

# Society of Door Step School Project Foundation - Pune

Annual Update for 2017-2018 Budget Proposal 2018-2019

## Door Step School – Brief Background

Founder President: Mrs. Rajani Paranjpe (TISS graduate, long track record in social work)

#### DSS runs 8 programs:

- 1. Project Foundation
- 2. School on wheels
- > 3. Project Grow With Books
- 4. Community learning centers
- 5. Parivartan training center
- 6. Every Child Counts
- 7. Parents' Participation in Children's Education
- 8. Project Teach them young

"Project Foundation" is part of the Direct Education Program of Door Step School which addresses the needs of children who do not have access to formal schools. DSS runs Educational Activity Centers -EAC (Literacy Classes) and study classes for these children, supported by Balwadis and Day Care Centers at construction sites.

# Location



- Mumbai & Pune, Maharashtra
   Registered Non-Profit with FCRA
   Clearance
- Focus: Literacy and Primary education for the urban poor

# **DSS History**

- 1989: Founded by Mrs Rajani Paranjpe and Bina Lashkari in Mumbai
- 1993: Mrs.Paranjpe brought Door Step School to Pune
- 1993-2004:
- Launched School on Wheels bus
- Reading classes in public schools Grow with Book program started
- Started first community learning center
- 2005-2018:
- Asha Seattle involvement from 2005.
- In-house training center "Parivartan" launched in 2007
- Every child counts (ECC) launched in 2011
- Gone beyond Mumbai and Pune extension to Nasik and Solapur
- Started Teach them young program

# **Project Foundation**

#### **Educational Activity Centers (EACs)**

#### Overview:

- DSS identify communities, like migrant worker's children, street children, and then try to establish classes as quickly as possible for them.
- The aim is to get them to the level where they can enroll in regular school.

#### **Facilities:**

- Generally, all DSS classes are held at construction sites where a location, a tin shed or a room, is provided by the builder. Government requires builders to provide a safe space for the children, while their parents are at work.
- For Project Foundation, DSS has negotiated with the builders to use these spaces as EAC's (Educational Activity Centers)

# **Project Foundation**

#### **Activities:**

- Balwadis These are kindergarten classes for children aged 3-6 to have fun learning so that they are more inclined and better equipped to go to school.
- **Study Classes** Here children attending school are helped to cope with schoolwork. A little guidance and a quiet place to study can make all the difference.
- Literacy Classes These classes are for out-of-school children with a special focus on basic literacy skills, language and math.
- ▶ Child Care Centers /Creche— This is a facility to take care of younger siblings (0-3 age group) at the Educational Activity Centers. It enables older children to attend school.
- School Transport It is an added service provided for bringing children to municipal schools as well as for collecting them from smaller sites.
- Quest Science Labs Children from construction sites nearby are taken to these labs where they are taught fundamentals of science using hands on experiments. These classes make a useful exposure visits for DSS children who otherwise will never have opportunity to see such a facility.

#### **Support:**

DSS finances 70% of operational costs; Builder finances the remaining 30%

DSS currently operates in over 73 EACs across the Pune metropolitan area serving approximately 3443 children

## **EAC** site visit



Construction site in Baner. Beyond the green barrier is the accommodation for the construction workers along with the DSS classroom.



DSS classroom.



Living quarters of the construction workers and the DSS students.

## **EAC** site visit





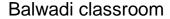
Children greet us as we enter.

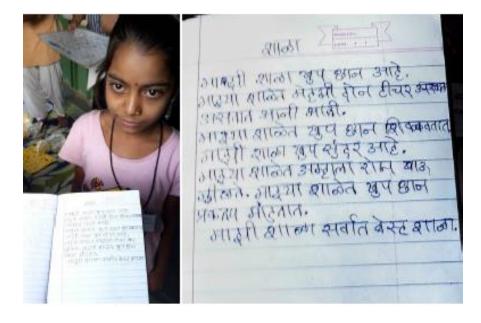
The builder is supportive and has provided a cooler and fans.

The classrooms are filled with student projects and the children seem to enjoy themselves.

### **EAC** site visit







Shivani displaying the Marathi essay she wrote on the spot during our visit.

Refer to site visit report for more details:

https://ashadocserver.s3.amazonaws.com/659\_DSSPune-SiteVisit-April24-2018-Satyajit.pdf

## **Parivartan Training Center**

DSS started parivartan training center to train their teachers. It also helps in quality management of teachers and other staff.



Innovative teaching methods. These stories are written and illustrated by the children. They are used as reading material during lessons.

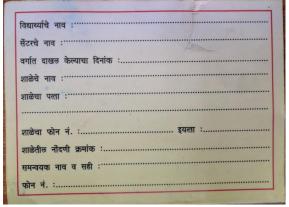


Parivartan teacher training center at Annabhau Sathe municipal school. Other NGOs have collaborated with DSS to train their teachers using DSS' effective methods.

## Needs of migrant children.

- Non-Marathi speakers.
  - Many of the construction workers come from other states and do not know Marathi. The children have been educated in another language up to that point but according to RTE, they need to be enrolled in the age-appropriate class.
  - DSS has developed a 12 week program to get the students proficient in basic Marathi.
- If migrating within DSS network, identity card ensures seamless transition.





# **Asha Support Details**

City	DSS Projects
Seattle	Society of Door Step Schools - Project Foundation (Pune) (Supports 2 EACs) This year Asha Seattle is supporting Velstand and Verde residence EACs.
St. Louis	Society for Door Step Schools – Grow with Books (Pune)
Silicon Valley	The Society of Door Step Schools (Pune) (Supports 10 EACs)

#### Children enrollment in Velstand and Verde residence EACs for May 2018

Site Name	Balwadi	Crèche	L.C	Grand Total	
Velstand	6	3	5	14	
Boy	3	2	3	8	
Girl	3	1	2	6	
Verde Residence					
collection	13	6	9	28	
Boy	8	4	7	19	
Girl	5	2	2	9	

Last years budget approval:

Annual budget for April 2017 – March 2018 ₹ 5.5 lakhs
• Covered 2 EAC's

#### THE SOCIETY FOR DOOR STEP SCHOOLS

**Project Title: Educational Activity** 

**Centers - Project Foundation** 

Project Period: April 2018 - March 2019

Funding Partner: Asha Seattle

Budget Cod	Particulars /Budget Head	No. of Persons for One centers	Unit Cost/ Per Center	No. of Unit/ Center	2018-2019	2017-2018
Ŭ	1 Personnel					
1.1	Reporting and Communication		12,000	2	24,000	23,153
1.2	· · ·		35,292	2	70,584	47,000
1.3			39,970	2	79,939	73,920
1.4	Teacher	4.80	244,800	2	489,600	440,471
1.5	Support staff		14,698	2	29,396	
	2 Welfare					
2.1	Picnic, Events and Mediclaim		5672	2	11,344	7,157
2.1	Training		16935	2	33,871	16,478
	Strengthened teaching learning processes for improving language and 3 maths levels of children					
3.1	Teaching & Educational Material		26,500	2	53,000	52,000
3.2	Miscellaneous Expenses		1,500	2	3,000	9,000
3.3 Transport of Children			14,520	2	29,040	33,600
3.4 Programe Rent and Maintainance			3,630	2	7,260	
3.5 Picnic and Events			3,000	2	6,000	5,600
	TOTAL PROGRAMME EXPENSES -Sub-total - 1		418,517	2	837,034	708,379
4 ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES						
	4.1 Back office		21,857	2	43,714	71,370
	Sub-total - 2		21,857	2	43,714	71,370
	5 CAPITAL / ASSETS					
5.1 Capital Expenses (Furniture, Computers, Camera etc.)			2,500	2	5,000	4,588
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	Sub-total - 3		2,500	2	5,000	4,588
Total Budget (1+2+3)			442,900	2	885,800	784,337
Grand Total Estimated Builders Contribution 30%			442,900	2	885,800	784,337
			132,870	2	265,740	235,320
Funding Requested from Asha Seattle 70%			310,030	2	620,060	549,080

# Thank You! >>> Q&A