

HEALTHCARE | EDUCATION | DLF QEC SCHOOLS | SOCIAL SUSTAINABILITY

# GLIMPSES







### Vision\_\_\_\_

Our vision is to transform the communities we work with through high-impact interventions in spheres of education, healthcare, and social sustainability with the resolve of enabling a better quality of life backed by sustainable ecosystems for all stakeholders within the immediate and extended communities.

### Mission \_\_\_\_\_

We accomplish this through the creation of customized programmes and innovative institutions that address India's current development challenges and by providing a platform for the Foundation to collaborate with other institutions, professionals, and subject matter experts to deliver sustained, magnified impact across communities of interest.

Healthcare is a key focus area of intervention for DLF Foundation being implemented through on-ground initiatives as well as in partnership with healthcare organisations and hospitals. We especially focus on ensuring access to quality healthcare for the underprivileged and those in need across the country.

We are also committed to providing efficient healthcare for animals in need. DLF Foundation supports subsidised and free treatment for animals at Pasha Wing, the dedicated stray animal wing at CGS Hospital. Additionally, DLF Foundation has partnered with ACGS (All Creatures Great and Small), an NGO working in the space of animal welfare, supporting their initiatives to provide shelter, medical and nutritional care to animals in distress.

Our healthcare interventions include health screening camps held for the underprivileged community members across several locations. These camps screen for all ailments to assess the overall health of the target beneficiaries. They are impactful for many beneficiaries who have underlying health issues which have gone either unnoticed or were ignored. Till now, the health camps have reached out to over 8,000 beneficiaries.

In addition to these initiatives, we have continued our efforts to combat the COVID-19 pandemic with our vaccination drive, providing booster doses to community members and also providing access to mental health services through our mental health helpline on the iWill Care platform. As part of our healthcare initiatives, we have also launched an Ambulance Project, providing access to emergency medical assistance to those in need across Delhi, Gurugram and Noida.

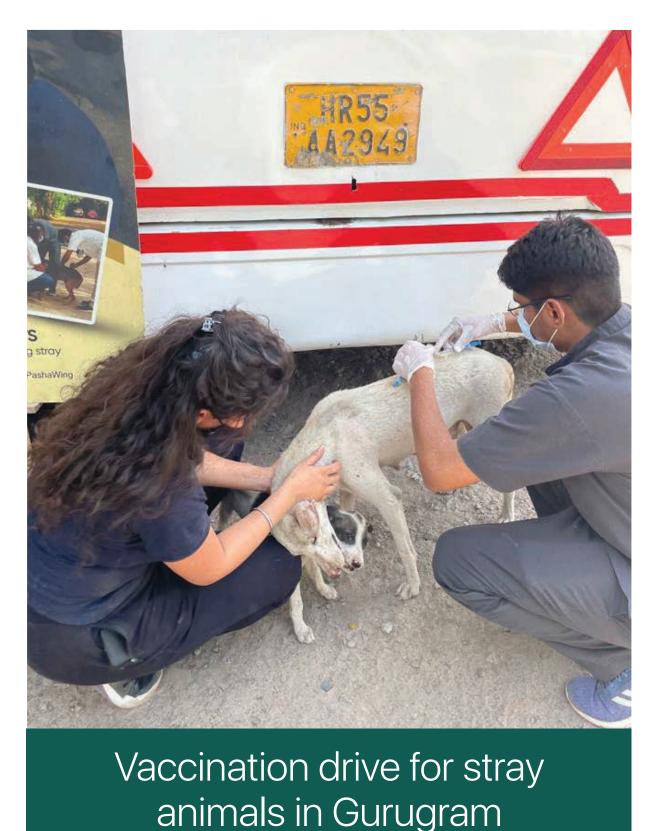
### Animal Healthcare



Our healthcare initiatives extend across species, delivering quality care to animals in need. DLF Foundation partners with CGS Hospital, one of the most renowned veterinary hospitals in the nation, for interventions in animal welfare. The state-of-the-art facility at CGS Hospital is spread over 1.25 acres, with a covered area of 17,000 sq. ft. The hospital has provisions for ultrasound, echocardiography, video and fibre-optic endoscopy, CO<sub>2</sub>

laser surgery and computed radiography. It houses a well-equipped laboratory and an in-house pharmacy. During the last quarter alone, Pasha Wing, the dedicated free stray animal wing at CGS Hospital, facilitated free vaccination and neutering for stray animals. Over 1,800 animals were provided subsidised medical services at CGS Hospital including OPD services, surgeries, diagnostic lab testing and radiology testing.





# Vaccination Outreach Program

On National Rabies Day, a drive was held from 29<sup>th</sup> Sep to 9<sup>th</sup> Oct, in collaboration with Sanjay Gandhi Animal Care Centre and volunteers and feeders across NCR. The CGS team hit the streets of Delhi and Noida to vaccinate stray animals and vaccinated more than 400 stray dogs with DHHPI + Rabies vaccines.

CGS Hospital also received media coverage in Times of India and Hindustan Times for their work in animal healthcare.

### Booster Vaccination \_\_\_\_



Since the advent of the COVID-19 pandemic, DLF Foundation has focused on vaccinating communities in need through a series of vaccination camps being held across regions.

Continuing our efforts in this area, DLF Foundation organised vaccination drives in partnership with Manipal Hospital, Max Hospital and Hope Oncology. Over 5,700 booster doses of the vaccine have been administered over the past few months in Delhi, Gurugram and Noida.





COVID-19 vaccination drive organised by DLF Foundation

DLF Foundation has vaccinated over 31,000 people and we continue our efforts to ensure all Indians are vaccinated to combat the COVID-19 pandemic.

### Mental Health Helpline \_\_\_



One of the worst-kept secrets about COVID-19 is its impact on mental health. We recognised the mental health challenges, including anxiety and depression, and partnered with IWill and the Gurugram district administration to provide online counselling support to those in need through IWill Care, a telephonic and online counselling platform for

mental health issues. The platform includes 24X7 instant chat/call sessions along with a database for tracking mental health issues and patient recovery. More than 38,000 callers have benefitted from this platform and received assistance for their mental health issues.



### Ambulance Project \_\_\_\_\_



DLF Foundation has deployed 5 ambulances across various locations in Delhi, Noida and Gurugram. Patients from urban slums can now avail free ambulance services to reach the nearest hospital in case of an emergency. This project has impacted over 1,200 lives in the last few months, providing them access to emergency medical services.



### Health Centre with Adharshila



Adharshila is an NGO which works to improve education, health and livelihood outcomes for communities below the poverty line. DLF Foundation is supporting Adharshila for a Family Health Centre in Gwal Pahari, Gurugram, to make quality healthcare affordable for impoverished communities living in and around the area. This Centre has been operational since July 2022. It provides specialty care in family medicine, gynaecology, paediatrics, dermatology, etc., having specialised doctors visiting the facility thrice a week. The beneficiaries also have access to general physicians, and facilities like a pathology lab

and radiology service. The Centre is being used to organise health camps to detect and diagnose heart diseases, cancer, dental problems, bone density issues, etc.

Currently, there are full time specialist doctors in addition to the general doctors providing services here. Around 35 to 40 patients visit the Centre per day to avail subsidised health check-ups. Since the launch of the Centre, over 1,200 beneficiaries have benefited from the medical services.



### World Heart Day\_\_\_\_\_



To mark World Heart Day, a workshop was held on 29th September for the construction workers in Gurugram. This workshop was organised in collaboration with Adharshila Trust, a reputed NGO working towards community healthcare and poverty alleviation.



The workshop included an awareness session on cardiac health and the symptoms and immediate steps to be taken while one is having a cardiac arrest. As part of the cardiac awareness session, the following topics were covered:

**Reasons for heart attack** 

**Symptoms of heart attack** 

Immediate steps to be taken if one notices symptoms

Steps to be taken for a healthy heart



Construction workers at the cardiac awareness session and health camp

In addition to this, free health screening, medical counselling, tetanus vaccinations, and medicines were provided to all beneficiaries.

### World First Aid Day\_

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To mark World First Aid Day (the second Saturday of September), a workshop and awareness session on first aid and CPR was organised in collaboration with Manipal Hospitals by DLF Foundation at construction sites across Gurugram.

The workshop was designed to prepare the workers with skills in first aid such as CPR, aiding recovery, as well as information about what to do during disasters or emergencies, to enable them to assist themselves and others during any crisis.



First aid awareness sessions held at construction sites across Gurugram

Construction workers from sites in Sectors 74, 91 and 92 and in DLF Phase 5, Gurugram, attended and benefitted from the sessions.



DLF CARES, an eleven-year-old initiative, has changed the lives of thousands of underprivileged children across India through its School Education Support Program, throughout the pandemic. To create a more effective model and reach every child, we have completely digitised the programme.

A comprehensive online portal captures every aspect of DLF CARES. Applications for scholarships are received through the online portal. Baseline assessments are conducted with the help of inhouse counsellors to identify the learning gaps.



### **ACER Assessment of DLF CARES Scholars**

The last two years have created learning gaps among the students; owing to closure of schools due to the pandemic. To address this, DLF CARES has partnered with ACER (Australian Council for Educational Research) to identify the challenges faced by the scholars.

Online assessments were administered in English, Reasoning, Mathematics, and Science. ACER generated individualised reports on the assessments and conducted subject-based workshops for partner school teachers and counsellors. This has helped in creating remediation programmes for the scholars based on their assessments.



DLF CARES scholars performed exceedingly well in the ACER assessments. Over 40 students achieved scores above the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile amongst students across the world who had taken this international assessment.

TOP DLF CARES PERFORMERS IN ACER ASSESSMENTS									
S. no	Name	Grade	Reasoning	Science	Maths	English			
1	Prateek kumar	4	99.7	95.1	99.6				
2	Yash Tiwari	4	99	95.1	99				
3	Ankit	6	93.7	98.3	99.9				
4	Daksh	5	97.9	94.8	97.6	98.4			
5	Ujjawal Mehra	6	98.2	99.9	99.9				
6	Arohi Sagar	4	97.3	99.9	99				
7	Janvi	5	96.1	97	99.9				
8	Mukul Kumar	5	99.7	94.8	94	96.5			
9	Prince Jaiswal	4	94.4	98.9	96.5	91.2			
10	Dharika Suresh	4	99	92.6	99.9				

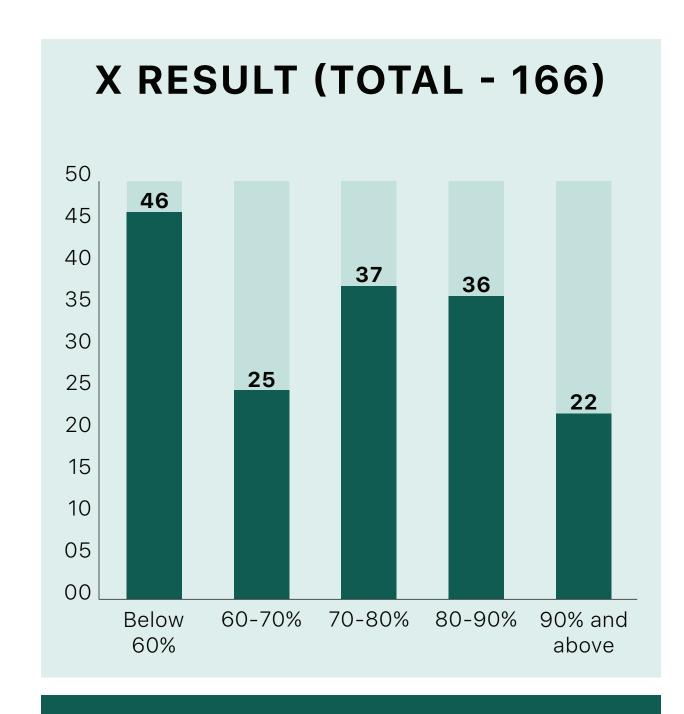


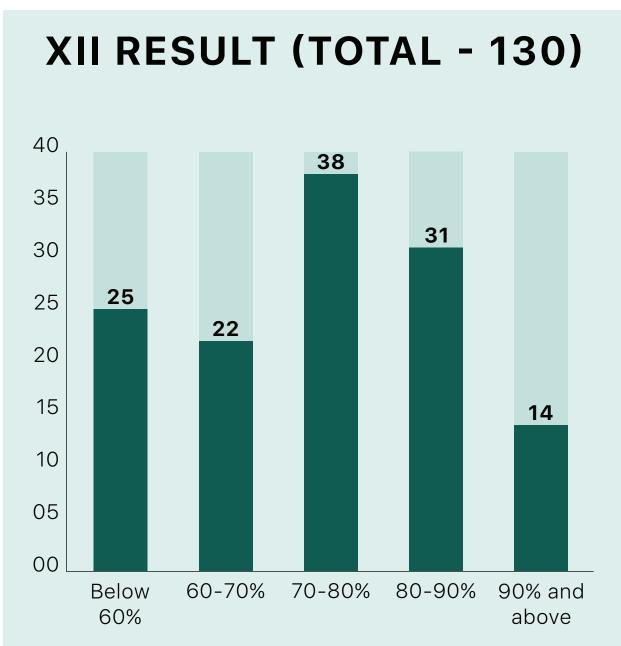
As an outcome of this exercise, online remedial classes are being conducted over a period of time. Several hundred students from Classes III to VII are receiving support in literacy and numeracy.



### **CBSE** results of DLF CARES scholars

The CBSE results of Classes X & XII for the AY 2021-22 were spectacular, making everyone proud and reiterating the success of the programme.





58 out of the 166 DLF CARES students of Class X secured above 80%

45 out of the 130 DLF CARES students of Class XII secured above 80%

Students of Classes X & XII with 90% & above were invited to the DLF Foundation office to celebrate their achievements.





DLF CARES Class XII top performers



### **Beyond School**

iDreamCareer, a professional organisation has been brought onboard to identify and facilitate toppers of Class XII to gain admission in institutions of their choice and aptitude. We are proud to share that Vaastavi Kumar, a DLF CARES scholar, is now pursuing chemical engineering at IIT-BHU. She has secured 94.2 % in her XII board exams. Her father, Jitendra Kumar, is a cook by profession. He is glad to be associated with DLF Foundation.

Further, two scholars – Ruchi Sharma and Gargi Sharma were selected for B.Com (H) degree at BML Munjal University. They received a scholarship of Rs. 12 lakh each, an exceptional reward at undergraduate level.

Ruchi Sharma studied at Shishu Kalyan Sr. Sec. School, Gurugram, scoring 94.8% in her XII board exams. Gargi was transferred to Ridge Valley School. She has secured 96.8% in her XII board exams.



### **Teachers' Training at DLF CARES Partner Schools**

DLF QEC Innovative Schools are conducting a series of workshops for the partner school teachers in a variety of topics encompassing subject skills, motivation, mental health, physical wellbeing, various aspects of the National Education Policy, etc. These training modules are held both online and offline.

After a long gap of two years, physical workshops for the students of Classes IV to X and their parents were conducted by eminent resources.



DLF CARES partner school teacher training workshop



### **Career Counselling**

DLF CARES In School Education Support Program, in the AY 2022-23, conducted psychometric assessments for the scholars. 143 students of Class XII undertook this assessment. Basis their assessment, the students were provided with individualised road maps as per their aptitude. One-on-one career counselling sessions have been conducted so far for 44 students studying in partner schools (Shishu Kalyan Senior Secondary School & The Pine Crest School). A career counsellor from iDreamCareer (partner organisation) met students and their parents to guide them to identify and select courses/institutions & vocational programs, as per their aptitude which emerged from the psychometric test undertaken by them. Students being supported outside Gurugram are being provided with online counselling.

Group counselling sessions were conducted at the partner schools (Shishu Kalyan Senior Secondary School & The Pine Crest) for students of Class X to guide them for stream selection. Various sessions were organised for the students of Classes IX to XII to further guide and help them prepare documents/documentation etc. for admissions to vocational training institutions & colleges.

Class	Activity			
IX	Orientation on Career Planning			
X	Orientation on Psychometric Test			
XII	Career Planning, Preparation for Entrance Exams/Scholarships, Vocational Training & Careers			
IX-XII	Documents/Documentation for Admissions Post Class XII			





### **Faculty Development Programme**

Teachers from partner schools were facilitated and guided on the implementation of the NEP (National Education Policy) by a senior educationist. The sessions focused on the steps teachers can take on a daily basis in their classrooms to effectively implement the policy to make teaching-learning more effective. The teachers found the sessions to be very helpful and were highly appreciative of the practical tips shared by the resource person.

### **Best Out of Waste Webinar**

A webinar was conducted on the theme "Best Out of Waste" for students of classes III to VIII. Students were guided on having a green Diwali and working towards a pollution-free environment. Many entries have been received from the students for the Diwali competition.

### Golf Excellence Program \_\_



DLF Foundation's Golf Excellence Program supports and encourages young boys and girls to pursue golf. Junior golfers in the age group of 12–18 years are supported for their coaching, equipment, fitness, nutrition and participation in tournaments. Internationally recognised coaches visit the DLF Golf Academy periodically to conduct assessments and suggest the way forward.

### **Golf Training Camp**

A 6-day long camp was organised at DLF Golf Academy with Jonathan Mannie from Austria, an international consultant to the Golf Excellence Program. Jonathan Mannie is a 5-star professional from the PGAs of Europe. During the camp, students were evaluated on technique, long

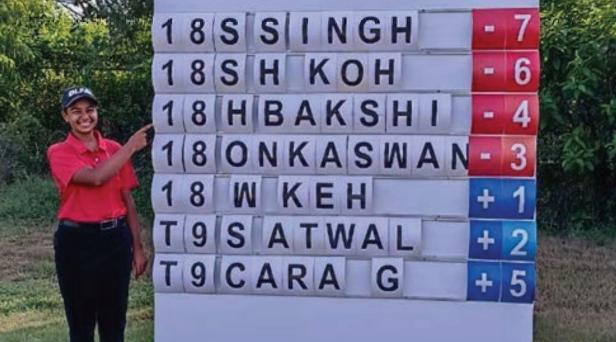
and short game, fitness, nutrition, and on-course play. Jonathan conducted lectures on multiple facets of elite development including mental makeup during tournaments, preparations before tournaments, and off-season routines and rehabilitation programmes.



Jonathan Mannie with golf students



Kartik Singh at West Bengal Golf Tournament



Hitaashee Bakshi at LET Pre-Q School

### Golf Excellence Program.



The tournament season is on in full swing across the men's and women's professional golf circuits, and junior and amateur national events. Students from DLF Golf Excellence Program participated in all the events they could play in. The following are some of the achievements of our students over the last month:



1.	The National Games were played in Ahmedabad. Sunhit Bishnoi won the bronze medal in the individual category for boys and Lavanya Jadon won the silver medal in the team category for girls.
2.	Kartik Singh won all 6 events on the IGU Junior Tour this year. He won the IGU West Bengal at the Tollygunge Club by a margin of 15 shots.
3.	Shat Mishra represented India at the Asia Pacific Amateur Tournament in Thailand as part of the national squad. The tournament is the premier event in Asia Pacific.
4.	Kartik Sharma finished 3 <sup>rd</sup> at the Kapil Dev - Grant Thornton Invitational at DLF, and 8 <sup>th</sup> at the Pune Open on the PGTI. With this, he is now ranked 10 <sup>th</sup> on the Order of Merit.
5.	Hitaashee Bakshi qualified for the final stage of the Q-school of the Ladies European Tour at a pre-Q held at Classic Golf Club, Manesar. She will try to get a full card to play the LET in 2023 in the final stage to be held in Spain in December.

### Swatantra Bharat Mills Sr. Sec. School\_



DLF QEC Innovative School Swatantra Bharat Mills (government-aided) is situated in the DLF Capital Greens society in Moti Nagar, New Delhi. The school is recognised as the third-best government-aided school in the capital by the Directorate of Education. The school brings with it excellence in education associated with the DLF QEC brand to its diverse student community from the underprivileged sections of society.

### **Vocational Courses for Adults**

In association with Jan Shikshan Sansthan (Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship), Peeragarhi, Paschim Delhi, Swatantra Bharat Mills Sr. Sec. School has planned to organise the following courses in the school premises for individuals aged 18-45, especially the mothers of students enrolled in the school.

Beauty care assistant course for girls (4 months)

Assistant computer operator course (5 months)



The courses will be held in the school premises, and the students will receive government-approved certificates upon successfully completing the course. Both the programmes are free of cost for SC/ST/OBC/PWD students.

As a testament to the quality of education at the school, the students performed excellently in the CBSE board exams.

CBSE RESULTS OF SWATANTRA BHARAT MILLS SR. SEC. SCHOOL STUDENTS							
2021-2022							
	Class X	Class XII					
Number of students appeared	82	100					
Number of students passed	82	100					
Passed percentage	100	100					
Total no. of distinctions	181	322					
First division	51	92					
Second division	31	8					

### Swatantra Bharat Mills Sr. Sec. School \_\_\_\_



### **Activities Organised in October**

The month of October was full of festivals as well as activities. Students participated in various activities including a national letter-writing campaign on the topic- "Vision For India 2047".

### **WEBINAR on E-Waste**

A webinar on "Management of E-waste" on the occasion of International E-waste Day was organised by Department of Education on 14<sup>th</sup> October. Teachers and students from Swatantra Bharat Mills Sr. Sec. School participated in the session and gained crucial insights on the topic.

### **Debate and Slogan Writing Competitions**

A debate on "Effect of Festivals on our Rivers" and slogan writing competition on "River Yamuna: A Lifeline to Millions" were organised for the students of Classes VI to XII to enhance their spoken English skills and harness their creativity.



### Swatantra Bharat Mills Sr. Sec. School \_\_



### **Spreading Awareness Among Students**

To create awareness amongst the students on relevant areas, various activities were undertaken through special assemblies on topics like International Week for Persons with Hearing Impairment, dyslexia and iodine deficiency.



Students take part in activities to raise awareness about various health issues

### **Cyber Jagrukta Diwas**

On 12<sup>th</sup> Oct, Class XII students organised a skit to create mass awareness regarding cyber crime under commencement of "Cyber Jagrukta Diwas". Students were made aware of online financial transactions. They also showcased various precautions to be taken to keep oneself safe from fraud and phishing attacks.



### Swatantra Bharat Mills Sr. Sec. School



### Rashtriya Ekta Diwas

National Unity Day (Rastriya Ekta Diwas) is observed on the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel on 31<sup>st</sup> Oct throughout the country. A week-long campaign 27<sup>th</sup> October onwards was held to commemorate the festival of unity, including various activities like Unity Pledge and Run and fancy dress competition at Swatantra Bharat Mills Sr. Sec. School.



Students of Swatantra Bharat Mills Sr. Sec. School take the Unity Pledge

### **Diwali Celebrations**

Students and school staff took part in the Diwali celebrations with boundless enthusiasm. Students also took a pledge not to burn crackers with a hope to avoid pollution and protect the environment.



Teachers at the Diwali celebration

### **Academic Performance**

Class XII students of Swatantra Bharat Mills Sr. Sec. School did the school proud by topping in the Delhi West district in commerce and science.

### Summer Fields School



DLF QEC Innovative School Summer Fields has served the children of Gurugram for over three decades through value, vision and harmony in learning.

### International Delegation

Summer Fields hosted an international delegation from Ananda Foundation (San Francisco) with expertise in education and wellness at the Education For Life centre at the school. They interacted with the students and taught them melodious songs, delivering an enriching experience to the kids.



### **Living Labs**

Summer Fields School's new Life Skills Laboratories were launched to provide teachers with an opportunity to guide students to discover who they are, and to learn soft skills like concentration and calmness that are universally necessary for true success in life. These sessions provide an excellent medium for students to express themselves and inculcate values through various fun activities, meditation and positive affirmations.



### Summer Fields School \_\_\_\_\_

### **Visit by Carmalite Nuns**

Carmalite sisters from schools across India, South Africa and Sri Lanka visited Summer Fields School to interact with the teachers and students. The sisters observed how learning is imparted through values in the classroom. It was a collaborative effort of learning and reflection.







A warm welcome to the Carmalite sisters at Summer Fields School

### Summer Fields School \_\_\_\_\_



### **Independence Day**

Summer Fields School marked the 75<sup>th</sup> Independence Day with much gaiety and fanfare. The chief guest of the day was Col. Sukumar Sudhakar. Students performed a patriotic dance drama titled 'The Glory of Freedom'. The drama was an

amalgamation of dance, fashion parade and yoga, accentuating the major events in India's movements in the past, where it is headed in the present, and in the times to come.

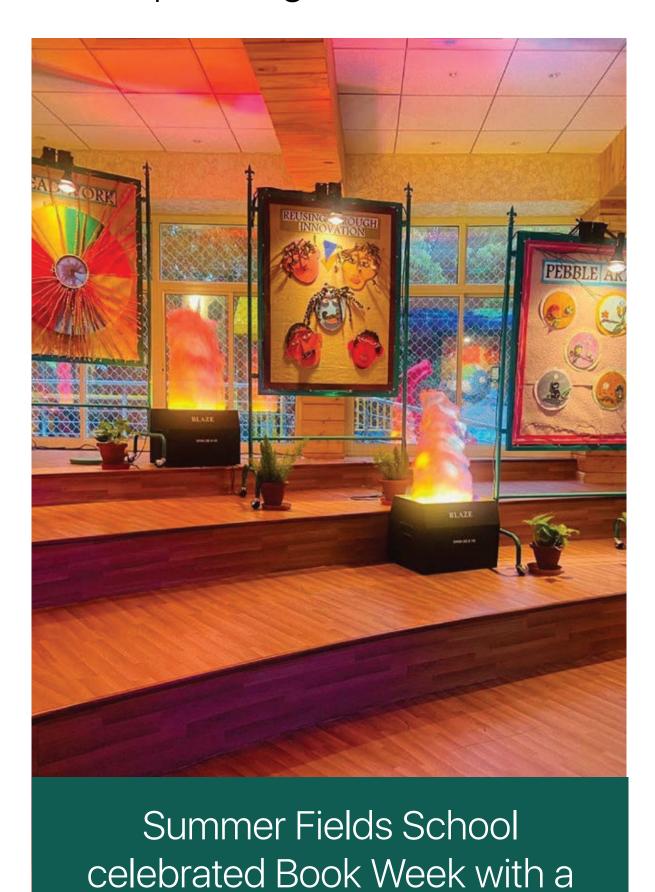


### Summer Fields School

### **Book Week**

### **Art Exhibition**

Book Week at Summer Fields School culminated with a grand exhibition encapsulating the artwork and holiday homework done by the students, keeping in consideration the sustainable development goals.



It was inaugurated by Dr. Ameeta Mulla Wattal, Chairperson and Executive Director – Education, Innovation & Training, DLF QEC Innovative Schools and Scholarship Programmes. The students' creativity and talent were portrayed through various mediums of artwork like collage, stencil art, denim décor, wall hangings, portraits, etc. recycled from waste material.

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grand exhibition

### **Teachers' Day**

Teachers' Day at Summer Fields School was celebrated on 5<sup>th</sup> September. The students paid gratitude to their teachers presenting them with cards, flowers, and words of appreciation. They thanked and acknowledged the student-teacher bond organising a special assembly for them. Managing board members wished and motivated all the teachers and appreciated their efforts. Renowned Kathak dancer Ms. Navina Jafa, presented mesmerising dance performance for all the teachers.



### Summer Fields School



### Speaking Walls: Learning 5.0- A series of bespoke workshops for teachers

As an initiative of the National Education Policy, a series of annual workshops titled '5.0 Learning and Innovation' was started. The first of which was 'Speaking Walls', conducted by Dr. Ameeta Mulla Wattal. This session was conducted with participation of the headmistresses of 27 schools across NCR. The session focused on how educators can create thinking and creative classrooms for their students using waste material and themes beyond textbooks.



Teachers at the Speaking Walls workshop with Dr. Ameeta Mulla Wattal

### **Ration Distribution**

Summer Fields School celebrated the festival of lights with zest and zeal. Students not only celebrated the festival amongst each other but also went beyond and contributed rations for elderly and young ones at The Earth Saviours Foundation.



### Summer Fields School \_\_\_\_



### **Accolades**

Governor of Punjab, Shri Banwarilal Purohit, felicitated Summer Fields School as the Best School (Infrastructure Category) at FAP National Awards 2022 held at Chandigarh University, for private schools across India securing A+ Grade.



at FAP National Awards 2022



DLF QEC Innovative School Ridge Valley is an institution where each child is treated as an individual, nurtured with love and care by their teachers, while being encouraged to become an aspirational leader of tomorrow.

### **Bagless Day**

Bagless Days have been planned in line with the National Education Policy 2020, which advocates bagless schooling to ensure good health of students and a relief from the burden of a school bag. Various types of

meaningful enrichment activities involving visual and performing arts, quizzes, sports and vocational crafts like pottery, gardening, puppet making, tie and dye, smokeless cooking, etc. were conducted on the day.



Ridge Valley School celebrated Bagless Day with students, focusing on their art and craft skills



### **Family Bonding Day**

Ridge Valley School was witness to the bright and colourful panorama of happy children dressed to impress when students of early years celebrated Family Bonding Day on 23<sup>rd</sup> September.







Students celebrating Family Bonding Day at Ridge Valley School



### **Independence Day**

In line with the theme of the 75<sup>th</sup> year of freedom, "Har Ghar Tiranga", Ridge Valley School celebrated this Independence Day with great fervour and pride. The chief guest on the occasion was Brig. Ravi Jairath, who retired from the services after an illustrious career spanning 35 years. The students

presented music and dance performances, including a powerful patriotic presentation showcasing the journey of the tiranga. Paying tribute to our freedom fighters, Brig. Ravi Jairath reiterated the sacrifices made by our soldiers and reflected on the significance of our national flag.







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Students from the Junior School demonstrating the journey

of the tiranga



# Cancer Awareness and Health Screening Camp

About 1 in 9 people in India have or will develop cancer over the course of their life due to different causes. Recognising the need for awareness and screening, Ridge Valley School collaborated with Tanisa Foundation, a healthcare NGO that works in this area, to organise a free, on-campus cancer awareness and screening camp on Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> September for the staff and parents.



Expert doctors from the Rajiv Gandhi Cancer Institute and Research Centre, and the Mammography Van from Rotary Club Cama Place, conducted a number of tests at the camp including:

# Clinical oral examination by ENT

# PAP smear test by gynaecologist

Clinical breast examination by gynaecologist

Mammography

**Blood pressure test** 

Sugar level test



Experts from Rajiv Gandhi Cancer Institute screening staff and parents at Ridge Valley School

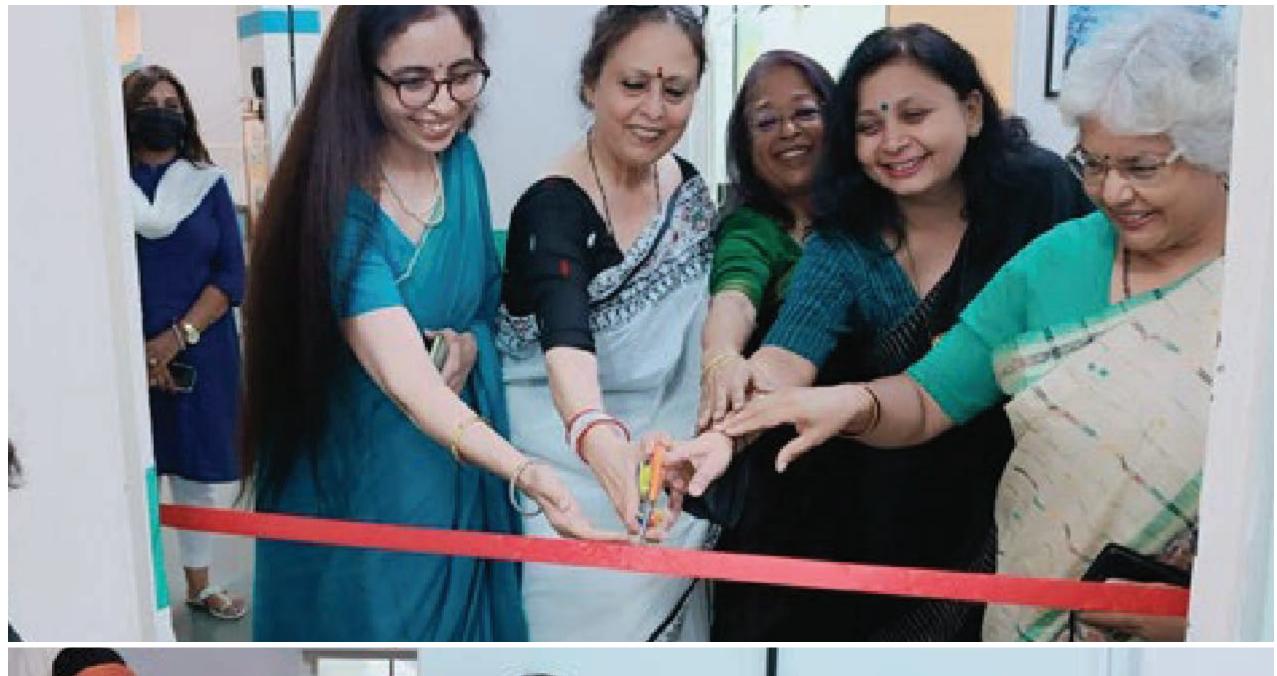


### **V** Care Centre

In a unique initiative to empower specially abled children, their families and caregivers, Ridge Valley School, Gurugram, launched its much-awaited wellness centre, V Care, on 20<sup>th</sup> July. The evening clinic, located in the school premises, is designed to empower not only children with special needs but also provide support to their families with unique, personalised learning skill and therapies.

The centre was inaugurated by Dr. Renu Malaviya, professor in the Department of Education, Lady Irwin College, University of Delhi.

The services at V Care, designed by Ms. Moly Suryavanshi, HOD, wellness, and autism specialist and behaviour therapist, currently include occupational, behaviour and speech therapy and remediation along with social skills therapy.





Inauguration of V Care Wellness Centre



### **Gandhi Jayanti**

Ridge Valley School conducted a special assembly to pay homage to the father of the nation, Mahatma Gandhi, on his 153<sup>rd</sup>

birth anniversary. The assembly honoured his contributions which have inspired millions across the globe.



Students commemorating Mahatma Gandhi



The principal addressing the school about the importance of Gandhian values in the 21st Century



### **World Mental Health Day**

Raising awareness about mental well-being, the students of Class V conducted an assembly on World Mental Health Day observed on 10<sup>th</sup> October every year. They expressed the need to address the issues of mental health and moderated a talk show with the school counsellors wherein the

audience, comprising of students from Classes III to V, were enlightened about the various ways of destressing themselves and creating safe spaces for each other. The principal, Ms. Nidhi Tewari, applauded their efforts and reiterated the relevance of such an important day.





Students conducted a special assembly on World Mental Health Day



# Career Counselling Sessions at Ridge Valley School Nurturing the Future Citizens

Career counselling sessions were conducted for Classes XI and XII by Dr. Nirupama, Assistant Professor, School of Engineering & Technology, Electronics Department, BML Munjal University, on 'design thinking'. Dr. Nirupama explained the importance and process of design thinking to the students.

With an aim to apprise the learners of Classes XI and XII about the curriculum of 'law' and 'liberal education', another career counselling session was conducted by the esteemed Dr. Pritam Baruah, Dean of School of Law at BML Munjal University. The interactive workshop equipped the children with insights on the multiple avenues associated with law and provided them the necessary guidance to those interested in pursuing law as a career.





### **Transport Fair**

Our young scholars of Classes pre-nursery to IV felt a ripple of excitement on the morning of 20<sup>th</sup> October. They couldn't wait to begin their bagless day as a 'Transport Fair' had been organised for them inside the portals of the school. An array of vehicles from

bicycles, bikes and auto rickshaws to heavy vehicles like tractors and buses were on display. The spirited students couldn't contain their happiness and took turns to sit on all the vehicles.





Little Ridgeans learning by exploring the various transportations available



Various field trips were organised for Ridge Valley students to expose them to learning outside the classroom.



Students enjoying the various fun activities planned at Aeroplanet!



Fly high! The little Ridgeans experiencing the Airbus A300



### **Accolades**

Our young diplomats won an array of awards at MUN organised at Blue Bells School. Shashwat Mishra won a High Commendation Award while Manya Kataria, Viraj Bhatnagar and Rishaan Sehgal received Special Mention Awards.



Young diplomat Shashwat Mishra making Ridge Valley School proud with his High Commendation Award



Ridge Valley School received the coveted Best School Award (Digital Category) in the FAP National Awards 2022 to honour private schools across India securing an A+ Grade. The felicitation ceremony was organised at Chandigarh

University on 29<sup>th</sup> October, attended by various esteemed organisations from 21 states of India. It was indeed a proud moment for the school to be awarded from amongst the elite schools across the nation.





Category) in FAP National Awards 2022 securing an A+ Grade





Sheena Ray of Grade X won big at the 3<sup>rd</sup> National Taekwondo Championship in Amritsar, with a gold medal in U-17, 44 – 47 kg weight category



Ridge Valley School receiving
Best Adoption of Technology
in Education &
Digital Learning Programs



SHOWCASE SCHOOL for the 6th year in a row





Principal Nidhi Tewari was awarded the Principal Par Excellence award and Ms. Neelu Singh from Ridge Valley School won the Teacher Par Excellence award by IIHM at their Teachers' Day Awards 2022

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Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today. – Malcolm X

A n institution that believes in creating a learning environment conducive to developing creativity, promoting and celebrating individuality and fostering inclusivity, Ridge Valley School aims to seamlessly

integrate AI with an innovative student-aimed pedagogy. To foster holistic development of our students, co-curricular and sports play a very important role. RVS collaborates with various academies to provide cricket, taekwondo, football and tennis coaching to their aspiring sports enthusiasts and boasts an exclusive Golf facility on the campus.

Ridge Valley students have had numerous opportunities to showcase their talents through participation in

several inter-school and intra-school programmes. All events at the school are a joyful learning experience. Meraki 2022: An Exhibition of Scholastic and Co-scholastic subjects hosted by the school recently engaged students with multiple hands-on

thinking principles with emphasis on innopedagogies including experiential and problem-based learning through art and sports integration. The school has also started Organic Farming in the premises to encourage sustainable agriculture with the objective of addressing the problem of chemical pollution and toxic residues. With the aim of raising socially conscious and responsible global citi-zens, Ridge Valley students regularly participate in Model United Nations, quizzes and

activities. The curriculum is based on design

Ridge valley educators have been keeping abreast with the latest trends in education including STEM learning through thoughtfully curated workshops, seminars and sessions to enhance the teaching learning process and connect better with students. Special emphasis is laid on empowering the school's educators with IT Tools. The school is a Microsoft showcase school where the staff are Apple teachers, MIE experts and Adobe Certified creative educators.

For Ridge Valley "Small is beautiful"

Ridge Valley School was ranked third as a challenger school in the Times School Survey 2022 of schools across Gurugram. This is a step up from last year when the school ranked at the fourth position and is a recognition of the increasing brand value and reputation as a school of excellence for Ridge Valley.

### Environmental Sustainability\_



DLF Foundation carries out various plantation and greening initiatives pan-India in partnership with the government as part of our commitment towards environmental sustainability.

Over the course of this year, DLF Foundation has planned plantation drives in public spaces in Gurugram, Delhi, Noida, Chandigarh, Chennai and Kolkata, making a positive impact on the environment in each of these cities with our intervention.

With an aim to make Gurugram a greener city, we are undertaking plantation drives along several public roads across the city in partnership with Gurugram Metropolitan Development Authority. These plantation drives are aimed at adding 50 km of green cover to several parts of Gurugram, creating a significant impact on the environment in the city.





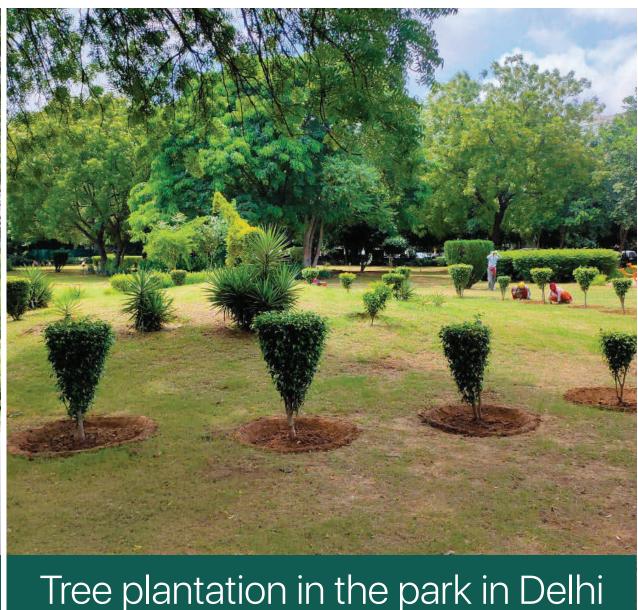
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As a part of our endeavour to increase green cover in urban areas, two parks have been adopted for greening in GK 1 in Delhi. These parks, spread over 8 acres, are currently being developed into model parks through large scale restoration of boundary walls, open gyms and children's play equipment. While also focusing on aesthetics, the programme ensures that the design and upgradation of the parks are environment-friendly, safe and self-reliant.

In Hyderabad, we have partnered with the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation to develop and maintain green corridors in the city. The plantation is undertaken on the central verge of a 1-km long public road between IIT Junction to Radisson Hotel.





### Rehabilitation of the Homeless \_\_\_\_



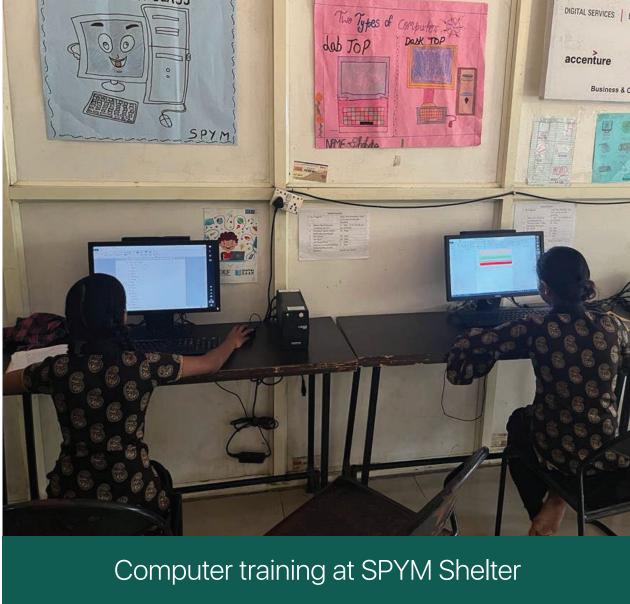
DLF Foundation and Society for Promotion of Youth and Masses (SPYM) collaborated for an initiative for rehabilitation of the homeless engaged in beggary in Delhi by providing them shelter, nutrition support, and education while also increasing awareness on alternative livelihoods and ensuring their reintegration into the mainstream. 64 adults have been rehabilitated through this drive and shifted to SPYM Shelters in Nizamuddin Colony and Sarai Kale Khan. Additional rooms have been built in the Shelter in Nizamuddin to house families.

32 children, who were previously begging for a living, have been rehabilitated at the Nizamuddin Shelter. Some of these children have already been admitted in a primary school located in Ward No. 55 in the Nizamuddin area. We are facilitating Aadhar cards to ensure the admission of the rest. The children shifted to the Shelter are also being imparted computer training besides their schooling and being given non-formal education at the SPYM Nizamuddin Shelter.

SPYM has enabled skill training for the adult women in the Shelter and provides a workspace and raw material so that they can be involved in entrepreneurial ventures like designing and selling bead necklaces to support themselves. Sewing classes will also be started for these women by November end. Through this initiative, the women are being empowered to be financially self-sufficient.

Regular motivational classes are being organised by counsellors at the encampment to persuade the community members to shift to the Shelters.

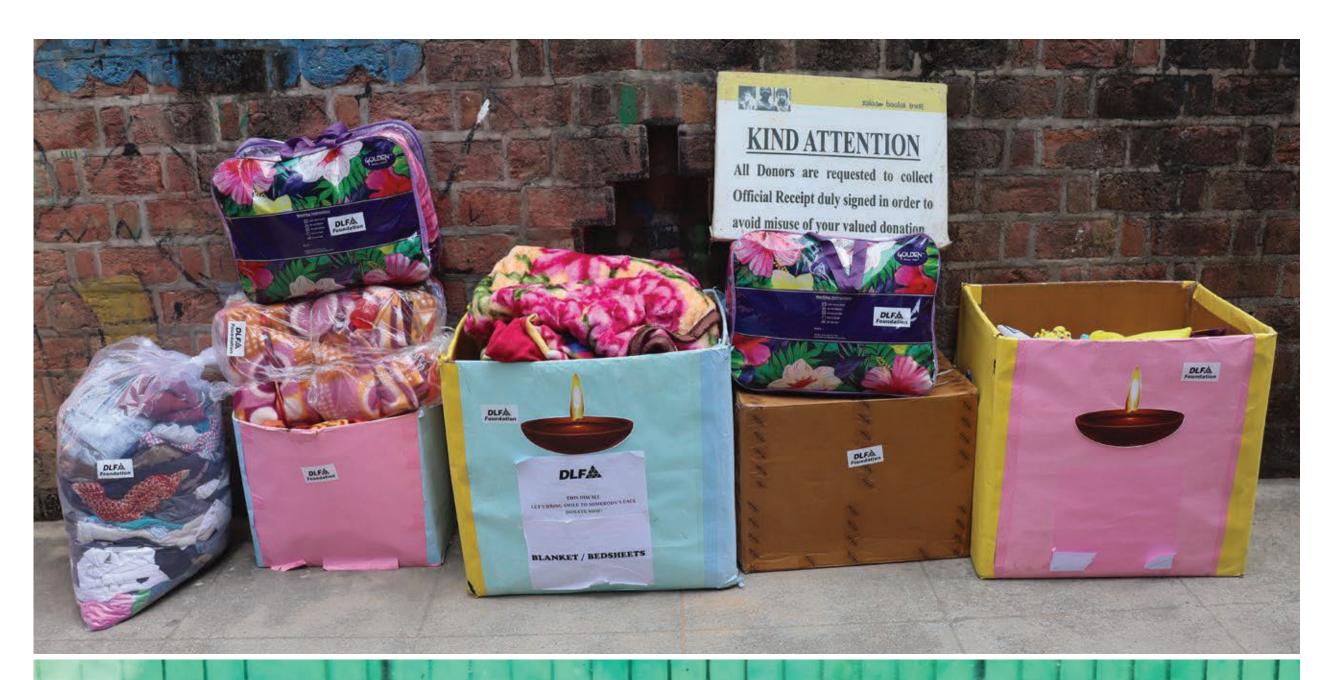




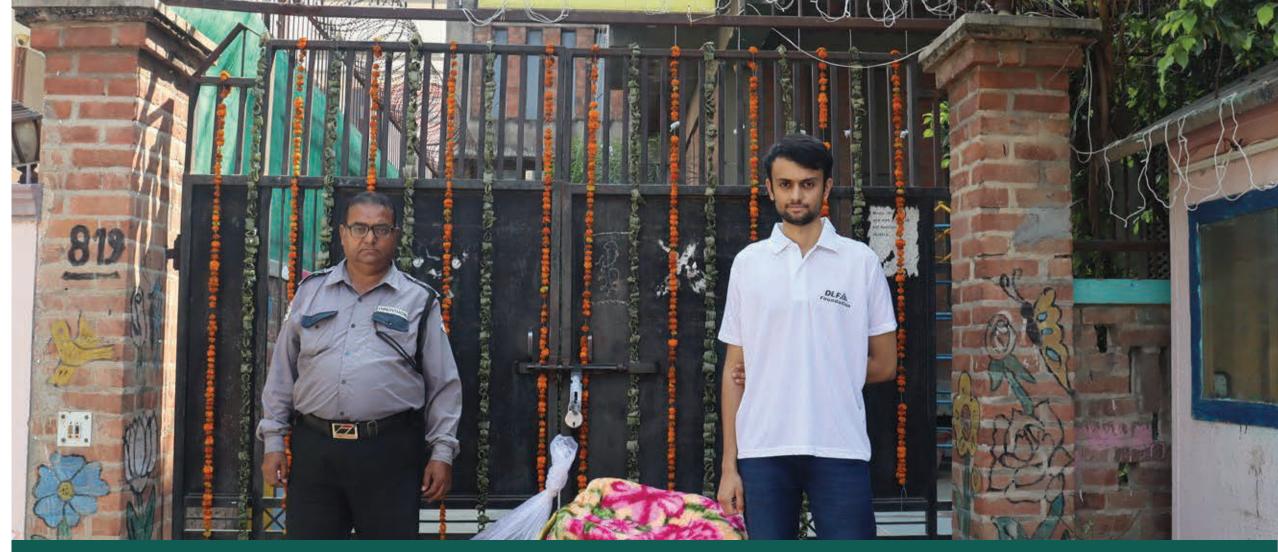
### Diwali Donation Drive \_



DLF Foundation carried out a donation drive at Salaam Balak Trust's Gurugram centre, Aarushi, a shelter home for girls. Toys, blankets and clothes were distributed at the centre. This donation drive was carried out on the occasion of Diwali, the festival of giving, with the support of the DLF HR team.







Blankets, clothes and toys donated to the girls at Aarushi



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