

Newsletter August - October 2022

Bindaas Bol Our World: Our Story

Since 1988, Salaam Baalak Trust has been working for street and working children in Delhi-NCR. S.B.T has 7 residential homes, 9 contact points and 3 Childlines through which we reach out to 10,000 children every year. Through our programs, we provide education, food, medical, psychological and holistic development services to the children in need of care & protection. Our vision is to provide a platform, a safe and secure space where every child can blossom to his/her full potential.



"Individuals with vision can achieve not only their goals but help others to reach theirs too."

Our beloved Founding Trustee Dr Praveen
Nair, has been an inspiration for many of us
at Salaam Baalak Trust, we have been able
to carry on stellar award winning work
largely due to her vision.

She turned 91 this year and the occasion was marked by celebrations & festivities across our homes & contact points. Apart from yummy goodies the children had a fun filled day of activities. The highlight was an inter- SBT Kick-boxing championship organised at DMRC Children Home for boys where children from all centres participated enthusiastically and won prizes.



Another of our Success Stories

Shivalik

'Sometimes it is the people who no one imagines anything of, who do the things that no one can imagine.' ~ The Imitation Game

Shivalik, (detailed story shared in the last edition) is the embodiment of this quote.

The story of a young child who ran away from his home after being subjected to physical abuse, got exposed to the atrocities of the city of Delhi, forced to live at the Railway Station and do some odd jobs to fill an empty stomach. He eventually got in touch with the SBT team, and now this young child did not have to think about filling an empty stomach and could start his education and that is when he was introduced to Karate.



We were supremely proud of him as he won the **B.R. Ambedkar National Awards 2022** for his outstanding contribution to the field of sports by promoting and teaching sports to the underprivileged sections of society.

Sajda Pathan

After shooting for her debut film La Tresse (The Braid) based on the Right to education, Sajda Pathan is up for her second adventure. In her second film which is a documentary, she is playing the role of a girl who lives in a fictional slum and the story touches upon issues related to child labour, the global supply chain, and the education of women.



We are as excited as the team is and we are rooting for her!

Skill Development

Healing through Art

"Only education is not the answer for this country, education linked with livelihood is the answer"

Mrs. Praveen Nair, Founder Trustee

Education with an emphasis on skill building is encouraged widely at SBT. Muktangan, an initiative by Probir Gupta, an artist and activist creates and carries out strategic art-centered interventions that have a long-lasting effect on the lives of vulnerable children who seldom have an opportunity to indulge in out of pocket extra-curricular activities. The out come of the current ongoing project 'Shape' which aims to engage vulnerable adolescents in the art of pottery and ceramics with a focus on healing and developing vocational skills was exhibited at the Alliance Françoise in Lodhi Road.



A total of 8 children from Salaam Baalak Trust have been learning the craft for the past 5 years and have benefitted from learning pottery. This has also fostered therapeutic healing.

Cricket Match

Our gender neutral team, with equal number of males and females. The team recently participated in a 2 day Cricket Tournament organized by AADHYA Foundation. In total four NGOs participated. It was a great experience for our children. It was also an opportunity for them to understand that winning and losing, both are part and parcel of a game but putting your best foot forward was essential in life.





This tournament was also a great experience as our team is preparing for the upcoming Street children World Cup, 2023.

Theatre & Drama

IKIGAI

Theatre provides a space for our children to express their inner emotions. Sometimes role play makes them understand situations much better than any explanation we may give. Often our kids garner much from our drama classes and their reactions to different emotions. Each year our children get to experience the beauty of theatre while preparing for the annual theatre production. They develop themes, co-write the story line and often our alumini direct these annual productions.

Like the last 25 years, the children of Salaam Baalak Trust have started preparing in full swing for this year's Production, inspired from the book "IKIGAI" - it's a Japanese concept of finding the purpose and reason of being in our life. The play promises to be an enriching experience.

We cordially invite you to come for it along with family and friends.







Date: December 15th, 16th & 17th 2022

Time: 6:30pm onwards

Venue: LTG Auditorium, Mandi House, New Delhi



Book your seats now!

A special visit from Vienna

The Salaam Citywalk Team of SBT welcomed 60 Guests from AMEX, Vienna, Austria on 22nd October, 2022. The team visited our boys home - DMRC, Children Home for Boys, where they got a glimpse about the organisation, Child helpline and Salaam City Walk. It was an eye opener for their team to be aware of the grim realities of street children.



Book your citywalk tour now

Higher Education

With the support of our well-wishers and donors, our rising stars, who successfully completed their schooling, have joined different universities to achieve their career goals.

- Barkha BA (Psychology) from GD Goenka University
- Karuna BBA from IP University
- Armaan BA (Geography) from Delhi University
- Serena BA (Hospitality) from IHM Chandigarh
- Sabrina BA (hospitality) from IHM Ahmedabad
- Laxmi BBA (Travel & Tourism) from IITM Noida
- Teena BBA (Travel & Tourism) from IITM Noida
- Priya Diploma(food production) from IHM Jodhpur

Be a part of their Journey

SPONSOR A CHILD @ 60,000 PER YEAR

OR

Educate a child @ Rs.1500 per month- this includes school fees, uniforms, school bag, tiffin, bottle etc, books and stationary, Tuition and extra classes and snack for Tiffin.

Feed a child @ Rs. 3000 per child per month – this includes 3 hot meals every day .

Health, Hygiene & Clothing for a child @ 500 per month. This includes general checkups, immunizations, medicines.

A child can be nourished - body and soul - @ Rs 5000 per month.

Make a commitment, its often just the cost of a dinner out with friends, but the difference is meaningful and has far reaching impacts.

Become a monthly donor - do a drive for us and get more of your friends to sign up for a monthly donation.

How can you help us?

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"No amount is too little or too large"

Click here for Donations

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