Special IG Prisons Dr. Jalinder Supekar, IPS, attended. The presentations on legal aid and rehabilitation were well-received, with participants suggesting the appointment of social workers in all state prisons. The attendees commended Prayas for its impactful work



"Empowering Youth: Prayas Hosts Two-Day Gender Equality Workshop at Rajodi Beach Resort"



In the month of August 2023, Prayas organized a two-day workshop on gender equality at Rajodi Beach Resort, Nalasopara. The workshop combined educational sessions with fun activities, including street play training aimed at raising public awareness about gender equality. Attended by 53 youths—including Prayas staff, interns, and children released from Dongri Children's Home. The event provided both learning and recreational opportunities. Participants enjoyed meals, games, and swimming, while gaining valuable insights and skills.



"Enhancing Legal Support: Prayas and DLSA's Training Initiative for Paralegal Volunteers"

On August 3, 2023, Prayas, in collaboration with the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) in Bharuch, hosted a pivotal training session for Para Legal Volunteers (PLVs). Attended by 59 PLVs, advocates, and DLSA employees, the workshop focused on the rehabilitation of prisoners, released individuals, and their families. The training emphasized the challenges faced by crime-affected populations and aimed to deepen the understanding of PLVs, thereby improving their effectiveness in providing legal counseling and support. This initiative reflects a commitment to enhancing the reintegration process and overall well-being of those impacted by the criminal justice system.



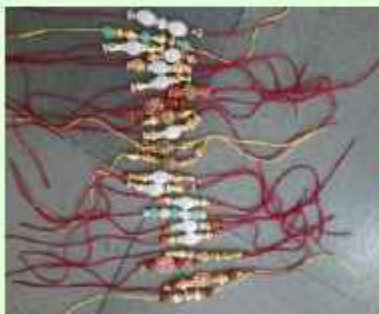
"Enhancing Legal Awareness: Prayas Hosts Session on the Legal Services Authorities Act 1987"

Prayas recently organized an insightful session on the Legal Services Authorities Act 1987 for TISS students engaged in fieldwork at Prayas in the Thane district. Led by Prayas Senior Social Worker Shah Nawaz Pathan, the session throw light on the Act's crucial role in providing free legal aid to marginalized communities and promoting justice through Lok Adalats. Eight students gained valuable knowledge from this informative session, enhancing their understanding of the legal system's commitment to equal opportunity and justice.



"Threads of Joy: Women Create Vibrant Rakhis with Prayas"

Prayas conducted a Rakhi-making event within Kasturba Mahila Vastigruh and Navajivan Mahila Vastigruh. Smita Jadhav from Prayas taught the women to use their creativity to transform ordinary thread into lovely rakhis. 13 women took part in the activity within Kasturba Mahila Vastigruh, 26 women participated from the Navajivan Mahila Vastigruh and created stunning and vibrant rakhis. 2 days workshop was also organized at Kalyan District prison with 80 women inmates to sell Rakhis. The intention behind the sale was that the women who did not receive money orders from their families can earn some money for their personal use in prison.



"Creative Craft Activity at Dongri Children's Home Engages CCL in Artistic Fun"

In the month of August 2023, Prayas organized a craft activity at Dongri Children's Home for children in conflict with the law (CCL). The session, led by Prayas training teacher, activity teacher, and para-professional social worker included creating butterflies, windmills, cameras, and bookmarks. Interns also participated, and the Prayas team explained the workings of windmills. This recreational activity is part of Prayas's ongoing vocational training programs, which encourage CCLs to engage in creative projects and continue their education.



Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav: A Celebration of Freedom and Unity

"Independence Day at Bharuch District Prison"

Independence Day serves as a remembrance of the ideas that unite us as well as a respect for the sacrifices made by our freedom fighters. This day was commemorated by Prayas units at their respective workplaces. The overarching theme for this year is "Nation First, Always First," which is a significant component of the "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav" celebrations.

The Bharuch District Prison hosted activities and cultural events on Independence Day through Prayas. The prison authorities gave a certificate of appreciation to Prayas staff and the prison personnel who work in the prison. The games were played by the prisoners and prison staff present on the occasion.



"Independence Day at Kalyan District Prison and Dongri Children's Home"



"Independence Day at Byculla District Prison"

Celebration at Byculla District Prison featured a motivational talk for prisoners and entertainment sessions. The dance therapy session was organized for the prisoners by the Victory NGO team led by choreographer Shiarnak Davar to help them cope with stress. The Family Planning Association of India addressed issues related to child care and women's health. Anvay NGO organized a session on substance abuse and addiction. In both the male and female barracks, the Samaritans organized a session on mental health. The Prison Superintendent Mr. Vikas Rajnalwar addressed the gathering and appreciated Prayas' work.



"Prayas Presents Prison Reform Efforts to Principal Secretary Home Department"



At the end of the August 2023, Prayas presented its prison-related work to Principal Secretary Home Department Shri Dinesh Waghmare at the DIG Prisons (Southern Region) office. DIG Shri Yogesh Desai and Superintendent Shri Harshad Ahirrao also attended. The presentation highlighted Prayas's efforts in 11 prisons, including support for undertrials, convicted prisoners, and children of incarcerated women. Following the presentation, Shri Waghmare sought suggestions for prison improvements. Prayas advocated for the appointment of trained social workers, enhanced mulakat facilities, and the establishment of anganwadis for children of imprisoned mothers. Shri Waghmare praised the work of Prayas's social workers.

Health Checkup Camp

"Successful Medical Camp at Aurangabad Central Prison: Comprehensive Care for 864 Inmates"

In August 2023, Prayas, with support from the Deputy Commissioner from Charity Commissioner's Office, organized a medical camp at Aurangabad Central Prison. The camp provided eye check-ups to 280 prisoners, ENT examinations to 269, and dental check-ups to 315, benefiting a total of 864 individuals. Under the guidance of Superintendent Shri Jayant Naik and with the support of senior prison officer Mr. Randive, the camp ran smoothly. Honourable Judge Mr. Shinde from the Charity Commissioner's Office also attended. The event was a success due to meticulous planning by Prayas social workers, who received heartfelt gratitude from the prisoners.



"Maha Arogya Camp at Aurangabad Central Prison Benefits 401 Inmates"

On August 19, 2023, a Maha Arogya (All Diseases Diagnosis) Camp was held at Aurangabad Central Prison. It was organized by the Office of the Charity Commissioner. It has been planned to organise a weekly check up and medication camp through Office of the Charity Commissioner. The first session was conducted on August 19, 2023 on skin examinations and free medication for the same. The camp was led by Superintendent Mr. Jayant Naik. The senior Jailor Mr. Pradeep Randive, Prison staff members and Prayas social workers together made the camp successful. The inauguration programme was attended by dignitaries and physicians. The camp benefited 401 inmates. Mr. Naik expressed gratitude to Prayas for their efforts in his closing remarks.



"Healthcare Outreach at Byculla District Prison: A Collaborative Initiative"

In the 3rd week of the month of August 2023, Prayas, in collaboration with the Perna Group, organized a free medical camp at Byculla District Prison. The event, led by Mr. Pravin Patil from Prayas, featured medical staff, nurses, and pharmacists from the Narmada Kidney Foundation who provided medical care and medication. The camp served both male and female sections of the prison, with support from Byculla prison personnel.



"Cotton Fabric Painting Course at Borstal School Nashik: Skill Development and Recognition"

For Borstal School Nashik offenders aged 16 to 21, Prayas arranged a 10-day cotton fabric painting course. The course was taught by the Shree Shubha Shree Institute and included topics such as cartooning, dot work, Warli painting, and drawing.



On 24th August 2023, the principal, Mr. Vilas Sable presented a certificate of appreciation to Prayas' social worker Mr. Sunil Koli. Certificates were also awarded to the students by Mr. Sable and dignitaries from Shubha Shree Sanstha for their successful participation.

Acknowledgment Notes

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our esteemed partners and funders for their unwavering support and belief in our mission. Your generosity serves as a beacon of light, empowering us to continue our work with conviction and dedication.

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We are grateful for your trust in our mission.

We also acknowledge the valuable support and guidance provided by organizations and individuals that have significantly contributed to the well-being of children at the Dongri Observation Home:

Your funding has allowed us to expand our reach and impact.

We are immensely grateful to the organizations and individual donors who play a critical role in providing financial assistance for cash bail, helping those who are otherwise unable to afford it

Your contributions ensure that financial insufficiency does not become a barrier to freedom and justice.

Each of you plays a crucial role in our journey. Your generosity and support not only provide resources but also inspire hope and confidence in our shared mission. Thank you for standing with us and making a profound impact on the lives of those we serve.

