

Objectives of Asha

- To provide education to underprivileged children in India.
- To encourage the formation of local groups, in India and abroad, and reach out to larger sections of the population.
- To support and cooperate with persons and groups already engaged in similar activities.
- To provide opportunities to individuals outside India to participate in developmental activities in India.
- To address, whenever possible, other issues affecting human life such as health care, environment, socio-economic and women's issues.

Projects supported by Asha:

- Are not affiliated to any political or religious groups.
- Do not discriminate on the basis of religion, caste or sex.
- Are evaluated, funded and monitored for performance and impact, with on-site visits by volunteers.
- Are required to submit periodic progress reports.

Zero Overhead

Asha is a zero overhead organization: we do not use any part of donations to cover administrative expenses. This means **100%** of all donations go directly towards **educating underprivileged children in India.**

Donate to Asha

Your contributions can make an enormous difference to hundreds of poor children in India. All contributions are tax exempt under section 80(G)/35AC/35(1)(ii) of Income tax act.

Write cheques payable to: **Asha**

Mail your cheques to the address mentioned below.

We shall send you the receipt promptly.

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Asha

To catalyze socio-economic change in India through education of underprivileged children

Asha is a non-profit organization committed to providing access to basic education for underprivileged children in India.



Facts about Asha

- Currently Asha supports over 385 projects in India that directly impact more than 7,500 children.
- Total disbursement of over \$4 million in 14 yrs; the average size of project support is in the range of \$3,500 to \$4,500.
- The chapters are made up of more than a 1000 volunteers including professionals and students.



Asha is a volunteer-powered action group that works to catalyze social change through basic education for underprivileged children. Founded in 1991 by a small group of students

including Ramon Magsaysay award winner Sandeep Pandey, Asha has grown to more than 40 chapters across the world including chapters in Singapore, Canada, Zurich, London and seven major cities in India.

The Hyderabad chapter of Asha was founded in January 2003 by a small group of people from such diverse backgrounds as farmers, students, social workers and entrepreneurs. It is now supporting several schools in different parts of Andhra Pradesh.

Asha & You - How you can help

Join Asha Hyderabad chapter

Volunteer your time and help with evaluation/monitoring of Asha projects, help coordinate funds transfer, and other Asha activities. Join ashahyd mailing list (ashahyd@yahoo.com).

Support a child

Support one or more children's education by paying for their tuition fee, exam fee, textbooks, notebooks, etc. It does not cost a lot especially if the child is in a rural area.

Help run a school

You can help with running of a school with activities like teaching, tutoring children and/or helping with general administration of a school. You can also participate in fun activities like taking children on outings and spending time with children on weekends

Be a Mentor

There are some children who, perhaps more than money, need someone to look up to, and someone who can turn to when they need some help. Spend weekends, evenings or whenever, and be an *anna/akka* in a child's life. We are sure you'll find it a rewarding experience.

Donate money

There are many genuine schools in dire need of funds to survive and serve very needy children. Please donate what you can, for this worthy cause.

Buy a T-shirt

Buy high-quality T-shirts with Asha logo. The profits on the sale of these will pay for administration and teachers' salaries

Help with fund raising

You can help with fund raising activities like organizing events, soliciting funds from friends, relatives, companies, etc, selling Asha merchandise and so on.

Asha Hyderabad Projects

Needy Illiterate Children Education (NICE) is a residential school for orphan and poor children formed by philanthropists in Maynampadu village of Guntur district. The school has over 100 students who are needy and orphans. Asha Hyderabad has arranged funding for construction of classrooms and for teacher salaries for this school, and is actively helping in development of this school.

Vivekananda Public School (VPS): Located in Punjagutta and started in 1982 by Mr. M.N Murthy, a dedicated teacher, VPS is a school for slum children. Asha Hyd has arranged funding to cover rent, teacher salaries. Asha Hyderabad volunteers actively participate in running of this school, with some of the volunteers teaching regularly.

Kushi: is an NGO, which has setup a Balwadi school for basic foundation for children of daily wage workers in Kondamapalle village of Madanapalli, Chittoor Dist. The children get non-formal education through the various teaching materials available locally and go to the government school once they come out of this school.

Yellammabanda School: Run by Ramakrishna Educational and Medical Society, the school caters to the children of quarry workers in Kukatapally slum areas. Asha Hyd is working to arrange infrastructure facilities and much-needed nutrition for these children.