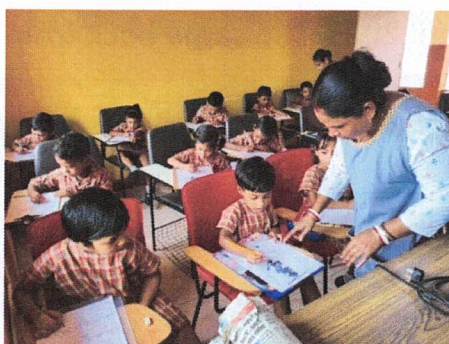


## Newsletter for the Year 2023

### CRECHE NEWS



We started the crèche on 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan 2023 for this academic session with 140 children. New admissions took place in each month as per the vacancy. The old and the new children have mingled amongst themselves in quick duration of time.

The children were prepared and appeared for their first assessment in the month of August 2023. The assessments were held in English, Maths, Hindi/Bengali and Drawing. A total of 161 children appeared for this exam.



Roshni Kumari Chowdhuri, a girl from the state of Bihar (DOB: 05/05/2003) came to Kolkata to stay with her family who have migrated in search of jobs. Roshini became deaf from the age of 5 as she suffered typhoid. Her father is a taxi driver and her mother is a housewife. She has a brother who is studying in school. Roshini has never been to school. She used to help her mother in doing



household works. Roshni was a very quiet girl. She was unable to speak and is hearing impaired. She came to Jan Seva in the year 2015 to learn stitching as the family could not understand how to educate her. Roshini was a fast learner in case of knitting and stitching. She started picking up the instructions of the Vocational instructor who taught her using the sign language.

Unfortunately, none of the normal school gave her admission and her parents were not much aware of special education. Her life transformed after coming to Jan Sava as she started earning by making crèche uniforms, cross stitch towel borders and various other useful items. She gained respect amongst her family members as soon as she started earning. Her parents dropped her to Jan Seva during her class/work hours and came to pick her up after the session. Although she was earning, her personal government identity documents were ignored by the family, who were only



interested in her earnings. She even did not have her birth certificate, PAN card, Aadhar card and Disability card.

From the year 2022, we wanted to help the girl with a hearing aid which would help her to be more efficient. In the month of April 2023, she came back from her native place in Bihar getting all her required documents in place.

On 2<sup>nd</sup> August our Honourable Vice Chairperson Mrs Shirin Dastur gifted Roshini a Hearing aid after consulting the doctors and our speech therapist. The sparkle

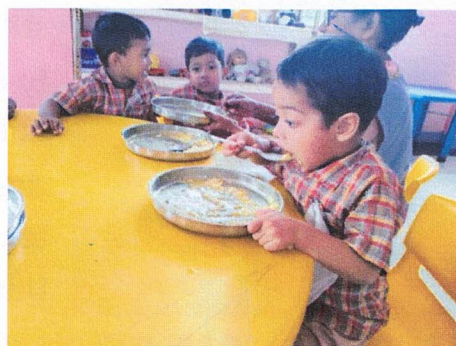


in the eyes of Roshini after wearing the machine in her ears was glittering. She started hearing the sounds and tried to speak instead of nodding her head which she used to do all these years. Her speech therapy has started in Jan Seva. In these last three months she has improved in her body language, speech and her style of working.



A creche child named Chandradeep Halder DOB 26/06/2020 had been suffering from nasal obstruction, mouth breathing, runny nose, chest deformity, draining ears, obstructive sleep apnea and daytime sleepiness. He had enlarged adenoids. The child underwent an operation in

the month of March 2023. Endoscopic Coblator assisted with Adenoidectomy was done under General Anesthesia. The child had smooth recovery and he is back in creche with all his normal activities. This operation was completely sponsored by SICW. The child stays in a shanty located beside a water body. The father has a small fruit shop and the mother is a housewife. The child belongs to a very poor socio economic condition.



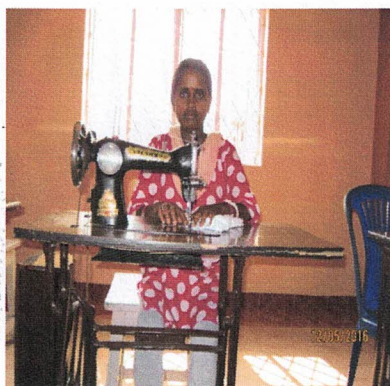


## **COMPUTER TRAINING PROGRAM**



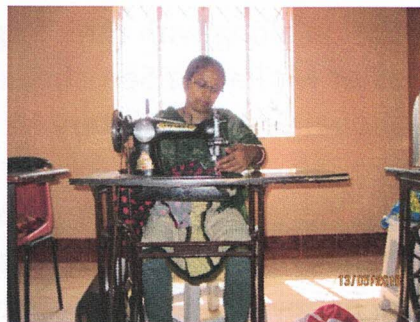
Tally course has been started from the month of August 2023 for the students who are mostly from the Accounts background. It is a course of 4 months where students will learn the Tally software and how to make the GST calculation. This course is conducted along with NIIT Foundation New Delhi. The Training of the Trainer and the course books have been provided by the NIIT Foundation. The assessment and the certificate will be provided at the end of the course which will help the students to acquire jobs in the market.

## **VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAM**



Both the middle aged ladies and young girls have shown their interest in this knitting and stitching class. They have learnt to make various Indian dresses, petticoats, towel sets with embroidery borders, saree fall pico and lovely wedding

collection of potli bags. This training session operates thrice a week. The ladies also make the crèche uniform which the children wear during their crèche hours.



## **ADULT LITERACY PROGRAM**

Very good news to share with our reader's is that Jan Sava has started the Adult Literacy Course in December 2023. This course was discontinued due to pandemic when the students were unable to attend their classes. The course is having two classes in a day, thrice a week where mostly school dropouts, few college students are taking admission to get the knowledge on banking, hygiene, government identities, marriage, pregnancy, vaccination and gender policy. A revision session on English Grammar is also conducted for 15 minutes in every session so that the students get familiar with the correct English.



## **CELEBRATING THE UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD DAY**



Children of Jan Seva visited Freemasons of Regional Grand Lodge of Eastern India on 24th June 2023 to celebrate the Universal Brotherhood Day amongst the Freemasons. The Jan Seva children were invited by Mr Amarendra Kumar Banerjee, Past Deputy Regional Grand Master of the Freemasons. The children of Jan Seva attended the program, enjoyed the magic show which was scheduled for that day in the Lodge Freemason's Hall at 19 Park Street Kolkata. The teacher's of both Udaan and ECCEC accompanied the children. A fabulous arrangement of refreshment and entertainment were organized for each one of them.

Our Vice Chairperson Mrs Shirin Dastur was also present in this celebration with the children. The Board Members of the Freemasonry were present to grace the occasion along with their Regional Grand Master Mr Parvez Serosh Kaikobad and Regional Grand Secretary Mr Anil Khullar.



The children received stationary items, school bag, and lots of goodies. While watching the magic show they enjoyed cups of ice cream which made them very happy. They all returned back to Jan Seva with a smile on their face.



### **NUTRITION GARDEN**

Due to long summer season and late arrival of the monsoon, the summer vegetation gave a high yield this year. The children enjoyed ladies finger, ridged gourd and snake gourd more than five months at a stretch. The winter yield was not so high because untimely rain destroyed the vegetation at different times of the year.

## **YOGA SESSION**



Yoga classes for both the community people and as well as for the in-house staff of Jan Seva



was introduced in December 2023. Ms Enakshi

Bhattacharya a very renowned Yoga Trainer has joined the Jan Seva team as a trainer for Yoga. The classes are being held twice a week in the afternoon.

There are 18 candidates for the Yoga session currently.