



Light of Life Trust

Light of Life Trust is a nonprofit NGO established in 2002 by Founder & Managing Trustee Villy Doctor, with a vision to transform the lives of underprivileged rural communities in India. The Trust aims to empower communities through an integrated model of education, skill training programmes and health care in rural areas. Since its inception 1,19,506 lives have been impacted by Light of Life Trust.

1) Project Anando (Education): initiated in 2005 with 25 children the programme till date has impacted 10559 children directly and 52795 community members indirectly from 5 districts in Maharashtra and one district in Madhya Pradesh across 520 villages. The project adopts the **3E** method: **E**ducate, **E**mpower and **E**quip for employability to support the children to achieve their full potential.



i) Anando Plus: aims at supporting Anando students to make appropriate career choices based on their aptitude, capabilities and interest either to pursue higher education or undertake vocational training. Efforts are made to generate financial support through scholarships for the needy children.



ii) Anant: Anant is a collaborative arts education project in association with Flowering Tree Inc. It is a unique program which provides a platform for the children to develop skills and experience in Indian music & dance.



iii) School Empowerment Program: is an integrated development programme conducted with school authorities & teachers to ensure quality education for all. The implementation of the programme is undertaken with intensive training of school teachers who are the main catalyst of change in the education system.

2) Project Jagruti (Community Development): Initiated in the year 2009 to empower rural disadvantaged communities through :

i) Livelihood Training Programmes: Courses are offered in tailoring, beautycare, computers, health attendant, electrician, landscape & lawn development, kitchen gardening, plant nursery management, security guard training, water equipment technicians, journalism, jewellery making, goat rearing etc to supplement family income. In all 2632 beneficiaries have been trained under these programmes.



ii) Health Care: A Medical Mobile Unit (MMU) provides primary health care services to about 64 villages in Karjat to benefit around 23000 population annually. In addition to health check-up camps, the MMU also conducts health awareness programmes and camps.



IMPACT

Economic Empowerment

93% of parents earn a monthly income below Rs. 5500/- in comparison **51%** of employed beneficiaries are earning monthly income from Rs 5500/- to Rs. 22,000/-

Education Impact

57% of LOLT female beneficiaries are pursuing higher education, in comparison **16%** of female students pursue higher education in Maharashtra.

Social Impact

In the areas of intervention the average marriage age of female beneficiaries of LOLT is **20.5** years as against the average age of **17** years in the said area.



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