

Light of Life Times



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Mr. Jitendra Mehta
Trustee
Light of Life Trust

God has given everyone the "light of life" which is your "soul" the presence of "god" in you and "Lord Krishna" has said in "Bhagavad Gita" that you must "trust" "your god-your soul".

Likewise, "Light of Life Trust" stands for that, for doing "God's work" of helping & uplifting
The underprivileged with total dedication,
Interest,
Selflessness,
Without any expectation &
Most important to create the
Trust & confidence in
All the individuals
&
Beneficiaries.

I feel happy to be a trustee and thankful to "god" & "Mother Villy" to make me a part of this divine journey.

OUR BOARD

- ▶ **Ms. Villy Doctor** - Founder & Managing Trustee
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Mr. Pradeep Koppikar
CEO – Emeritus
Light of Life Trust

"I feel humbled and fortunate to be a part of the awesome work, growth of Light of Life Trust for the Education, Empowerment, and Healthcare of rural underprivileged communities in the past 13 years".

Team LOLT has transformed several lives under the inspiring leadership of our visionary founder, Ms. Villy Doctor, the committed trustees and its dedicated hardworking employees. We have received invaluable support from our regular donors, well-wishers and volunteers in meeting our challenges and are indeed grateful to them.

We have always embraced a value-based approach of integrity, transparency, and accountability in pursuing our mission. Our management systems are periodically audited by external auditors and certified by independent third party bodies like Creditability Alliance.

LOLT has grown in strength over the years and is now poised to expand across several states in India.

I sincerely appeal to you all to continue to support LOLT by donations and volunteering in pursuit of our mission."

Our Mission

To break the generational cycle of poverty, one life at a time.

Over 15+ years we have impacted over **2,00,000 lives** across rural India. Our initiatives span across Education, Community and Skill Development, Healthcare Services & Environment Conservation through our flagship projects, Projects - Anando and Jagruti.

"Devdas - A Timeless Classic Retold" - Forthcoming Event



We are delighted to share with you that in 2019-20, we aim to reach out to an additional 1000 children and support them complete their education. To this end we are organising a mega Fundraiser event on 16th November 2018. At this event, we bring to you the premiere show of Devdas - A Timeless Classic Retold, in association with Ashvin Gidwani Production.

Devdas, a novella by Sarat Chandra Chattopadhyay, is probably one of the most famous love sagas in Indian Literature. And now, we bring to you this classic on stage with all its grandeur! In this theatrical rendition, we intend to reimagine Sarat Chandra Chattopadhyay's Bengali novella through Chandramukhi's sentiment.

The story is based in Bengal in the 1900's. Hence, it offers the possibility of playing period in all its glory. From opulent Haveli's in rural India of the time to the gas lit busy streets of Kolkata, the visual canvas of the story offers an opportunity to put forth a visual extravaganza. Kathak being the dance practised by the courtesans of the time, dance is definitely an integral part of this tale.

Join us to achieve our goal

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HIGHLIGHTS

Plantation through the Miyawaki approach under Project Jagruti.

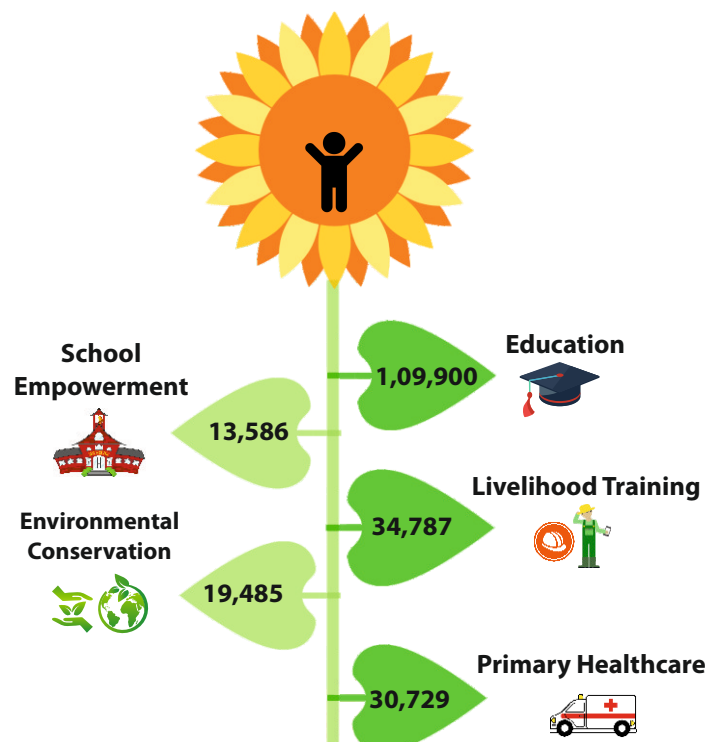
LOLT in collaboration with Pal Miyawaki Forest, launched a new plantation programme whereby 4500 trees will be planted in LOLT premises in Tiware-Karjat, through the Japanese Miyawaki approach. Light of Life Trust's agriculture team was ably guided by stalwarts Mr. Dipen Jain & Mr. R.K. Nair to prepare the grounds for this massive plantation ultimately leading to the creation of a better environment.

Light of Life Trust's Founder & Managing Trustee, Ms. Villy Doctor & CEO Mr. Ramesh Daswani along with LOLT team & dedicated volunteers graced this momentous occasion in our history.



OUR IMPACT

**2,08,487 lives transformed
across 833 villages since 2002.**





Light of Life Trust Medical Mobile Unit



Under the Jal Sanjeevani Week celebrated across India from 23rd to 29th July, 2018 Light of Life Trust through its Medical Mobile Unit in partnership with Indian Academy of Pediatricians, Karjat, Raigad District, and Karjat Medical Association organised an Awareness camp on contaminated water and the source of water borne diseases such as Diarrhea, Cholera, Typhoid gastro etc., alongwith inputs on prevention of these diseases. ORS (Oral Rehydration Salts) and their use in treatment of water borne diseases were also explained to the villagers.

Breast feeding awareness week was also organized on 23rd August 2018 in Karjat, Raigad District in association with Raigad Medical Association.

Environment Conservation Programme, Karjat Taluka

Light of Life Trust through its Environment Conversation Programme in collaboration with All Cargo Logistics Ltd has distributed over 1,42,347 fruit bearing plants to 3440 farmers across 111 villages in Karjat Taluka, Raigad District of Maharashtra over the last four years. This year 28,650 plants were distributed in the month of August to 560 new farmers.



Medical Mobile Unit - Pune Launch

The services of the second Medical Mobile Unit were launched in collaboration with KEMHRC, Pune on 19th September 2018. The medical van will cater to the needs of the population in Junnar, Ambegaon, and Rajgurunagar in Pune District.



Excellence in Sports



Congratulations!



Anando students, Aditya Gawande and Uma Wani from Pardi Takmor participated in the state-level Maharashtra Throwball & Running Championship 2018!



Mr. Pratik Santosh Bhalerao our Anando student from Tiware centre, Karjat who is in his 10th std, participated in district level competition for weight lifting **championship in 55 kg** category held at Alibaug and secured a gold medal.



EVENTS

Rangotsav 2018

Light of Life Trust initiated an art contest and exhibition, 'Rangotsav,' for the first time in its history! Rangotsav was a unique exhibition which featured artworks by budding artists - the underprivileged children of India - alongside established artists.

The first three rounds were held across LOLT's 42 centres across rural Maharashtra. From 2000 participants, esteemed artists Mr. Jaideep Mehrotra and Ms. Poonam Agarwal helped to shortlist 20 of the best paintings which were then displayed alongside famous artworks at Kamalnayan Bajaj Art Gallery, Mumbai from September 24th to 30th, 2018.



The 10 best child artists were felicitated on the final day by Mrs Earth – Mrs. Priyanka Khurana Goyal and popular actor & TV personality Ms Tara Sharma in the presence of LOLT Founder Ms Villy Doctor, CEO Mr Ramesh Daswani, committed LOLT volunteers and the LOLT Team.



Special mentions from our guests at Rangotsav 2018



Nisha Jamvwal (An architect, couturier, luxury consultant, contemporary Indian art curator, author & columnist and a celebrity host):

“A programme like Rangotsav is special to me because I’m an artist, I have painted all my life, participated in every Camlin art show when I was young. This is a beautiful endeavour also because in this tech-savvy age, people don’t really take colour to paper, it’s all about phones and smartphones. The third reason of course is that these young children from the rural areas are being given an opportunity to express their creativity. I love the merchandise being made with the art.

Congratulations, Light of Life Trust!”

Rhythm Sanadhya (A model, actor and entrepreneur):

“I feel very delighted & grateful that I’m invited here to be a part of a very noble endeavour. Light of Life Trust is doing a tremendously good job and all their students are very lucky to have found a new dimension, new window to see the world, a platform to showcase their talent and hone their skills through this art show. I really hope that all those who are present here today are stirred by emotions when they look at the paintings and other artwork displayed. I believe that people must come out and visit exhibitions like these more often, and contribute for the upliftment of the underprivileged children”.



Tara Sharma (An actress, entrepreneur, creator, co-producer and host of The Tara Sharma Show):

“It was a pleasure to be there and I loved the enthusiasm of the kids. I truly believe education, apart from imparting knowledge gives one the confidence to follow their dreams. Light of Life Trust is doing wonderful work getting drop outs back to school happily.”

Priyanka Khurana Goyal (Beauty with substance, Mrs Earth pageant winner, graduate from IIM, Ahmedabad, Wall Street banker & Executive Director):

“I am pleased to be present amongst you this morning and am happy to meet some of the budding artist from Light of Life Trust. I wish the children and the organization all the very best in their future endeavours.”



CCI NGO Mela

The CCI CSR Committee will be hosting an NGO exhibition at the C.K. Nayudu Hall, CCI on 20th & 21st October 2018. Light of Life Trust is putting up a stall showcasing its products. All are cordially invited.



Volunteers Speak



Jaideep Mehrotra (A multi-disciplinary artist who has been a part of the Indian art scene for the past four decades):

"I am very impressed with what Light of Life Trust is doing with children. It is a very good idea to bring art into it because art is a universal language where instead of words, you speak in pictures. These children are giving their expression and this is how they would learn to take it to the next level in their lives. It is also wonderful how society is doing all of this to encourage events like these. It is commendable to see all the children who have reached this level of the art competition."

Rabi Gidwani (Well-wisher):

"I have been connected with the Light of Life Trust for the past 5 years and I feel that their children are so confident! Today, I see that confidence and talent coming out in full swing. In spite of limited exposure, the way they are painting is amazing. I'm very privileged to be a part of LOLT and I'll do my best to contribute to the good work they are doing to support the rural underprivileged children grow and become great individuals and reach great heights in life."



Victoria Mall Volunteer from Austria:

"Two and a half years ago I heard about LOLT the very first time. The mission and execution of LOLT was so inspiring that I immediately fell for them. In August this year it was finally possible to visit India and at least give a little support to the absolutely great work they're doing. My experiences during the four-week stay totally confirmed my idea of their work: LOLT is achieving a huge impact by solid and successfully implemented projects. Young students from all backgrounds were encouraged to study, were supported to find careers that fit for them and accompanied on their way until they achieve their goals. It was amazing to see how much effort the team-members, teachers and also the students put to welcome me and make me feel comfortable. The LOLT teachers and social workers offered very creative and effective methods. It was inspiring to see that teachers and social workers are able to create those incredible teaching methods with the little resources they've got when comparing it to Austria. The out-of-the-box strategies of the LOLT staff enable to provide educational support at a very high level and

consequently to catch up in a global competition. Also the Anando and Anant projects fit into the holistic approach and serve the idea of giving best support to the young students. So to put it in a nutshell – while I've come to give it turned out that I was the one who has learned and experienced so much. I am more than happy to have made this experience and it opens my heart and raises hope to see that organisations like LOLT are able to make a change!"

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Happy Birthday

- 06th** August **Alishaba Ujare**
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- 15th** August **Bharat Thombre**
Research Officer
- 15th** August **Pramod Choudhari**
Regional Finance Officer
- 20th** August **Meena Kakde**
Office Assistant (Karjat)
- 21st** August **Harpal Singh Kamal**
Manager - Resource Mobilisation
(Head Office)
- 09th** September **Mayur Dhole**
Office Assistant (Karjat)
- 24th** September **Vrundavni Mhatre**
Social Worker (Karjat)