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FROM THE DESK OF THE FOUNDER

The dream of fighting along side street children, to eradicate darkness from their lives through education, has seen itself develop into a big mission, with the passage of time, for Bestower Charitable Foundation. I feel accomplished, considering the developments and advancements, which took place in the year 2017- 18.

The year was prolific in terms of the initiatives taken up by the NGO and also the partnerships that we were able to foster with various governmental and non-governmental organisations. The team of Bestower Charitable Foundation undertook the Healthy India! Clean India! project, which saw us organising various camps and activities across districts. We further worked upon the Vodafone Financial Literacy Program and the SHGs (Self Help Groups). The Beti Bacho-Beti Padoo project acted as one of the highlights of the year. It was sponsored by the Ministry of Women and Child Development.

The "School Chalo" programme introduced by BCF, and the "Vidyapeeth school" in Purnea district of Bihar, continued to provide students with free education, books, academic support along with health care whenever needed. We also proudly ran the National Digital Literacy Mission (NDLM), a government project functioning in partnership with The Hope Foundation. After achieving all this, there still lies a limitless sky of opportunities to tap upon. We believe that our determination coupled with your support will enable us to keep going forward.



ABOUT THE TRUST

BCF is an Indian non-profit organisation working to improve the lives of underprivileged children, their families and communities through an approach that puts children at the centre of community development. Founded by Mr Sourav Singh on 9 February 2012, we have been working with our members and volunteers to help children access their rights to proper healthcare, basic education, and healthy environment. We strive to protect them from abuse and exploitation, and help them participate fully in decisions that affect their lives. BCF currently works in three states in India: Delhi, UP and Bihar.



VISION

To strive to have a happy, healthy and creative child whose rights are protected and honoured in a society that is built on respect for dignity, justice and equity for all.

MISSION

To end poverty & educate everyone in India.

We strive to develop and mobilize community and natural resources to give the right direction to children of the marginalized and economically weaker section of the society for their sustainable overall development.

To enable people to take responsibility for the situation of the deprived Indian child and so motivate them to seek solutions through individual and collective action, so children can realise their full potential. To encourage people to work together to create schools, hospitals and funding for India's underprivileged children. To go beyond social divides and work in partnership to secure, protect and honor the rights of India's children.

OVERVIEW (YEAR 2017-18)

In the year 2017-2018 also, BCF was involved in working towards improving the lives of underprivileged children, through the promotion of both academics and life skills. Additionally, we are offering vocational training for adult students. Our vision is to help every child in India receive education, one child at a time. This year we worked towards our Motto, "BCF is filling the gaps through academics, life skills, digital and vocational training, improving lives towards a positive future".

Currently we are working in three states of India. Delhi, UP, and Bihar with some major programs:

HEALTH & EDUCATION

HEALTHY INDIA! - CLEAN INDIA!

BCF works with its partners/sponsors to improve impoverished and rural communities with healthcare awareness. BCF trained teams, educated children and their families regarding proper and hygienic health habits. We provided monthly medical check-ups in urban areas of Delhi. Our teams teach rural and urban communities how to prevent diseases spread by dirtiness, flood waters, and mosquitoes.

In 2018, the first phase of project was launched- Healthy India! Clean India! BCF is implementing this project in March-October, this year. Our teams train rural areas, as well as slum, and ghetto urban areas of Bihar and U.P. We teach disease awareness. Through this project, we distribute preventive medicine for diseases caused by mosquitos, dirtiness, and flood waters. The medicines are homeopathic, 100% safe, and 99% effective in disease cure, and prevention.



SCHOOL CHALO

BCF is committed to educate India's youth, teens, and the left behind. We have already helped more than 900 underprivileged and street children to attend school. BCF provides scholarships through School Chalo. School Chalo is an initiative to increase enrollment in government schools for the underprivileged children, and drop outs in Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, and Bihar. We locate the parents of these children, and encourage them to enroll their children in school. BCF helps provide scholarships, and as long as the child attends the school, the scholarship remains active. We also provide free after school study programs. Additionally, we distribute food, clothing, stationary, books, pencils, and dictionaries. All this is made possible through your donations.



VIDYAPEETH SCHOOL

Vidyapeeth Primary School was established by BCF. This school is in a village of the Purnea District of Bihar. We work towards daily improvement for these underprivileged children. Their education is free of cost. Books, academic support, and healthcare facilities are also inclusive for these students.

Based on our experience, BCF believes that sustainable development of disadvantaged communities can only be achieved if children's best interests are at the heart of everything we do. "Child-Centered Community Development" is the term we use to describe how we aim to do our development work. It's a rights based approach to development. We support communities to develop the structures and skills they need, to provide a safe and healthy environment in which children are able to realize their full potential.



OVERVIEW (YEAR 2017-18)

SKILL TRAINING

VODAFONE FINANCIAL LITERACY PROGRAM

Bestower Charitable Foundation is working with several skill based programs to empower and impact citizens through financial literacy. Vodafone Financial Literacy Program (JAADU Ginni Ka) is a certificate course in financial literacy, and is free of cost.

This program is for adults with little or no experience of financial transactions through technology. Students learn these basics; banking and savings, mobile accounts and e-wallets, wise borrowing, investment, risk management with insurance, and financial planning.

SHG (SELF HELP GROUPS)

National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development or NABARD helping SHG (Self Help Groups) and JLG (Joint Liability Groups) consist of 4-10 informal individuals who are engaged in similar business/ occupation, seeking a loan.

BCF is helping these groups to avail a loan through the group mechanism against mutual guarantee. Additionally, BCF will train the interested JLG groups in Bihar to learn to breed goats for a livelihood venture. And, SHG groups, on how to purchase equipment for like minded livelihood ventures. Communities will thrive as individuals become self sufficient.

BCF- VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE

Bharat Vihar, Sector 14, Near Dwarka area. There are large groups of underprivileged children and adults in this area that want an education and can't afford it. We were working on sponsors for these students. Through our academic classes, many underprivileged children were helped to catch up to their grade levels.

THE GOAL - To help prepare adults students for vocational positions. To prepare them with life skills, career planning, interviewing skills, and introduce them to the digital world. Prepare them for the working world so they can stand on their own two feet. We feel that by helping the community through better education and new opportunities, crime will also be less in this area. This project has been completed.

NDLM

National Digital Literacy Mission is a government project. BCF ran this project in Delhi at our vocational training centres, in partnership with The Hope Foundation.

THE GOAL - Making one person in every family digitally literate is one of the integral components of Prime Minister's vision of a "Digital India". The Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (DISHA), or National Digital Literacy Mission (NDLM) scheme was formulated to impart IT training to 52.5 lakh individuals. Including, Anganwadi and ASHA workers, and authorized ration dealers in all the States/ UTs across the country. Non-IT literate citizens are trained to become IT literate, to enable them to actively and effectively participate in the democratic and developmental process, and enhance their livelihood. This BCF project is completed.



OVERVIEW (YEAR 2017-18)

WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

BETI BACHO-BETI PADAO

BCF understands that women's empowerment in India is heavily dependent on many different variables. These variables include geographical location (urban/rural), educational and social status, (caste and class), and age. We are committed to help empower women through education, and project and events that support women and the girl child, as well as programs that support livelihood, and basic women's rights.

In the "Beti Bacho-Beti Padoo" project, BCF will organise both marathon and street play events throughout 2018, sponsored by WCD Ministry. Live skits (street play) with the theme "Save The Girl Child, and Educate The Girl Child" is an opportunity to involve and educate communities.



11TH JULY 2017

BCF donated stationary to the needy children. Some children waste notebook pages. Here, these children hardly get notebooks.



21ST SEPTEMBER 2017

Delhi- While serving food to the needy children, we realized that some needy parents avoid onion and garlic because of Navratri.



15TH AUGUST 2017

Vidyapeeth School Children Celebrating Independence Day!



3RD OCTOBER 2017

Giving Tuesday Daanutsav. Celebrating with wish Tree. Giving Tuesday India Daanutsav by selling products and 2% of profit would go for helping the needy.



24TH AUGUST 2017

Some of our BCF- Vidyapeeth School children's houses have been washed away in Bihar flood.



13TH NOVEMBER 2017

Most of the less fortunate Children have a strong desire to study. After the Flood finished in Purnea, BCF- Vidyapeeth children are back in school.



14TH NOVEMBER 2017

BCF Children Celebrating Children's Day!



17TH JANUARY 2018

"Beti Bacho-Beti Padoo" A successful event by BCF Delhi, sponsored by WCD Ministry. In Vijwasan New Delhi, two separate locations, we held live skits (street play) educating the public on the theme "Save The Girl Child, and Educate The Girl Child".



24TH NOVEMBER 2017

A New BCF School has been opened in a village of Dist. Arariya, Bihar.



18TH JANUARY 2018

"Beti Bacho-Beti Padoo", a successful event by BCF Delhi, sponsored by WCD Ministry. In IP University Dwarka, New Delhi, we held live skits (street play) educating the public on the theme "Save The Girl Child, and Educate The Girl Child".



2ND DECEMBER 2017

"Beti Bacho-Beti Padoo", a successful event organised by BCF Delhi, sponsored by WCD Ministry. In kapasehra, three separate locations, we held live skits (street play) educating the public on the theme "Save The Girl Child, and Educate The Girl Child".



19TH JANUARY 2018

"Beti Bacho-Beti Padoo", celebrating girls child week. A successful event by BCF Delhi, sponsored by WCD Ministry. We held live skits (street play) & a short Movie screening, educating children of a Sr. Sec. School on the theme of "Save The Girl Child, and Educate The Girl Child".



19TH JANUARY 2018

"Beti Bacho-Beti Padoo." Celebrating, "Girl Child Week". A successful event by BCF Delhi, sponsored by WCD Ministry. Organised at Gyan International School Goyal Dairy New Delhi, BCF educated large groups with live skits (street play), "Save The Girl Child, and Educate The Girl Child".



20TH JANUARY 2018

"Beti Bacho-Beti Padoo." Celebrating, "Girl Child Week". A successful event by BCF Delhi, sponsored by WCD Ministry. Organised at Govt. Sr. Sec. School No. 2 Najafgarh, New Delhi, BCF educated large groups with live skits (street play), "Save The Girl Child, and Educate The Girl Child".



22ND JANUARY 2018

BCF - Vidyapeeth School's staff and students celebrated Saraswati Pooja



25TH JANUARY 2018

BCF is launching new project JLG. Under this project, we are helping the underprivileged to purchase and breed goats for their livelihood.



25TH JANUARY 2018

Launching the SHG project to help the underprivileged women to get loan and buy equipments for earning their livelihood. BCF is implementing this project in March-October, this year. Our teams train rural areas, as well as slum, and ghetto urban areas of Bihar and U.P. We teach disease awareness. Through project Healthy India! - Clean India!, we distribute preventive medicine for diseases caused by mosquitoes, dirtiness, and flood waters. The medicines are homeopathic, 100% safe, and 99% effective in disease cure, and prevention.

