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Literacy is a bridge from misery to hope.

- Kofi Annan, former UN Secretary-General



Reach Education Action Program (REAP), the dedicated education partner of **Caring Through Sharing**, an initiative of JRDS development programs, is making a significant impact in Mumbai and its surrounding rural areas through its innovative Literacy program. This initiative serves not only as an educational endeavor but also as a beacon of hope for underprivileged children, delivering education directly to their doorsteps.

Caring Through Sharing is committed to enhancing the lives of underprivileged children by making it easy for them to access quality education, ensuring that they have the opportunity to learn and thrive.

REAP's **Supplementary Classes** are specifically designed to support children facing the dual challenges of economic hardship and the absence of parental guidance in their educational journeys. Often, parents of these children are themselves illiterate, making them unable to provide essential support or afford additional tuition. This educational void can lead to a significant learning gap and, if left unaddressed, may result in school dropout.

These classes serve as a bridge across the educational gap, delivering quality education in fundamental subjects such as **English, Mathematics, and Science**. Conducted within the premises of government schools, they ensure accessibility for those who need it most, particularly in rural areas and slums where REAP has established an extensive network of supplementary classes, impacting the lives of numerous children.

Supporting REAP's supplementary classes means providing much-needed resources and guidance to underprivileged children, offering them a better chance at quality education and a brighter future. **Your donations can make a lasting impact on these children's lives, helping them overcome challenges arising from their social and economic circumstances.**

MAIN Celebrates Migrants' Day with Empowerment and Education in Keshavpuram



Migrants' Day was joyously celebrated by the **Migrant Assistance and Information Network (MAIN)**, a partner of ***Caring Through Sharing***, an initiative of JRDS development programs, in the heart of the Keshavpuram slum in East Delhi. The event, led by **MAIN's Director, Dr. Martin**, and **team member Ms. Babita**, aimed to recognize the significance of migrants in society and educate them about their rights.

The event kicked off with a warm welcome, followed by refreshments provided to the attendees. The highlight of the celebration was the **enlightening discussions on migrant safety**, where crucial messages were shared to enhance awareness and promote a secure environment for the migrant community. Approximately 70 people, including children, participated in the event, and various programs and activities were organized throughout the day to keep the participants entertained and engaged.

"Migrants' Day is not just a celebration; it is an opportunity to empower and educate our migrant brothers and sisters about their rights and safety," remarked Dr. Martin. "Our aim is to create a supportive and inclusive environment where migrants feel acknowledged and protected."

IndiGo Partners with Maharashtra Prabodhan Seva Mandal for a Successful CSR Livelihood Project in Rural Maharashtra



IndiGo Airlines has collaborated with **Maharashtra Prabodhan Seva Mandal (MPSM)** and other NGOs to implement a transformative livelihood project in rural Maharashtra, making significant strides in the realm of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR). **The project has successfully impacted over 12,000 women in the state, providing them with valuable opportunities for livelihood enhancement.** Participating women have experienced a remarkable increase of over 50% in their income levels, and the project has played a pivotal role in curbing distress migration from the targeted villages, contributing to the overall socio-economic development of the region.

IndiGo's commitment, support, and active involvement with MPSM have been crucial to the success of the CSR initiative. MPSM's dedication to community development and sustainable practices has added a valuable dimension to the project. Their expertise and on-ground presence have facilitated the seamless execution of the program, ensuring its positive impact on the lives of thousands of women in rural Maharashtra.

Caring Through Sharing's commitment is to make a lasting difference in the communities we serve. The success of this CSR initiative highlights the effectiveness of the program and emphasizes the importance of strong partnerships in driving positive change at the grassroots level. ***We take pride in the remarkable achievements recorded over the years by our partners.***

Click here to watch a video: <https://fb.watch/pvf8-zDWHa/>

Indian Social Institute and St. Philomena's Hospital Provide Vital Healthcare to Migrant Workers in Bangalore



The **Indian Social Institute** (ISI), Bangalore and **St. Philomena's Hospital** recently collaborated to conduct a one-day medical camp for migrant workers in Kaveri Nagar, Bangalore. From 9:40 am to 3:00 pm, a dedicated medical team provided check-ups for 178 individuals, addressing various health issues.

Local volunteers and members of a Self Help Group played a crucial role in organizing the event. The structured camp covered registration, check-ups, consultations, and medicine distribution.

The organizers expressed gratitude to St. Philomena's Hospital for their dedicated support. The event concluded with the team and community members sharing a meal, highlighting the unity and fulfillment derived from serving the vulnerable migrant population.

This collaboration showcases the impact of collective efforts in addressing community needs and exemplifies the positive change achievable through partnerships.

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