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## Dear Patrons,

Let me present you with our activities. Lily continues to sustain our students through a challenging year, impacted by the pandemic and various natural disasters.

Student population served: 7962 (up from 6946). We have opened 1 new Book Bank, 1 High School Coaching Home, 4 Science Labs, and 2 Vocational Centers. We have added Gujarat to our scope area:

- 3 AALO Study Homes, serving 68 pre-elementary school students
- 19 AALO Coaching Homes: 12 centers for 241 High School, and 7 Centers for 112 primary students.
- 430 (up from 397) Smile scholarships awarded to high school and college students.
- Installed 100 solar lamps at students' houses and distributed 20 laptops to students
- 19 Computer Centers serving around 3500 (up from 3400) students
- 5 (up from 3) Vocational Training Centers, serving 137 (up from 39) students
- 10 (up from 9) Book Banks, serving over 1141 (up from 908) students
- 8 (up from 4) Science Labs, serving 2063 (up from 1565) students

**3**<sup>rd</sup> multipurpose education hub Vivekananda Institute for Youth Education (VIYE) inaugurated in January 2022 at Kashida, in Ghatshila. This modern building currently houses coaching centers, tailoring and vocational centers, computer labs, medical checkup rooms, library and smart conference room.

## AALO Centers

- Pre-Primary Study and Primary Coaching Homes: 180 students
  - three centers: Behala, Boral, Narendrapur, Dhulai, Hijaldiha, Suklai and Narrah
  - two TORCHS centers run by our alumni and past graduates at Narrah and at Dhulai

High School Coaching Centers (Math and English): 241 students

- 12 centers: Bandel, Dhulai, Narrah, Hijaldiha, Ghatshila, Asanbani, and Magura
- 99 students appeared for the state board exam
- passing rate increased to 99% from 93% over last year
- supports poor students struggling academically, by coaching them in Science, Math and English, reducing the dropout rate. This program has consistently demonstrated a >90% passing rate over the past 5 years for more than 500 students

## Computer & Vocational Training Centers

Computer center: 3500 grade 10 to 12 students, Computer Science and Computer Applications

- 19 computer centers at Ghatshila, Hotar, Dhulai, Kulbani, Hijaldiha, Amdanga, Bandel, Radhamohanpur, Kolkata, Jaunpur, Narrah, Hubballi, Dharwad & Baharagora

### Tailoring centers: 3 centers: Narrah, Ghashila and Balurghat

- Run in collaboration with local tailoring business owners to offer marketing channels for our students to sell their products by forming independent self-help groups

### Cell phone repair center at Dhulai

Electrical House wiring and domestic appliances repair center at Ghatshila

Future course plans: health worker assistant, electrical house wiring, solar panel installation

### SMILE Scholarship

- 430 scholars from W. Bengal, Jharkhand, U.P, Odisha, Karnataka & Gujarat. Plans to expand into Punjab
- 123 scholars appeared in the Higher Secondary state board exam. We received 108 results till date. Of them 107 students graduated in the 1<sup>st</sup> division w 90 students securing Star marks (>75%) and one student graduating in 2<sup>nd</sup> division
- Ms. Bulti Garai from Singbhum, Jharkhand topped in her district (East Singhbhum, Jharkhand) in the humanities division

### Other India initiatives

- Lily Foundation in collaboration w M.I.T welcomed Mr. Vittorio Colicci who tutored and mentored our students and faculties at our hubs on technology and STEM topics
- Distributed and installed 100 solar powered lamps to students who lack adequate electric supply at homes in Ghatshila, Narrah, Dhulai, Amdanga, Purulia and Sunderbans. Distributed 22 laptops to Smile students

#### Healthcare activities

- 30 camps, 2200 patients, at Narrah, Ghatshila, Balurghat. Dhulai, Bagneja, Harischandrapur, Deulabad, Ganjam
- Nivedita Women's Center, at Narrah, holds regular clinics for women's preventative care
- started our 2<sup>nd</sup> mobile medical unit (MMU) at Ghatshila in August 2021
- Dhulai mobile medical unit offers check-ups and free medicines to hundreds of patients, across Bankura dist.
- 10<sup>th</sup> blood donation camp in Dhulai, 200 people donated blood
- free check-up camp, 59 pair of eyeglasses were distributed, check-up and referrals made for cataract surgery

### **Disaster Relief**

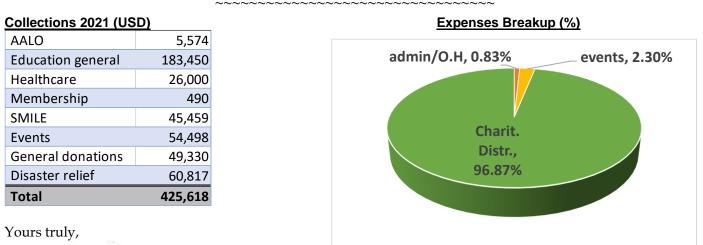
In light of the global pandemic and multiple hurricanes Lily expanded its disaster relief program in a big way to support our communities survive the short-term crisis.

- Covid relief: procured three oxygen concentrators, distributed masks, sanitizers, and emergency food rations
- Yash and Amphaan hurricanes: distributed potable water, blankets, tarpaulins and emergency food rations
- conducted camps across 10 locations in north and south W. Bengal, Jharkhand, Orissa and U.P serving almost 10,000 families. It is a testament to the dedication of our local volunteers conducting such a large-scale operation under trying circumstances

### Events

- 18<sup>th</sup> Annual EDCON'21 was held at Ghatsila and Dhulai. The event was a big success with more than 300 attendees.
- Pride of Lily awarded to Smile scholar, Somnath Das, Ph.D. scholar at NML-Jamshedpur and NIT-Patna, for his outstanding contribution in the application of magnetic materials for development of electromagnetic sensors.
- The Lily Diwali Lights and Casino event was held in Dec 2021 in Frisco, Texas. This fun-filled event which included auctions, games and dinners was well attended. We thank all our donors and volunteers who made the event such a success.

# On behalf of Lily, I want to personally invite you for our next Diwali event on Nov 5, 2022 at Frsico, TX



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