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PADALA CHARITABLE TRUST (PCT)

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Quarterly newsletter of the activities done in the Q1 of FY 2023-24



A NOTE FROM THE TEAM

Dear Supporters,

Greetings from Padala Charitable Trust!

In this first-quarter newsletter for 2023-24, we are excited to share some of our recent impactful activities. Our 10-day residential summer camp in Kakinada empowered 90 Vaaradhi girl students through skill-building activities. At the Project Unnathi Scholarships Meet, recipients gained valuable career insights from our professional counselors. We also attended PRIA's CAPSTONE programme to enhance our capacity as a non-profit.

Special thanks to Marshi Sambamurthy School for providing the summer camp venue. Our Sincere thanks to all our donors and supporters, your support and contributions continue to fuel our mission to make a positive impact in the lives of underprivileged children.

With gratitude,

Padala Charitable Trust

Recognition & Awards



This is to certify that PADALA CHARITABLE TRUST has successfully completed the assessment conducted by Great Place to Work® Institute, India, and is certified as a great workplace.
Category: Non - profit and Charity Organizations (Under 50 Employees)

This certificate is valid from July 2023 to July 2024.

Yeshasvini Ramaswamy
Chief Executive Officer
Great Place to Work® Institute, India

Note: The certificate is valid subject to the terms and conditions agreed to by the Organization.

We are thrilled to announce that **Padala Charitable Trust** has been awarded the prestigious **Great Place to Work** certification for the year 2023-24! This remarkable achievement comes in the category of Non-Profits with fewer than 50 employees, a testament to our commitment to creating a positive and inspiring work environment for our dedicated team. At Padala Charitable Trust, we believe that a strong and supportive workplace culture leads to impactful results in our mission to make a difference in the community. This certification is a reflection of the hard work and passion that each member of our team brings to the table, as we continue to empower lives and uplift the society we serve. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all our team members, volunteers, and supporters who have been an integral part of our journey towards excellence. Join us in celebrating this significant milestone and our unwavering dedication to making the world a better place for all!

Vaaradhi Girl Children - Summer Camp

An opportunity to bond, upskill and have fun.



Vaaradhi Summer Camp, held at Maharshi Sambamurthy School from May 1st to May 11th, was an extraordinary experience for our young minds. With a total of 90 children and 20 parents, the camp provided an inclusive platform for growth and learning.

The camp was packed with exciting events and activities, including a field visit to Koringa Mangroves and Kakinada Sea Port Limited, dance training, singing sessions, computer literacy workshops, craft making, tailoring lessons, and English movie screenings. We also arranged an interactive session with a gynaecologist, a free eye camp, and continuous medical follow-up to ensure their well-being.

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The children showcased their creativity through drawing and essay writing competitions, and they honed their storytelling skills through workshops. A captivating magic show and fascinating science experiments added a touch of wonder to the camp.

Vaaradhi Summer Camp was a journey of self-discovery, empowerment, and camaraderie. It not only brought smiles to their faces but also instilled a sense of confidence and determination to pursue their dreams. Through this enriching experience, we nurtured talents, built lasting memories, and sowed the seeds of a brighter future for these deserving children.



Project Unnathi Scholarships meet

A get-together of Scholarship recipients



The Project Unnathi Scholarships Meet held at Gandhi Bhavan, Kakinada on 25th June, 2023, was an enriching and enlightening experience for all the participants. With a total of 30 students and 10 parents in attendance, the event aimed to provide valuable career insights and guidance to our scholarship recipients.

The day commenced with an engaging awareness session on "21st-century skills" or the **4C's (Critical thinking, Creativity, Collaboration, and Communication)** in the context of **artificial intelligence** replacing certain jobs. This session opened the students' minds to the changing landscape of the job market and the skills required to thrive in the future.

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The highlight of the event was the opportunity to interact with socially responsible individuals who have made a significant impact in their respective fields. **Dr. Teja, the founder of Anju Eye Care Foundation**, and **Shankar, a member of Sankalpam Foundation**, shared their inspiring journeys and valuable insights on social responsibility. Personalized one-on-one counseling sessions were held with each and every student, where our professional counselors provided individualized guidance and support based on the students' aspirations and interests. Project Unnathi Scholarships Meet not only empowered the recipients with knowledge and inspiration but also reaffirmed our commitment to nurturing their dreams and aspirations.

Organisational capacity building

A truly Responsible Social Responsibility

Personal Safety Education workshop



Financial Literacy workshop

PRIA's CAPSTONE Program



In the last quarter, PCT's team has been committed to enhancing our capabilities and skills for improved service delivery. We actively participated in several training programs:

- 1) Personal Finance and Financial Literacy by renowned banker and finance columnist, Vanga Rajendra Prasad.
- 2) Child Sexual Abuse Prevention and Intervention Workshop conducted by Arpan, India's leading NGO on CSA.
- 3) Participatory Research In Asia (PRIA)'s CAPSTONE program on participatory planning, monitoring, and evaluation.

We believe these initiatives will further empower us to make a positive impact in the lives of the individuals and communities we serve.

Building the capacities of other NGOs

Sharing our learnings, doubling the impact



In return, PCT actively contributes to capacity building in the NGO sector through training sessions on Adolescent Health Education and Women's Reproductive Health. In the current quarter, we conducted a two-day training program on crucial topics like Menstruation, Child Marriages, Child Sexual Abuse, and Women's Health.

On the 25th and 26th of May, we successfully trained six resource persons from fellow NGOs, **SVCT (Srikakulam)** and **Bhavishyath (Chittoor)**. This collaborative effort ensures the wider dissemination of essential knowledge, empowering more organizations to create a positive impact on the community's well-being.

Celebrating Menstrual Hygiene Day

Reaching the remotest villages



In celebration of World Menstrual Hygiene Day, we organized a Menstrual Hygiene Awareness session for 40 women from our village cluster development group. These women are also receiving vocational tailoring training with the support of PCT. The session took place in the villages of **AK Mallavaram and Ravikampadu**, where we emphasized the importance of menstrual hygiene and provided valuable insights to improve women's health and well-being.

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