

Having impacted over one million lives in nearly two decades, Oasis India continues to work in three metros with women, youth and children from poor communities, including those that are trafficked and sexually abused by facilitating education, income generation, sports / job training and placements, enabling them to make better choices for improved quality of life.

Oasis India, founded on Christian inspiration is part of a global network, bringing change by actively engaging with individuals, civil society and the government through cost effective and innovative approaches.

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*Anti - Human Trafficking &
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It's been 10 years since most of us understood what a tsunami meant. And as we travelled the South Eastern coast in early 2005, looking at the trail of debris and destruction, and listened to heart-wrenching stories of how lives changed forever in an instant, one thing remains with me to this day – that the human heart is always hopeful. Amidst loss, tragedy, despair, anxiety and deep-seated pain, there is always this thought of how tomorrow is a brand new day! For, tomorrow, the calamity of today is history, the catastrophe of yesterday is a distant past. For in tomorrow we see the product of persevering, enduring, surviving – today.

And that is what Oasis India is all about. As we invite you to the stories of the past year, we offer you the opportunity to join us on this journey – the journey of every child with that same glint in their eyes, of every young person who dreams of a future, of every woman who chooses to let go of a painful past of abuse, of every man that feels inadequate, of every member of staff that knows that the strength of sacrifice, courage and perseverance lies within community – for a new dawn breaks, a new strength appears, and there lies a fresh, new opportunity just over the horizon – in our world!

As JRR Tolkien, writes in his novel, *Return of the King*, “Oft hope is born when all is forlorn.”

Message From The Chairperson

Reason for Hope

Are things getting better in our world? Very often it seems to me, quite the opposite. Alongside growing incomes and technological progress, we face ever increasing calamities, natural and man-made. In our country in the last year, despite public outrage and government efforts, there seems to be no end to cases of the most brutal sexual attacks on women, and girls barely older than toddlers. We have a new 'can do' government elected with a massive mandate, and a growing sense of disquiet about voices of intolerance making themselves heard ever more.

Our expanding markets, and burgeoning cities (India now has nearly 50 cities with a million people) are shadowed by stories of impoverished families urban and rural, without sustainable livelihood, whose children cannot access their Right to Education, and who are distressingly often trafficked for slave labour or the sex trade. These too are numbers that are growing, and at a rate that outstrips the market indices we are more conscious of in our daily life.

The human fallout from this frenetic growth, is all too apparent in the communities that Oasis works in, whether in the red-light area in Mumbai, or the slums of Bangalore and Chennai, or even its rural hub in Punganur. In reaching people migrating away from rural distress only to be trapped in urban deprivation or abuse, Oasis' work brings some measure of practical intervention, a ray of hope, and last but not least, a touch of dignity as a human life worth pursuing and investing in, for building (or often rebuilding what has been demolished).

The people who make up Oasis India, are not immune from the fallout of all that is happening in our world – in the past year we have seen staff and leadership and program changes and challenges that seemed daunting, and at times even insurmountable. But as I write this, I can only think of the amazing Providence and Help that has made us stronger and better equipped, to carry out the work that we have been entrusted with. In the words of a well-loved hymn, our God is indeed the Faithful (meaning trustworthy, dependable) One.

There are amazing stories, of hope and deliverance, and incredible sacrificial redemptive work which I have heard and seen, as I meet with the work and people of Oasis. It is true, there can be hope - in the darkest of circumstances. We see and share in this hope because of those who enter and work in the hard places of our cities, and country (including many, many, other organisations, and individuals). It takes a step of faith, to encounter Hope. As you look through these pages, I pray you will find a glimpse of hope, that might encourage you - wherever you are and whatever your struggles.

Vijay Alexander

Chair, Oasis India – Committee of Management



Oasis Mission and Values

Preamble

Oasis considers belief and behaviour integral. Oasis approaches what we do, from an understanding of what we believe, which also informs how we do it. Our beliefs cannot have their full validity if they are not lived out. Equally, our behaviours cannot fully represent Oasis without an understanding that they demonstrate the Christian faith.

Ethos (*Who we are as an organisation and the way we achieve our vision and deliver our mission. Ethos is our identity or personality, derived from our beliefs, that is demonstrated by how we behave*).

In Oasis we are Christ-centered; inspired by the life, message and example of Jesus Christ through whom God's unconditional love for all people is expressed. We are called to love God, and love others as we love ourselves. We therefore seek to work together to extend Jesus' model of the Kingdom of God on earth by living out a lifestyle according to this inspiration.

Beliefs

- Each individual is made in the image of the Triune God. We are different yet equal and all have a God-given purpose.
- God created us all to live in positive, dynamic, inter-dependent relationship with Him, others and the rest of creation.
- God is love. Love is not simply one of God's attributes, but rather the very essence of His nature. This love pervades the universe and is unconditional rather than earned.
- God became human in the person of Jesus Christ. He came to where we are. He shared our experience of life. He felt joy and pain. He engages with us and understands us.
- Jesus served others rather than expecting to be served and willingly sacrificed His life through the cross.
- Jesus rose from the dead. Death is not the end. There is resurrection and hope that things can change and people and situations be transformed.
- Through faith in this God, all human beings can experience fullness of life before and after death.

Behaviours

Oasis is a place where there is:

- **Equality.** Differences in personality, culture, background, experience and world view are respected.
- **Inclusion.** Those on the fringes who are in some way excluded are deliberately sought out and included.
- **Inter-dependence.** We live and work in a way that recognizes that people, community and creation are inter-dependent.
- **Open Relationships.** Healthy, transparent and open relationships among all those we interact with, including a willingness to forgive and be forgiven, are fostered.
- **Integration.** The needs of the whole person and whole community within their environment are considered.
- **Sacrifice.** Doing what it takes to serve both individuals and the communities with whom we work.
- **Hope and Perseverance.** Despite circumstances that exist, an atmosphere of hope and an attitude of perseverance is pervasive.
- **Innovation.** New ideas, and approaches are welcome and risk taking is common.
- **Excellence.** Whatever we do, we do it to the best of our ability.

This understanding translates into our vision, mission and expected outcomes.

Vision (*What we are working towards*)

Our vision is for community - a place where everyone is included, making a contribution and reaching their God-given potential.

Mission Statement (*What we are doing now to fulfil our vision*)

Oasis is committed to working in an inclusive, integrated, empowering and comprehensive way so that all people experience wholeness and fullness of life.

Outcomes (*What we hope will be the results of the work we do*)

- Local communities that are characterised by high levels of trust, safety, cohesion, mutual support, vibrancy, health and opportunity, and have increasing capacity to address their own issues.
- The prevention of people being excluded from community and those that are, brought back into community finding wholeness and fullness of life.
- The replication of models that effectively contribute to community transformation or bring the excluded into community.



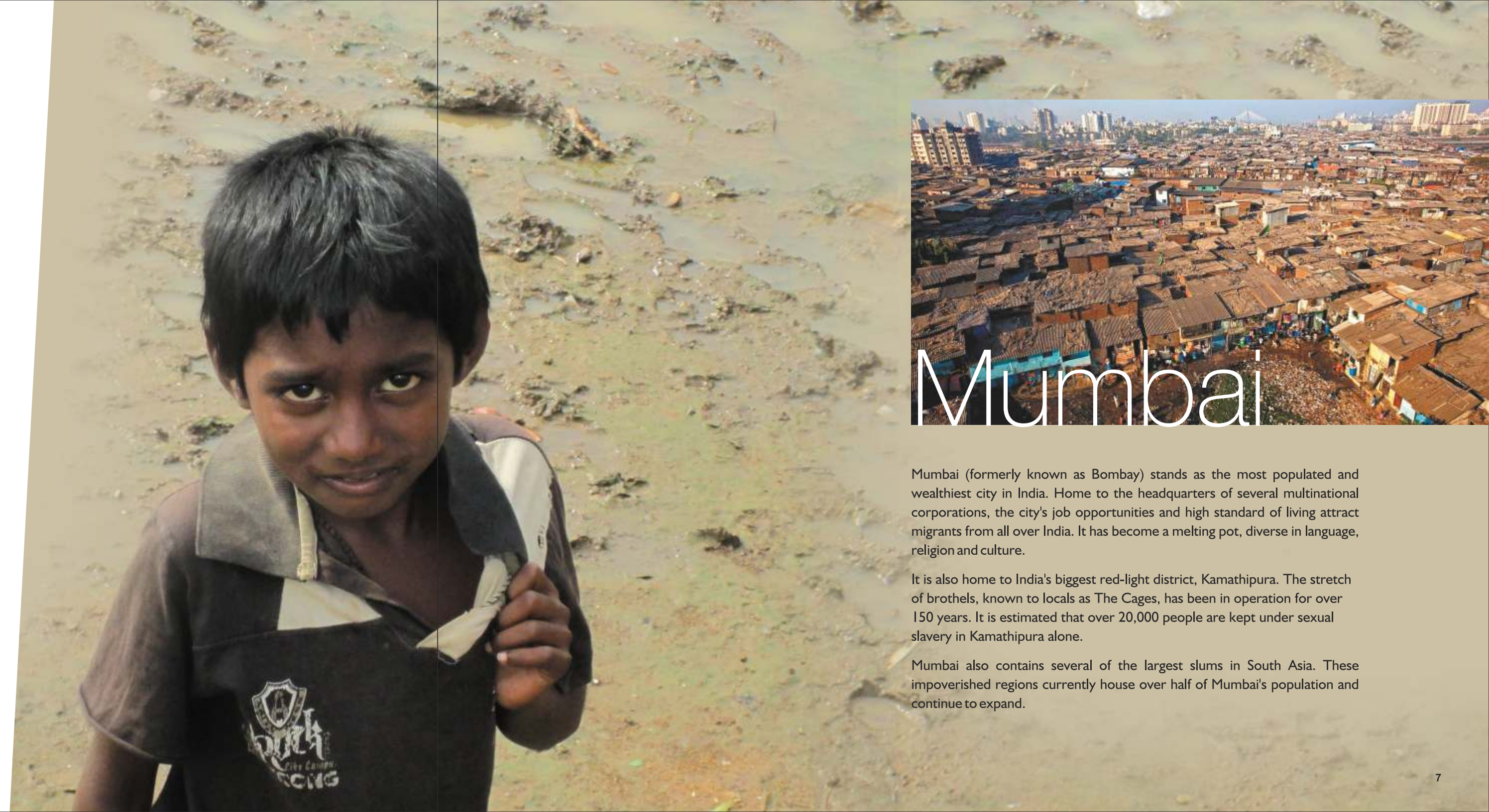
Introducing the Hubs

The overall aim of an Oasis Hub is to recognize that individual and community wellness flows from wholeness and that people and communities have a wide range of needs, including social, physical, educational, environmental, vocational and spiritual needs.

There is no set blueprint for what a hub looks like. It depends entirely on the individual neighbourhood. Some will include a football club, others a tutoring centre. Some might have a coffee shop while others will offer vocational training. Hubs act as a fluid response to the needs of the community and a means of bringing its people together.

The goals of an Oasis Hub include:

- *Building* up communities, transforming them into environments where people can feel safe, happy and proud to live.
- *Instilling* an awareness of the dangers and tactics of human traffickers.
- *Creating* a sense of 'village' in each neighbourhood, making them into places where people support and depend on each other.
- *Encouraging* volunteering and partnership with us at every level of operation.
- *Stimulating* a local culture of enterprise and self-help.
- *Raising* aspirations through educational and employment opportunities.
- *Reducing* crime and anti-social behaviour.



Mumbai

Mumbai (formerly known as Bombay) stands as the most populated and wealthiest city in India. Home to the headquarters of several multinational corporations, the city's job opportunities and high standard of living attract migrants from all over India. It has become a melting pot, diverse in language, religion and culture.

It is also home to India's biggest red-light district, Kamathipura. The stretch of brothels, known to locals as The Cages, has been in operation for over 150 years. It is estimated that over 20,000 people are kept under sexual slavery in Kamathipura alone.

Mumbai also contains several of the largest slums in South Asia. These impoverished regions currently house over half of Mumbai's population and continue to expand.

Bandra Hub

Building a sense of community by generating opportunity and ownership

Funding requirements: INR 41,37,274 [\$69,144/£40,374]

In partnership with *Tear Australia*

Since its beginning in 2000, the Bandra Hub has served the people of the Dyanashwar community, a region home to 5,000 families. Classes in health awareness and micro-finance, and the development of confidence through Self Help Groups have allowed its citizens to grow together, and as individuals. We also offer education, tutoring, a sports club, psycho-social support and health care.

We have watched the community grow and cultivate a strong sense of ownership and are excited to see what next year has in store.

Reach

Women : 700

Children : 80

Youth : 100

Highlights

- 55 women participated in the savings programme and have begun the process of getting out of debt.
- 40 children were educated on child rights.
- 31 children were enrolled in the preschool and, this year, 25 completed the programme.
- 36 children were taken on a field trip to a water park.
- 120 women attended the International Women's Day celebration fostering fellowship and togetherness in the community.
- 15 young women completed our one-year tailoring course and now earn an independent income.
- 6 children were able to access private education classes.



Blue Edge - Mumbai

Empowering young lives

Funding requirements: INR 18,00,000 [\$29,673/£17,550]

In partnership with *Blue Dart*

Blue Edge continues to run as a CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility) initiative in partnership with Blue Dart Aviation for the underprivileged youth of Dyanashwar. This six month course teaches spoken English, IT skills, customer service skills, interview skills, personal development and life skills. Through this programme we are able to work with around 100 youth a year, helping them prepare for employment and enabling them to improve their quality of life. The course allows students to develop skills and confidence so that they can compete in the job market and find long-term stability.

80 youth completed and graduated from Blue Edge in Dyanashwar this year.



Oasis has had the opportunity to work with Yovan and watch him grow since he was just a preschooler. The son of an illiterate day labourer, Yovan was raised in the tribal Banjara community. He is now 13 years old and an active member of our children's group, Bal Panchayat. The group's aim is to create young leaders by instilling students with an awareness of child rights, environmental issues, child abuse, child labour and other social pitfalls facing their community. Yovan has encouraged several children from his neighbourhood to join and tutors those who have dropped out of school. He is helping his two siblings in their studies and dreams of one day becoming a doctor so he can serve his community.

Borivali Hub

Supporting families through health care, education and vocational training

Funding requirements: INR 32,92,406 [\$54,959/£32,129]

In partnership with Operation Agri, Jo Myerscough and Partners International

The Borivali Hub opened its doors in 2011 to partner with the 4,500 families that live in the surrounding slums. Low literacy rates among women, generational poverty and a lack of health awareness are some of the common problems present in the region.

Alongside members of the community, Oasis runs regular awareness programmes on human trafficking as well as health camps for women, youth and children. We have set up a preschool, spoken English training, tailoring classes, health care, counselling sessions and resources for HIV+ families.

Highlights

- 8 women completed our one-year tailoring course. Five have begun working from home.
- 32 children successfully completed preschool.
- 27 women enjoyed a day trip to a waterpark.
- Home-based care was made available to 24 families affected by HIV. They were also given access to funding for their children's schooling, uniforms, books, food and medication.
- 4 awareness sessions and two meetings were held on human trafficking issues, good and bad touch, being aware of strangers and how to respond to domestic violence and abuse.
- Community members planted 50 trees signifying a sense of ownership towards their environment.

Reach

400-500 people per year

Pandi came to Mumbai along with her husband and two children 17 years ago. Her husband runs a small grocery shop in the community, but the treatment required for his various health problems consume a majority of their income. Within this particular community, women are not allowed to work outside of their home, but Pandi and her family were struggling financially and desperately needed another income. When her neighbour told her about Oasis' tailoring programme, she spoke to her husband and he allowed her to attend.

She came to the centre and signed up for the tailoring course as well as counselling and classes on health awareness and life skills.

This year Pandi completed the courses and is taking tailoring orders from her home. The extra income has brought support and stability to their home.



Boys Home

Giving HIV+ boys a loving environment to call home

Funding requirements: INR 10,00,000 [\$16,760/£9,770]

In partnership with Partners International and local agencies

Reach

9 boys

The 9 boys who lived at our Boys Home have been with Oasis since they were young. They were born HIV+ and most have lost their parents to the disease. Before the Boys Home was set up, they were living at one of our other residential care facilities.

The Boys Home was opened so they could experience an enriching and positive family life. At the home, based in Thane just outside of Mumbai, we surrounded them with caring house parents who have guided them through their development.

During their time here we have taken care of their medical, educational, financial and emotional needs while they developed into strong, young men, capable of leading sustainable and fulfilling lives.

This year, they moved on from the Boys Home. We are so proud of the individuals they have become and are excited to see what their futures hold.

Education

- Regular schooling
- Tuitions
- Sports
- Arts and crafts
- Problem solving

Health

- Monthly hospital follow ups
- Health counselling
- Health and hygiene talks

Life skills

- Life skill sessions
- Slowly giving them increased independence
- Doing practical activities for the home like marketing, cooking, cleaning, washing clothes, etc.
- Learning to play one musical instrument

Livelihood training

- Organise career and aptitude test
- Identify appropriate preparatory trainings
- Networking

Psychosocial

- Individual and group counselling sessions

Wholistic care

- Members of regular support groups
- Involved in care groups on a weekly group

Swami first came to Oasis through our children's home, Purnata Bhavan, along with his brothers and sister. He was born HIV+. As his siblings grew up they moved out on their own or into group homes for older children. Swami stayed in Purnata Bhavan for the next 10 years. We were never able to locate his parents. When we opened our Boys Home in 2011, Swami was welcomed along with a few other HIV+ boys. They were sent to school, cared for at home and all of their medical needs were taken care of. Under the guardianship of their house parents, the boys grew together as a makeshift family.

Though Swami was stubborn and difficult when he first came to the Boys Home, he eventually began growing into a more mature and kind person. He began making more friends and taking school seriously, but he still missed his family. His sister would visit once a year to encourage him. She would promise him that they could live as a family again after she finished nursing school. After four years, his sister had completed her training and saved enough money to rent a house. On a warm spring afternoon, she came to pick him up. It was a day of joy for both of them. They are now reunited and living in Thane where Swami is studying in 9th Standard and continuing treatment for HIV. He is a very healthy and active young man. He tells us how blessed and grateful he is to have been a part of Oasis.



Aruna Night Shelter

Offering a safe haven to at-risk girls

Funding requirements: INR 1,52,400 [\$2,543/£1,486]

In partnership with *Christliche Ostmission* and *Tearfund*

Reach

10 girls per night

Each night 10 girls, between the ages of 5 and 12 come from their home in the brothels to sleep in the Night Shelter. During their time with us, we work with them on their studies, give them a nutritious meal and teach life skills and good habits. By providing alternative options and opportunities, the programme aims to keep vulnerable girls from being trafficked or lured into the sex trade. We are able to build relationships and show them that a different life is within their reach. Since we opened the shelter, we've seen parents and local police become much more supportive of our work.



Aruna Drop In Centre

Hope and support for those in the sex trade

Funding requirements: INR 38,94,322 [\$65,007/£38,003]

In partnership with *Tearfund* and *Ryan Berg Initiatives*

We opened the Aruna Drop In Centre in the heart of the red-light district on Grant Road in 1998. Our work has focused on offering rehabilitation to those trapped in the commercial sex business and a lifeline to those who are at risk. At the centre, women have access to vocational training, health care, education for their children and help finding a life outside of the brothels.

We also spend time inside the brothels, meeting with women as well as the pimps and owners. Through these interactions we continue to build relationships and foster a sense of trust with the community.

Reach

The Drop In Centre served between 700 and 800 men, women and children this year.

Highlights

- Life Skill classes were regularly attended by 12 women and 24 men.
- The weekly livelihood training was regularly attended by 12 women. They were taught basic hand stitching, pattern-cutting and how to make baby clothes. 2 women purchased a sewing machine and have begun earning an income. A local church gifted a sewing machine to a woman who is now using it to support herself.
- 11 women attended a three-day cooking class where they learned how to make a variety of snacks including sev batata puri, dahi bakarwadi and dahi batata puri. These can be made with minimal resources and sold for extra income.
- Every day, 3 to 4 women and at least one man came to our centre for a medical check up.
- HIV testing was done for 7 women and 2 children.
- Medication was provided for 88 women and 7 men.
- Hepatitis B vaccinations were given to 16 women and 3 men.
- Direct Observation Treatment (DoT) for tuberculosis was started for 2 women.
- 22 health awareness sessions were conducted and attended by a total of 89 women.
- English literacy classes were held thrice a week where 3 men and 3 women have learned to read and write.
- 33 women were able to leave the red-light area and return to their hometowns. Out of these, 7 found employment and three got married. Follow up visits were conducted by Oasis or partnering NGOs.

Kajri was born HIV+. Her mother died during the birth and Kajri grew up alone, spending her life in orphanages and youth shelters. It was in one of these shelters that she met and fell in love with another orphan named Devaj. Without an understanding of how HIV spreads, she passed it on to him within a few months.

But their love endured and they stayed together.

As Kajri's condition worsened, a friend told them about Oasis' Aruna Drop In Centre where she might be able to find help. When they arrived, both received counselling, but Kajri was becoming weaker and needed urgent care. She was referred to Niramay Niketan, an AIDS hospice on the coast of Trombay, overlooking the Arabian Sea.

At the hospice she was told that her crippled immune system was failing and that she had developed multidrug-resistant tuberculosis. There was nothing more the doctors could do to slow the disease. On the morning of April 11th, 2014, Kajri passed away. She was 20 years old.

Devaj returned to the Drop In Centre. We talked to him about grief and how to cope with life in a broken world. He was eventually able to find peace and hope for his future.

Day Care Centre

To protect the vulnerable children of sexually exploited women

Funding requirements: INR 65,93,239 [\$110,217/£64,338]

In partnership with Christliche Ostmission and Tearfund

In 2011, we opened the Day Care Centre in the middle of India's largest red-light district, Kamathipura. The aim of the centre is to protect and care for the children of sexually exploited women. The children come from backgrounds of extreme poverty and violence and are unaware of the opportunities that education can provide. Many of them live in the brothels with their mothers and the Day Care Centre gives them a place to escape to during business hours. During their time with us, we provide them with a meal and work with them on their studies. If a child isn't attending school we begin the enrolment process for them. The football programme offers the boys a place to build friendships and learn discipline. 3 older boys from the football team got jobs and expressed the desire to leave the slums. The mothers can also come for formal and informal counselling.

Reach

Children : 100

Women : 40

Aldin was born and raised along with his 2 brothers and 2 sisters in Kamathipura, Mumbai. Their mother and father passed away many years ago and Aldin, the youngest of his siblings, was given over to his aunt to be cared for. The aunt works as a house cleaner for an NGO but in order to make ends meet has taken a job in the brothels as a commercial sex worker.

While his aunt takes good care of him, living in Kamathipura exposes him to the sex trade, substance abuse and the gangs. As an 18-year old boy, Aldin is in the high-risk category. Fortunately, being a part of the Oasis programme has opened his eyes to these risks and he is committed to not letting them control his life.

Aldin has been coming to the Day Care Centre for over a year and participating in their football team and computer training classes. He has just completed his 10th standard and plans to continue with his education. He tells us he wants to be a football player or an IT engineer when he grows up. Currently we are working with him to find a part-time job. We also took Aldin to visit our Blue Edge programme where boys are taught a wide array of life skills. He was motivated by what he saw and plans to sign up for the coming session.

Care and Rehabilitation

Freedom from the past and restoration for the future

Our anti-human trafficking team in Mumbai focuses primarily on the aftercare and rehabilitation of women who have been freed from bonded labour and the sex trade. We are able to offer professional counselling, full-time or part-time housing and vocational training to give them a real chance at a new life. The programmes we run help girls and women to overcome traumatic pasts, discover their own identity and make choices for a sustainable and dignified future.

Oasis works within 2 government homes established for the rehabilitation and restoration of children and women who have been sexually exploited. Alongside the government and partnering NGOs we've created a multidisciplinary programme to offer a future to the women of Mumbai.

Girls are moved into the government homes after being rescued from brothels by local law enforcement. Medical attention is given upon arrival and regular checkups are routine for the rest of their stay. We also provide education, job skill training, health awareness and group counselling so that they can go on to lead empowered and independent lives.

Reach

Oasis works with around 100 girls each year

Highlights

- 96 women completed basic level of Hindi literacy and basic English conversation in the government homes.

Asha was 12 years old when she was found begging in the streets by local police officers. She was taken to a correctional home where Oasis staff members were running an outreach programme. When we talked to her she was quiet and shy. She told us that she was being forced to beg and had never been allowed to go to school.

We began the process of transferring her to a children's home run by a partnering NGO, Need Base India, and attempted to locate her mother.

After much difficulty, we found her living in a small, run-down hut selling brooms. We discovered that the sons from her husband's first marriage were forcing Asha to beg and depriving her of proper shelter, food or clothing. The brothers were planning on selling her to traffickers. Upon hearing this, the children's home welcomed Asha.

At first, she struggled to adapt to the new environment. Having grown up with no parental control, she was not used to rules and restrictions and wanted to leave. But after only a few months, her attitude improved and we began seeing big changes in her. Her mother visits regularly to encourage her and bring gifts. Asha is happy and finally has a future to look forward to. She has almost completed our Bridge Course and will be enrolled in a regular school in the coming academic year. Asha tells us how her life has changed.

"I have a roof over my head, a place to study, food on time. I am very happy. A big thank you. I want to become a police officer and also I want to help inmates to study."



Nirmal Bhavan

Equipping women to step out into a new future

Funding requirements: INR 54,08,184 [\$90,460/£52,823]

In partnership with *Tearfund*

Nirmal Bhavan was created in 2001 to meet the needs of women coming from backgrounds of sexual abuse and exploitation in a welcoming, home environment. At this transitional housing centre, girls are offered health and psychosocial care, basic literacy classes and livelihood training. The Learning and Livelihoods Centre gives the girls a place to work through their trauma while unlearning bad habits and finding out what it means to live responsibly and confidently. At the centre, they also find the tools and training necessary to compete in India's job market. If they are ready, we help and support them in finding a suitable life partner. The minimum stay at Nirmal Bhavan is 9-months, though some of the women have been with us for as long as 2 years.

Reach

Nirmal Bhavan reaches 25 women / girls in a year

Highlights

- 1 girl passed her NIOS 10th exam.
- 2 women were reunited with their family after 15 years.
- 18 new referrals in Nirmal Bhavan, 7 were from government homes.
- 3 women moved into semi-independent living and were celebrated with a farewell party.
- 2 girls were reintegrated with their family.
- 2 women were promoted in their jobs.
- 7 women have completed a course in home-based nursing care.

Bengaluru (Bangalore) is the capital of the south Indian state of Karnataka and home to several well-renowned educational and cultural institutions. Numerous technology, aerospace, telecommunications and defence companies have earned it the title of the Silicon Valley of India and made it the 2nd fastest growing city in the country.

However, as its population grows, its infrastructure struggles to keep up. Issues with sewage treatment, water shortages, sanitation and housing for the poor are all problems facing the growing region.

Current statistics show nearly 600 slums scattered throughout Bangalore which 20%-30% of the population call home. Although Karnataka doesn't have designated red-light areas, human trafficking is still a rampant and expanding black market, with the 3rd highest number of cases in the country.

Bengaluru

Doddigunta / Banaswadi Hub

Helping people build a community where they can thrive
Funding requirements: INR 53,97,150 [\$90,533/£52,681]
In partnership with Asian Aid

The Doddigunta and Banaswadi hubs are located in Bangalore East, surrounded by a dense network of slums. We work primarily with migrants from South India to build a community where people can support and depend upon each other.

We offer girls and boys clubs, tailoring classes and computer training programmes. Graduates are then encouraged to form or join a Community Based Organisation (CBO). These groups take ownership of development in their own community, identifying the problems that surround them and implementing solutions.

Alongside these programmes, we offer private counselling, a health clinic, opportunities to play on our football league and classes on life skills and spoken English.

Reach	
Football	: 250
Computers	: 60
Tailoring	: 40
Family Programmes	: 400
Health Programme	: 1120



Highlights

- We ran a free health clinic every Thursday in partnership with the Seventh Day Adventist Hospital which treated and educated the community, reaching over 1000 people.
- Boys from our football training were offered the opportunity to play for select clubs.
- 70% of our tailoring students found employment using their newly acquired skills.
- We conducted a workshop with women from our tailoring class on how to start a home-based business.
- The local youth formed a Community Based Organisation to combat under-age marriage and child labour.
- 45 boys were taken to Avalanche, an outdoor adventure camp. They took part in river crossing, a gorge walk, abseiling, swimming, archery and games to enhance their life skills.
- We've seen many of our boys give up cigarettes, alcohol and other bad habits and lead lives through which they can be role models to other young people in their community.

Hallegudadhahalli Hub

Empowering young lives through education and technology
Funding requirements: INR 8,00,000 [\$13,359/£7,823]
In partnership with Bosch India and Asian Aid

Our computer centre in Hallegudadhahalli focusses on building up the community by bringing vocational skill training to its youth. We offer courses in computer basics, Photoshop and graphic design, giving students a real chance at a life better than the one they have - a life with more opportunities and hope of a sustainable future.

Spoken English and life skill classes are also offered to prepare students for work in a professional setting. We invite leaders from India's top businesses to come and speak about networking, interviewing for a job and resume building.

More than just education, students find encouragement, friendship and role models they can look up to. They are also encouraged to pass what they've learnt on to their peers.

We have secured funds to expand the Hallegudadhahalli hub. In the coming year we plan to offer tailoring classes, a health clinic, dedicated advocacy and awareness training, a football club and an after-school tutoring programme.

Reach	
Men	: 150
Women	: 36



Highlights

- 60% of our graduates went on to find employment based on their certification and area of study.
- 15 of our students participated in community health training conducted by the Seventh Day Adventist Hospital. On completion of this course 3 of them have secured jobs as paramedical staff assisting doctors in clinics.
- A business training workshop was conducted for 70 women from our tailoring class.
- 22 girls from our tailoring class enjoyed a full day at Breakthrough Adventure Camp learning life skills and building confidence.
- Out of all our programmes at this hub, only 4 students dropped out.

Lazar Road/Pulakeshinagar Hub

Giving hope to the youth through training and education
Funding Requirements: INR 8,26,729 [\$13,840/£8,085]
In partnership with Asian Aid

We opened this hub to serve the communities at Lazar Road and Pulakeshinagar.

The living standard in Pulakeshinagar is lower than any other community Oasis works with in Bangalore. The area, no bigger than a football field, is overflowing with handmade houses and populated by over 3,000 people. There is no electricity or running water.

A few blocks away is Lazar Road, where the government has built two three-story buildings for families in poverty. People have built a slum around the building, hoping to get a room inside. Rampant substance abuse, alcoholism and a lack of job opportunities are the most prominent issues.

For the youth growing up in these communities, we run a football team of 35 boys who meet for practice 6 days a week. We also offer computer training, medical checkups and tailoring classes. We work with students to keep them in school and connect them with jobs after graduation.

Reach

Youth : 150

Highlights

- 4 boys from Lazar Road have begun playing football for the state team.
- Vaccinations for Hepatitis B were made available to all community members at no cost.
- 70% of tailoring students went on to find sustainable jobs.



Anti-Human Trafficking

Raids and rescue, rehab and repatriation
Funding requirements: INR 36,29,475 [\$60,789/£35,440]
In partnership with Asian Aid

Our anti-human trafficking division works alongside local police departments in Bangalore to investigate suspected cases of human trafficking, develop informants within the gangs and execute raids to free those kept in bondage. Once the women / girls are rescued Oasis provides them with vocational training and rehabilitative care and, if their situation at home is beneficial, we work to reunite them with their families. Our strong relationship with the Child Welfare Committee and various government homes gives us a way to reach out to those already rescued. We also run awareness programmes in cities and rural villages to educate young women and their families on the warning signs and dangers of human trafficking.

Reach

Prevention: 1059

Raid and Rescue: 113

Rehabilitation, reintegration and repatriation: 171

454 students in schools were spoken to about human trafficking

We met 7-year old Nadi in early May. Her mother was married at the age of 15 and gave birth to her a few years later. Soon after Nadi's birth her mother died and her father left town, leaving her in the care of her aunt, a woman named Hanit.

Hanit had several children of her own and was already having trouble making ends meet. Not wanting to be burdened, she sent her niece to a shelter home. During this time, she was approached by some people offering money if she allowed them to adopt Nadi. She agreed and together they went to the shelter. A caretaker at the shelter, sensing something was wrong, contacted the Child Welfare Committee (CWC) who turned the case over to Oasis.

After further investigation, we learned that the people Hanit was trying to sell Nadi to were traffickers. When we began asking questions she changed her story, insisting that she never had any intention of letting them adopt Nadi. She told us she wanted to take Nadi home and care for her. We informed the CWC of our findings and Nadi will stay safe in the shelter. They are providing her with an education and, according to her teachers, she is excelling and enthusiastic about learning. We will continue making monthly visits to Nadi to ensure her safety and well-being.

Through a single raid in April, our anti-human trafficking team was able to rescue 31 girls before they were sold into labour at a cotton mill in Tamil Nadu. These mills, scattered throughout India, are notorious for 12-hour workdays, physical and sexual abuse and dishonest wages.

When the recruiters came to their region, a long drought had destroyed the community's crops, a vital source of income. Out of desperation, the parents allowed them to take their daughters, all between the ages of 12 to 16 years old, for the meagre amount of Rs 1000, roughly \$16/£10.

The team had spent 2 months developing a relationship with a local informant when he let us know about the transaction. He told us when and where it would take place and gave us the details of the gang's mode of operation. Using this information, we tracked the gang and were able to intercept them before they could turn the girls over.

Many girls returned home where we spoke to the families about the dangers the mills posed. After being told about the conditions that awaited them, they were thankful they had been stopped. However, some girls decided to work for the mills despite the risks.

The story was later brought to the Ministry of Women and Child Development who is currently pressuring the government to implement vocational training programmes in the region.

Potters Wheel Hub

Offering the rural regions education and awareness
Funding requirements: INR 44,56,173 [\$74,121/£43,401]
In partnership with First Fruits

The Potters Wheel Hub, located in Punganur, was built as a way for Oasis to begin reaching out to India's impoverished rural areas. We are now able to provide services to 10 villages in and around the Chittoor district. Many who live in the region are unaware of the tactics used by human traffickers, making them a soft target for gangs offering their daughters fake jobs in the city.

Apart from awareness, we knew that illiteracy and unemployment would be the biggest challenges. With this in mind, we set up a computer centre, a tutoring class, spoken English classes, a preschool and a primary school. For those who are excluded from public education, this is their only cost-free option in English medium education within an eight kilometre radius.

Our community centre offers children and young people a place to come and play volleyball, badminton and board games. While this centre keeps them off the street and away from the gangs, it also gives them a safe haven to build friendships, find role models and just have fun.

We have also begun showing the community how to run and manage fair-trade farms, bringing employment opportunities and further interdependence.

Reach

We reach over 500 children through our various programmes.

Our computer class has reached 285 community members.

Our spoken English class has reached 327 community members.

Our after school programme has reached 150 students.

Highlights

- 40 children attended our newly formed pre-school.
- 53 youth enrolled for spoken English and life skills classes.
- We helped 35 elderly and widowed community members get their pensions from the government.
- We helped 1 woman receive INR 65,000 from government relief funds for cancer treatment.
- 200 people from the nearby villages attended our Christmas event.
- 38 children attended the VBS summer camp.



Chennai (formerly known as Madras) is a place where India's history and the modern world collide. It is a cultural destination as well as a major metropolis and the biggest industrial centre in South India. This coastal city is home to 8.9 million individuals, with a population density of nearly 27,000 people per square kilometre.

The sex trade of Chennai is on the rise. Brothel owners have begun lobbying the government for a designated red-light district which would grow and enable their business, currently made up of 14,000 sex workers. Child begging rings, child marriages and a large number of unemployed youth are other problems facing the region.



Basin Bridge Hub

Giving vulnerable communities the tools to build a new future

Funding requirements: INR 32,48,112 [\$54,216/£31,763]

In partnership with Rianna's Fund

The Basin Bridge Hub was setup in North Chennai to offer the surrounding communities a better way of life. The region is made up of over 400 households living below the poverty line. Our work here focusses on empowering the youth by offering after-school education, health and nutrition classes, livelihood training and football coaching. The young men are learning skills that will lead to sustainable employment and young women have begun taking on roles as community workers. We have seen them become an active force of change within their neighbourhoods, directly responsible for its development and growth.

Reach:

Children: 170

Youth: 61

Women: 15

Highlights

- 120 children were enrolled in our after-school programme.
- 20 children who had dropped out were put back into school.
- 30 youth were able to find sustainable employment.
- 130 young boys attended our three week football training camp.
- 10 boys participated in Sports Day, competing in the 100 and 400 metre dash as well as the high jump. Each participant was given shoes and a T-shirt.
- 12 footballers from the UK came to play against our boys. They donated footballs, air pumps and DVDs on how to develop football skills.

- We ran a health camp where attendees were diagnosed with tuberculosis, asthma, diabetes, UTIs and other illnesses. Patients were referred to the Government Stanley Medical College for treatment at no cost. We conducted follow-up visits for each patient.
- We ran a dental camp where 76 community members came for checkups and cleanings. Those who required further treatment were sent to the Priyadharshini Dental College for cavity filling, tooth extracting and scaling, free of charge. They also received information on the ill effects smoking and chewing tobacco had on their teeth.
- 70% of the students we work with saw a jump in their exam scores and none of our students failed out. Local teachers noted a positive difference in the students participating in programmes with Oasis.
- The parents of half of the students we work with began attending parent/teacher meetings.
- We took 35 students to enjoy a day at a theme park. For some, this was their first time ever going to such a place.
- 15 mothers attended a parenting seminar.
- 1 tuberculosis patient was completely cured through Direct Observation Treatment (DoT).

Sachi has been an active member of our Basin Bridge community for about 3 years now. He comes to our after-school education programmes and regularly attends our football training sessions. Sachi's family is supported solely by his mother. His father is an alcoholic who refuses to take responsibility for the family. Wanting to help, Sachi dropped out of school and our football programme to find a job. When this news reached Oasis, Sachi's coach went to visit him at his home. He spoke to his mother about the pivotal role education could play in her son's life. Within a few days, Sachi had returned to his studies and his football team was excited to have him back on the field.



Blue Edge Chennai

Empowering young lives
Funding requirements: INR 15,99,704 [\$26,538/£15,514]
In partnership with *Blue Dart DHL*

The Blue Edge programme is a 6-month course in spoken English, IT skills, customer service skills, interviewing for jobs, personal development and life skills. Run in partnership with Blue Dart DHL, this programme has reached over 100 students, preparing them to compete in a competitive job market and work in a professional setting. For many of the youth, this is their best chance at building a productive and independent life away from the slums.

I am Valli. I come from a poor family background. I lost my father 7 years back and my mother is a domestic helper. I have 5 siblings, all of my 3 sisters are studying in Blue Edge. 2 years ago I got married and have a 1-year old child and my husband is a labourer. I attended the morning session regularly and I was punctual and on time. Even though I had finished just 10th standard, I am very much interested in English and computers. Before joining this course I was not confident about how I would lead my life but after joining here I am sure I can support my family by going for work. I thank Blue Dart and Oasis for giving us this opportunity.



Kannigapuram Hub

Encouraging ownership and community restoration
Funding requirements: INR 14,65,206 [\$24,557/£14,316]
In partnership with *Rianna's Fund*

We built the Kannigapuram Hub to serve the 4000 families living in the surrounding slums. The community, though vibrant and diverse, is also volatile. Crime, drug abuse and alcoholism are all rampant in the region.

Through Oasis' programmes, community members can access after-school education as well as training courses in tailoring, computers, health awareness, soft skills and spoken English. Graduates go on to join or create Community Based Organisations (CBOs) where members take ownership of their community, identifying problems and implementing solutions.

Though many criminals emerge from this region, it is also well known for producing extraordinary football talent. In response to this, we started a football team of 22 players, where young men can come to develop discipline and athletic abilities.

Reach
Children: 70
Youth: 33
Women: 32

Highlights

- 67 people attended our awareness programme on child rights.
- 45 people attended our Vigilance Week programmes to raise awareness of corruption.
- 50 people attended an awareness programme on the dangers of fireworks.
- 60 people attended an awareness programme on the dangers of using mobile phones while driving.

My name is Ratnavel and I have been living in Kannigapuram for the past 4 years. I regularly attend Oasis football practice. In the last academic year both my football coach and my tutor asked me to attend the Oasis After School Programme, so I did. I hesitated to go back to school but my After School Programme tutor encouraged me so I did. I behaved very mischievously in the class room. My teacher reported to my headmistress regarding my behaviour. I was warned by the headmistress of the school and I realized my mistakes and started thinking about my family's condition. Immediately I started preparing for my board exams. I earned first class marks in my board exams. My future ambition is to become an IPS [Indian Police Service] officer. I really thank Oasis for their help to change my life from one end to another end.

Vyasarpadi Hub

To encourage academic and behavioural development in children by supporting local government schools.

Funding requirements: INR 8,57,490 [\$14,304/£8,361]

In partnership with Rianna's Fund

The Vyasarpadi Hub was designed to run side by side the region's struggling government school, supporting students with academic assistance and extra-curricular activities.

We work closely with the school's management committee to address problems within the classrooms or curriculum and assist in implementing solutions. At the hub, students have access to a foundation course (reading, writing and math), special tutoring for those preparing for their board exams and livelihood training where discipline, respect and time management are taught through games and interactive sessions. Struggling children are offered counselling sessions where they can talk through their problems and receive sound advice.

If a student's attendance is irregular, we make home visits to encourage them and speak with their parents about the importance of education.

Additionally, we help various community members apply for government assistance programmes, the process for which can often be complex and confusing.

Reach

Children: 237

Highlights

- 132 children and eight science teachers from neighbouring schools came to the school's science exhibition which we coordinated with the Tamil Nadu Institute of Science and Technology.
- 80 children studying in middle school have dramatically improved their reading and writing skills, reflected in their exams results.
- 25 children studying in high school have secured 100% results on their board exams.
- 70 students attended a seminar on health and personal hygiene.
- We coordinated with the school on a campaign aimed at encouraging younger students to stay in school. 80 students attended and five dropouts were re-enrolled.



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AUDITORS' REPORT

We have audited the attached Balance Sheet of OASIS INDIA, G-2, 22, Milton Street, Cooke Town, Bangalore - 560 005, as at 31st March 2014 and also the Income & Expenditure Account of the Society for the year ended on that date annexed thereto. These financial statements are the responsibility of the management of OASIS INDIA. Our responsibility is to express an opinion of these financial statements based on our audit.

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 statements presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

We report that -

1. We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit;
2. In our opinion, proper books of accounts as required by law have been kept by the OASIS INDIA, so far as appears from our examination of the books of accounts;
3. The Balance Sheet and the Income & Expenditure Account dealt with by this report are in agreement with the books of accounts;
4. In our opinion, the Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure Account comply with the accounting standards;
5. In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the accounts give a true and fair view -
 - (i) in the case of the Balance Sheet, of the state of affairs of the OASIS INDIA as at 31st March 2014; and
 - (ii) in the case of the Income & Expenditure Account, of the deficit, for the year ended on that date.

For R.K.KHANNA & ASSOCIATES


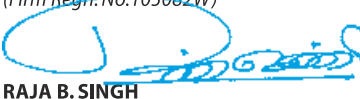



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RAJA B. SINGH

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Mumbai;
Date : 2nd August 2014



OASIS INDIA			
Registration No.S690 - 94 / 95 (Karnataka) 23-11-1994			
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 ST MARCH 2014			
	Sch.	Rupees	Rupees
ASSETS:			
FIXED ASSETS	1		2,54,34,068.60
DEPOSITS	2		15,09,056.00
INVESTMENTS	3		1,05,00,000.00
LOANS AND DUES	4		4,35,278.00
BOOKS IN STOCK	5		1,92,654.06
CASH AND BANK BALANCE	6		94,74,474.09
			4,75,45,530.75
LIABILITIES:			
CURRENT LIABILITIES	7		2,06,37,168.00
			2,69,08,362.75
REPRESENTED BY:			
GENERAL FUND :			
PER LAST BALANCE SHEET		3,01,18,964.42	
DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR		(32,10,601.67)	2,69,08,362.75
Notes to Accounts : Per Schedule '28'			
Per our Report of even date :			
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For R.K.KHANNA & ASSOCIATES Chartered Accountants (Firm Regn.No.105082W)		 VIJAY ALEXANDER Chairman)T)R)U)S)T)E)E)S
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Mumbai ; Date : 2nd August, 2014		 ELIZABETH PAUL Treasurer	

OASIS INDIA				
Registration No.S690 - 94 / 95 (Karnataka) 23-11-1994				
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 ST MARCH 2014				
	Sch.	Rupees	Rupees	Rupees
INCOME :				
DONATIONS				3,31,39,624.85
INTEREST FROM BANKS				3,64,734.40
				3,35,04,359.25
EXPENDITURE:				
PROJECT EXPENSES:				
Excluded People				
Stop The Traffik, Mumbai	8	3,83,504.00		
Aruna - Drop In Centre, Mumbai	9	23,62,939.00		
Day Care Center, Mumbai	10	31,69,614.00		
Rehabilitation, Mumbai	11	42,81,170.50		
Prevention/Government Home,Bangalore	12	20,39,461.74		
Residential Care - Purnata Bhavan, Mumbai	13	14,50,509.64		
Residential Care - Boys Home, Mumbai	14	11,48,737.00		
Training Centre - Potter's Wheel, Bangalore	15	10,88,448.00	1,59,24,383.88	
Disadvantaged Communities				
Community, Bandra, Mumbai	16	8,51,302.00		
Community, Ghatkopar, Mumbai	17	46,103.00		
Community, Borivali, Mumbai	18	19,33,109.00		
Community, Doddigunta / Hallegudahalli, Bangalore	19	28,45,881.00		
Community, Banaswadi / Baglur, Bangalore	20	4,28,343.00		
Community, Pulekeshi / Lazor,Bangalore	21	2,41,489.00		
Community, Basin Bridge, Chennai	22	17,57,756.50		
Community, Kannigapuram, Chennai	23	8,54,764.00		
Blue Edge, Mumbai	24	14,33,261.29		
Shelter Home, Bangalore	25	70,701.00		
Vysarpadi School Hub, Chennai	26	1,75,507.00	1,06,38,216.79	2,65,62,600.67
DEPRECIATION	1			15,68,823.34
ESTABLISHMENT EXPENSES	27			85,83,536.91
				3,67,14,960.92
DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR				32,10,601.67
Notes to Accounts : Per Schedule '28'				
Per our Report of even date :				
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is the International Director of Oasis.

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Now you have the opportunity to be a part of the transformative work being done at Oasis India. We are looking for partners who are moved by the stories that move us, people who refuse to be silent while others cry out.

Your financial support could mean a safe home for a woman escaping the sex trade, a graphic design class for a young girl dropping out of school or even a team of boys playing their hearts out on a football field away from the gangs. It could mean a new reality for those who assumed their story would end in the same slum where they were born.

We are requesting you to make a donation to help fund our work in India, as we point the vulnerable and lost towards rescue and rehabilitation – hope and freedom.

How can you support the work of Oasis India?

- INR 200 ▶ a month will buy stationery and other material for children in education programmes.
- INR 500 ▶ will give a child a meal a day for two weeks.
- INR 1000 ▶ a month will help a commercial sex worker have access to health care and counselling programmes.
- INR 1200 ▶ will purchase a football kit for a young footballer.
- INR 1500 ▶ a month will enable a young person to attend a vocational training course.

Any other amount including Project Funding is most welcome

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