



Annual Report

2021-22

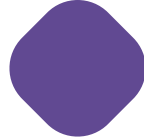


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TRUSTEES



Mahendra Mehta

Founder Trustee

Asha Mehta

Rajiv Mehta

Nandini Mehta





BOARD OF ADVISORS



Nitin Khanapurkar

A renowned corporate professional, Mr. Khanapurkar brings to Ratna Nidhi 28 years of work experience in the area of expanding operations and streamlining businesses globally. He comes from a family that has been mentoring ngo's for more than 3 decades. He is the global head of governance at Apex Fund Services Ltd, London.

DR. RAVI BHALLAMUDI

Prof. B. Ravi is an Institute Chair Professor of Mechanical Engineering at IIT Bombay and founder of BETIC – Biomedical Engineering & Technology incubation Centre. In the last 25 years he led several inter-disciplinary multi-institutional R&D projects, leading to indigenous products, start-up companies and social impact.





BOARD OF ADVISORS



ASHOK KOTHARI

Mr. Kothari, an engineer by profession, with over 45 years of experience in the Manufacturing sector, is currently heading the manufacturing unit of Pakona Engineers Pvt. Ltd. He is also the president of NSM Trust which operates a school, Jr. College & Degree College in Vile parle, Mumbai and is the Secretary General APEX BODY at Jain International Organization (JIO).

Rukaiya Joshi

Former Professor and Chairperson for Center of Education in Social Sector at SPJIMR, she has been awarded 6 awards for her initiatives. She has over 4 decades of teaching experience up to MPhil. She has presented papers at National and International conferences (invited twice to USA) and has published research papers in peer review journals (one of them given an award). She is a visiting faculty, consultant to B Schools and Engineering colleges in Maharashtra. She has been on jury panels and Audit committees of many CSR organizations and NGOs. She is on the board of NGOs in Mumbai and Gujarat. She is mentoring, advising many NGOs and CSR across India and over 35 years, has led many grassroots projects.





LETTER FROM TRUSTEE

Dear Friends,

32 years ago, my father cradled a dream of creating a world where there is a sun of hope for unprivileged children,

inhibited women, and the disabled. This dream crawled its way up from ardent willpower and gave light to Ratna Nidhi Charitable Trust, founded under the stellar leadership of Mr. Mahendra Mehta.



We have a thirst to make this world a habitat of progress for all. We've not just created waves of change in India but have impacted underserved lives in Africa as well. Hence We Weave the Threads of Humanity That Celebrates Everyone As ONE!

We believe Everybody Is Capable, Everybody Is A Champion. Our purpose is to not just serve people but raise them to not just survive but thrive as capable individuals. By launching several people-empowering projects, we have challenged each hurdle with a punch of our passion to create a wonderful world for all.

The last year again saw India grappling with the second wave of Covid and we plunged into providing oxygen concentrators to hospitals across India. Despite the challenges that the second wave brought, we continued to enable people with disabilities, serve meals to children and families from low income communities, launched various new projects under the umbrella of Empowering Women and the Mission Million Library program.

We are grateful to all our donors and partners who continue standing by us. Your belief in us motivates us to take on ambitious goals and venture into the unknown.

Grounded Deeply with A Bright Tomorrow In Sight, we forge ahead step-by-step to create an equitable world for all.

Sincerely,

Rajiv Mehta

Trustee

Ratna Nidhi Charitable Trust



VISION

A world where underserved and differently-abled are empowered and provided with equal opportunities to achieve their full potential, and become contributing members of society.



MISSION

Leverage Data, Innovation, and Technology with our culture of transparency and collaboration.

To improve the lives of the underserved and differently-abled and move them towards self-reliance.

By providing them with food, mobility aids, healthcare facilities, spectacles, books, education, skilling, and employment opportunities.



VALUES

Guided by Family Values, Trust & Compassion our work is based on 3 pillars:

- Wisdom of thought
- Speedy execution
- Transparency in reporting

IMPACT AT A GLANCE

PROGRAM	PROJECTS	IMPACT FOR THE YEAR 2021-22
★ DISABILITY	Mobility aids	4920 prosthetic aids
	Skilling	86 beneficiaries
★ COVID RELIEF	Mission Million Khichdi	13 lac meals
	Hospital Equipments	260 equipments
	(OC) Oxygen concentrators	4075 OC's
★ EDUCATION	Mission Million Books	106095 books
★ COMMUNITY WELFARE	Garments Distribution	25680 Garments
	Miscellaneous items	4173 items
	Toys & Games	869 toys
	Stationary items	923 items



IMPACT AT A GLANCE


PROGRAM	PROJECTS	IMPACT FOR THE YEAR 2021-22
★ HEALTHCARE	Vision – Eye spectacles	209 spectacles
	Hospital Equipments	48 equipments
	Medicines	2.81 lac medicines
	Masks	1.5 lac masks
★ DISASTER RELIEF	Raigad flood relief	50,000 quantity of Tetanus injection 1,50,000 Surgical facemasks 30,000 Sanitary pads 1,00,000 tablets of Ivermectin 12 mg 1,00,000 tablets of Paracetamol- 500mg 5000 tablets of O2



COVID RELIEF



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COVID-19 led to a complete lockdown world over and in India it started from March 2021. In India, the second covid wave started in March 2022 and many across the country were adversely affected. India grappled with the second wave of COVID-19 cases, where patients were struggling to find hospital beds and oxygen support. There was a huge demand for medical oxygen supply which has put a huge pressure on the health infrastructure.

In these times, Ratna Nidhi embarked on a challenging journey to provide food to thousands of people in Mumbai city, and boost the healthcare infrastructure by donating medical equipment and oxygen concentrators.

Through the first wave in 2021 we were able to launch a massive khichdi project and were serving almost 10,000 meals a day. In the second wave we were able to donate close to 3875 Oxygen

concentrators to hospitals across India.

Our speedy execution, agility and networks in these crisis times have stood the test of time and helped us deliver and scale the oxygen project across India.

Our ability to mobilize the domestic and international community to support our work has helped us impact hospitals in rural areas of India and donated thousands of oxygen concentrators.



MISSION MILLION KHICHDI

IMPACT

13 LAC

MEALS SERVED
SINCE MARCH 2020



Ratna Nidhi continued serving meals through the second wave and we have served over **13 lac meals** till date.

Our journey continues to provide fresh cooked meals to people from low income communities in Mumbai. With several schools reopening post the pandemic, we are now focussed on providing mid day meals to children from low income schools in Mumbai.



HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT DONATION



IMPACT

**260
EQUIPMENTS**

**DONATED TO HOSPITALS
IN SECOND WAVE**

Ratna Nidhi has also **donated several ventilators, Bi-pap machines, ICU beds to hospitals in Maharashtra and Hyderabad** during the second wave.

These life saving equipment have served thousands of critically ill patients across several hospitals in India.



MISSION OXYGEN CONCENTRATORS

IMPACT

4075

OXYGEN CONCENTRATORS
HAVE BEEN DONATED



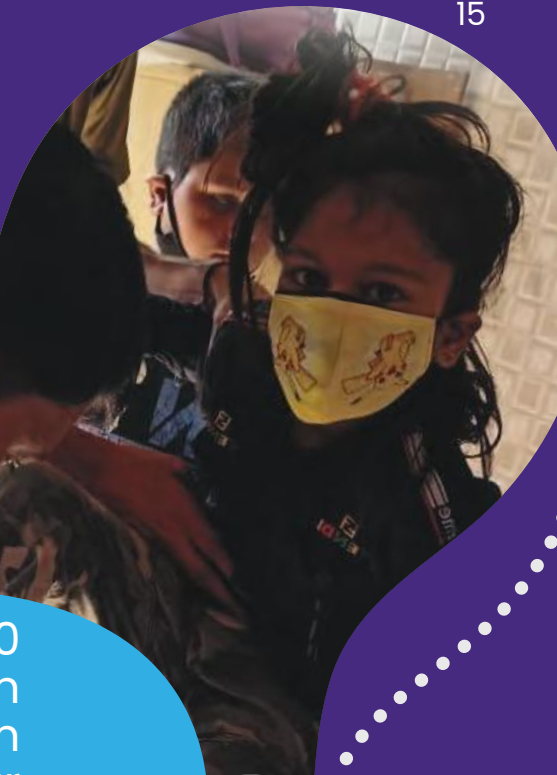
Ratna Nidhi responded to the rising demand for **oxygen concentrators during the second wave** by providing them to hospitals in India. Several of these concentrators have been delivered to hospitals in Maharashtra, Gujarat, Chhattisgarh, MP & Orissa., Leh-Ladakh, Jharkhand, Bihar, Tamil Nadu, Delhi, Goa, Haryana, Kerala, Nagaland, Rajasthan, Uttarakhand, West Bengal & Pune,



DISABILITY



DISABILITY



Ratna Nidhi's core focus for the last 20 years has been to empower people with movement Disability by providing them with artificial prosthetic aids like Jaipur foot, Calipers, Crutches and Wheelchairs. Ratna Nidhi's Disability program is designed so that they too can be capable members of society. Confident to lead their lives by their own means. Our holistic approach, as described in the following pages, ensures their physical mobility and also puts an effort to make them financially independent.

Covid brought in its own challenges for implementing the program but our team rose upto the challenges and has delivered aids to thousands of people in remote villages of India. The flagship project this year was the Leh mobility camp. We also conducted the mobility camp in Gujarat, Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh.

Ratna Nidhi also continued its skill training program, training 64 disabled candidates into spoken English, computer literacy, soft skill & personality development.

Thousands of people continue to walk independently and have become earning members of society due to our disability program intervention.



MOBILITY CAMP

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Report in detail](#)



IMPACT

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MOBILITY AIDS WERE
DONATED TO PEOPLE
WITH MOVEMENT
DISABILITY IN INDIA
SINCE 2001



LEH-LADAKH MOBILITY CAMP

Ratna Nidhi organized the Disability camp in partnership with Mahabodhi International Meditation center and Rotary International District 3141 & 3030. The planning and execution of this project spanned over 6 months, with the screening camp being organized in April, 2022.



MOBILITY CAMP

Beneficiaries were mobilized for this camp from Leh, Nubra valley, Pangong and Kargil. These are some of the most remote and untouched regions in India, perched at high altitudes where travelling can be physically challenging. Our team with their grit and determination were able to scale these heights, to ensure that every disabled in these remote regions has an aid which would uplift their current condition.

The distribution camp for this project was organized from 12th to 15th June, 2022 at the Mahabodhi International Meditation Center. 1000 aids like Jaipur foot, calipers, crutches, wheelchairs and hearing aids were distributed at this camp.





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view the video](#)

SKILL TRAINING

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view the video](#)



IMPACT

86 DISABLED
CANDIDATES WERE SKILL
TRAINED

Ratna Nidhi's skill training program provides basic skills required to make a person employable as per industry standards, and have consolidated it into a holistic program. This year this program transitioned to online classes on zoom with 64 disabled candidates being skill trained.

Transitioning the skilling program meant our trainers had to find unique ways to hold the attention span of the students and ensure their learning remains uninterrupted.

While our impact in this segment was lesser compared to the previous years, our resolve to continue the program remained intact through the pandemic.



DISASTER RELIEF- RAIGAD



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Ratna Nidhi Charitable Trust (RNCT) with the support of Arcil ensured medical aid to the flood victims at Raigad, Maharashtra. The floods impacted over 18000 people in Raigad, making medical support critical and crucial especially during the COVID times. Following items were donated:

50,000

quantity of Tetanus injection

1,00,000

tablets of Ivermectin 12 mg

1,50,000

Surgical facemasks

1,00,000

tablets of Paracetamol 500mg

30,000

Sanitary pads

5000

tablets of O2



DISASTER RELIEF- RAIGAD



The medicines were provided to the Zilla Parishad as per the on ground requirement. Our disaster response in these critical times has helped provide immediate relief to thousands of people in these areas. ● ○

The support impacted thousands of families living in Pen, Alibaug, Khalapur, Karjat, Roha, Uran, Mahad, Poladpur, Murud, Manegaon, Sudhgad, Tala, Mhasla, Shriwardhan and Panvel.

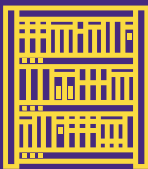
NEW PROJECTS



Asha Ratna
Scholarship



Beautician Training
Program for Women



Ratna Nidhi
Library



Mission Million
Book in Ghana



NEW PROJECTS

ASHA RATNA SCHOLARSHIP

RNCT believes that Education is a basic necessity and right of every student. Hence we have launched the Asha Ratna Scholarship program which will ensure support for the educational requirements of such children. Through this program we provided scholarships to 85 students last year who lost their parents to covid.





NEW PROJECTS

BEAUTICIAN TRAINING PROGRAM FOR WOMEN



Ratna Nidhi launched the Beautician training program for women from low income communities in Mumbai with an objective of making these women financially independent. Ratna Nidhi is currently operating 8 batches of beauty training at 5 locations in Mumbai-Koperkhairane and Sewri, Thane and Dadar centre. Currently, about 108 women are being trained, and by the end of the year, 200 women will be trained with complete placement assistance. To ensure immediate business, a beauty kit is also being provided to each candidate.

The Beauty Course at Ratna Nidhi will consist of:

- **Basic Beauty Course**
- **Financial Literacy and Digital Equity**
- **Hygiene pre-post-during service to the client**
- **English Speaking**
- **Personality Development**
- **On-Job-Training/ Internship**



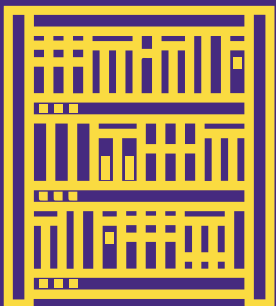


NEW PROJECTS

RATNA NIDHI LIBRARY



Ratna Nidhi has launched a library for youth from low income groups at Babulnath in Mumbai. This library has a spread of 9000 books and is beautifully set up in one of the prime locations of Mumbai. The center also has computers set up now, thereby providing children with free access to computers which will aid them in gaining knowledge. 50 children have been enrolled at our library in the year 2021-22.





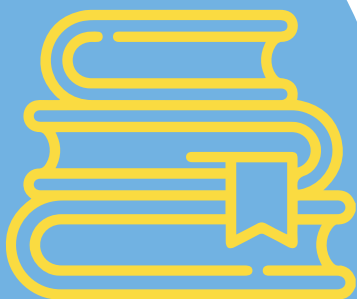
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MISSION MILLION BOOK IN GHANA

Ratna Nidhi has expanded the Mission Million books project globally by exporting charity to Ghana in Africa. **400 cartons of books, 14 tones in weight, 19000+ books, 20 feet container of books have been shipped to Ghana free of cost.**



The idea of exporting charity in Africa started about 4 years back during the RILM South East Asia Convention held in Chennai, India on 5th March 2017. During the convention, apart from other agenda's, a short presentation was made by Mr. Rajiv Mehta, Trustee Ratna Nidhi Charitable Trust on the vision to ensure that every child has at least one book to read- under the Project "Mission Million Books"



COMPUTER TRAINING AT GUJARAT CENTER



Ratna Nidhi has set up a full fledged computer training center at our Medical center in Gujarat, with 100 computers at the center. This center has been operational since April 2022 and we aim to train 1000 youth in computer literacy at this center.

FUTURE PROJECTS

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Mini Library

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Women Skill training

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Computer training at Gujarat

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Ratna Nidhi Library

**FUTURE PROJECTS**

MINI LIBRARY

Ratna Nidhi seeks to take its Mission Million book program one step forward and now plans to launch a Mini Library program.



It is envisaged that children should have ready and free access to books in their respective schools, colleges or study centers or even their hostel/children's home. It is imperative that students are exposed to a variety of books without any cost. Books can open a sea of knowledge especially for the one's who do not have any other source of information. Through this project, Ratna Nidhi hopes to ensure that children always have access to good quality books.

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FUTURE PROJECTS

WOMEN SKILL TRAINING

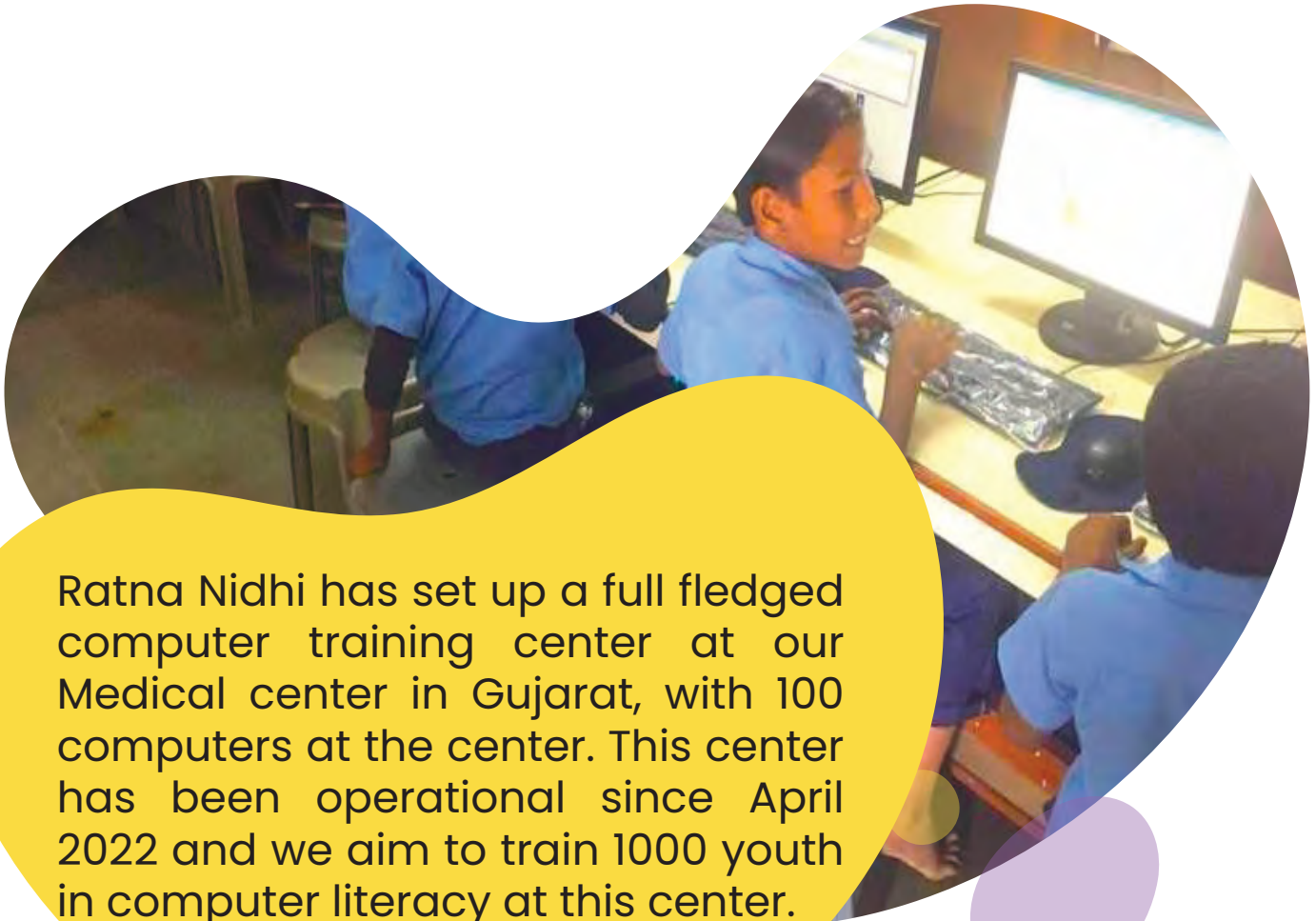
Ratna Nidhi will continue to expand on this program and aims to skill train 200 women from low income communities by the end of this financial year. This program seeks to make women financially independent through the new skills imparted to them.



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RATNA NIDHI LIBRARY

We will be scaling memberships at the library by enrolling more students who will immensely benefit from the wide variety of books set up here. In due course we will also begin with providing free Tally training for students at the center.





STORIES OF CHANGE



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Rigzen Angchok, 46 years, Leh

Rigzen lives in Leh with his family. In 1999 he lost his legs to a land mine accident. Ever since then life has been drastically different, with him using many kinds of artificial limbs.

He got to know about our camp through an advertisement on radio and was happy that with his new Jaipur foot he will now be able to walk independently and comfortably. With a meager salary of Rs.5000 a month, the free Jaipur foot will go a long way in providing him with independent mobility he shares.





STORIES OF CHANGE

Varsha Pawar, 30 years, Thane

Varsha Pawar is a 30-year old woman living with her mother in Thane district. Varsha has polio since birth and therefore, mobility was always a challenge. Her mother has been the only one to take care of her.



Varsha's mother worked as a housemaid to fend for herself and her daughter. As she grew, going to school, and other basic things like playing etc started becoming a challenge. Her mother had to take care not just of herself but her daughter as well. With Varsha growing and no other support, giving personal attention to Varsha, especially her studies, started getting tough. She dropped out of school after 9th standard.

For basic requirements, Varsha would either use a stick or take someone's support. It was only a few months back, that Varsha heard of a camp being organized in her neighborhood. Her mother told her about the camp and decided to give it a try. During the camp, Varsha was suggested to wear a calliper. The dimensions of her leg were taken, and on the distribution date, the calliper was provided.

Today Varsha is able to walk freely, and is independent. She hopes to work, and do more in life, but the fact that she has studied till 9th is a hindrance. She is happy to have received the calliper which is working well.



STORIES OF CHANGE

Pratiksha Petkar 23 years, Chandrapur

Pratiksha Petkar, is a 23 year old female, residing in a remote district of Maharashtra Chandrapur. She is suffering from locomotor disability.



Even though Pratiksha is disabled she dreams of becoming independent and to lead her own life. In fact, she is pursuing Bachelors in engineering from Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Technological University.

She wishes to work in a corporate office. And support her family. She is also currently working as a Tele Caller for Bajaj Finance. Though the income is not fixed and depends on the calls she makes. She says she is happy that at least it is keeping her occupied. She lives with her parents. Her father is a daily wages worker and her mother is a housewife.

Pratiksha has joined this year for Ratna Nidhi Charitable Trusts Skill development Program. Through this program she is learning new skills such as Grooming, Communication skills, Body language, Spoken English and basic Computer skills. She firmly believes that through Ratna Nidhi's Training program she will be able to showcase her skills aptly where she might go for an interview. And she will be able to give a wonderful first impression of herself.



STORIES OF CHANGE

Sayali Adsul 49 years, Mumbai

49- year old Sayali Adsul lives in Mumbai with her husband and her son. Covid crisis had hit her family financially. It was also a time of introspection for her and her husband where they decided they should have multiple earning sources so as not be in a financial crisis.

Moving ahead with this though process, Sayali enrolled for the beauty course. The beauty course was life changing for her. She learnt new skills, and within 20 days of class, she started home visits and earning. Now that she is completely trained in beauty, personality and English, she feel much more confident of herself and her work. Sayali earns approx. 5000 per month.





STORIES OF CHANGE

Amruta Khandekar 19 years, Mumbai

Amruta Khandekar is a 19-year-old girl from Chunabhatti Mumbai. She lives with her parents and siblings. During COVID-19 her father lost his job. He was the sole earning member of the family.



The crisis made her think out of the box. Amruta always wanted to support her family. And now that her family needed support, she decided to skill herself professionally.

She always had an inclination towards doing mehendi. She enrolled herself in the beauty course as it also taught personality and English training. The course did wonders for Amruta. She believes that this course will help her to expand her clientele and to earn to support her education. She is earning approximately 3000 per month along with pursuing her education.



AWARDS & TESTIMONIALS

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awards](#)



AWARDS & TESTIMONIALS

BW Power list of Social Impact Leaders & Change Makers by Business World

Mr. Rajiv Mehta, Trustee, Ratna Nidhi Charitable Trust was featured in the elite BW Power list of Social Impact Leaders & Change Makers by Business World. The power list recognizes exemplary work undertaken by illustrious social sector professionals across India under one roof.





AWARDS & TESTIMONIALS

7th CSR Impact Award in Covid-19 response (large category) for the project "Saving Lives: Oxygen Concentrators"






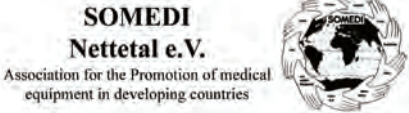













AWARDS & TESTIMONIALS

Role Model for Reading for Pleasure NGO from India reading Olympiad, Food for thought Foundation



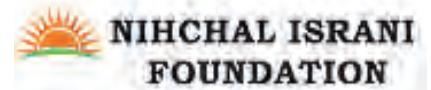
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Sr. No	Project	Each. Contribution (₹)	No. of Items	Total
1	Food Project (per child per month)	625		
2	Food Project (per child per year)	6250		
3	Jaipur Foot - Artificial Limb	5000		
4	Calipers for polio - Affected	5000		
5	Wheelchair	6000		
6	Crutches (One pair)	1200		
7	Hearing aid	2000		
8	Prosthetic Hand	5000		
9	Cost for 1 Mini Library	5750		
10	Cost for 10 Mini Libraries	57500		
11	General Support			
A cheque in favour of "Ratna Nidhi Charitable Trust" in enclosed for this amount			Total Rs.	

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