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Fosma Maritime Institute and Research Organisation 204-206, Landmark, Dr. G. M. Bhosle Marg, Worli, MUMBAI – 400 018

Dear Sir / Madam,

Thank you for your generous donation of Rs.5,34,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh Thirty Four Thousand only) through credit to our account by NEFT on 20th March, 2019.

Thank you for your generous donation. Your support towards the students of Jai Vakeel will make a great difference in their lives.

Your generous contribution is being used towards the training and rehabilitation of our special children.

The support of donors like you is helping make it possible for these special children lead happier and fruitful lives. Our endeavour is to ensure for them a clean and a healthy environment in which they can be trained to maximise their potential to the fullest.

Please find herewith our official stamped Receipt No. 341 dated 25th March, 2019 for the sum of Rs. 5,34,000/-

Thank you again for your compassionate support. We hope that you will continue to partner with us in our commitment to help these special children lead a life of dignity and help us build awareness for this cause.

With warm regards,

Yours faithfully,

Archana Chandra

JAI VAKEEL FOUNDATION AND RESEARCH CENTRE

(formerly The Research Society for the Care, Treatment & Training of Children in need of Special Care)





THE PROBLEM

In India, 2% of the population that is one in every 50, over 26 million people suffer silently with their intellectual disability (ID). [National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)] Though affecting such large numbers, we as a society in general, are still largely unaware of the space and not actively addressing their needs.

This makes the work we do at Jai Vakeel not just important, but urgent.

WHO ARE WE?

In 1944, the foundation was the pioneer in the Intellectual Disability arena. During this time, both globally and in India, persons with disability were not welcomed in society. There were no schools or facilities for these children.

For over 70 years, the Jai Vakeel foundation has reached out to thousands of intellectually disabled children, most of whom are born to the poorest families in the country.

We've come a long way from a simple school at the Vakeel residence founded by Mr and Mrs Hormusjee Vakeel, whose daughter Dina was born with Down's syndrome, to our two-acre campus in Sewri [Mumbai] along with two rural branches in Pune and Nashik district.

Today we are one of the oldest and largest not for profit institutes in India serving children and adults with intellectual disability.

OUR VISION

To strive for the Inclusion of the Intellectually Disabled by maximizing their potential.

WHO WE SERVE?

We serve the entire spectrum of Intellectual disability from borderline IQ to mild, moderate, severe and even the most profoundly challenged.

No matter how economically weak or profoundly challenged we welcome all students to our foundation.

HOW WE SERVE

We have a holistic approach to the management of individuals with ID and cater to over 3000 individuals annually. Our services are divided into four broad categories – healthcare, education, skill development and support services.

HEALTHCARE

We provide complete need-based medical and therapeutic intervention to children and adults with ID.

Diagnosis And Therapy

We provide therapy, training, counselling, and rehabilitation. We have a multi-disciplinary team of doctors, therapists [speech, occupational and physiotherapists], psychologists and social workers.

Consulting doctors, each an expert in their own field spend time seeing our children.

Paediatric Neurology Medical Camps – We provide free diagnosis and medical care in rural Maharashtra to children with neurological issues. Doctors, physicians and therapists provide treatments, therapeutic intervention and counselling. We also train local caregivers to regularly monitor and treat children with special needs and integrate them into their communities.

Parent Counselling

Parents are counselled with a view to improving the quality of their personal lives as well as to equip them to better manage their children.

EDUCATION:

Jai Vakeel School: We provide a special education program to address each individual's unique needs at Mumbai,

Talegaon & Devlali. The Jai Vakeel School aims to provide students from age 3 to 18 years with functional academics and pre-vocational training. We also build on their ability to be independent in their activities of daily living.

We have built first of its kind engaging academic, art and yoga curriculums with aligned objectives and themes to the NCF [National Curriculum Framework] & NCERT [National Council of Educational Research & Training] respectively.

NIOS: Our mild borderline IQ students receive formal education to prepare for the SSC examination. We also use digital literacy to enhance learning levels and make learning fun.

Students also participate in various extracurricular activities like dance, music, sports, yoga and art. They get many opportunities to participate in competitions both within the school as well as outside and on a state and national level.

Community Integration Program: We believe that learning does not take place only in a classroom. It is equally important to get exposed to the community in which they live. We also aim to sensitize the larger community towards our students. Our students go on field trips to the zoo, museum, theatre, other schools, picnics, parks and many more. Also 1000's of people visit and interact with our students annually on our campus leading to mindset changes and more opportunities to be included in society.

Autism Centre: 25 students

The first of its kind in Mumbai. We provide education and therapy to develop communication and sensory integration skills in individuals with autism and Intellectual disability.

Animal therapy – We provide animal therapy through our collaboration with Animal Angels foundation and it has led to remarkable improvements in our children's responses across four parameters.

PLACEMENT TEAM

It JVF was formed in September 2014. The team comprises of a psychologist, counsellor & an occupational therapist. The vision behind this project was to strive for the inclusion of our children in society by empowering them and enabling them to be gainfully employed in open employment.

Till date the team has successfully placed 25 students in various organizations & multinationals successfully. Though the numbers are small it has been a huge win for us and each of the children along with their families.

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT:

Vocational Training – The Centre was started in 1948 with the aim to encourage self-reliance in young adults over the age of 18 in different vocations; imparting therapy, building self-esteem and helping them become contributing members of society. This is a 3-year program. Students are taught one or more skills based on their aptitude and ability.

Skills like weaving, sewing and candle making are taught.

Sheltered workshops

After completing the 3-year vocational training program, students that are not placed in open employment are employed in our sheltered workshop.

Here they start making products using the skills they have learned. Students are paid a stipend based on their productivity. These individuals continue to be a part of the sheltered workshop till the age of 50.

Our workshop is one of the largest sheltered workshops of its kind with over 200

SUPPORT SERVICES:

Respite Care: Through a timebound program, we provide a safe, supervised environment for our severe to profound students so as to give their caregivers a temporary rest from caregiving. We are one of the only non-profits serving this section of the intellectually disabled.

When you see things differently and do things differently it makes all the difference. To a more inclusive world we remain committed.

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INFRASTRUCTURE:

Our wish is to build a 'Centre of Excellence' on our 2 acre campus in Mumbai. From a service delivery point of view- we are working on several improvements on curriculum, therapy, and other holistic interventions like Animal assisted therapy, Yoga, Art, Sports, Music, Gardening etc. We therefore, feel the need to upgrade our infrastructure to support all these initiatives.

Mr Kiran Kapadia, Founder Director of Kapadia Associates Pvt Ltd. (KAPL) has offered to work with the Jai Vakeel team to identify and define short term and long-term campus upgradation plans on a pro-bono capacity.

We have divided this into 2 Phases:

Phase 1 (Short term): to be completed by Oct 2019. Focus will be on developing the Open spaces, Indoor play area and an elevator on the campus to provide better, safer spaces for extracurricular activities. We have managed to raise the funds required for Phase 1 and plan to start work by April 2019.

Phase 2 in which we will incorporate our long term vision for the Institute and campus, with the ability to serve more beneficiaries with upgraded infrastructure. The team along with KAPL team is working on this plan and we should have the details by July 2019.

We would appreciate your support in helping us give the best possible services to our students by supporting the Phase 2 of Infrastructure Redevelopment with a donation of Rs 5 lacs. We would be able to give you something concrete for your donation amount in the month of June.

Donations are to be made in the name of "Jai Vakeel Foundation & Research Centre". All donations are exempt under Section 80 G of the Income Tax Act.



THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT