

# THE BISWAS EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Project site & Office: Prasadpur, Navasan, PS Sonarpur, South 24-Parganas

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## Caring for the Deprived and Needy Children

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### Activity Report

From 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2020 to 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2021

To

Dr. Nalinaksha Biswas

Chief Functionary

The Biswas Foundation, UK

Respected Sir,

**Name of the Institution:** THE BISWAS EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

**Status of the Institution:** Registered Public Charitable Trust

**Registration No. & date:** 2401 dated. 28.04.2008

**Nature of the Association:** Educational & Social

The Trust **The Biswas Educational Foundation** (TBEF) was established on 28<sup>th</sup> Day of April, 2008 through a Trust Deed No. 2401 which was duly registered with the Additional Registrar of Assurance – III, at Kolkata along with **80G / 12AA & FCRA registration**.

The main objective of the Trust was to establish Orphanage for residential accommodation for the orphan and single-parent children belonging to the underprivileged section of the society and a School to deliver quality education to children belonging to the economically weaker section of the society in and around the locality at minimum cost, as well as to provide free education for the children of our orphanage.

## **Orphanage**

The orphanage called "Ananda Bhawan" was inaugurated on January 2012 is a 3 - storied 9000 sq. ft. building where 37 resident orphans and single parent children are staying with all the modern facilities. Since 13.01.2020 the children were shifted in separate buildings for the boys and girls as they have reached 12 years.

The first batch of 10 children is studying in Class-IX at a reputed Government School. Another 27 children are studying in Jr. Kg to Class – VII in our own English medium School (South Calcutta public School).

## **Activities of Home Children**

Cognizant Outreach organized several online competitions with the children of Ananda Bhawan. The children participated in online competition "Spell bee" and "Shining Star" with remarkable performance amongst the other institutions.

Between 16.04.21 to 09.05.21 few children and staff members of the Boy's and Girl's hostel suffered from Covid 19. The affected persons were isolated and proper medical treatment was given after consultation with Doctors.

6 computers were installed at the hostel for the children to continue the online classes of the school.

*(Encl. Photos)*

## **School**

South Calcutta Public School (SCPS) was started in the year 2016 is coeducational English Medium, follows C.B.S.E curriculum. The second building "Shanti Bhawan" is been temporarily used as school unless the main building is completed.

This is the first green school building and this "Green Concept" has been introduced by our visionary Dr. N Biswas (Trustee of the Biswas foundation UK Trust)

Majority of the schools in this area are of Bengali medium (regional language) and when a student decides for higher studies, it becomes difficult for him/her as they are accustomed to study in Bengali medium.

Our English medium school provides a fun and stimulating environment which guarantees the holistic development of students where the children of local agricultural farmers, daily wagers, studies at minimum cost. The orphan children of our foundation are also attending that school free of cost and will get the opportunity of pursuing their academic career upto class – XII. This has been only possible because of the constant financial support by Biswas Foundation UK trust since 2012 for this charitable cause.

Regular Parent Teacher Meeting (PTM) are held for regular counseling and educating parents, as most of them are engaged in agricultural or household work and they not aware how to guide their child. This PTM has shown satisfactory results in the past few years.

From 26.03.2020, India declared full Lockdown and our school started its online classes for continuation of studies.

In the year 2021 the school was still closed for regular classes and online classes continued. We received 38 new admissions, and the total student strength was 264 students including 27 children of our orphanage, are studying from Nursery to Class-IX.

The teachers worked dedicatedly and all the examinations were conducted as per schedule.

The Board of Trustees decided not to increase any fees and also waived 20% on monthly fees for all students.

As the school was closed no celebration was conducted.

### **Social Welfare**

#### ***Free Medical Camp:***

The weekly free medical check-up centre continued with a MBBS Doctor, trained nurse by maintaining social distance and guidelines. About 120 patients are benefited every month with free checkup and free medicines.

#### ***Social Awareness Program:***

During pandemic, TBEF and its local volunteers along with the members of 14 Gram Panchayat, Local MLA, and medical personals, visited 17 local villages (Sangur, Makrampur, Nazirhat etc.) and distributed 6600 masks, 2000 pc (100ml) sanitizers for free.

The team demonstrated the necessity to take simple measures as washing hands frequently, maintaining physical distance and wearing mask to the local population. Oximeters were also distributed among the trained person of each village, so that the levels can be checked from time to time.

Oxygen cylinders were supplied where necessary which saved many lives. Our team also distributed dry ration to many families who are jobless and are in financial crisis.

*(Encl. Photos)*

### **Construction**

The new school building is presently under construction and will be into its full shape of 67000 Sq. ft within few years.

### **Disaster Management**

Another severe cyclone "Yaas" strikes on 26th May 2021. The team of our Foundation visited twice in the affected areas of Sunderbans and Namkhana to help out 400 families with relief. They also distributed relief to the 150 affected families of the surrounding villages of Prasadpur areas of South 24 Parganas. *(Encl. Photos)*

Donation received from The Biswas Foundation, Leeds UK, has been utilized in executing the above stated activities.

The total donation received from The Biswas Foundation, Leeds UK during this period is INR **2,02,12,441**.

The Board would like to offer its heartiest thanks to The Biswas Foundation, Leeds, UK for donating funds for carrying out and executing smoothly the above stated activities by the Trust.

Thanks and deepest regards.

Yours faithfully,

Nilima Biswas

(Managing Trustee)