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# FROM THE EDITORIAL DESK

Dear Friends,

We are pleased to bring you the issue 29 of Vinimag for period October 2017 to March 2018– our bi-annual newsletter. We aim to update our well-wishers on the various activities that were carried out during this period.

This year was unique in the history of Vinimay as we celebrated the new year Annual Day programs at 6 institutions in the month of January 2018. This newsletter gives a detail update on how we went about executing so many programs within our limited resources of volunteers and time.

Our hostel Tarun Sadan at Kopar Khairane is buzzing with activities and we give you a quick round up on some of the key events that took place at Tarun Sadan. A roundup of our Education activities during the period also forms part of this newsletter.

We are looking out for volunteers for our Varioud activities and in case you are keen to contribute as a volunteer please feel free to contact Mrs. Dhanya at 098197 78865 on any day from 9 am to 7 pm or just drop her a SMS/WhatsApp message with your name and contact number. We would also appreciate if you could spread the message and information about Vinimay to your friends, relatives and office colleagues.

Finally, your feedback and inputs are always vital for improving our work and activities. In case you have any suggestions or inputs we request to contact us to at info@vinimaytrust.org or at the postal address given at the end of this newsletter.

Warm regards,

Editorial Team

# **ANNUAL DAY PROGRAMS**

Vinimay has been conducting Annual day celebration programs at Bal Kaylan Nagari, Chembur Children's Home at Mankhurd and David Sassoon Institution at Matunga. This year Vinimay decided to extend Annual day programs at three new institutions New Observation Home (for boys) and Additional Observation Home (for girls). Both these homes are in the Mankhurd campus of CAS. Nearly 52 volunteers of Vinimay toiled for more than 4 months over late evenings, sacrificing their weekends to conduct Annual day programs in 6 institutions spread all over Mumbai in January 2018 which were enjoyed by nearly 1000 students.

A lot of detailed planning went into organising these 6 Annual day programs which started nearly 4 months earlier in October 2017. Nearly 26 volunteers of Vinimay assembled at Mrs. Mukta Mahapatra's residence to review the previous year's programs, to plan basic formats of the upcoming annual programs and identify persons in charge of different aspects. Subsequently, several smaller meetings were held to finalise the details. Letters requesting permission for the programs were sent to all institutions in the second week of November 2017. Vinimay volunteers met with the staff and children of Chembur Children's Homeand Bal Kalyan Nagari to prepare for the activities in the third week of December, 2017.

## A. Annual Day program at Chembur Childrens Home



Boys dancing as part of Annual Day Program

A preliminary program was conducted at Chembur Children home and Bal Kalyan Nagari Mankhurd on 27th& 30th December 2017. A Collage competition and quiz competition which tested children's knowledge on sports & current affairs was held.

Mr. Sunil Bajrangi who is an ex-student of David Sassoon at Matunga and Vinimay's Tarun Sadan hostel at Koparkhairane enthralled students at both institutions by his magic show.

Over 450 students, ex students, staff and their family members of Chembur Children's home and Vinimay Volunteers participated in the grand Annual Day program on 31st December 2017 at the premises of institution. Students actively participated in the fun fair which had multiplegames. The students presented Cultural program having solo singing, individual & group dance performance followed by prize distribution. The Annual day celebrations culminated in a grand dinner and fireworks display which mesmerised the students and its images will be etched on their minds for a long time.



A Tattoo application in progress



Funfare-Volunteers



Make Up Program

#### b. Annual Day program at Bal Kalyan Nagari



New Year 2018-Boys dance



New Year 2018-Funfare

The Annual day program at Bal Kalyan Nagari Mankhurd was held on 6th January 2018. It was attended by over 365 students, ex students, staff , their family members and Vinimay Volunteers. The program was fully anchored by the students themselves. There were 27 items of solo singing, solo & group dances, jokes which was presented by the students with huge enthusiasm. Here too the annual day concluded with a grand dinner & fireworks display which left lasting impressions on the minds of the students.

# C. Annual Day program at David Sassoon Institution

A day long annual day program was held from 9:30am to 6 pm on 13th January 2018 at the David Sassoon Institution at Matunga. Nearly 168 participants covering 78 boys, staff, ex students and their family members attended this annual day celebrations at David Sassoon The boys were thoroughly engrossed at the fort making competition where each group was supposed to make fort with clay, stones provided to them. A quiz testing the boy's knowledge on topics ranging from sports to current affairs was held after lunch followed by fun fair and a cultural program and prize distribution.

# D. Annual Day program at Additional Observation Home and New Observation Home

The maiden Annual day program a (common for both the institutions) was held on 21st January 2018 at the institution itself from 2.00 pm to 6.30 pm. There were 200 participants covering 72 girls, 84 boys and staff of these 2 institutions and Vinimay volunteers. The boys and girls thoroughly enjoyed the field games, fun fair and danced to the music adding to their joy. They were treated to snacks and ice cream as part of these celebrations

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#### D. Annual Day program at Naunihal Kharghar

Vinimay organised the Annual day program for the first time at NauNihal institution at Kharghar on 28th January 2018 from 2 pm to 7 pm. This was attended by 96 participants including 56 girls, staff and Vinimay Volunteers. The girl students thoroughly enjoyed the Quiz, Fun Fair and the cultural program in which they actively participated.

# **ACTIVITY ROUND UP**

### I. Activities at Tarun Sadan Koparkhairane

On 9th September 2017, One of our student of Tarun Sadan, Sujit Mali met with an accident while he was on his way to Nerul with his friend on a motorcycle and suffered minor injuries on his face and right hand, Mr. Sanjay Deputy Superintendent of Tarun Sadan took him to Terana hospital, where he was given treatment and he's now doing fine

#### A. Survey of Tarun Sadan boys

A survey was conducted among the boys of Tarun Sadan to take their feedback on Vinimay trust and their expectations about life and challenges for the future. Vinimay volunteers Mr. Atul Shah, Mr. C. Subramanian ,Mr. Vaidya, Mr. Karthik, Mrs. Vasantha, Mrs. Lalitha, TISS students -Ms. Arkaja, Mr. Paul, and Tarun Sadan Superintendent Mr. P.S. Gade and Mr. Sanjay ,helped in administering the survey to the boys.

#### B. Monthly meeting September 2017

During the monthly Tarun Smit Vinimay meeting on 10th September 2017 held at Tarun Sadan, our Vinimay volunteer Shankar Sagrolikar and his friend prepared lunch for the Tarun Vinimay meeting - dal, rice, vegetable and Semiya kheer The same day in the evening Mr. C Subramanian and his wife Mrs. Lalitha prepared vegetable lapsi for our boys at Tarun Sadan. On 24th September 2017 we had Ms. Pandya and Ms Priyanka from Techved consulting who visited Tarun Sadan and counselled boys on job opportunities. Three boys of Tarun Sadan- Suresh Salunkhe, Deepak Jadhav & Rohit Sahani were selected by the company for employment.

### C. Monthly meeting October 2017

The October monthly meeting of Tarun Vinimay was conducted on 8th October at Tarun Sadan where Mr. Devendra Naik gave an interesting and inspiring talk on Himalayas and Ms. Trupti Naik provided inputs on Sports for the Tarun Sadan and Tarun Vinimay boys

### D. Shramdaan at Tarun Sadan

On 15th October 2017 a Shramdaan was organised for an exhaustive cleaning of the Tarun Sadan hostel building and the compound in which our volunteers Kiran Chache, Sanjay Vaza, Vishnu Pathak, Mrs Sandhya Vaza and her two daughters, Mr. Shankar Sagrolikar, Mr. Mali, Mr. Ajit Wadekar and all students of Tarun Sadan actively participated. Mr. C Subramanian and his wife Lalitha prepared special vegetable Upma for all students who did Shramdaan.

Avduth Babulkar student of Tarun Sadan was successfully operated for Hernia operation on 3rd November 2017 at Navi Mumbai Municipal hospital. Similarly, on 12th December 2017 Another student Ajay Jadhav was successfully operated at the same hospital. Mrs Mukta Mahapatra and Mr. Sanjay Deputy Superintendent of Tarun Sadan helped in getting both these boys admitted whereas other Tarun Sadan boys like Akash Nalage and Vikas Jadhav kept him company at the hospital

#### E. Voters ID card

We managed to get online registration for Voters ID card for 11 of Tarun Sadan boys with the help of Irwin- a student of TISS. Similarly, with the help of Paul, another TISS student, we have applied to the Ration Office for ration cards for the ex-students of Tarun Sadan.

The monthly meeting of December 2017 for Tarun Vinimay and Tarun Sadan boys was conducted by Ms. Mukta Mahapatra on Drug abuse and its ill effects. Students were made aware of the various forms of drug abusenamely drugs like weed, Hash, cocaine, heroin and other hallucinatory drugs. The boys were also appraised of the ill-effects of other bad habits of pornography, over eating, excess mobile use, having alcoholic drinks etc. A short film highlighting the effects of peer and family and how it affects one's habits, the effects of tobacco in either smoking or non-smoking forms was screened for the boys. After the movie the boys shared some of their insights and experiences on the topic.

#### F. Life Skills Training

25 boys from Tarun Sadan attended a daylong session on Life Skills conducted by Ashwini from Tarasha institution on 21st January 2018 at Tarun Sadan. Ashwini is also working on providing soft skills of to our boys at Tarun Sadan. She did one more such session on 18th February 2018 at Tarun Sadan wherein she showed the boys a short film by Sandeep Maheshwari on everything is possible – It talks of how one can take full control of one's body, mind and soul if one is aware of things around oneself.

#### G. 69th Republic day celebrations

This year we celebrated the 69th Republic day with Mrs. Dhanya our Volunteer (A Doctorate in Chemistry who recently took voluntary retirement from BARC as Research Scientist to dedicate fully to Vinimay activities) as the chief guest for the event held at Tarun Sadan. Shreyas from Tarun Sadan was the compere for the event and welcomed her on the stage post her brief introduction. Mrs. Dhanya hoisted the national flag and addressed the boys about the Indian constitution. This was followed by Patriotic songs rendered by our boys Ajay Jadhav, Somnath Tombre and Krishna Khairnar. A Newspaper report about the Indian constitution and the importance of fundamental rights was read out by Tarun Sadan student Vishwanath Patle. The Republic day program was attended by a large number of ex Tarun Sadan students.

#### H. Monthly meeting February 2018

During the Monthly meeting of Tarun Vinimay in February 2018, Mr. Paul a student from TISS conducted a session on Aadhaar card its effects and benefits. He also enlightened the boys about the orphan certificate. The same day post lunch the TISS students organized a cricket tournament for the Tarun Sadan boys. A total of 6 matches were played among the 3 teams that were formed. Mr. Gade the Superintendent of Tarun Sadan gave away the Prizes to the winning team, the runners up team, best bowler, best catch, best fielding, best batsman and best entertainment. Mr. Sanjay Deputy Superintendent gave the vote of thanks.

In February 2018 Mr. Mukund Velal -a personal friend of our Superintendent Mr. Gade met our boys at Tarun Sadan and offered job of motor winding in his workshop to our Tarun Sadan boys-. Sultan Bobde and Thappa. Mr. Velal has a small workshop called Hindustan Electric behind Rabale Police station

#### I. TISS project at Tarun Sadan

During the year 2017 18 we had TISS students Paul, Arkja and Irwin who worked with Vinimay at Tarun Sadan as part of their project work study. On 20th February 2018, the TISS students made a presentation to Vinimay on the work done by them in the academic year and provided suggestions for improvement at Tarun Sadan. The TISS students helped in re arranging the 200 files according to file numbers thus making it easier for our administrative staff to access any of the ex-boy's information.

### II. Vinimay Milan at Tarun Sadan

Vinimay Milan is an annual get together of all Vinimay volunteers, current and ex-students of Tarun Sadan along with their families at our hostel in Koparkhairane, well-wishers, donors of Vinimay trust. This year's Vinimay Milan was held on 26th January 2018 at our Tarun Sadan hostel at Koparkhairane, it was attended by over 315 participants including Tarun Sadan students, ex-students from other homes, their families, Students from Tata Institute of Social Sciences.

The program started with a welcome song and welcome speech by Mr. Gade Superintendent of Tarun Sadan hostel. This was followed by Cultural program consisting of solo songs and groups dances performed by Tarun Sadan boys and students of Tarun Vinimay. Mr. Sanjay Shetty Asst. Superintendent of Tarun Sadan gave the vote of thanks. The function culminated with dinner and a slide show on Vinimay "Bhule Bisre Yadein" done by Sanjay Vaza.

### III: Vinimay's Educational Activities

Vinimay volunteers conduct classes for students of 6th to 10th standard at Chembur Children's Home and Bal Kalyan Nagari. We have 13 volunteers who are part of this program which catered to about 70 children from 6th to 10th std., and ITI. Our Volunteers also conducted special classes in Maths on weekdays and Sundays for students to improve their performance which was very well received

Our Vinimay Education volunteer Nikhilesh along with the support of Mrs Mukta and Mrs Dhanya conducted a video session on Biology subjects to the 10th Std students of David Sassoon Institution at Matunga to make the subject more interesting and enjoyable. This kindled their interest in the subject and they were able to understand the lessons much better than what is written in the books.

We had 48 boys and girls from David Sassoon Institution at Matunga, Bal Kalyan Nagari and Chembur Children Home at Matunga who appeared for the SSC board exams in March 2018.

On 28th February 2018 just on the onset of the SSC board examinations, our Vinimay volunteers Mrs. Mukta Mahapatra, Mrs Dhanya, Mr. Nadre met students in these 3 institutions to wish them good luck and also provided important last minute examination tips of time management, reading paper thoroughly, revising what was written to the students. They were also presented with pens to aid them in writing the Board exams

Vinimay provided financial support for buying SSC model paper sets for students of Chembur Childrens home appearing for the 10th Board exam and also paid the examination fee of one student at Chembur Childrens home.

Vinimay organized an outing for the Xth std. students of Chembur Children Home and Bal Kalyan Nagari on 23rd March to Snow world at the Phoenix Market City mall in Kurla West. 16 boys from Chembur Children Home along their house master Dilip Sir and one attendant, 2 boys and one attendant from Bal Kalyan Nagari along with our Vinimay Volunteers-Mrs. Manini, Mrs. Dhanya and Mr. Kallol participated in the trip. Our Vinimay volunteers had an engaging discussion with these students on their future plans in the refreshing ambience and solitude of Sandu gardens at Chembur. Most of the boys had already made up their minds on what to do after SSC. They were explained about the different programs of Vinimay to help the boys within the institution as well as those who have left the institutions. They were given some tips and clarifications regarding different courses after Xth. The boys participated actively and asked number of queries to clarify their doubts.

This informative session was followed by an exciting trip to Snow world where the boys were transported to the cold & chilled snow land far from the sultry heat of Mumbai. The boys had great fun enjoying the various snow sports such as sledging, skiing etc. The Snow World team gave an attractive concession for our trip considering the good cause & the voluntary activity carried out by Vinimay. This was followed by a delicious Punjabi lunch for all the boys at the Mall itself.

#### **IV NEW BEGINNINGS**

Sandesh Salunkhe, ex-student of Tarun Sadan, was blessed with a son Aditya on 18th November 2017

# HOW YOU CAN HELP ME

## Fund a Program

• Your Donation of Rs. 5,00,000 (Rs. Five Lakhs only) can help us to cover the expenses of one youth at Tarun Sadan on an ongoing basis

• For Rs. 30,000 you could sponsor the cost of groceries for one month at Tarun Sadan

• For Rs.15,000 you could sponsor the cost of vegetables for one month at Tarun Sadan

• For Rs. 3500 you could sponsor monthly expenses of one youth at Tarun Sadan

• For Rs.6000 you could sponsor the Annual get together dinner for 50 children

• For Rs.10000 you could sponsor a weeklong camp for 5 children

• For Rs.7000 you could sponsor the birthday of 25 children or birthday clothes for 10 children

• For Rs.1500 you could sponsor Supplementary Nutrition Program for 300 children

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Name of the account Bank and Branch IFS Code Account Number : Vinimay Trust
: Punjab National Bank, Kopar Khairane branch
: PUNB0662700
: 1207000100256662 (Only donations in INR)

### Work as a Volunteer

If you have the passion, enthusiasm and willingness to work with children then you can be our Volunteer! There are many activities of Vinimay which you can get associated with. It all depends on how you want to contribute as a volunteer. We would request you to kindly contact Mrs. Manini Ganguly on +91-9920358804 or drop her message through SMS or WhatsApp and we shall revert to you!

## Spread the World

We would sincerely urge you to let your friends, office colleagues, neighbours. relatives know about Vinimay. Do help us by spreading the information on Vinimay and our Activities to others.

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# **FROM OUR PHOTO ARCHIVES**

Glimpses of Vinimay-Girls Camp 2018



Glimpses of Vinimay-Boys Camp 2018

