



Dharithree Trust®

An Institution for people with special Needs

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Annual report for the year 2016-17

Dharithree is an institution working in the field of disability since 2003. We have completed 14 years in the services of special need children. At present we have 4 day-care centers and 1 residential home in which around 260 children are taken care. Dharithree has philosophy of Holistic approach to disability. The services include a wide range of activities to bring about a total change in the life of special children. The program includes therapeutic services, educational programs and vocational training apart from personal care, public awareness, socialization, language and communication development.

Programmes at Dharithree

Starts with morning Prayer followed by Yoga and pranayama, class room activities, therapy sessions (speech, physio, aculaser, dance, music and behavioral therapies), self-help skills and socialization. This helps in improving the abilities of children in all domains. We are also providing pre-vocational and vocational training.

Annual school gathering, celebration of National and cultural festivals, excursion to park and public places to develop socialization, are the part of our curriculum.

A parent meeting was conducted in all our centers in which counseling and guidance was given to them, regarding taking care of their children. Information about children welfare programmes like Guardianship act, Niramaya scheme and different Govt. Schemes was provided to all the parents and also Progress cards were issued to them and the development of their children was discussed in the meeting.

5 days' summer camp was conducted from 1st to 5th April 2016 Around 30 children from different special school attended the camp at our Narasipura residential campus. Drawing and painting classes was conducted by students from Chitrakalaparishath. Music dance and yoga classes, sports and recreation sessions. Trekking and mud bath therapy were part of our summer camp.

Smt. Savitha Sathyanarayana presented a unique story telling session which was enjoyed very much by our children. Sri. Govindaraj – Director for disabled – Govt. of Karnataka was present over the Valedictory function of our camp on 5th April 2016.

Our unit is located in the prominent industrial suburb of peenya. The bulk of the parents Hail from the labour class and we are catering to the needs of lower strata of the society.

Whereas our Narasipura unit is located in a rural area in five and half acres of serene land. Here the children come from agricultural fraternity to our school from surrounding villages.

In our Narasipura unit there are 2 separate hostels for male and female with all facilities. We have separate facilities to provide various therapies, pyramid built with the support from

M/S "Rockwell Collins". Here children are provided meditation therapy through meditation, provided building to provide music and dance therapy. Sponsored by Free Masons.

An audiometry therapy room is constructed by Free masons for speech therapy. Thus we have separate structure for each therapy to suit the needs of each therapy.

The serene atmosphere and the ambience is ideally suited for imparting education to special needs children away from the bustling atmosphere of city life.

One of our patrons by name Mr. B.R. Ramaprasad settled in USA collected funds under a program called global giving competition. On an appointed day all the donors were asked to donate a minimum of 5dollars, in which 193 people participated and Dharithree became topper in this competition and was awarded 1000 dollars.

In our Shivajinagar unit we give specific therapies to cater the needs of the Autistic children. This unit is taken care by Heart and Hand foundation and we pay our special thanks to the organization.

Ankura Malleshwaram is a unit which is ment for early birds to cater to the children below 10years of age and is called Early Intervention center.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Our children showcase their talents during Annual Day celebrations which is being separately conducted by each unit. Apart from this our children actively participate in the cultural activities at other forums also. Here we give some instances.

19 children of our Peenya unit participated in the Chitrakala competition on 09.11.2016 conducted by IRC institution. 13 children presented yoga dance in Kalangana dance competition held on 10.11.2016 and also 6 children participated in kalangana singing competition held on 14.11.2016.

On the occasion of world disabled day function held on 3rd December 2016 conducted by Department of disabled government of Karnataka, one of our parents Smt.Susheelamma was conferred "Best mother" award.

In a district level cultural and sports competition held at Doddaballapura on the occasion of world disabled day, nineteen of our Narasipura children won many prizes.

Our children from Narasipura residential home presented many cultural programmes on the occasion of Annual day celebrations of Dabbaspeth public school.

National and religious festivals like "Independence Day "Republic Day, Karthikadeepotsava, Rakshabandan, Sri. Krishna Janmashtami, world yoga day Ganesh Chaturthi etc. are celebrated with pomp and pageantry in all our centers.

On 3rd march 2017 a world known mridangavidwan Shri. Anoor Anantha Krishna Sharma and his team of musicians performed 2 hours music program under the Purandara Thyagaraja Arrandhana Mahotsava. Our children enjoyed the programme and also food was served during the occasion.

SPORTS ACTIVITIES

35 of our children participated in the competitions conducted by Disabled welfare office on the occasion of world disabled day. our children won 3 gold, 3 silver and 3 bronze medals. Our institution was given a special memento for their impressive route march (with band set).

On 20.01.2017, 27 children participated in the sports meet for special children, conducted by M/S. Rajaj Nagar Youth service organization and won 3 first prizes, 4 second prizes and 4 third prizes.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING ACTIVITIES

In our three units our children are provided vocational training to prepare phenyl, soap oil, envelopes, fashion items like ear rings, Necklace etc. coloring/ painting ornamental Diyas (lamps), gift packing, candle making, making saree bag and covers, preparing compost fertilizers etc.

We train our children in diary and farming which includes producing tree saplings, cow rearing activities like feeding grass, Bathing the cows, cleaning the cow shed and milking the cows.

We also teach them to peel the coconuts and removal of jute. We provide them horticultural training also.

Regular health checkup to our children is carried by team of Doctors. parents meeting is conducted regularly to train them to take care of their kith and kin. We brief the parents about the therapies given, progress made and follow-up action to be taken up by them.

We have involved ourselves in the programmes held by the department under the legislatures grant programme in Nelamangala taluk 22 beneficiaries were given motor, 2 wheelers etc.

The Arivina sinchana programme were held in the following high schools. yekeyatanahalli, Niduvanda, billinakote, Kuluvanahalli, Marakondenahalli to create awareness about disability in the society.

One Assessment camp and medical camp was conducted in Shivaganga.

Every month we participate in the progress assessment meetings conducted by the department.

There are 90 beneficiaries under the Niramaya scheme Dharithree had taken the initiative in achieving this.

We conducted a 5 days' residential work shop for workers who come under village rehabilitation scheme for VRW and MRW's who work at grampanchayat and taluk level to implement the scheme of government of Karnataka. Many experts guided these workers about the challenges they come across in the implementation of these scheme.

DIGNITORIES VISIT TO DHARITHREE

Shri. AnanthaKumar (Honorable minister for chemicals and fertilizers and minister for parliamentary affairs Govt of India).

Shri. Nanjappa member of jillapanchayat.

Shri. Prakash member of taluk panchayat

Shri. Govindaraju-Director for disability

Smt. Sumangala Mallapura DDW. Bangalore rural.

Smt. Renuka CRC Bangalore.

Shri. B.R. Ramaprasad past president Heart and Hand for handicapped, New Jersey USA.

Shri. Shrinath famous cine Actor.

Shri. Savyasachi Srinivasan, Senior Director M/S. Rockwell Collins Ltd.,

Smt. Rukmini Krishnaswamy, Director spastic society Bangalore.

Members of Lions club, Bangalore.

Members of Arya Vysya Sangha, Malleshwaram Bangalore.

Smt. Bhargava Revathi from Vikulasangha.

Members of Art of Living foundation of Sri. Sri. Ravi Shankarguruji.