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The
Movement
From
Darkness
To Light



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About Kokan Kala Va Shikshan Vikas Sanstha

Kokan Kala Va Shikshan Vikas Sanstha, is a charitable organization working on various welfare projects. Our organization working for Education, Medical Support, Women Empowerment and Supporting orphan children and aged people. Our organization started working in 2010 to support needy / poor children in term of education, Medical, Orphans and Old aged. After two years our organization has been registered on 22nd May, 2012 under Society Act 1860 and also registered under Bombay Public Trust Act 1950 on 30th October, 2012 at Sindhudurga - Maharashtra.



Vision



To be the most admired NGO working for the betterment of needy community in rural and urban areas of India.



Mission



Become a primary contact for Govt and CSR projects in India.

Being forefront in campaigns and volunteer engagement programs in India.

Research based programs and projects Meeting global, SDG's – Sustainable Development Goals.

To empower 50,000 villagers by 2030.

To extend emergency medical support to 25,000 children by 2030.

Our Core Approach

Our organization not only believe on Equality but have a deep faith in Equity as there are lot many needy people who need to treated or trained in different ways, skills, techniques, processes, etc. Equality defines that each individual or group of people is given the same resources or opportunities. Equity recognizes that each person has different circumstances and allocates the exact resources and opportunities needed to reach an equal outcome. Our organization is devoted to bridging gaps between the fortunate and not so fortunate community and allowing them to generate a better outcome.



Founder Speech

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It is an honor and satisfaction for me to present our annual report for 2021 and tell you about what our Organization has achieved this year. I am pleased to share with you the actions and initiatives we have embarked upon so far, in terms of yearly Growth with the support of all our Patrons. This year has been a year of far-reaching changes due to pandemic and difficulty, yet the aim of helping the needy community is at its Priority. We have laid the foundation of the Sfurti Cluster in the association of MSME and the vision of making 400 entrepreneur Families in the coming 3 years.



We have accordingly undertaken an ambitious range of structural actions and decisions that are transforming most of the artisan's lives economically as well as socially. Due to pandemic, we have faced uncomfortable financial crunches, but we stood upright, we supported, we fought and we are able to set back for the needy community with maximum support. This year we have been appreciated by India's largest Bank HDFC for the work we did for the support of homeless in Covid-19 pandemic and Supported by State bank of India for Bike Ambulance, to fight with Covid-19. The journey is now getting better and bigger towards our goal **"The Movement from Darkness to Light"** through our action with the support of Volunteers, Donors, CSR's, Schools, Colleges, and Ngo Partners and of course advisors from various backgrounds. Our future initiative is **'ShriLochan'** Orphanage for the tribal, economically backward community, which will start in the year 2021. I look forward to your continuous enthusiastic and undaunted support to deliver our promise to help the unprivileged. I believe, **"Together we will achieve it"**

**WE MAKE A LIVING BY WHAT WE GET BUT WE MAKE
A LIFE BY WHAT WE GIVE**

- Winston Churchill

1600+ school kits this year

Many students in our service area are dropping out of school before their high school since their parents cannot afford to provide uniforms, textbooks, school bags, and other items. We motivate their parents through counseling sessions to send their children to school. We have been providing educational material to these poor children who attend Government Schools. In which it includes educational material such as textbooks, notebooks, geometry boxes, pencils, pens, and school uniforms, clothes, shoes, school bags, lunch boxes. We select the candidates by personal visits to their homes to assess the family background. We also take inputs from the school headmasters to select the students who are doing well in their studies. So far we have provided a School Kit to more than **10,000+** students studying in classes from 5th to 12th standard. You can donate educational material for these deserving children, and together we ensure that they do not drop out of school.





“If a child cannot learn in the way we teach, we must teach in a way the child can learn.”

Gully school is an innovative concept initiated by Kokan Ngo; it aims towards providing mainstream education to the children living on the streets through activities. We aim to terminate begging from children’s lives. The school will bring weak and deprived children into mainstream education. This initiative will develop the cognitive skills of children through social participation. The emphasis is on promoting “Teaching through play” making use of locally available & culturally relevant teaching-learning tools.

Vision: The project approach is to getting younger kids ready & getting them into the stream. Our vision is to bring weak and deprived children into mainstream education. Our major task is to encourage good habits in children like wearing clean clothes, not being superstitious and abstain from begging, etc.

Target beneficiary (survey): Girls & Boys – age Between 3 to 16th

Activity: Educational activities, Exposure Tours, other activities like Drawing, dance, sports and games, computer training, Evaluation test of children, Participation in the exhibition, etc.

Group discussion with Leaders: Some of the leaders from various organizations will be invited to share their experience with these kids



reCYCLE



Transforming life
by donating
bicycle.....

Recycling the bicycle is a unique project as it helped more than **250** students who were walking miles to reach their schools. Kokan Region is the region with Sahyadri mountain ranges. Most schools are at Tahasil places or central places of few villages. State transport services are not feasible in most villages. as it is making it difficult for many students to reach their schools. Let's reCYCLE is the initiative to save their energy and time to use it for their Studies.



In this project we are Collecting old bicycles from Metro cities, repair them, and gift them to rural Students. More than 250 students have been benefited from this recycling effort and so on to help many more in the future. So they don't have to distance their self from studying.





Kokan ngo believes that women empowerment doesn't come from just training but it's come with the justice, equality, and overall development of women. Our projects provide alternative livelihoods skills training for **1000** women to improve their incomes. The project advocates the objective of extending training for up-gradation of skills and sustainable employment for women through a variety of action oriented projects which employ women.

We always give respect to women and girls for their better and empowering them. As part of our on going project, we concentrate on women empowerment programs to create sustainable livelihoods, build up self-confidence among Self Help Group Women Leaders. For the last 5 years, we have been conducting skill development training for women and girls. Poor women & adolescent girls have started their micro-enterprise in fashion designing and stitching the different types of blouses, work on sarees, dresses, school children uniforms stitching, etc. With this, they are earning 3000- 4500 Rupees per month additional income for their family needs. With additional supplementary financial resources they are confident and supporting their children education by preventing them from child labour. We have been providing 3 months skills training in fashion designing courses for the women who belong to economically backward sections through teaching classes, providing raw material like threads, needles, clothes, scissors, etc. Every 3 months course, they learn skillful training in fashion designing and success certificate from our organization after learning the skills.



Kokan Silai School

We have a Kokan Sewing Schools in Thane & Dharavi, Mumbai to create a livelihood for the rural women. These Schools are made to provide the Monthly Income to women through three different aspects as well as to reach out more rural women. These schools are basically run in the beneficiary houses with one machine which we provide along with 3 types of training to generate income for the women.

We train them with stitching techniques of custom clothing and creative stitching. As well as we train them on servicing the machine so that they can repair and service the machine of other tailors. At last, we give them personality development training and teaching techniques, so they train women in their area with nominal fees. This program gives the chance to rural women to create a sustainable livelihood and help their families.

Beauty Parlour

Assistant Beauty Therapist Course

We run an Assistant Beauty Therapist course in a rural area for girls & Women. Under which we train the girls on the basics of beauty therapy, health, and hygiene, safety, and knowledge about various beauty products. As the Assistant Beauty Therapist, we ask them to perform practically on basic depilation ; manicure, pedicure, and basic face care services and also train them on assisting to the Beauty Therapist in providing advanced services.

This is an entrepreneur development plan under which they start their own Beauty parlour services and also do various other odd jobs either in the salon or sell retail products after obtaining knowledge on them. Currently we are operating in Pune & Thane in association with Various Village Gram panchayats. We have trained **233** Girls & women on the beauty Parlour course, most of them have been started with their own beauty Parlour services.





We are running this course in association with Lakshvedh & Sparsh Nursing Training Institute in Mumbai & Thane. The nursing assistant course is about Career Opportunities in the Medical Sector! Due to the pandemic situation, there is a shortage of Nurses as well as a nursing assistant is a job Oriented Course. There are girls in a tribal area who are looking for jobs but due to education issues, they are not able to work in the hospital. We help the students who have attended SSC, HSC, We will also help all the school dropouts, complete their SSC and HSC through Maharashtra Board, and so that Candidate gets better opportunities in the market as well. Our course consists of 3 months Theoretical training + 6 Months on Job Training and after the exam, we do place them in various hospitals nearby their places preference wise. We have trained **66** Assistant nurses and placed them successfully in various Hospitals.



This campaign aims to spread information about safe menstrual practices and dispel myths with scientific reasoning. The subject of menstruation and menstrual hygiene has been a big taboo in our society. Many girls still follow many myths especially those who have limited access to sanitary pads or menstrual education. Worse still, girls are looked down upon and considered impure when they have the periods. The campaign offers participants an opportunity to be open-minded about menstruation, encouraging young girls to be able to talk about it more freely.

This campaign will engage the school community to implement Sustainable Development Goals, SDG 3, helping students understand periods, dispel myths, discard pseudoscience, and embrace body positivity and eco-friendly menstrual hygiene products.



The campaign aims to achieve the following objectives:-

- To educate young girls about menstrual hygiene.
- To destigmatize menstruation-To spread awareness among men regarding period-positivity.
- To promote body-positivity.
- To engage mothers and normalize talking about periods.
- To spread awareness about sustainable menstrual hygiene and encourage the use of eco-friendly products.





Students are future fuel of our nation's economy. Their bright careers will bring happiness to parents, teachers, and society. Thus, students also bloom with ultimate self-satisfaction. There are so many careers emerging across the globe and are unknown to students. These need to be discovered and their importance must be publicized amongst every school. Therefore every year we do seminars in the school for **10th & 12th Students** and make them aware of the path of Careers.

Due to Corona this year we did online seminars with all the students and solved answered their questions about their Careers and Job Opportunities. Rural Students are mostly confused about what stream to be chosen? How to make a yearly plan of action? How to set a goal? How to crack board exams? How to do Career Planning & Career Mapping? What sector to be chosen as a career? & How to recognize own potentials etc. We have answered all their question and guide them on their Career Path, also provided with flyers consisting Road map of Career. **800+** students from Thane, Pune, Nashik, Sindhudurga, Ratnagiri, Raigad, and Palghar have participated in 6 Seminars which were conducted online and students started implementing the guidelines for better results.

Job Fair/Job Station

We always believe in providing livelihood through our various projects, events, etc. Career Fair is one of the Campaigns which helped **56+** jobless Students to get a job through our Job fair which was organized in Sindhudurga. Being in a rural area and not having MIDC or job opportunities youth are jobless . Keeping this in mind we have organized 2 Job fairs 1 with Khemraj College and another with Shirodkar College. By inviting various companies from Goa and Mumbai to these places we have given the opportunity to **200** youth to face the interview and **56** youth were selected for the job in companies like Sham Industries, Cipla, Muthoot Finance, McDonald, Domino's, etc.



Congenital heart disease and cancer disease are life-threatening chronic diseases and we work as a support system for such patient's families. Who can't raise the support for their children. Many times surgery is must for babies who are suffering from congenital heart disease and which is out their budget not affordable for the economically backward class. Our program works for such families who are not in a position to afford the cost of surgery & other medical expenses. Last year we have supported more than **141** cases out of which are **17** successful cases of open-heart surgery and cancer patient children from a various hospital which includes Wadia Hospital, Reliance Hospital, Surya Hospital, Bharati Hospital, HCG Manavta Hospital, Neurogen Hospital, Balaji Hospital, and Kalsekar Hospital, etc. For their heart surgery as well as chemotherapy.



Medical camps are one of the most important activities for rural areas as women of the tribal community & rural area very significant as these women do not visit due to taboos to explain their problems to the male doctors most of the time. Keeping in mind, the hesitation of rural women we manage to go with Female Doctors & gynecologist to get the better result in the Kasara area as well as Sindhudurga this year. We have also supported these women with Mask and sanitary napkin for their safety.



1471 women and girls' got Benefitted

Blood Donation Camp:

As Covid has grown drastically in Maharashtra there was a shortage of Blood & Plasma in all hospitals. So we decided to do a blood donation camp in Thane as well as Sindhudurga. **141** donors participated in the Donation camp and donated the blood to save the life of Covid Patients.



Food For Homeless

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Helping homeless to fight hunger This Food4Homeless campaign is a long-term relief effort to support needy families, with the support of the Government officials and local Police; we have reached out to **3000+** Homeless & needy Families with the support of Groceries. A large segment of the unorganized sector i.e., the daily wage workers, Homeless families, Garbage pickers, Hawkers, Mathadi's, the construction laborers, Tribal's and so on, They do not have the necessary resources to survive. They rely on their daily wages to put food on the table.

Feeding the hungry homeless elderly, women, children, leprosy patients, disabled on the streets as a part of our Campaign as well as the Global SDG goal of zero hunger. In India, many homeless people live in public places of highways, railway stations, and bus stops. Our aim to feed the hungry homeless destitute, abandoned senior citizens, migrant workers. Kokan Ngo works to eradicate hunger, malnutrition, food wastage. This project helped the poor, feeding the homeless people to eradicate hunger in India. Every time we feed the poor, the happiness on their faces is beyond description. Our motto is to feed every homeless, who carry their hungry stomach to the bed. Preventing a pandemic of hunger along with COVID-19 is our goal.



Life on the streets without Clothes



Wrapped in jackets and warm clothes, most of us don't even have any idea about how millions of individuals and families living under reduced circumstances are making the arrangements of basic requirements to survive. Affording thick blankets and warm clothing is not a possibility for many people. At night time, our volunteers were wandering across different areas of Mumbai. People were sleeping on the street without wearing any cloth on their bodies and without having any blanket to protect their bodies as well. Thus, after understanding their needs, we have taken quick steps in meeting the daily winter needs of natives living in marginalized communities. In our blanket and old clothes distribution drive, we have distributed thousands of blankets and old clothes better in terms of quality and comfort. People spending their life on the streets and footpaths have become a common sight in recent times. It is a continuous effort, which our organization takes every year for the needy community on the streets as well as slums.



When you do things for others, something good happens for you too. Doing a good deed like donating your old clothes will make you feel good because you're doing something for a worthy cause. You're getting rid of the clutter in your home and helping others at the same time. Nearly 100% of the textiles in your home can be recycled and donated, regardless of the quality or condition. This means you really have no reason not to donate your old clothes! It's better for the environment, it helps children in need of clothing, and you'll feel great. If you're wondering where to donate household items like clothes, check out our website for clothing drop-off locations or to schedule a home pickup.



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Caring COVID Soldiers



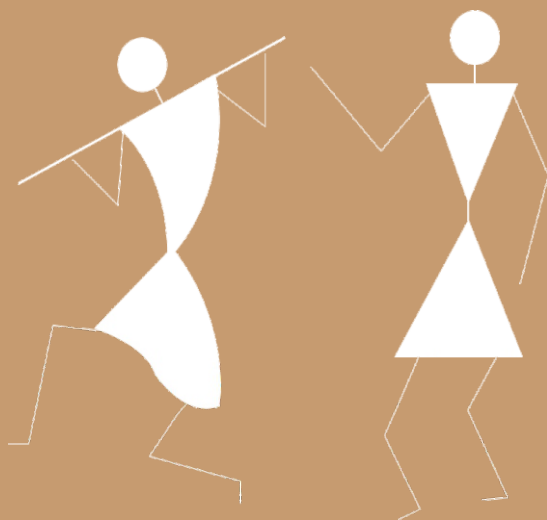
India is witnessing the doubling of **COVID-19** cases every **5** days. At this stage of the rapid growth of the infection, we need to protect our doctors and all frontline healthcare workers at any cost, who are at high risk of contracting the virus in the course of their efforts to battle this pandemic. This campaign was specifically aimed toward procuring kits and other consumables for Frontline workers. We have helped more than **5000** frontline worker including Police Man, BMC worker, Gas Supplier, Nurses, and other social workers from various sector.

N95 masks – **2150** Sanitizers - **17614**

Face Shield - **3505** Gloves - **1400** PPE Kits - **1412**

Kokan Ngo Salute all Covid Warriors





A Small Shelter, at Titwala, protecting **35** and blooming lives, under the age of **4** to **14** yrs old children. These little children are not orphans, they are abundant souls by their own procreator. Some of them have absconded from home due to poverty and some have been left there due to parental loss.

Kokan Ngo celebrates 26th January, Republic Day with these children this year

Things do not matter much to these kids. They are hungry for true love and compassion. They are `generous humans' on this earth, full of talents, and ambition, only to be explored. We support our little friends to explore, to gain equal opportunity, and let them also see the beautiful world around them. We make a change in their lives by supporting their education and daily needs.





It is not always food or gifts which makes street children happy but the love and care for them is!! So we celebrate each festival with street / Orphan children by enjoying the moment by playing games with them, they feel happy when we Dance with them. Gradually we realized these kids are very talented but they are not privileged ones. Their parents are looking out for food for their hunger, basic needs of Cloth & shelter for them. We extend & share our resources with them to make them happy by giving food & Clothes.





There are important elements in our society who always work with us, unknowingly work for us. Being a part of our society we must spread love to those who never get the affection from society. Normally they are always around us but we never realize their effort towards us. On the Valentine's Day we thanked Senior Citizens Postman uncle, Watchman, bus conductor, Sweepers, fish seller, Gas Supplier, etc. by giving roses and chocolates as a symbol of affection and love.



Every year we celebrate different festivals with all the needy community living in slums, orphanage, street, etc. in Holi festival, we do Celebration by sharing "**Khushiyo ke rang**", We celebrate with underprivileged kids as "**Dilwali Diwali**" by distributing chocolates, Sweets, and playing games with the little kids on the streets.

Christmas is the festival of doing charity so we celebrate it as "**Charity Mass**" for the needy community by spreading awareness of education & health and by distributing food & clothes etc



Celebration of National Days: Republic Day & Independence day is the national day which gives us the proud moment of being an Indian, we have organized various events like flag hosting and talked to the students about our revolutionary heroes who fought for the freedom of India. We did organize a different competition on freedom movement in India.





Motor Bike Ambulance - First Responder it was observed that there are lots of problem of transport in rural areas of palghar. when it comes to Health care response it becomes the worst situation due to the small roads in tribal 'Padas'. It causes big loss of life when people are unwell and not able to reach doctor on time. Keeping this in mind, Alert Citizen forum & Kokan Kala Va Shikshan Vikas Sanstha decided to start a motorbike ambulance last year for a tribal area of Palghar, Sbi bank aided with financial support for the initial two Responder bike, which the Sbi team Handed over to Both the organization on 26.04.2021 at vile parle, in a small handover ceremony due to covid 19 issue all across. In this covid situation, "this is a very good and appreciative effort taken by the NGO's and would be happy to work in future, was said by AGM SBI".

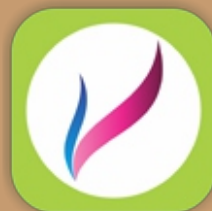


At least 75% of Indian homes have at least one drug user, sometimes as young as 13. In rural areas, many diseases are caused by a lack of knowledge about the ill-effects of tobacco on health. In order to create awareness about health and hygiene among tribals and local villagers in Sindhudurg and provide early diagnosis and timely treatment for children and adults, we organised a standardised health education program in schools and colleges to raise awareness about the harmful effects of tobacco and cancer, as well as teach refusal skills and avoidance techniques. Where around **1285** participants were given information & we provided a basic pamphlet consisting information on ill-effects of tobacco and alcohol, thus spreading a social message. Additionally, we perform street plays in the local areas of Kudal to raise awareness of the ill-effects of tobacco and alcohol which was attended by **1268** people. Counseling sessions & camps are also conducted to ensure that the patient and their family members understand the treatment plan, medication, and therapies as well as introduce them to nearby rehabilitation centres and special therapies available at those rehabilitation centres.





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