O Brahman protect us
And nourish us together
May we endeavour to seek together
May our revelations be illuminating
May we never hate each other
Let there be peace,

Annual Report 2011

Bodhivriksha

Bodhivriksha Pustakalaya Pariyojana
Nirvanavan Foundation

Bodhivriksha Ki Baat

I am very happy to present the Annual Report 2011 for the Bodhivriksha Education Programme to the Friends of the Nirvanavan Foundation, partners and well wishers. Last year we were working with 10 schools. Two new schools were added this year. The Migratory Hostel and school at Pipalgarh Nat Basti and the Library Project school at Girbas Kanjer Basti. The Foundation is now working with 12 schools and 555 children. I wish to thank the Coordinators and the teachers who have efficiently coordinated the programme and worked according to the concepts. The concepts evolved with time and with regular ongoing discussions. I also wish to thank the communities for being supportive and for giving us space to work and for believing in our purpose. I thank the children who have made great efforts to understand the concepts of Non-violence and World Peace.

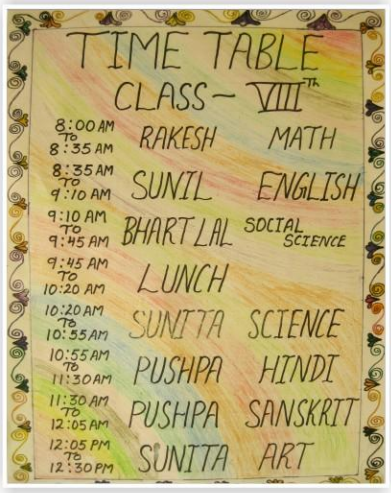
I thank our partners 'Towards Nirvana, U.K' and the 'One World Children's Fund, U.S.A' for their support and for their understanding of the context and the situation. Working with the 'Nat and Kanjer' communities has been a challenge and it would have been impossible to work without their support. I thank my friends from Alwar for their moral support and for hosting the events.

We are on a journey and we hope that our efforts will bring peace into our hearts.

Love and Maitri,
Nirvana Bodhisattva
Chairperson

Orphend Children of Mother Therasa Home Studying at Bodhivriksha shala Advaita Garden, Hajipur-Dadikar

Teachers of Bodhivriksha



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Group photo class 8th 2012

A class wise list of children in the Bodhivriksha Schools.

Schools	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6	Class 7	Class 8	Total No. of Student
Advaita Garden	47	21	37	27	22	25	12	16	207
Ramgarh	19	06	10	X	05	X	X	X	40
Kalsada Bagh	19	06	X	X	X	X	X	X	25
Gajuki Nadi	18	X	06	02	X	X	X	X	26
Dhobi Ghatta	14	04	04	04	05	X	X	X	31
Nangliya	09	08	05	X	X	X	X	X	22
Peepli	13	05	02	X	X	X	X	X	20
Hatundi	08	05	08	03	02	X	X	X	26
Sodavas	13	08	05	X	X	X	X	x	26
Beejwad Chouhan Nat Basti	08	10	05	X	x	X	X	X	23
Peeplgarh Nat Basti	16	19	17	10	17	X	X	X	79
Girvas	15	7	5	3	X	X	X	X	30
							Grand Total		**555**

Bodhivriksha Shala

Advaita Garden, Hajipur - Dadikar

The Bodhivriksha shala Advaita Garden, Hajipur-Dadikar has 8 groups namely, Chandni , Koyal, Tara, Kiran, Badal, Sher, Bharat and Mor (class 1st to 8th). There are 207 children in the school out of which there are 109 boys and 98 girls.

This is a model school and also training center for new teachers. The new teachers after being trained are sent to the Bodhivriksha schools in the Nat and Kanjer communities. In this school the students of 1st to 3rd class are taught according to the syllabus prepared by the Bodhivriksha Pustakalaya Pariyojana. The students of 4 to 8 class are taught according to the state government syllabus.

Community Meeting 25.09.2011

The teachers discussing with the parents of the children about the problems regarding their child and their academic level during a community meeting.

Basant Panchami 08.02.2011

Basant Panchami was celebrated on 8th of February from 9 am with the singing of various ragas of the Indian Classical Music. About 200 children, staff and villagers participated in the event. Pt. Brij Bhushan Bhatt Played on the violin for our children.

Snakes and Wildlife Conservation 28.11.2011

Wildlife conservationist Chinmaya Mc Massey gave a talk and demonstration on snakes and wildlife conservation. About 200 children were present along with the Bodhivriksha staff, foreign guests and villagers. Chinmaya gave a demonstration on frist aid during snake bite and said that 90% of the snakes are not poisonous

Van Mahotsava 21.08.2011

The Mahavir International Trust on the invitation of Nirvanavan Foundation organized a tree planting ceremony at Advaita Garden. Hundreds of fruit trees were planted on the occasion. Dr. Surendra Jain, Advocate Sanjeev Karagwal, Mahavir International Trust Alwar President Narendra Palawat, Sunita Mittal, Foundation Chairperson Nirvana Bodhisattva, Foundation staff, villagers and environmentalists were present

International Sufi Festival 23.10.2011

Classical oddissi dance 'Creative Oddissi' was presented by the girls of the Advaita Garden School at International Sufi Festival, Ajmer. The choreography was done by Ms. Antara Roy a reputed odissi dancer and the preparation began 3 month ahead of the festival.

Teacher's Traning Programme 16.05.2011 to 25.06.2011

The 10 day Annual Teachers Training Programme was held from 16th May – 26th May at Advaita Garden for the induction of new teachers and a refresher programme for the old teachers. 50 teachers had participated in the programme. Work was done on three levels, 1. With the teachers, 2. With the children and 3.With the community. The main emphasis of the training was how to work with the children of 1st to 5th class.

Art Mela for World peace 2.10.2011

The Annual Art Mela for World Peace was organized at Advaita Garden on the 2nd of October. The children of the Bodhivriksha Schools participated in drawing and painting with the children of the main stream schools. About 800 children had participated is the event. The paintings were displayed latter on in the evening. Clay toys made by the children were also exhibited during the event.

Bodhivriksha shala Gajuki Nadi

Gajuki Nadi is one of the largest kanjer village. The level of education is very low. There are 30 children studying in the Bodhivriksha shala. 24 of them are girls and 6 are boys. Among the 30 children 5 of them will be joining the main stream school in the next session.

Distribution of Jersey's 26.12.2011

Dr. Surendra Jain had distributed jersey's for the children of Bodhivrikhsha shala Gajuki Nadi.

Art Exhibition 25.08.2011

Drawings, Collage work, clay toys were exhibition at Bodhivriksha shala Gajuki Nadi on 9th July. The exhibits were made by the children during the period of Arts. The children and the people from the community enjoyed the exhibition very much. The vision is to bring out the hidden talent that remains unexpressed within the children.

Shramdana 09.11.2011

The children of Bodhivriksha shala Gajuki Nadi and their teacher preformed sharamdana in the community. They had picked up polythene bags and plastics that lay scattered in the village and had placed dust-bins at crucial places in the village to raise awareness about health and hygiene

Bodhivriksha shala Dhobi Ghatta

Bodhivriksha Shala Dhobi Ghatta is situated in an urban slum. 13 girls and 11 boys are studying in this school. Five children from the school have been admitted to class 6th, 7th and 8th to the nearby government schools and thus into the mainstream. This have been a major achievement for the school this year.

Community Contact

Community Contact has been done every month by the teacher. During the Community Contact the teacher discussed the level of the students with their parents, problems in the community, hygiene and cleanliness and regarding support of the community to the school and attendance of the children.

Independence Day Celebration 15.08.2011

The 65th Independence Day was celebrated at Bodhivriksha shala Dhobi Ghatta with flag hoisting by the local Parshad. A cultural programme was presented by the children and a play on water conservation was also presented. The programme was appreciated by the community and sweets were distributed to the children.

Cleaning of the Drain

In the month of November the teacher organised a shramdan with the children of the school to clean the high drain near the temple.

Bodhivriksha school Ramgarh

The Bodhivriksha shala Ramgarh is situated within the kanjer village. This school has participated in all the cultural programmes and events. There are 40 (boy and girls) children studying in the school.

Period of Joy

The children and teacher are engaged in reciting poems. This helps to create an atmosphere of joy in the class.

Bodhivriksha shala Kalsada Bagh

Jersey Distribution Programme 27.12.2011

Gagan Uniforms distributed jersey's to 25 children on 27th December 2011.

The list of student's class wise is as follows :

Kalsada Bagh	Class 1st	Class 2nd	Class 3rd	Class 4th	Class 5th
Number of student's	19	09	07	02	X

Bodhivriksha shala Migratory Hostel Pipalgarh

Nirvanavan Foundation conducted a survey at the Pipalgarh Nat Basti. According to the data after a month long survey, it was found that the community migrates for 6- 7 months every year to other states. As a result of this migration the children remain uneducated.

The Nirvanavan Foundation with the support of SSA opened a Migratory Hostel on 1st September 2011 to educate the children of the Nat community. 80 children of various age groups study in the Bodhivriksha shala Pipalgarh.

Children eating during lunch time

Distribution of kitchen Utensils at Pipalgarh 28.09.2011

P.N.B Prerana group donated various kitchen utensils and study materials to the Migratory Hostel at Pipalgarh

Medical health Camp 27.11.2011

The Rotary Club Alwar Fort organized a medical health camp at the Migratory Hostel Pipalgarh on 27th November 2011. Apart from the children the people from the community also had a health check- up and medicines were distributed.

Distribution of Jersey's 18.12.2011

Rotary Club Alwar Fort distributed jerseys at the Migratory Hostel Pipalgarh. The chief guest was D.S.P Sukhvir Singh Solanki. Nirvana Bodhisattva, Chairperson Nirvanavan Foundation, members of the rotary club, foundation staff and people from the community were present at the ceremony.

Bodhivriksha shala Beejwad Chouhan Nat Basti

The Nirvanavan Foundation is doing an education programme at the Beejwad Chouhan Nat Basti for many years now. There were 25 children in the year 2011 at the school.

Deepotsava 29.10.2011

Deepotsava was celebrated at Beejwad Chouhan Nat Basti in the honour of the Nat community. The programme was inaugurated by lighting 12 earthen lamps by the teachers of the Bodhivriksha schools. Children from the various Bodhivriksha schools along with the staff, people from the Nat community and child line team member were present. The childline gave a presentation on child rights and the children presented a cultural programme of song and dance.

Bodhivriksha shala Sodavas

Making dust - bins

Children with the help of the teacher made dust - bins and distributed them to every house. The village now looks clean and thus there will be a possible control in spreading of diseases.

Basant Panchami 08.02.2011

The schools of the Mundawar block- Nanglia , Hatundi, Beejwad Chouhan Nat Basti and Pipli celebrated Basant Panchami at Bodhivriksha shala Sodavas. The children presented a cultural programme with song and dance. Sweets were distributed for the children by the community.

Number of students and their level

School Sodavas	Class 1st	Class 2nd	Class 3rd	Class 4th	Class 5th
Number of student's	13	08	05	00	00

Bodhivriksha shala Girvas

The Nirvanavan Foundation is doing a library project at the Government Primary School at Girvas. The aim of the project is to encourage more and more children to go to school. A teacher has been appointed by the foundation for the project. The teacher manages the library and works with 25 academically weak children. Through the efforts of the

Bodhivriksha school teacher the number of students increased from 170 to 225. This has been a major achievement for the school this year. The foundation has gifted 800 books to the school.

Bodhivriksha Shala Hatundi

The Total number of students and their level

Hatundi	Class 1st	Class 2nd	Class 3rd	Class 4th	Class 5th
Number of student's	08	05	08	03	02

The children of Bodhivriksha Shala Hatundi engaged in drawing and painting in the period of Arts.

Bodhivriksha shala Pipli

The Chairperson Nirvanavan Foundation in conversation with the Teacher and children of Bodhivriksha Shala Pipli

The Children of Bodhivriksha Shala Pipli enjoying in the Period of Games

Bodhivriksha

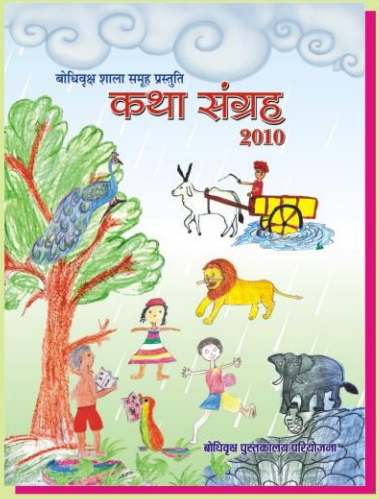
Children displaying certificates received during various events.

Yoga with Rechard Roberts

The Materials in this presentation were compiled and editing by Rajesh.

Bodhivriksha Bal Patrika

The work done by the children in the 'Period of Arts' are compiled by the teachers and brought out as a magazine. The magazine contains drawings, poems, stories, songs, plays and jokes composed by the children.



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