



Muni Seva Ashram

MSA Bulletin

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MESSAGE FROM CHAIRMAN'S DESK

Dear Friends,

Jay Shri Krushn

Greetings for Diwali and wish you a healthy and meaningful new year ahead.

With the generous support and kind blessings from all of you, we can achieve the desired and planned results for the required facility creation to fulfil the ever-increasing need for providing services in different areas like health care and education. I am happy to let you know that our hospital expansion project has been completed. The Eklavya school project is now functional and so is the vocational training project. The additional facility for the school of nursing is now completed and we will start using it in November 2022.

The last time I went for meeting friends and appraise them about ashram activities was in 2019. Since then, due to Covid-19, we were unable to meet. This year I took the opportunity and came to the USA for a short trip than usual. I was amazed by the love, hospitality, and generosity of our friends in the USA. I could not visit many places as we were not sure about the covid situation. But where ever I went people were eager to know about activities at the ashram and the need for the ashram where they can help financially. I think that is due to the blessings of Muni Maharaj, the penance of Anuben and your concern for humanitarian activity.

We are always trying to be worthy of your love and expectations.

I also seek your suggestions and guidance when we meet, either here at the ashram or at your place. We will try to implement the same if possible.

My hearty greetings for the New Year.

Yours cordially



Vikram Patel



EVENTS OF THE QUARTER

ANUBEN'S JANM JAYANTI

We celebrated the 78th birthday of our founder Anuben on 6 September. In her honour and memories, we inaugurated General rooms, in the new ward building for Kailash Cancer Hospital & Research Centre.



Ward Building



New General Rooms



Corridor



Staff Rooms



VISIT BY THE ROTARY FOUNDATION CADRE

The Rotary Foundation, deputed Rtn (Rotarian) Sudip Koirala from RC Kathmandu to visit MSA VTC and audit the implementation of the Global Grant of \$200,000 that we received earlier this year.



Hemendra Shah of Rotary Club Bombay North (RCBN), Rtn. Sudip Koirala (Auditor) & his wife Shradha Kunwar with Muni Seva Ashram team



Rtn. Sudip Koirala (Auditor) & his wife Shradha Kunwar, Dr. Kirit Dholakia & Rtn. Dilip Shah of Rotary Club of Baroda, Jawaharnagar (RCBJ), along with VTC staff.

Here we share a message posted by **Rtn. Sudip Koirala** on his Facebook account:



It was a great privilege to audit and monitor the Rotary Global Grant implemented by RC Bombay North in Muni Seva Ashram, Vadodara Gujarat. This project is creating a huge impact by establishing a Vocational Training Centre inside the Ashram which is providing varieties of technical education & training to more than 3000 people every year. When we think about Ashram, we assume it would be a small plot of land and a house providing the social services. However, this Ashram is more than what our mind can assimilate. This Ashram has its residential high school, Vocational Training Centre (VTC), School of Nursing, home for differently abled girls, orphanage, dignified home for senior citizens above 65 years and one of the best cancer hospitals in India named as Kailash Cancer Hospital & Research Centre.

They have created the best integrated model for creating a not-for-profit sustainable organization by serving a community at a very nominal charge. I am overwhelmed by the impact that the Muni Seva Ashram has made to the community of Baroda and overall Gujarat.



Dilip Shah of RC of Baroda Jawahar Nagar has been a strong supporter of the Ashram. He earlier donated funds for one Smartboard in the classroom. He continues to connect with local industries to create job opportunities for VTC students as they graduate.



AAZADI KA AMRUT MAHOTSAV

Celebration of 75 glorious years of our independence

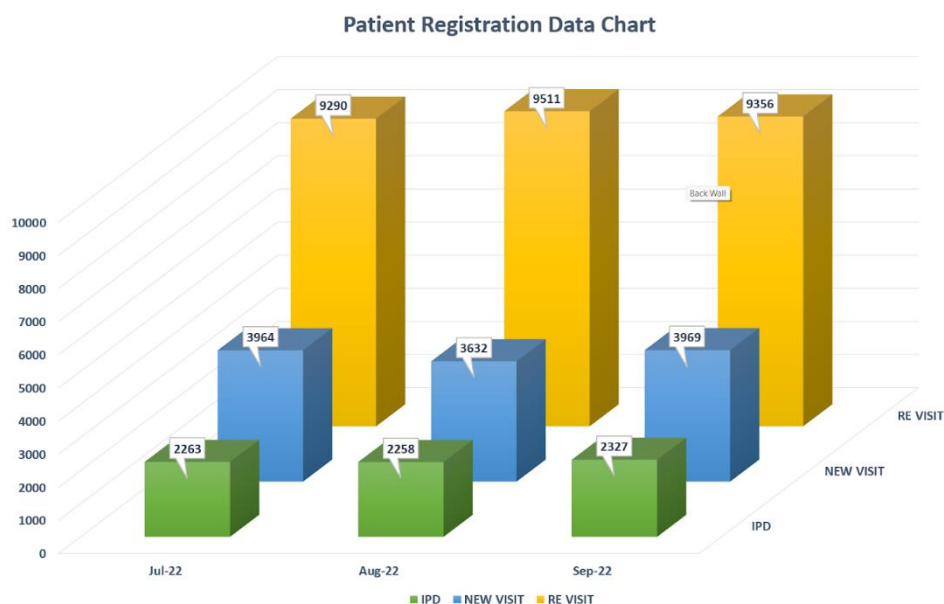
As per the Government circular regarding the celebration, to keep the flame of patriotism alive among the children, our schools took various initiatives to celebrate this event. The contribution of our great freedom fighters and other countrymen is always appreciated with gratitude.

In each of our schools, morning assembly was conducted on the theme of “Aazadi ka Amrut Mahotsav;” Thought, Quiz, Speech, Facts etc were based on the country’s freedom struggle and patriotism. Students also participated in various competitions like Amrit Mahotsav Drawing / Painting, singing, and Instrumental music. Cleanliness / Shramdan was also part of this campaign. A health check-up camp was also organized for all students. Stories related to the freedom struggle were shared with children. Inter-house Poem recitation, Rakhi making, elocution & storytelling competitions were organized on this occasion. 76th Independence Day was also celebrated on 15th August 2022 with a great sense of patriotism. Class 12th student Kinjal was the chief guest on this occasion at MSA who hoisted the national flag and delivered the speech on the importance of “Atmanirbhar Bharat” and the use of “Make in India” products.



HEALTH CARE

KCHRC HOSPITAL, ADMISSIONS & PATIENTS ATTENDED IN OPD



CANCER PREVENTION & EARLY DETECTION – A NEW PROGRAM

This project serves multiple objectives:

- To educate children about the addictive & harmful effects of tobacco so they don't start this bad habit. Workshops will be conducted in village schools (primary and secondary) to educate students about the benefits of early detection of eye diseases, Dental hygiene, and head & neck cancers. The students would be asked to bring their parents to the mobile clinic.
- Diagnostic Mobile Clinic:
 - a. Oral/dental check-ups would be conducted by a dentist for early detection of cavities and other abnormalities. If cancer lesions are suspected, the person will be sent to the H&N team for further investigation. If in doubt, a biopsy sample will be taken free of charge.
 - b. Optometrist Team: Conduct eye tests to diagnose issues such as vision loss & cataracts. Free eyeglasses will be given to the children if needed.
 - c. Breast Tumor Team: Trained staff will teach how to do a self-breast exam. If allowed, staff will perform a breast exam to check for tumors. If a mass is suspected, the person will come to the hospital for full mammography, free of charge.
 - d. Pap Smear Swab Collection Team: Collect pap smear samples of participating women. They will be rewarded with a mango-tree sapling at a discounted price.

The oral biopsy samples & PAP smears would be processed by our lab free of charge.



EDUCATION

SHARDA MANDIR BAXI PANCH ASHRAM SHALA

(Primary School)

SHALAPRAVESH SAMARABH

Shala Praveshotsav was launched in Gujarat by Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel to encourage parents to enrol their kids in primary schools in the state. This program intended to reduce the dropout rate of students, which has reduced drastically to 3.07% from 37.22% in 2002. At our primary school, the function was held in presence of I.C.D.C of Waghodia Mumtazben & Education Inspector Mr Rakeshbhai Suthar and Mr Kiransing Rajput on June 23, 2022. Twenty boys & seven girls were admitted to 1st Standard. Students were welcomed with sweets & school kits along with school bags, books, notebooks & compass boxes. The function was held in presence of I.C.D.C of Waghodia Mumtazben & Education Inspector Mr Rakeshbhai Suthar and Mr Kiransing Rajput on June 23, 2022. Twenty boys & seven girls were admitted to 1st Standard. Students were welcomed with sweets & school kits along with school bags, books, notebooks & compass boxes.



MEDICAL EVENTS

In schools run by the ashram, we look after the overall healthy development of our students, both physical & mental. As part

of it, we arrange Dental check-ups, Eye check-ups and cancer awareness camps once a year in all our schools.



Dental check-ups will help our school children to keep their oral health in good condition & dentist will also monitor their teeth development, provide a thorough cleaning to combat decay and apply dental sealants to protect their teeth from cavities.



Eye Check-ups for children are very important to ensure they have no vision problems that could interfere with school performance and potentially affect their safety. We provide free spectacles to students who need them.



Cancer Awareness & Preventive Care Program: Children are educated in preventive healthcare. Different age group children are given information and knowledge using relevant educational materials and useful methods.



COMPETITIONS

Essay Competition: One of the best reasons for a student to enter an essay competition is for the sheer satisfaction of finishing a piece of high-quality written work. It is something students can be proud of - and for good reason. Not only does essay writing help to improve their communication skills, but it also helps teach them how to be critical thinkers and consolidate ideas. Structuring thoughts within word limits helps them to frame subtle connections concisely.



Kon Banega Gyanpati 2022: Inhouse inter-school competition based on General knowledge, Maths & Science questions.



CELEBRATION

TEACHERS DAY CELEBRATION

Teacher's day was celebrated on September 5th. Our educators rejoiced & received blessings, gifts & love in the form of well wishes from the students. Students got a chance to participate in role-play of their favourite teachers & had a great time.



VIVEKANAND UCHCHATAR UTTAR BUNIYADI VIDYALAYA

(High School)

DISTRICT LEVEL SWACHH VIDYALAYA AWARD 2021-22.

The award was handed it over to the Principal of Vivekananda School, Shri. Bhupendrasinh Zala, by District Education Officer from the office of District Executive Education Chairman. Thanks to the teamwork of the students who keep clean the school premises, sports ground, classrooms & prayer halls etc.



EKLAVYA MODEL RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL

(SPORTS & SCIENCE SCHOOL)

ACHIEVEMENTS

BEST SPORTS SCHOOL

A cash prize of ₹ 25,000 was awarded by Sports Dept. of Govt. of Gujarat for winning the maximum number of sports in the academic year 2021-22 by EMRS Students.



SWACHH VIDYALAYA PURASKAR 2021-22

Eklavya Residential School received the "Swachh Vidyalaya Puraskar 2021-22 District Level Award" with a 5-star rating.



KHEL MAHAKUMBH 2022



Naishad Nisarta – Tabla
Sonika – Lagan Geet
Mal Navin – Essay Writing



Group Song
Ronak Rathod – Harmonium
Neel Rathva - Harmonium



Devraj – Mono Acting
Urvi – Elocution
Roshni – Interschool Elocution Completion



JEE RESULT 2021-22

10 students of the math group appeared in JEE Main exam out of which 8 students have qualified for JEE Advance.

COMPETITIONS & ACTIVITIES

General Knowledge competition: Nearly 160 students of Class 6th to 12th participated in this competition conducted by Vikas Vartul Trust Bhavnagar.

Nature Education Camp at Science City Ahmedabad: Four students from the school participated in this nature camp.

PUJYA ANUBEN ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AWARD

The ceremony was organized on 26 July 2022 in both the schools EMRS & VIVEKANAND UCHCHATAR UTTAR BUNIYADI VIDYALAYA. This award was presented to students who scored 70% & above in SSC & HSC. A total of 14 students from EMRS & 18 students for Uttar Buniyadi (Vankuwa) received certificates + trophies and Rs.5000/-. Smt. Maliniben Praipbhai Shroff's Family distributed the prizes and blessed the children on this occasion.



WORKSHOP ON “**ANGER, BULLYING IN CHILDREN**” (ABC MODULE) BY THE TEAM OF DOCTORS (AACCI) ON 21 JULY 2022.



All MSA school staff members with the team of doctors (AACCI).



WELFARE ACTIVITIES SUSTAIN @ MSA WITH THE HELP OF WELL-WISHERS

Online Maths classes for the EMRS Students were conducted by Mr. Chimanbhai Delwadia our well-wisher from Tennessee USA. MSA family appreciates his help and dedication.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE (VTC)

The convocation of VTC Students was held on 2nd July 2022. VTC admitted a total of 276 students for various vocational programs

Enrollment Date	24-Jul-22	11-Sep-22	Total
Assistant Electrician	5	5	10
Beauty Parlor	5	7	12
CNC Machine Operator	4	10	14
General Duty Health care Assistant	114	78	192
Office Assistant	19	14	33
Operation Theater Assistant	1	6	7
Phlebotomy Assistant	4		4
Refrigeration & A/C Assistant	3		3
Welder	1		1
Total	156	120	276

WORKSHOP BY THE CENTRE FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT (A GOVT. OF GUJARAT ORGANIZATION)

External faculty guidance workshop was held for VTC Students by Mr. Chirag who guided the students regarding

- 1) Which industry to start Business
- 2) How to start a business
- 3) What help and facility are available
- 4) How to successfully manage the business
- 5) Provided the necessary knowledge, systematic information, and practical guidance.



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE WORLD'S INDIGENOUS PEOPLE (WORLD TRIBAL DAY)

Competitions on the following subjects were held at VTC to celebrate.

Drawing

Speech Competition

Games

Essay Writing

Patriotic Song Singing



NURSING COLLEGE

WORKSHOPS & WEEK CELEBRATIONS



Kangaroo Mother Care: Was held on 18th - 19th July to promote awareness about Breast Feeding & its benefits.

Oral Rehydration Solution (ORS) Week: Last week of July is celebrated as ORS week. On this occasion, our nursing students exhibited charts at Primary Health Centre, Goraj and educated community participants by demonstrating how to prepare ORS to treat dehydration due to diarrhoea & vomiting.



ORS Poster presentation at PHC Goraj



Poster presentation for Breastfeeding

Breastfeeding Week: The first week of August is celebrated as breastfeeding week. Nursing College students performed role play and exhibited charts to create awareness of breastfeeding benefits at Waghodia Primary Healthcare Centre.





Breastfeeding week Participants

ACHIEVEMENT

NURSING STUDENT PLACEMENT

31 students who graduated from our ANM nursing program were selected under scheme no. 16/ 202122 FHW (Frontline Health Worker) of Gujarat Government. They will receive a starting salary of Rs.19,000 per month.

GUJARAT GYAN GURU QUIZ

Third-year GNM student Mr. Jayaraj Parmar stood 7th rank in Gujarat Gyan Guru Quiz Organized by the Government of Gujarat.



SOCIAL CAUSE

VANAPRASTHA MANDIR

Senior citizens at MSA enjoy their day with various activities, playing games, physical exercises, singing bhajans, read books.



BHAGINI MANDIR*(Home for Differently Abled Women)***BHAGINI TRIP - 2 JULY 2022**

The annual picnic, time to enjoy. Visit the fun fair, play games, and sing songs, with Pani Puri and Ice Cream.

**NAVRATRI CELEBRATIONS**

Bhagini girls celebrating Navratri



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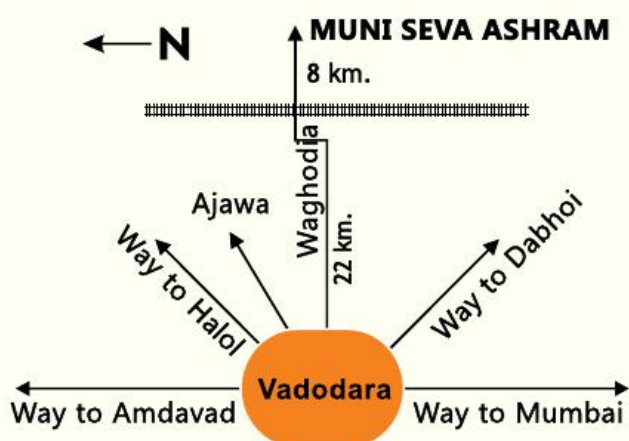
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Take a Bus for

Morning 7:45	Rustampura
Morning 9:25	Goraj
Evening 5:45	Goraj
Evening 6:45	Vedpur

The GPS driving address to reach Muni Seva Ashram

is — 22.335533, 73.465860



Bus service from Muni Seva Ashram's Vadodara office

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