

Light of Life Times



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OUR VISION

Transform lives of underprivileged rural communities in India.



Villy Doctor

*Founder & Managing Trustee
Light of Life Trust*

*'True Joy....is felt when giving without expectation of self-gain....
This is the cardinal rule in every relationship.'*

Our vision is to support underprivileged children and communities from rural India, to break free from their generational cycle of poverty and strengthen abilities to lead more empowered lives.

You have been with us from the very first step of our work in remote villages to change the notion that education is not important to the gigantic strides that have been traversed by LOLT as well as these children. Our belief that education alone can help alleviate poverty has proven true today. With pride we see our children develop professionally and pursue careers with a minimum starting salary of Rs.7,500 pm, some with a higher first income figure.

LOLT, brings to you the JOY of this selfless giving, as is your infallible dedication to our cause with your generosity that has helped transform lives of these children and their families.

However, this is just the beginning, as the need today is to reach out to the Children of the World, who on account of their extenuating circumstances are unable to pursue their education and are deprived of basic health care.

The task mammoth, the mission and vision clear, the completion and fulfilment possible, only with your continued support and sustenance!

As LOLT reaches out to many thousands more, may the bond of oneness amongst us continue to grow to greater fruition.

OUR BOARD

- ▶ **Ms. Villy Doctor** - Founder & Managing Trustee
- ▶ **Ms. Gayatri Ruia** - Trustee
- ▶ **Mr. Manoj Murarka** - Trustee
- ▶ **Mr. Jitendra Mehta** - Trustee
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Ramesh Daswani

*Chief Executive Officer
Light of Life Trust*

Dear friends and colleagues,

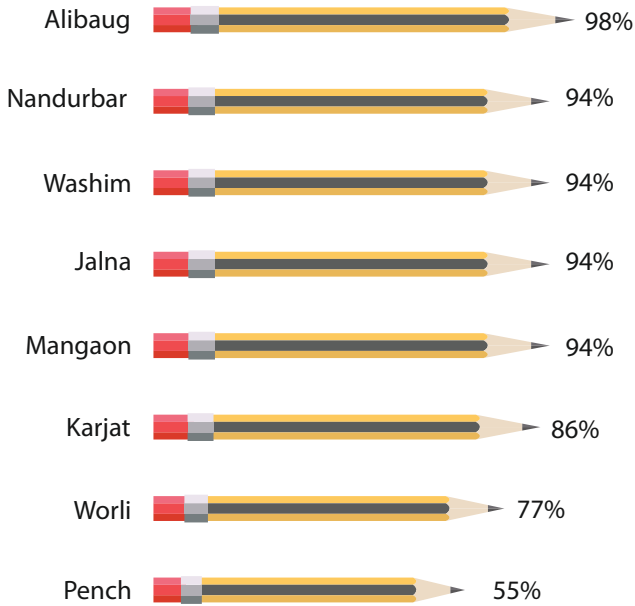
I am truly humbled, honoured and privileged to have been selected as the CEO of this prestigious NGO, which has successfully been breaking the generational cycle of poverty - one life at a time...

The teams on the ground - accounts, programs, marketing and admin are unmatched. From day one they have made me feel at home. Together we will scale up the operations and get many more beneficiaries in the years ahead.

Sincere thanks to the Trustees and our Founder Villy Doctor, for their blessings and unstinting support.

Ramesh Daswani
CEO, Light of Life Trust, India

SSC Pass Percentage



Sidiki S. Umar 93.6%



Arati L. Shungare 91.4%



Nikata S. Shinde 90.4%



Sadhana Chaudhari 90%

OUR IMPACT

Project Anando

Anando Programme

1,09,900

School Empowerment Programme

13,586

Project Jagruti

Jeevan Asha Community Centre - Livelihood Training

34,787

Medical Mobile Unit

30,729

Environment Conservation Programme

19,485

2,08,487

Total Impacted



Kamal Damania

Chief Operating Officer
Light of Life Trust

Reaching out to, working with, and seeing the transformation in children, women and communities from economically deprived families in our selected geographic areas through Light of Life Trust's projects – Anando & Jagruti has been one of the best phases of my professional life of 30 years.

The steadfast perseverance of LOLT management, team & our beneficiaries strongly supported by our equally committed long term partners & well-wishers has made it possible to achieve this success.

Looking forward to widening LOLT's horizon at the pan India & global level in the years to come!

Kamal Damania
COO - Light of Life Trust



Education Material Distribution

Our annual distribution of Education Material included books, stationery, uniforms, school bags and more! Over 3000 students across Maharashtra received their brand new educational material, to help them study hard and chase their dreams.



Jewellery Making at Jeevan Asha Community Centre

LOLT'S Jewellery making unit, under Jeevan Asha Community Centre in Karjat, Maharashtra, proudly displayed their designs to visitors. Jewellery created and produced by them are for sale at a nominal price.

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Medical Mobile Unit

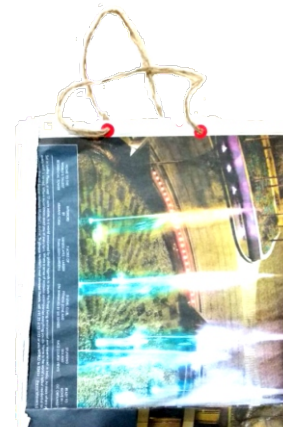
Our Founder Trustee along with the LOLT Team inaugurated the second Medical Mobile Unit. Over 30,000 rural inhabitants have benefited from the services offered by the first van, covering remote rural areas in Karjat Taluka lacking basic primary healthcare facilities. We hope to scale up these numbers with addition of the second van and support of Dr Yasmin Sethna & Dr. Laila Garda from KEMHRC Pune.



Our Eco-friendly initiative - Cloth & Paper Bags

The women at our Jeevan Asha Community Centre have now mastered the design and crafting of paper bags and cloth bags. The best way to provide a basic income to the women who need it, as well as adhere to the newly instated ban on plastic bags. These bags are available for sale at a nominal price, and are available in custom designs!

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EVENTS

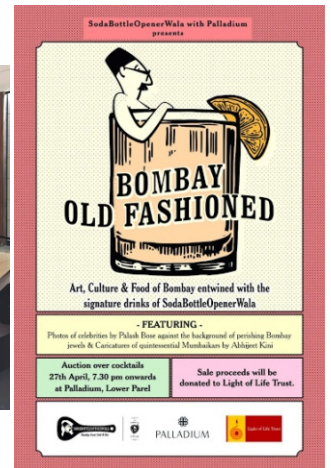
Bombay Old Fashioned - May



Exhibition - Caricatures & Photographs

"Bombay Old Fashioned" a collaborative event between the restaurant chain SodaBottleOpenerwala, Palladium and Light of Life Trust was held at Palladium Mall, on 27th April 2018.

Art, culture & food of Bombay entwined with the signature drinks of SodaBottleOpenerWala, featuring photos of celebrities by Palash Bose against the background perishing Bombay jewels and caricatures of quintessential Mumbaikars by Abhijeet Kini.



Kaagaz Ki Kashti - June

Screening of Jagjit Singh's biographic film - Kaagaz Ki Kashti

On 8th of June 2018 LOLT screened "Kaagaz Ki Kashti" a biopic on the iconic Ghazal Maestro, Padma Bhushan, Shri Jagjit Singh.

This was screened to a full house and received a standing ovation. We are very grateful to our chief guest Ms. Abha Singh for gracing this event with her presence; Mr. Bramhanand S Siingh – Producer & Director of the Film and Ms. Tanvi Jain– Associate Director for giving us the film for screening; Mr. Kuldeep Desai for all the support to make this event a grand success.



8th June 2018, Friday
06:30 pm to 09:30 pm

Preview Theatre I (RR III), 10th Floor

Films Division of India, 24 Pedder Road,
Cumballa Hill, Mumbai - 400026.



Light of Life Trust invites you to the special screening of the film

Kaagaz ki Kashti
(Paperboat) Jagjit Singh Come Alive
a film by Brahmanand S Siingh

Events - June

Visit to our Project in Karjat

Transforming Trip!! On 16th June 2018 LOLT organised a trip for individuals from all walks of life, to come and experience the work of our organisation. On this day they were participants to the inauguration of the second Medical Mobile Van and Rotarian Rohan Dalmia donated one e-learning kit. They also took part in the Educational Material Distribution that was being conducted in Karjat region for almost 400 children. Each one of them went back enriched with the experience, promising to support our work.



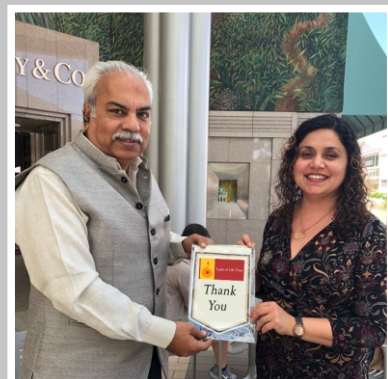
Upcoming in July - August



An amazing way to show the kids that education is not only related to books. We're hosting an art competition across all our centres for all our beneficiaries. It's time for them to get artistic!



Light of Life Trust CEO Mr. Ramesh Daswani meets, Ms. Shiraz Zack Kanga, Trustee - Light of Life Trust USA in San Francisco



Donor Speak



Amish Choksi
(MD, Tache Jewelry Pvt Ltd)

We at Tache Jewelry Pvt Ltd, in recent years, have been looking for an NGO, where we feel work is being done, doing things for the less privileged by the staff and other well wishers who are directly involved with the NGO and in its cause and implement all projects with a 100% effort. We found this enthusiasm with the Light of Life Trust, and wholeheartedly support them since their work is in synergy with the causes that our company wishes to help and contribute to. Now in our 3rd year of supporting a few small and larger projects, we have been totally satisfied with the implementation and extend our continuing contribution and support for the fantastic work that the Light of Life Trust continues to provide and implement for the less fortunate in rural parts of Maharashtra and neighbouring states. Well done to the full team.. Amish Choksi (MD, Tache Jewelry Pvt Ltd)

We are proud of you

A saying - There is no substitute for hardwork sums up this story of a girl who was raised by a single parent. Struggling to make ends meet, it was only viable to discontinue the higher education of Shruti and her elder brother. LOLT helped her secure 70% in 10th standard and after that she was unstoppable. Her dream to become an entrepreneur was so passion driven that LOLT helped her secure a MBA degree in Finance. She is now an independent women who is working towards success and is currently working with the HDFC bank. LOLT did not only fulfill her dream but helped her mother get a government job and her brother to complete education and get a job. We're very happy with what Shruti has achieved and proud to know that our help has got somebody achieve what she dreamt.



Shruti Suhas Gharat

Beneficiary Speak



Akshay Thakur

My journey with Light of Life Trust started when I was 13 years old. It was a life changing moment in my life. Our trust has played an important role in my overall development. Now I am proud to work in our trust as an employee and I am also preparing for my IAS exams. Without this support I may not have been where I am now. All credit of my success goes to LOLT.

Akshay Thakur

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