



From the Editor's Desk



“Love looks not with the eyes” - Our children of Devnar school for the visually impaired

Expansion of CHORD - SUPERGAS Skill Centre



It was indeed a pleasure for us in SUPERGAS India to have Mr. Steven Sels, Management Board Member SHV Energy NV to grace and inaugurate the two newly constructed floors of CHORD – SUPERGAS Centre for Learning at Bollaram, Hyderabad on 4th September 2019.

After the success of the skill centre since 2016, CHORD and SGF decided to expand the skill training activities to benefit more vulnerable youth and families. Accordingly SGF has contributed for construction of two additional floors to the existing building.

Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Steven Sels said that he felt a little bit of home, as his mother was also a teacher in tailoring, so he grew-up between the sewing machines but it is a different environment in Europe. He shared the story

of sea turtles, which may be living thousands of kilometers away from where they were born, they always go back to the same beach to lay their eggs. He hoped that the skill trainees should learn new things in life and always remember where they came from and stay in touch with CHORD. He thanked CHORD for their good work and wished everyone a very good future and lot of development.

The children of CHORD school enthralled everyone with their traditional and folk dances. Some of the trainees volunteered to speak from their heart on being benefitted from the skill training which is now giving them month after month dividends for their hard work.



Auditory Verbal Therapy facility



An 'Auditory Verbal Therapy' centre (AVT) for the speech & hearing impaired children of Ashray Akruti has been inaugurated by CEO Mr. Ajay Kumar on 5th July 2019 at Hyderabad. SGF has been privileged to partner with Ashray Akruti by extending a helping hand for their noble cause.

Ashray Akruti supports cochlear surgery for the speech & hearing impaired children. The surgery becomes successful only after the child undergoes a tri-weekly 'Auditory verbal therapy' for at least 3 years continuously. Each therapy session lasts about 45 minutes, under the guidance and care of special trainers engaged by Ashray Akruti. Thereafter the child has the invaluable gift of speaking & hearing for the rest of their lives, helping them to live a life of quality and purpose with confidence.

Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Ajay Kumar reminded that often we forget how blessed most of us are, having no physical impairments. He appreciated the untiring efforts and hard work of the children, parents and of the special trainers of Ashray Akruti and of Mr. D.P.K Babu. Mr. Ajay Kumar congratulated SGF team for the continuous and consistent support to the needy and differently abled children.

SGF adopts HIV Children

ANANDAGHAR is a home for the HIV infected children at Baruipur near to our Kolkata office. SGF has adopted and is continuing to support 15 girl children living with HIV, for their education and nutrition supplement under the SGF policy 'Beti Bachao Beti Padoo'. On 6th September 2019, the program was graced by Mr. Malay Saha, accompanied by Mr. Dipankar Ganguly and Mr. Satyabrata Mukherjee from East Region. They spent quality time by interacting with the specially challenged children of the institution and also with the management and staff.



SGF & Ashray Akruti - 'Breaking the walls of silence'

In continuation of its ongoing support since the last 2 years, SGF has been contributing for Ashray Akruti's 'Multimedia & Animation' skill training of the 'speech & hearing impaired' persons. Every year 50 persons are given free skill training by Ashray Akruti in 'Multimedia & Animation'. After the training, the differently abled persons have the opportunity to get placement in decent jobs, thus giving them a sustainable livelihood.

On 3rd August 2019, the graduation ceremony for the 2nd batch of skill trainees was conducted by Ashray Akruti in its Sri Nagar Colony Center. Mr. Santanu Guha and Mr. Sreeman Kadali have graced the occasion accompanied by Mr. Saibabu, Ms. Alekhya and Ms. Pavani.

Mr. Santanu while delivering his address said that the skill trainees should not get bogged-down due to their disability; rather they should make the best out of their abilities in carving out their future, by focusing on their strengths and do well in life. Mr. Sreeman in his speech recalled the association between SGF and Ashray Akruti and the good progress made in helping the children and skill trainees of Ashray Akruti. He said that 'their hands are their mouths and their eyes are their ears' for the differently abled persons of Ashray Akruti and that SGF is helping in 'Breaking the walls of silence'.



SGF supports renewable energy

SUPERGAS Foundation donated 'Solar Roof-top Power Plant' with a capacity of 7.04 KW to Bhagat Pragji Parsotam Mental Ashram at Porbandar. On 30th June 2019, the solar plant was inaugurated by Mr. Mahesh Joshi, District Deputy Collector, Porbandar in presence of our SGF volunteers. The Solar Roof-top power plant helps in reducing monthly power bill costs. Mr. Ramesh Karmur, Senior Terminal Manager has briefed about the good work of SUPERGAS Foundation. Deputy Collector appreciated SGF for helping sustainable CSR.



Envisioning a new world for the visually impaired

SUPERGAS Foundation has been actively supporting the visually impaired children of 'Devnar School for the blind' since many years. In continuation of our engagement, SGF has now contributed for the construction of an entire new floor of 4796 sq. ft in the upcoming building of Devnar in Hyderabad. The said floor rightly named as 'SUPERGAS Floor' would serve as a kitchen, wash area and dining space for 550 blind children to sit and enjoy their meals together.

The 'SUPERGAS Floor' was inaugurated by CEO Mr. Ajay Kumar in the presence of our colleagues, SGF Team, staff, children and management of Devnar on the 28th September 2019. Other guests of honour were CEO Designate Mr. Santanu Guha, CFO Rasmus, SGF Trustee & Secretary Mr. Sreeman Kadali.

Addressing the gathering, Mr. Ajay Kumar said that every time he comes to Devnar, he sees tremendous energy and



amazing work being done by the staff, teachers, volunteers and students of Devnar School. He expressed his happiness that the students of Devnar are doing well in life after completing Devnar schooling.

Mr. Santanu shared his personal experience of 'Dialogue in the dark' restaurant in Chennai which is handled by visually impaired staff. He said that the other senses and faculties of the blind are so sharp and strong, they demonstrate they are absolutely equal to the sighted people. He assured continued support of SGF to Devnar to help carry on the great work so that children can benefit and become more empowered and knowledgeable in life to have a great future.

Taking initiatives is about going beyond the call of duty

The teachers of CHORD school are good in doing what they were told to do. But they wanted to know what it means to proactively take initiatives at the workplace / school. In this context, the Director of CHORD Mr. Manjulatha Malladi requested Mr. Sreeman Kadali to undertake a session on 'Taking initiatives' at work place for the 30 teachers.

Accordingly on 14th September 2019, Mr. Sreeman Kadali conducted a half day workshop for the teachers of CHORD at Bachupally School. The session was rolled-out by him with questions on how the teachers took initiatives and implemented in their personal lives and how their families benefited from such initiatives.

The session was thereafter steered into taking initiatives at workplace / school for the benefit of themselves, the children and for the CHORD as an organization. Mr. Sreeman made the participants give interesting presentation on (a) why people hesitate to take initiatives and (b) how and why taking initiatives are good for everyone.

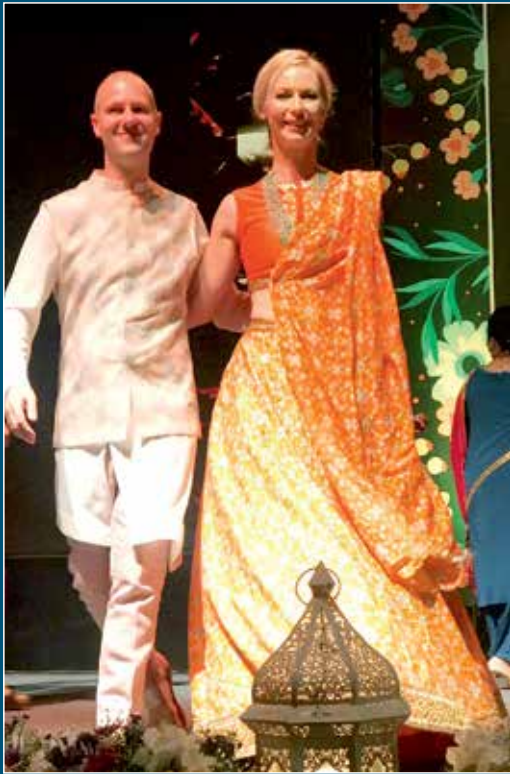


New office for SUPERGAS Foundation

SUPERGAS Foundation has moved into its own office on 5th September 2019. The office is located in the ground floor of SDE Serene Chambers, Banjara Hills Hyderabad. CEO Mr. Ajay Kumar has done the honour of cutting the ribbon and inaugurated the new office in the presence of SGF Trustees and staff.



Walking the ramp for a cause



Mrs. Betina and Mr. Rasmus Ellerbaek walked the ramp, clad in ethnic wear, in support of 'Heal-a-child' foundation's cause of saving the critically-ill infants, on 15th September 2019 at Novotel Convention Hyderabad.

CHORD School tiny-tots get new benches



The kindergarten children of CHORD School were full of smiles and gleaming eyes, on receiving their brand new colourful benches. SUPERGAS Foundation has contributed 50 no's of new classroom benches to the LKG/UKG children of CHORD School on 28th August 2019. The benches looked very trendy in blue, red and fluorescent green colours. SGF team Mr. Sreeman & Ms. Pavani visited CHORD and

formally handed-over the benches to the school in the presence of children, staff and management of CHORD.

Mrs. Arpitha Guha has personally volunteered on that day with lot of enthusiasm to partake in the event and to spend quality time with the little children. Mrs. Guha being an experienced teacher and also a social worker herself, addressed the higher classes children and wished them well in their academics & personal endeavors.

'Beti Bachao Beti Pado'



Mr. Ajay Sanghi handing over SGF's education support to economically poor girl children in Tuticorin.

SGF helps village hygiene & health



SGF contributed a brand new eco-friendly battery operated garbage collection and disposal vehicle to S. Lingotam village near Choutuppal Filling Plant.

Support to Grace Care Home



SGF North team donated inverter batteries, ceiling fans, store items and gave self-defence classes for the girls at Grace Care Home, Kanawni Village, Indrapuram, Ghaziabad.



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