
In Memoriam

The 6th of May, 2022, dawned on us at Vivek Chetana with a sense of devastating loss – the passing away of our beloved Krishnadi – our founder, guide, influencer, activist, and a tireless champion of women's rights

It seems impossible to speak of Krishnadi without mentioning Vivek Chetana in the same breath. Vivek Chetana and Krishnadi were synonymous with each other. Inspired by Rev. Pr. Muktipranaji and the blessings of Sri Sarada Math and Mission, not only did Krishnadi (along with Benudi) bring Vivek Chetana to life but also nurtured and steered it all the way as long as she could.

Krishnadi envisioned Vivek Chetana as the concrete embodiment of Swamiji's powerful message relating to service and humanitarian ideals. Till her health setbacks affected her, Krishna remained intensely connected with the daily workings of Vivek Chetana, as deeply and creatively involved as she had been in her capacity as Chief Librarian at Jadavpur University. Her mind would brim over with novel projects for women and children in her beloved "gram" and in the neighbourhood. Her infectious enthusiasm, crusading zeal, and ambitious plans for Vivek Chetana drew the admiration and respect of anyone who came into contact with her. No doubt Krishnadi has now found eternal rest at the Holy Feet of Ma Sarada but Vivek Chetana will continue to be imbued with her spirit of service and the enduring legacy she has left behind.

We will never cease to mourn her loss

ANNUAL REPORT

April 2021 – March 2022

This life is short, the vanities of the world are transient, but they alone live who live for others; the rest are more dead than alive
– Swami Vivekananda

Vivek Chetana

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THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, APRIL 2021 – MARCH 2022

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MEMBERS


Debjani Chatterjee, Gargi Ghosh
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Debosmita Ghosh, Shipra Biswas

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Kolkata

Vivek Chetana is pleased to announce to all its well-wishers, friends and sponsors that we are fast recovering from the difficulties, economic and otherwise, of the pandemic situation and look forward to serving you as we did earlier. 

ABOUT US

Ours is a voluntary women's social welfare organization founded on Swami Vivekananda's ideals of love and service, under the hallowed auspices of Sri Sarada Math and Ramakrishna Sarada Mission, Dakshineswar. We are grateful for their continued patronage, inspiration and guidance. In January 2022, we completed thirty-seven years of selfless service, re-dedicating ourselves to the progress, improvement and empowerment of distressed women and children. Both in the city of Kolkata and non-urban areas, Vivek Chetana, since its foundation, has successfully implemented several programmes in the areas of health and education for economically disadvantaged, physically challenged women and children. This success has added more enthusiasm to its humanitarian mission, spurring on increased efforts to undertake similar projects among the marginalized sections of society.

In the last few years, Vivek Chetana's undertaking of supplementary coaching programmes in villages of Bardeuli and Gangarampur has created significant impact on the lives of both the women and children. This is testified by the attendance of increasing numbers of students, dedicated teachers and involved parents and guardians.

KAAJER KAGOJ (PAPER BAG)

This project has provided severely orthopaedically handicapped and economically-disadvantaged girls a much-needed means of livelihood. These girls show their eagerness and interest by physically collecting the papers themselves, notwithstanding their physical disabilities. Old newspapers are provided by Maneesha Datta, Sumita Banerjea, Malobika Ganguli, Mitali Bhattacharya, Srimoti Ghosh, Krishna Dutta, Shipra Biswas, Srimonti Bhattacharya, Debarati Banerjee, Debasish Sen, Sharmila Bose, Chandrima Datta Gupta, Debosmita Ghosh, Indrani Mitra, Rita Banerjee, Malobika Sengupta, Devika Doss, Aparajita Nag, Malobika Ganguli, Jayanti Bhattacharya & Sunipa Datta. We invite others to contribute in order to sustain this laudable venture. Vivek Chetana gratefully acknowledges their efforts.

Sm. Sanghamitra Ghosh regularly spares her time, space and effort in order to distribute the papers from her residence where the papers are stored.

NISHANT

Vivek Chetana takes pride in the endearing and long-standing relationship with the inmates of Alipore Women's Correctional Home which has resulted in exquisite handcrafted items produced by them. This means of earning inspires the women to find a new purpose in life. The finished products captivate everyone's heart and garner much appreciation.

In 2020-2021, owing to Covid restrictions, interactions with Alipore women's Correctional Home practically ceased. However, Vivek Chetana's renewed application was welcomed by the authorities, who expressed happiness with Vivek Chetana's service record and association. Inmates who were met by our members Sm. Debasmita Ghosh and Sm. Shipra Biswas expressed their eagerness to work with us again.

SARADA KANYA PRAKALPA

In addition to the ongoing supportive programmes a new proposal was taken up in the 150th Birth Anniversary Year of Sri Sarada Devi. Vivek Chetana introduced financial assistance for needy, meritorious girl students to complete their education and build a career. Beneficiaries of this programme are Adrija Saha, Chhandadeepa Middey, Priti Oraon, Sonali Pal, Rebati Chatterjee & S. Naskar.

SPONSORS – SARADA KANYA PRAKALPA

Bratati Ghosh
Mitali Bhattacharya
Rituporno Pal

Devika Doss
Malobika Sengupta
Sanjay Rudra
Uday Mukherjee

Debarati Banerjee
Dr. Praneeta Nandy
Rudres Ghosh

STEP TOGETHER

Physically challenged women continue to 'Step Together' with their able counter-parts to produce appliqued and embroidered household linen, sarees, bags and many other items which are very much in demand and appreciated both in India and abroad. Each item bears the stamp of their individual expertise and labour. What started on a very humble footing has now expanded to include a commendable number of empowered girls and women.

In October 2021 Vivek Chetana took part in a four-day long exhibition with its hand-crafted Step Together products at Sister Nivedita Museum, Baghbazar.

After a two - year gap an exhibition was held on 25th and 26th March 2022 at our own premises. The response & sales on these days exceeded our expectations.

MUKTIPRANA MATAJI CENTENARY AWARD

As a humble tribute to Rev. Pr. Muktiprana Mataji, in her centenary year, Vivek Chetana has introduced an annual award in the form of a gold-plated medal for a student of Sister Nivedita Girl's School, who scores the highest marks in Madhyamik Examination.

Awardee for this year – Afreen Mondal

UTTARAN

The coaching unit for underprivileged young girls has turned out to be a remarkable success story at Gangarampur.

From time-to-time Vivek Chetana members visit in order to encourage and motivate them. Ms. Mary Anne Dasgupta gifted them kurti sets on behalf of Sharehouse Charitable Foundation.

Regarding their classes, online coaching began since July 2021. Sm. Aparajita Nag used to communicate regularly via various media platforms like WhatsApp and Google. Data recharge for about 3 months was provided for the avid learners to encourage them to continue. Virtual classes set to routine were started in January, 2022 for classes 9 and 10, in Mathematics, Life Science, Physical Science and Geography by Sri Surajit Mondal, Sm. Mousumi Gunre, Sm. Rima Halder as also by our Executive Committee member and Treasurer, Sm. Aparajita Nag for some time before Sm. Falguni Patra took over.

Two of our successful Madhyamik Examinees this year who have received Dr. Monika Nag Memorial Scholarship award, are Priya Mondal for Life Science & Physical Science and Barsha Mondal for Mathematics.

SPONSORS – UTTARAN EDUCATION FUND

Bandana Dasgupta

Devraj Doss

Indrani Mitra

UDAYAN

This coaching centre for children of varied age in the village of Bardeuli near Gangarampur completed five years in January 2022. The number of children is at present 50-55. Teachers are engaged in providing quality education to children of classes I, II, III, IV. Music classes are held once a week.

From April 2021, while maintaining Covid protocol, students took part in different extra-curricular activities with their teachers. Guardians visited the centre in small groups to submit work-assignments prepared by their teachers. In order to assess the effectiveness of their virtual education an offline examination was scheduled for each class on 16th and 17th December 2021. Eight students sat for the class 2 examination, while for class 3 the number was 14. 7 students of class 1 appeared for their test on 18.12.2021. The majority of students performed satisfactorily. Students also undertook drawing assignments. To encourage their artistic talents, Vivek Chetana provided them with drawing books and other accessories. While Sri Biswajit Kanthal coordinates, Sm. Tumpa Mondal, Sm. Piu Kanthal, Sm. Pritikana Das and Sm. Pritilata Halder (for music) are employed as teachers at this centre.

Independence Day, 2021 was celebrated with much interest and enthusiasm and a Sit-and-Draw competition was arranged – an event we hope to make an annual feature in our cultural calendar.

The children celebrated Swami Vivekananda's Birth anniversary on 12th January. Smt. Bandana Dasgupta distributed food packets for the students on this day. Sri Manosij Ganguli provided woollen jackets. Drawing books, colour pencils were provided by Sri Jnananjan Nag & Ms. Neelanjana Nandi. Sri Ashis Majumdar & Smt. Esha Mukherjee donated food packets.

SPONSORS – TENDER TOUCH

Alokananda Sen

Anindya Roy Chowdhury

Ashim Bhaumik

Dr. Avik Sengupta

Arabinda Ghosh

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Indranil Mitra	Indranil Gangopadhyay	Jaya Deb Roy
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Syamal Raychoudhuri	Dr. Suvro Dutta	Soumitra Sinha
Dr. Sudeep Mitra	Samir Ghosh Roy	Sudeshna Majumdar
Vaswar Mitra	Yagnaseni Ghosh	

AARTA SAHAY

With the much-needed financial support provided by our valued sponsors, Vivek Chetana launched this project aimed towards upholding the dignity and respect of lonely, deprived, elderly rural women living in and around Gangarampur village. Every month, hampers containing items of daily – use, like snacks, puffed rice, sugar, seasonal fruits, detergent powder are made available to them. This small gesture expressing our love and concern enthruses them and conveys our message of inclusion and service to humanity which Swamiji inspired us towards.

This small – scale project has grown to accommodate, fifteen grateful respondents. Among those members who donated are Home Linen items by Chandrima Datta Gupta and food packets by Ashis Majumdar & Smt. Esha Mukherjee besides woollen shawls by Swagata Majumdar.

DONORS

Archana Sarkar	Dr. Avik Sengupta	Barendra Nath Putatunda
Bandana Dasgupta	Debjani Bhattacharya	Debjani Chatterjee
Gargi Ghosh	Geetanjali Sengupta	Jaya Biswas
Paramita Sinha	Preetha Chatterjee	Ranjan Sen
Rama Srinidhi	Samir Ghosh Roy	Sambhavi Mukherjee

Shyamoli Mukherjee
Soumendra Nath Raha

Sanghamitra Lahiri
Sayani Ghosh

Swagata Majumder

SHARODIYA UPOHAR

Vivek Chetana is proud to acknowledge the receipt of large sums as donation from our large hearted & generous friends and members. This amount allowed us to purchase new clothes for boys & girls as well as sarees for women included in the Aarta Sahay project.

Vivek Chetana looks forward to a similar response from all in the future.

DONORS

Anuva Putatunda
Ajanta Chatterjee
Chandrima Datta Gupta
Debjani Bhattacharya
Indrani Bhattacharyya
Krishna Sen

Aparajita Nag
Anusua Mitra
Debjani Chatterjee
Debasmita Ghosh
Dr. Jnananjan Nag
Kabita Lindenmeyer

Alakananda Sen
Bandana Dasgupta
Debjani Mudi Pal
Devika Doss
Jayanti Bhattacharya
Kamal Iyenger

Krishna Dutta
M. S. Harinee
Srimonti Bhattacharya

Mahua Mukherjee
Nishi Pulugurtha
Shipra Biswas

Malobika Ganguli
Reena Sinha
Sanghamitra Ghosh

DISHA

This Adult Literacy Project, which was inaugurated in 1996, involves a large number of women living in the villages surrounding Gangarampur of South 24-Parganas. They are taught to read and write and even manage their domestic financial accounts. It was recently decided that since these women had shown considerable improvement and response, they could now be exposed to the reading of newspapers, as well as a deeper acquaintance with English and a higher standard of Arithmetic.

Prizes are annually awarded as encouragement. The best student receives the "Pr. Dayaprana Smriti Puraskar".

SREE

Sree beneficiaries were provided assistance for their various business ventures, like dealing in livestock, poultry, vegetable growing and sewing. Most have recounted losses incurred during the pandemic period such as the death of animals or poultry, increased cost of raw materials etc. Even then, most

of them have repaid whatever assistance they received. It was felt that those engaged in sewing could be included in our Step Together project.

We remain grateful to Sri Arnab Ray and Sm. Shalini Keswani for their continued support to this project.

Vivek Chetana extends a very special note of thanks to Sri Ashish Chatterjee for his extremely caring gesture of distributing food packets among the staff & members at Keyatala every year, in the loving memory of his mother, Jyotika Chatterjee.

SPONSORSHIP

“Sponsor-a-child” programmes in Vivek Chetana’s various projects have received popular and unfailing support over the years from our loyal patrons. We call upon others to embark upon this humanitarian venture and help as many underprivileged children enjoy quality education, nutrition and other facilities, as we possibly can. So please join us.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting was held on 25.09.2021.

FOREIGN CONTRIBUTION REGULATION ACT

Vivek Chetana is registered under the Foreign Contribution Regulation Act and has obtained permission from Govt. of India to accept Foreign Contributions. We welcome donations from abroad.

SEC 80G OF THE INCOME TAX ACT

Donations to Vivek Chetana are exempt from Income Tax U/S 80G of the Income Tax Act.

LIFE MEMBERS

Bandana Dasgupta
Krishna Sen
Mahua Shome

Bichitra Sen
Kabita Lindenmeyer
Manjumala Banerjee
Shakuntala Mukherjee

Dr. Jaba Guha
Meenakshi Mitra
Nilanjana Sarkar

FRIENDS

Dr. Alo Sen
Ajanta Chatterjee
Anuva Putatunda
Bratati Ghosh
Devika Doss
Indrani Bhattacharyya
Jaya Deb Roy
Krishna Dutta
Manjusree Kar

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Mahua Dey

Anasua Mitra
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Kamal Iyenger
Koely Ghosh
Maneesha Datta

Moumita Kanjilal
Prakriti Das
Sanghamitra Ghosh
Srimonti Bhattacharya
Sunipa Datta

Malobika Ganguli
Reena Sinha
Shipra Biswas
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Meena Mukherjee
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MEMBERS

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Ashish Majumdar
Goutam Bhattacharya
Shatadru Sarkar

Bandana Dasgupta
Esha Mukherjee
Lakshmi Rani Mandal
Munesh Khan
Swagata Majumdar
Yagnaseni Ghosh

FOREIGN DONATION

We remain ever grateful to our FRIENDS who are miles away. They have stood by us over the years and given us their unquestioning support, love and affection. Each bond is unique in its own way.

Their love for Vivek Chetana transcends the barrier of distance –

Arnab Ray & Shalini Keswani	Ananya Chatterjee	Anusha Ghosh Roy
Ashim Bhaumik	Deepu Ghosh & Shyamali Ghosh	
Apu Ghosh	Devraj Doss	Indranil Mitra
Koushi Chowdhury	Meeta Dutta	Manosij Ganguli
Nimisha Mandal	Dr. Pradip Saha	Preetha Chatterjee
Paramita Sinha	Rini Chakraborty	Rudresh Ghosh
Rudrajit Datta	Samir Ghosh Roy	Syamal Roy Chowdhury
Dr. Suvro Dutta	Soumitra Sinha	Dr. Sudeep Mitra
Sayan Ghosh	Yagnaseni Ghosh	

GRATEFUL BOUNTY

Vivek Chetana has introduced a permanent fund for donors who wish to donate in loving memory of their near and dear ones –

Smt. Arundhati Sinha in memory of Anjali Sinha

Smt. Indrani Mitra in memory of Sujata Ghosh

Prof. Jnananjan Nag in memory of Dr. Monika Nag

Smt. Krishna & Smt. Benu Datta in memory of Roma Datta

Smt. Kalpana Das in memory of D. S. Das

Smt. Krishna Dutta in memory of Benu Datta

Smt. Krishna Dutta in memory of Malinabala Datta

Smt. Krishna Dutta in memory of Dr. Prakash Chandra Ghosh

Smt. Pratima Chakraborty in memory of Sugata Chakraborty

Sri Shatadru Sarkar in memory of Panchami Sarkar



**AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS
OF
VIVEK CHETANA**

2/3D, KEYATALA ROAD, KOLKATA - 700 029

1. We report that we have audited the attached Balance Sheet of VIVEK CHETANA of 2/3D, Keyatala Road, Kolkata - 700 029 as at 31st March, 2022 and the Income & Expenditure Account and Receipts & Payments Account for the year ended on that date, which are in agreement with the books of account.
2. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in India. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.
3. In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure Account, give respectively a true and fair view of the state of Society's affairs as at 31st March, 2022 and its SURPLUS for the year ended on that date.
4. We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for our audit.

For DIPAK KUMAR MITRA & CO.
CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

No. 6, Old Post Office Street,
Kolkata, the 29th August, 2022

(D. K. M., F. C. A.)
Proprietor
Membership No. 051288.

VIVEK CHETANA

2/3D, KEYATALA ROAD, KOLKATA-700 029
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH, 2022

As At 31.03.2021	LIABILITIES			As At 31.03.2021	ASSETS		
3199115	RESERVE FUND : As per last account	3199115.00		478049	FIXED ASSETS : (As per SCHEDULE-1)		406858.00
	Add : Corpus Fund	145000.00		3000	SECURITY DEPOSIT : Telephone	3000.00	
	Surplus -Excess of Income over Expenditure	132084.00	3476199.00	6250	Electric Charges	6250.00	9250.00
				1584554	FIXED DEPOSITS :		1598599.00
	LIABILITIES FOR EXPENSES			92077	T.D.S. (INCOME TAX) : As per last account	92077.00	
1770	For Audit Fees	1770.00			Add: During the year	1906.00	
6000	For Salary	0.00	1770.00		Less: Refund Received	76230.00	17753.00
				0	ADVANCE FOR PROJECT		100000.00
	SECURITY DEPOSIT : As per last account		9875.00	15238	CASH IN HAND :		10841.00
				809307	CASH AT BANKS :		
				228285	Canara Bank (7230)	1065062.00	
					Canara Bank (9429)	279481.00	1344543.00
3216760			3487844.00	3216760			3487844.00

Notes: Previous year's figures have been re-grouped and re-arranged whenever necessary

In terms of our separate report of even date.

No. 6, Old Post Office Street
Kolkata, the 29th August, 2022

Aparajita Nag
Treasurer, Vivek Chetana

Anuva Putatunda
General Secretary, Vivek Chetana

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Chartered Accountant

VIVEK CHETANA

2/3D, KEYATALA ROAD, KOLKATA-700 029

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH, 2022

Year Ended 31.03.2021	EXPENDITURE		Year Ended 31.03.2021	INCOME	
330000	To Salary	330000.00	98855	By Realization from sale of articles	174936.00
45706	" Making Charges	46448.00	34320	" Subscription from Members	27840.00
90586	" Office & Administration Expenses (As per Schedule - 2)	128971.00	18755	" Interest on S. B.	34184.00
321400	" Project Expenses	356842.00	106638	" Interest on F. D.	86082.00
83848	" Depreciation	71191.00	0	" Interest on Income Tax Refund	6100.00
	" <u>Expenses for</u> Amphan Relief Fund	0.00	655855	" Donation	736394.00
117701	Saradiya Upohar	28100.00	117701	" <u>Collection For</u> Amphan Relief Fund	0.00
0			0	Saradiya Upohar	28100.00
42883	" Surplus - Excess of Income over Expenditure	132084.00			
1032124		1093636.00	1032124		1093636.00

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Chartered Accountant

Vivek Chetana organized a Memorial Service for Krishnadi on 28th May, 2022, which was attended by a large number of her fellow – members, ex- colleagues and associates. They recalled her dynamism, popularity, vision and humanity that never failed to impress and influence us and even made lifelong friends of total strangers.
