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Genesis & History

In 2002, the Founder, along with a few like-minded and concerned individuals, came together to explore different avenues of initiating various supportive and sustainable programmes for reaching out to the most vulnerable sections of the Indian society, especially in the rural parts of the country. Subsequently, as per their vision back then in 2002, the founding members acquired land in Tiware village, Karjat to develop a holistic community centre and in 'Uttan' village, Gorai to set up a hospice and a Research & Development centre. Followed by a need assessment study, Project Anando was finally launched in 2005 with 25 children in Karjat with the belief that no child should be forced to drop out of school, because it is these formative years that will ultimately determine the foundation of their future.

Our Vision: To transform lives of underprivileged rural communities in India

Our Mission: To break the generational cycle of poverty, on life at a time.

Our Universe: At the centre of our projects are single parent, neglected, tribal and / or orphan children, youth and woman from rural communities of India and their holistic development.



Ms Villy Doctor

Founder & Managing Trustee, LOLT

An excellent teacher, an educationist, a psychologist, and a therapist, Villy Doctor is the founder of Light of Life Trust (LOLT) and Satyavati Spiritual Foundation. She is the co-founder of 'Ormax', a market research company that ranks among the leading three in India today. The former senior lecturer, St. Xavier's College and former visiting faculty, Nirmala Niketan Mumbai, she held position of Head of Department, Psychology, at Sophia College, Mumbai for decade.

Compassionate, gentle humble, giving and committed, Villy Doctor founded Light of Life Trust in 2002 with a vision to break the generational cycle of poverty - one life at a time. Since, then she has dedicated herself to transforming the lives of under-resourced and rural communities, particularly women, children and senior citizens, thereby empowering them to live with dignity and self-respect.

Current Projects and Programmes

Light of Life Trust, a non-governmental organisation established in 2002 and registered under Bombay Public Trust Act, 1950 was founded by Villy Doctor, with a vision to transform the lives of underprevileged rural communities in India through Education, Livelihood and Skilling programmes and Primary Health Care Services divided under our two main verticals.

- 1. **Project Anando** Initiated in 2005, sustains probable secondary school dropouts and equips them with skills to live in mainstream society, thus contributing to their all-round development.
- 2. **Project Jagruti** Initiated in the year 2009, supports the holistic development of underprivileged rural communities through three major programmes covering Livelihood training, health care and environment conversation.

Project Anando



Education Since 2005

Sustains probable secondary school dropout children in rural India with its holistic 3E approach of 'Educate, Empower and Equip for Employability'

- Enhance the child's personality
- Build capacity and develop leadership
- Equip for employability
- Involvement of parents, community and teachers in the child's growth



Anando School Empowerment Programme Since 2012

Creates an ecosystem for quality education in rural secondary schools

- Training of teachers in effective classroom processes
- Modern teaching techniques
- Ensure cohesive support system to prevent children dropping out

Project Jagruti



Livelihood TrainingSince 2009

Equips underprivileged rural woman and enemployed youth through livelihood training programmes

- Enhancing income generating skills
- Attain financial independence
- Support to set up small businesses



Primary Health Care Since 2012

Provides primary healthcare services through mobile medical vans to remote rural parts and tribal hamlets having no access to any kind of medical facilities

- Health awareness Camp
- Eye Care, Denal Care Cardiac Care camps
- Attacking malnourishment in primary zilla parishad school



Environment Conversation Since 2015

Provides additional source of income to poor farmers with the distribution and close monitoring of fruit bearing plants, thus increasing green cover

Light of Life Trust **IMPACT**



Villages Reached





548039 **Transformed Lives**

PROJECT ANANDO

201781 Beneficiaries

Anando Programme



Anando School Empowerment Programme



PROJECT JAGRUTI

312218 Beneficiaries

Livelihood & Skill Development Programme



Beneficiaries

Environment Conservation Programmes



Reached



212795 **Fruit Bearing** Saplings **Planted**

Medical Mobile Unit



108249

Patients & Beneficiaries

Success Stories



Harshala Dighe: Harshala has set new benchmarks by being the first girl child from her village Khandas to pursue a career in the medical field and make everyone proud by becoming the first doctor with LOLT. An academically brilliant child, Harshala studied with focused determination to succeed. She was sincere and always displayed extraordinary level of participation and skill in all the activities whether they be related to academics or personality development. She passed her Std. X with 88% marks and stayed with her relatives till she completed her Std XII and travelled home every weekend in order to reduce the commute to Karjat while balancing family life with academic aspirations. She completed her medical studies from K. E. S. Keluskar Medical College, Alibaug and is presently working as a Medical Officer at the Panvel Municipal Corporation as a Medical Officer earning a monthly income of ₹50,000/-.



Kalpesh Narendra Mali: Kalpesh is from Malewadi village in Karjat. Due to unavoidable circumstances, he was unable to continue his second year of graduation and started working as a Mason . He came across Jeevan Asha Community centre at Tiware, and was enrolled for a short term course in Digital Freelancing. This helped him to understand various aspects of Digital Marketing and started working as a freelancer trainee with two companies. He was offered a job with a starting salary of ₹12,000/- in January 2021. He is still successfully working in a real estate marketing company with ₹18,000/- salary per month. LOLT's Digital course helped him support his family financially and also ensured that his younger siblings continued their education.



Krupali Dhyaneshwar Masane: Krupali stays in Ambot village and is studying in Std II. At a LOLT organized health check camp for school students she was identified as having Torticollis or Wryneck which is a condition in which neck muscles contract causing the head to twist to one side. The team understood that this was an ailment she faced from childhood and no efforts had been made by her parents to address the same through medical help. On further inquiry it was understood that her mother had passed away when she was a new born baby and her father remarried and she was mostly ignored and left to her own devices by her father and step mother. LOLT team had to cajole, convince and build the confidence and faith in the father to address this issue as this would lead to other complications as she grew older. Her father took her to the referred hospital and she was successfully operated on where her problem has been rectified and she is now able to go to school more comfortably and with new hope.

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