

KALYANIA :: PROGRESS REPORT (April 2024 to March 2025)

With the invaluable support received from Asha for Education, Kalyania has been able to carry out impactful social welfare projects and humanitarian work positively impacting the lives of underprivileged children and economically disadvantaged individuals of the local community.

Education-Related Projects

1. **Kalyania Suhashini Sishu Niketan (KSSN):** With a mission to provide quality education to the underprivileged rural children, KSSN, a primary school is run by Kalyania since 2003. Earlier KSSN was overseen by Shrimati Kabita Basu. At present the school is headed by Shrimati Sati Choudhury, assisted by Teacher-in-Charge Shrimati Arpita Chakraborty. Presently, 130 children are enrolled in different classes starting from KG I to class IV. Education in KSSN is given absolutely free. The children are also provided with books, pens, pencils, school bags, socks and shoes, school uniform, winter and festival garments free of costs. Regularly nutritional diets and supplementary foods are also served to the children. The meals for the students is now cooked in recently revamped huge kitchen in the KSSN building with various accessories fitted into it.



- 1.1 **Kalyania Kala-Kendra:** Kalyania's School of Visual Art and Drawing and School of Performing Arts school offers free training in visual and performing arts to underprivileged youth. Thereafter, they are trained by experienced teachers in the areas of painting, handicrafts, drawing, singing, dancing, and recitation. The schools are being run under the able leadership of Shrimati Sudeshna Ghorai, Shrimati Shamita Goswami and Mr. Biswanath De. At present 150 students are enrolled for training. In this regard, apart from Asha for Education the financial assistance provided by MEDHA (USA) is greatly appreciated by Kalyania board members.



2. Various Other Training Projects •

Vocational Training: Asha for Education has been supporting Kalyania vocational training programs for several years now. These programs are serving the need of Kalyania Old Age Home inmates and the local community, exceptionally well, mostly underprivileged women to empower them financially.

2.1 Home Nursing / Sevika (Caregiver) Training: Like previous years, this year also 15 underprivileged women engaged training as caregivers, empowering them with skills for financial independence. Apart from the inmates of Kalyania Old Age Home, many elderly women in the vicinity receives both daytime and night-time caregiver jobs through Kalyania. This caregiver programme has fostered financial independence and a very bright future for the women of the local community.

2.2 Sewing and Stitching Centre: Vocational training in tailoring is offered to women from disadvantaged backgrounds, supported by Asha for Education (Asha-Kalyania Prayas). Both basic and advanced training courses are offered. Recent inclusion in this school is **Fabric Painting**.



2.3 Adult Education and Scholarships: Kalyania offers adult education and various need-based scholarships.

2.3.1 Adult Education Centre: Kalyania's adult education aims at extending education options to those adults who have lost the opportunity and have crossed the age of formal education but feel a need for learning. Under the supervision of Shrimati Gayatri Chatterjee and some boarders of Kalyania's Prabeenabas teach basic subjects like Bengali, English, Mathematics and General Knowledge to these adults (mostly guardians of Kalyania Suhashini Sishu Niketan and Kalakendra Students) so that they are able to overcome their helplessness and develop their abilities and achieve self-reliance in life.



2.3.2 Scholarships: Kalyania awards monthly scholarships (Rs. 300–1000) to 65 deserving students from underprivileged backgrounds, ranging from Class V to college level. Scholarships are sponsored in memory of donors' loved ones. Additional scholarships support higher education for meritorious students. There has been an increasing interest among the student community to get this scholarship. These scholarships are sponsored by donors in the loving memory of their near and dear ones. Additional scholarships are also provided to encourage meritorious students to pursue higher studies.



3. Other Healthcare Projects:

3.1 Mothers' Awareness Camp on Health and Well-being: Kalyania organizes monthly "Matri-Sachetanata Shibir" sessions on the first Saturday to raise awareness among underprivileged mothers on health, family, and social issues. These camps have been well received and have empowered many women to become active community advocates, even participating in events like the Republic Day tableau to spread awareness.



3.2 Kalyania Healthcare Services: In the past year, 3,058 patients received care at the Surya Kumar Ray and Kajal Bhattacharjee Memorial Charitable Clinic, which offers free or subsidized (token registration charges only) treatment in areas including epilepsy, diabetes, neurology, mental health, dental, eye, and general medicine. Mental health camps, organized in collaboration with Manab Sangbed (Sodepur), address both treatment and awareness. The clinic also provides Paediatric mental health care and eye services in partnership with Sri Sarada Ashram, Gayeshpur. Dr. Dhar offers homeopathic care, while Dr. S. N. Banerjee has been treating epilepsy patients there since 2003, many of whom have fully recovered. Kalyania also offers homecare equipment, such as oxygen cylinders, wheelchairs and hospital beds, at nominal rental rates, with proceeds used to support needy patients. Several health camps are conducted throughout the year with support from local organizations and doctors.



4. Other Miscellaneous Projects and Activities

4.1. Old Age Home–Prabeenabas:

Kalyania operates a 26-bed old age home across three facilities. The State Bank of India installed rooftop solar systems (worth Rs. 12,16,320) to ensure continuous power. This generous contribution benefits both elderly residents and students of KSSN. The installation of roof-top solar system would mean seamless supply of electricity to the old boarders of Prabeenabas, Kalyania Coaching Centre and also to the little children of KSSN so that they are not left to suffer the unbearable heat of summer. We are grateful to SBI for showing their care towards the old boarders of Kalyania and the little children of Kalyania's KSSN School.

4.2 Bhalo Kothar Asor: Designed for the residents of Prabeenabas, this initiative fosters social interaction and cultural engagement. Elderly residents participate in festivals and cultural events, enhancing their quality of life.

5 Distribution of Miscellaneous Items: During Durga Puja, 550 garments were distributed to students, elderly residents, and associated organizations. Additional clothing and items were delivered to remote areas like Manara in Purulia.



6. Recreational and Cultural Programs: Throughout the year, Kalyania's students actively take part in a variety of cultural programs. KSSN School displays inspirational posters on the walls.



Conclusion :

We look forward to striving for excellence and continuous improvement in the years to come.

We remain grateful for your continued support enabling us to further our mission and serve those in need.

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