

Injustice of Justice- Project Progress Report

Samarpan Foundation's Project – Injustice of Justice work in Tihar Jail- inside with inmates and outside with families of inmates

Tihar Jail is India's most high security facility and the largest prison complex in South Asia comprising 10 prisons. With the steady increase in crime, the population of the prison complex is currently around 13000 prisoners, more than double the sanctioned capacity.

Thinking about the injustice meted out in the name of justice, we realised that the family of a prison inmate are innocent victims as the 'breadwinner' is incarcerated. We located the families of inmates, paid their house rent, put the children in school, provided dry rations and offered training to the wives so that they could be independent. When we visited the inmates with the news that their families were cared for, they were at first suspicious, but over a period of months, they asked to be taught a trade so that they could lead honest lives once they were released.

We work to uplift the living conditions of the families of inmates, and to transform the lives of inmates to empower them to lead self-sustained, independent lives.

With support of Asha For Education, we were able to carry out many activities in and outside Tihar Jail for inmates and their families. Below is the brief description of the activities-

ACTIVITIES INSIDE PREMISES OF TIHAR JAIL

1. Eye Camp

Vision is one of the strongest ways we connect with each other. To have a healthy vision is a boon in itself!

For the same cause, Samarpan Foundation organized eye camps –

- Central Jail No 2 in 2016 in collaboration with LensKart (a leading online eyewear company)
- Central Jail No 4 in 2015 in collaboration with Mohan Eye institute

The event was much appreciated by the inmates and the Tihar authorities as it took care of one of the many concerns of the inmates.



2. Annual Inter Jail Event

Inter Jail Quiz Competition was organized in December 2015 at Central Jail No 2.

This event did not only encouraged the inmates to make an effort to be aware of their surroundings, but also been a sparkly rainbow in their rather grey lives. There were three participants from each jail, from CJ1 to CJ8&9 and Rohini Jail. Each participant was given a participation cash prize, certificate and gift. Winners were also given cash prize, certificates and gifts.



The quiz camp primarily showcases the exceptional talents of those who are constantly refused a chance.



3. Skill Development Classes

Quilling Course

Teaches the art of creating gifts and decorative card & envelopes with strips of paper. These products have a great market in the field of handicrafts.

Trainer- Ms Sonia Bhasin Classes conducted in Jail- 3 and 4



This quilling course for the male inmates of Tihar jail broke gender stereotype for such crafts. The course was heartily welcomed by these bright learners. The day course was aimed to educate and make the inmates self-sufficient, and to allow them to have a satisfied and well fulfilled life, beyond and within the prison gates. Each participant was provided with certificates.

Dance Classes

Teaches the inmates contemporary style of dance, enhancing their talent and making it professional by certifying the same on course completion; this also increases physical activities of inmates which helps in reducing stress and anxiety in the inmates

Trainer- Mr Ginni Batra
Dance Form- Ballet, Hip Hop and Bollywood contemporary
Classes conducted in Jail No 7
Students of Mr Ginni also performed at 'Tihar Idol' conducted in Tihar Jail

Trainer- Mr Gaurav Salwan
Dance Form- Zumba and Bollywood
Classes conducted in Jail No 5, 8&9

Padho Padhao Classes

Provides inmates with Basic Literacy and teach them Life Skills through motivation and encouragement; Mr Pankaj's classes saw great turn out as young inmates connected with him and were motivated to learn. Each inmate gave an exam certified by NIOS – National Institute of Open Schooling

Trainer- Mr Pankaj Singh Classes conducted in Jail No 7



Personality Development Classes

To enhance communication skills of inmates using various activities like art and craft, newspaper craft, waste management, theatre etc. These classes not only opened the inmates to new ideas, but also led them to channelize their energy and enthusiasm in the best way that created happiness as the end product. Each inmate go to know themselves and their talent better by exploring new ideas each week guided by the trainer.

Trainer- Mr Satyam Shekhar Classes conducted in Jail No 7











ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE TIHAR PREMISES – FOR THE FAMILIES OF INMATES

- 1. Dry Ration Support
- 2. Education Support

Volunteers are extended family for the families supported through healing, dry rations, medical, financial, educational and emotional support.

- In 2016, Samarpan Foundation has supported 18 inmates' families fulfilling their various needs.
- The number of beneficiaries in the 18 families being supported are 64
- 16 families are being provided with nutritional/ educational/ medical support as per the need.
- 2 families are being provided only with educational support.
- Besides the above, various festivals are celebrated with the families
- The families are provided with various gift packs for the children, monthly food parcels and living essentials such as sweaters, shoes, school bags, stationary items, thermals and blankets from time to time.





Funds Utilization

The funds provided by Asha for Education were used across many sectors of the project and we are extremely thankful that we have been provided with the tools to implement what we can, for the best of our beneficiaries.

The expenditure break up till date i.e. 28th January 2017 is as follows:

Category	Sum of Amount
EDUCATION	
Tuition support	22730
Inter Jail Quiz	96146
EMPOWERMENT	
Skill Development	517639
NUTRITION	
Nutrition Support	44263
MEDICAL	
Eye Camp	80955
PROJECT MANAGEMENT	
Project In-charge	144000
Grand Total	905733

We immensely thank Asha for Education for supporting us with this cause and we are looking forward for our continued partnership.

Thank you!

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