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5TH AND 6TH YEAR REPORT

SANDHYA SHARAD 18/06/2015

Report of our support activities and observations at the Kapur–SBM Pediatric Oncology Ward, Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology, Bangalore, India recorded over a period of 2 years.

"Samiksha Foundation" is a Pediatric Oncology Support Group, a Not For Profit Organisation, operating at Bangalore, India.

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From the Founder and Trustees

We are delighted to have completed 6 years and happy to share the stories of the significant work being done by helping children undergoing cancer treatment at Kidwai Memorial Institute on Oncology Bangalore, toward their continuing education, engaging them in mindful activities and sustaining their wellbeing and happiness.

In the years 2013 to 2015 we have made progress in the quality of delivery of our mission, the evidence of which was presented as a poster in the IAPCON (Indian Association of Palliative Care Conference) at Hyderabad this year, based on a study conducted by Mrs. Devapatni Bhoopathy our senior volunteer in Pediatric Oncology care. The Poster won an award for outstanding contribution to the pediatric palliative care and best presentation. The statistics of children going back to school and their performance in board exams is also a significant milestone and benchmark for the success of the Foundation's work.

We have collaborated with Make a Wish Foundation for 19 wish fulfillments of children at Samiksha at Kidwai, this year. Chitra Ramesh was our volunteer coordinator with MAW. A dedicated Bengalee speaking teacher coordinator, Mrs. Barnalee Sarkar, takes care of children from Bengal and far east of India. She has also built a significant support group at the UTSAV Bengali association group JP Nagar.Bandana Misra is our Hindi teacher, Padma and Girish help with activity coordination, photos, documentation, and have hugely improved the quality of our Saturday programs, storytelling events. Aditya manages our website and mailers.

Dr.Manjari continues to be the Face of our Foundation, with public relations, event coordination, and fundraising, while Meera Srivathsan is our Administrative coordinator with KMIO authorities and Education Program Coordinator. We are extremely grateful to our Teachers Vidyawathy and Parvathy who have been with us for 5 years now, and our Storyteller Ambika who has been with us for 4 years now. All of these people their dedication, effort and service make a team that makes Samiksha Foundation strong and committed to its cause.

In this endeavour, we much appreciate the support of KMIO for the opportunity.

We are very grateful to all our Patrons, Donors, supporters, volunteers for your contribution in cash and kind. All of you play a significant role directly or indirectly. It is our goal to strive to provide the children undergoing treatment for cancer a more rewarding and happy experience, enable them to re-integrate into their schools, friends, community and families and help plan their future with greater confidence and self esteem. We aim to reach out to many more such children who are denied of an Education during treatment because they don't have the opportunity!

We hope to continue to share our experience, success of the children in the future years to come and look forward to your continued understanding and support.

With sincere thanks.

Sandhya Sharad - Founder

Vijaya Nanjundeswaran - Trustee

Bhavani Nanjundeswaran - Trustee

Purpose of this Report

ACTIVITY DETAILS

To record the activities over the last two years, to continue and understand the patterns emerging from the course of the activities with respect to children's attitude, their happiness levels and self expression over the 2 years.

FACILITY DETAILS

To record the infrastructure and material improvements provided by Samiksha to the facility and the environment, and how this change has affected in overall for the children.

LOOKING AHEAD

To create awareness and understanding for the significant need of continued education and activities for children undergoing treatment for cancer- the non-medical support for pediatric oncology.

To understand the learning requirements of the children better and try to address the concerns about learning and school while they are in treatment and to improve the quality of the ongoing programs.

To understand what parents, teachers and doctors can do to make sure the child's school needs are met when undergoing cancer treatment.

To share this information with the hospital staff , authorities, donors, volunteers and community



THE TEAM – JUNE 2014

The families, donors and volunteers of Samiksha Foundation made the 5th year celebration a huge success. Highlight of the year was celebrating the Little donors and the Senior citizen volunteers.

THE PLAY AREA DEVELOPED BY SAMIKSHA FOUNDATION OVER YEARS FOR KMIO



The Children's Play area outside the Kapur –SBM ward has always been our pet project. It is a favourite space for children and caregivers, and well used.

The first renovation was done in 2010 Donors were Sarin family of Epsilon Community and the Rotary Anns women's group. The current Play area renovation is being sponsored by the "Amanpreet Kaur Trust" managed by Mr.Kamadeep Singh, in association with the Freemasons of Lodge Thirunal, Bangalore, and coordinated by Samiksha Foundation.

Mr. M.S Ravi, Mr.Ravindran, and many other able members of the Freemason's Group are active participants in the renovation of this space. It is a 2 year project.

A formal opening ceremony by the Director, KMIO, with installation of the plaque in memory of Ms.Amanpreet Kaur, is scheduled on the 6th year completion- Annual Day of Samiksha Foundation at Kidwai on 18th June 2015.

A total of Rs.5,50,000/- has been spent for this project renovation and upkeep.

Program Details

Samiksha functions from the Kapur-SBM Pediatric Ward. The entrance to the ward has been converted to teaching cum activity space. The library has been set up in the basement of the ward, with books in various languages. The foundation appointed librarian / teachers are present 4 days a week, (Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday), between 10.30am and 4.30 pm. The teachers are qualified and continuously trained in early childhood education by local boards. Relevant textbooks, notebooks, worksheets, art material is provided to each child in a school bag on the first day they come to the program, to encourage and provide an appropriate environment. The supply is constantly replenished as required by the child, at our cost. Children on maintenance (outpatients) are also encouraged to participate. All volunteers are given an orientation before commencing hands on work with the children. The children's involvement, attendance, progress and requirements are recorded and maintained.

Special tutoring for 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th grade children:

To help them come up to speed with their school work and curriculum and prepare them for the examinations should they wish to appear. Volunteers from International Schools, Corporates and Colleges teach children.

Circulating Library:

Books are issued to children and caregivers on a regular basis, to read in their time to encourage independent reading . For those children unable to read by themselves, volunteers read to them at their bedside. Multilingual books are provided. Children also take back their favorite book when they get discharged.

YOGA Program for kids and mothers in the ward:

This program is currently conducted by our Yoga Teacher and Consultant, Mr.PVR Murthy and his students. Volunteer teachers from 1000 yoga and other such organizations have also conducted yoga programs for the children and the care givers.

I Am a Star

All children are special. The program aims to fulfill some of their wishes to make them feel even more special. For children who are discharged, we have an arrangement with Make a Wish Foundation to fulfill wishes of children via a referral program. Children going home are also given a special gift.

Storytelling:

With support from Pratham Books and independent storytellers like Arti Anand, Lavanya, a significant change is happening in the way the children approach books, reading and recall. Our regular storyteller Ambika combines storytelling with hand puppets, origami and drawing.

Birthdays at the ward:

Birthday Parties for children are held on the last Saturday of the month.

Entertainment and activities range from singing groups,magic shows, dances performances, pottery workshops, skits and songs by the children themselves. Goody bags with fun things are distributed to all children admitted to the ward and siblings . Various organisations or individuals have sponsored the costs for these events. This monthly event is now an established routine for both children and care givers .Care is taken to ensure the children are involved without getting hyperactive and that the excitement of the parties is not overwhelming or physically exerting for the children.

Fruits and Vegetables: To ensure attendance, fresh vegetables is distributed at least twice a week and fruits given every Saturday and on events, as part of the nutritional help.

SAMIKSHA FOUNDATION EVENTS				
	JUNE 2013 to MAY 2014			
DATE	EVENTS ORGANIZATION			
	JUNE 2013 TO DECI	EMBER 2013		
JUNE 18 th	5 TH Year Commencement Celebration	Samiksha Foundation		
	Yoga workshop	Annual report release and annual lunch Swamini Yogaratna Saraswathi		
JUNE 24 th	F			
JUNE 27 th	Area Manager of visits Samiksha Foundation	Freemasons of Lord Thirunal and Brethren CSB group visit- Nandini, Kripa, Chitra and others		
	Birthday Celebration and Odissi Dance	Odissi by Bhavini Gadhiwala, arranged by Barnalee sarkar		
JULY 4 th	Yoga Workshop	Swamini Yogaratna Saraswathi		
JULY 16 th	Mr.Ramadoss from Health Department visits	Samiksha Foundation		
JULY 27 th	Birthday Celebration	Samiksha Foundation		
AUGUST 8th	Member of Lions Club celebrates birthday at Samiksha	Samiksha Foundation		
AUGUST 14 th	Drawing Competition and Certificate Distribution	Sponsored by CIPLA Oncology		
SEPTEMBER 7 th	Birthday Celebration and Magic Show and clown visit	Tania Khosla, Sandeep Khosla , Mahika, and Aryamaan Khosla		
SEPTEMBER 12 th	Drawing Competition and Drawing Books Distribution	Arranged and sponsored by CIPLA		
SEPTEMBER 24 th	Singing and Dancing Workshop	Prathishtana group, led by		
	Pottery Workshop	G uruprasad and Shripad Sponsored by CIPLA		
SEPTEMBER 28th				
OCTOBER 1st	Students visit Samiksha	Christ College		
OCTOBER 7 th	Birthday Celebration	Samiksha Foundation		
OCTOBER 18 th	Distribution of Books, pencils and colour pencils	By Madhumitha Santhosh		

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Pottery Workshop and Diya	GMI and RGI Freemasons group	
EVENTS	ORGANIZATION	
	(KAPUR –SBM WARD) - JUNE 20 Pottery Workshop and Diya	

NOUTINEED			
NOVEMBER	Diwali gifts and sweets distribution	Samiksha Foundation	
	Drawing Workshop for Children's Day	Rang – De Bharath	
NOVEMBER 14 TH	Cleanliness Awareness	Samiksha Foundation	
NOVEMBER 22 nd	Impact Day Event	Delloitte group, Bangalore led by Deepak Kumar and Shravan kumar	
NOVEMBER 29 th	Art tales – Storytelling	Aarthi Anand	
DECEMBER	Birthday Celebrations	Utsav Group	
DECEMBER 21st	Christmas Party and End of the Year Celebration	UTSAV Group – Barnalee Sarkar and others	
	JANUARY 2014 TC) MAY 2014	
JANUARY 2 nd	Drawing and Painting Competition	CIPLA Oncology - Lalith Singh	
	Drawing Workshop	Color India Movement	
JANUARY 18th	Birthday Celebration and Bharatanatyam workshop	Samiksha Foundation- Ambika	
JANUARY 25 th		Dancer Guruprasad	
JANUARY 31 ST	WORLD CANCER DAY	Samiksha Foundation shared event online	
FEBRUARY 17th	MayFlower Fund raising Event	Brigade Millennium Association, JP Nagar	
FEBRUARY 20 th	Birthday celebration	Samiksha Foundation	
MARCH 1 st	Play Area Improvement and clean up drive	Free Mason's of Lord Thirunal and Family of Mr.K.D.Singh	
MARCH 15 th	Dr.Appaji's Birthday	Parents and caregivers	
MARCH 29 th	Birthday Celebration	Sponsored by Mrs.Bhavani Nanjundeswaran and Vijayalakshmi Nanjundeswaran	
MAY	Birthday Celebration and Craft Event	Samiksha Foundation	

JUNE 2014 TO DECEMBER 2014

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JUNE 18 th	5 TH Year Commencement Celebration	Samiksha Foundation Day ,and annual lunch	
JUNE 28 th	Birth Day celebration special guests – Free Masons	Music, Dance and Magic show Distribution of school kit to children (school bags, note ooks, and pencil kit)	
JULY 26 th	Story time	Samiksha Foundation - Lavanya Prasad Pratham stories	
August 2nd	Birthday celebration Guest – Dhiviya Murthy	Samiksha Foundation	
August 12 th	Janmashtami Celebration	Samiksha Foundation- Ambika	
SEPTEMBER 6th	World Literature day and Teachers day Celebration	Samiksha Foundation – Arthi Anand	
SEPTEMBER 9 th SEPTEMBER 27 th	Information talk to parents and children about cleanliness, self awareness and self care	Nayana Shetty	
	Dussera Celebrations – Doll decoration and display	Samiksah Foundation – Ambika, Padma Girish,Meera	
OCTOBER 9 th	Distribution of blankets	Dhatri world – Gayathri Shenoy	
OCTOBER 18th	Birthday and Diwali Celebrations Distribution of sweets	Samiksha Foundation	
NOVEMBER 1st	Kannada Rajyotsava and Story time	Arthi Anand sponsored By Rajeev Rathnam	
NOVEMBER 4th	Dance and song Workshop for Children's Day	Sanchitha-	
NOVEMBER 28th	Impact Day Event	Delloitte group, Bangalore led by Deepak Kumar and Shravan kumar	
DECEMBER 16th	Art workshop	DPS Art teacher and students	
DECEMBER 20 th	Christmas Party and Year end Celebration	Arthi Anand	
December 23 rd	Opening of New block by SBM- songs by children	KMIO/SBM and Samiksha	
JANUARY 2015 TO MAY 2015			
JANUARY 4th	Street play and Drama BY Dr. John Devaraj of Born free School,	Sponsored by Tania Khosla family arranged by Aakansha	

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JANUARY 31 st	WORLD CANCER DAY , Birth day Celebration with story time	Samiksha Foundation & Arthi Anand	
FEBRUARY 17th	Birthday Celebration Hat Making and other activities	Vandana Hegde - Hal Mark trainee	
MARCH 20th	Interactive story on cleaniness and neccesity of school and learning	Samiksha Foundation along with Lavanya Prasad	
MARCH 28 th	Birthday Celebration	Sponsored by Rotary teens – arranged by Nagashree and friends	
April 17 th	CSB Bangalore donation	CSB Bangalore	
MAY 15 &16th	M.S.W students conduct Various activities for children with shows	M S W STUDENTS	
May 30 th	Birth day celebration with SOC Gen Bank	Samiksha & Soc Gen Bank	



30th of May was our last Birthday and orientation event sponsored by Society Generale Bank.

Our next event is on 18th June 2015, for the 6th year completion and celebration of the children's works. The opening of the play area with the installation of the Plaque in memory of Amanpreet Kaur is scheduled on this day. The KMIO Director, Dr.Lingegowda, KMIO Chief PRO, Chief Social Work Department and Doctors of Pediatric Oncology along with other donors have all been invited.



"Mantri Seva" sponsored event



Arti Anand's storytelling sessions are regular



Utsav board members



Mahika –cancer thriver at Basketball fundraiser



Christmas at Samiksha with the children



September Birthdays sponsored by Tania and Sandeep Khosla every year

FACILITY DETAILS

Samiksha has funded and provided the following at Kapur – SBM Pediatric ward, KMIO.

- **Play Area** : The common play area for kids outside of the building was revamped, with added swings and colorful paint and a complete colorful turf replaced the old grass and dirt. This was the only outdoor facility that the children are allowed to use in the hospital.
- **A Library of books** : The area near the staircase is converted into a library cum study area for the children. About 100 new storybooks were procured for the library through Pratham Books and two additional cupboards were installed.
- **Puzzles and Activity models**: Along with the toys that come in as donations and gifts, many activity models like Jigsaw puzzles Scrabble, Chess, Caroom boards, Word Builders, Tan gram sets have been added to the library. Only new material is accepted by the Foundation.
- School kits for each child. 95 New school kits consisting of 2 notebooks, a pencil, an eraser, sharpener, a drawing book, color pencil set, crayon set, water colour paints with a brush in an eco friendly bag with their names on it, are distributed to new inpatients. Older children of 5th grade upwards are also given a compass box. To date over 950 kits have been distributed to the inpatient children and children in the Dharamasala.
- A mobile Black board facility
- A White board and pin up board is provided.
- **Six ceiling fans** in the ward areas and common areas.
- Wall fans in entrance area
- Banners, charts and display posters
- 25 Yoga mats
- 50 cushioned sitting mats for daily use
- **School text books** in most subjects in Kannada and English as required provided to children from 4th to 10th grade. Text books in both CBSE and state syllabus are also available for 1st to 10th standard students.
- 2 Computers donated not usable because of lack of space to install them .
- 2 computer tables

KMIO hospital has provided in Kapur – SBM ward a place to have lunch and toilet facility for use by our volunteers.

Clean drinking Water is provided by us.

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28th April 2014

TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

This is to acknowledge that the members of "Samiksha Foundation- caring for children with cancer" have been associated with Kidwai Memorial Institute of oncology-Paediatric Oncology wards, since June 18th 2009.

They have been conducting educational, spiritual and recreational programs at the Kapur Ward of Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology for the in-patient children, non-medical support for their parents and caregivers in the ward. They are here 3 days a week – Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturday per consent from the KMIO authorities.

Their program such as tutoring for school age children and yoga are ongoing.

They have also contributed to the infrastructure development of the play areas and the laundry drying facility at the Kapur ward surrounds in October 2010, and are currently again renovating and upgrading the play area with their own contributions and sponsors.

We thank them for their support and wish to see a continued enthusiasm in their work.

(DR.M VIJAYAKUMAR) DIRECTOR,KMIO

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REFLECTIONS AND TEACHERS REPORT BY MS.PARVATHY - 2014-2015

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OUR CHILDREN'S VOICES

RUQUYA BANU M

I came here to Kapoor ward when I was in 10th standard. Right now I am in my 1st PU. Soon I will be back at KIDWAI but not as a patient. I will be back as a Doctor to help all my dear friends. It was an awesome experience being at Kapoor ward and attending classes at Samiksha foundation. I thank all the teachers and doctors from the bottom of my heart. Lots of love and respect. Yours

Ruguya

DEVU D

I am Devu. I have been here from past 8 months. I was initially scared when I came here for treatment, but was soon happy as I made good friends. I attended Samiksha School here. The teachers here supported me very well and provided me with all facilities. I liked it a lot. Most importantly it made me forget that I was unwell. I would play around happily. The teachers helped us stay fit by making us practice yoga. The doctors here helped us and took good care of us. Thank You.

Yours Devu

BHOOMIKA P - 13 years old

I never liked coming here. It was a mental suffering for me. But in no time I was happy as I had very good friends and support of my lovely teachers from Samiksha Foundation. They took really good care of us with lots of love. I thank them from the bottom of my heart. Dr. Appaji Sir treated me well. I am always thankful to him. I also thank all the doctors and sisters who have been a constant support. The support Samiksha provided was commendable.

Thank you Samiksha Foundation.

Yours byingly Bhoomika

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PREETHAM

I have fallen a prey to a dreadful disease Cancer. My parents were really depressed when they got to know about it. I stayed here for 6 months. The doctors here were the source of support and hope to me and my family. I made good friends here. But at the same time I was really sad seeing the number of children suffering from Cancer.

At Samiksha teachers took good care of us like their own children. They not only taught us our lessons but also instilled a sense of hope in us and our parents. They helped us in all possible ways. I thank them for all the support. I am returning home happily after completing my treatment with lot of good memories.

Yours lovingly Preetham – Thank You

SANGAMESH - 13 years old

I am Sangamesh. I never knew I had cancer until I came here. I was depressed when I got to know about it. I stayed at the Kapoor ward. This gave me an opportunity to attend classes at Samiksha Foundation. First people I met here was Parvathy madam and Vidyavathi madam. They introduced me to many other teachers as well.

Studying is my passion. I love Mathematics. I learnt a lot of games here. I love playing carom and chess. I had no idea about these games before. I learnt them here. Samiksha foundation has been the reason for it. The teachers here always kept us occupied and entertained. They made us play games and taught us many songs. They would also tell us a lot of jokes, make us laugh. They made us practice Yoga. I love all my teachers.

Samiksha Foundation made me forget that I was unwell and it has made me what I am today. My heartfelt thanks to Samiksha Foundation.

Lots of love - Thank you

Sangamesh

(Passed away 2014)

He left a personal letter with Punith Kumar when he got dicharged expressing his utmost desire to study and go back to school to become a doctor. He passed away soon after that when the cancer came back.

RAKSHANDA - 12 years old

Hello, I am Rakshanda M. I love to come to Kapoor ward where they teach the children. It is running by Samiksha Foundation. Here the children come and play, they read and write, do puzzles and also get to read story books. I love to come here. I even get to take books back with me to read. There is a library here. The teachers are good and kind. I love to come here and play and read and write. I have made many friends here. Coming here, I have many avantages. I don't miss my school friends anymore. When I miss my school lessons, I come here and study. The teachers teach very well. When I go home, I tell my brother about what I did and how much fun I have here at this school. They also conduct activities, competitions and give prizes to children. This is a place where someone like me can show creativity. I love coming here. I am in class VI. I will be going to class seven soon.

Love, Rakshanda

"Children with Cancer have right to Education. The only barrier to their education is the Lack of Opportunity and Awareness of the need for continuing education after Cancer. At Samiksha Foundation, the primary Mission is to provide the opportunity to these children in distress and help them get back to mainstream life with pride and dignity, particularly to help school going children return to school with confidence."

CREATIVE PLAY AND ACTIVITY



OBSERVATIONS AND LOOKING FORWARD

- Children are excited about this learning program. They tend to hang on to every word that is said and want to participate actively when not tired. Even when they have had a procedure or IT, they insist on coming in for a short while ,just sitting there and observing the happenings.
- They have a very keen desire to learn and remember information that is given to them during the classes. This is evident in our story time recall sessions. Most of them try very hard to recall information accurately- if provided with the right clues, time, and if they have done their homework. Story recall and sometimes an urgency to *learn it all* there with older children.
- The ability to understand Math concepts is very superior in most children.
- The willingness to learn English and communicate is also fairly high. Even the children who communicate only in vernacular languages have been very regular and are keen in communicating with us. The special language teachers have made a huge difference to many.
- Parents and staff are very enthusiastic about the Yoga program. It is endearing to see families of all denominations come in and participate in this actively. They say they even practice the exercises in the ward when we are not there.
- The kids are also very enthusiastic about the singing and music and dancing. They never shy of dancing to a tune on the mobile or radio at any time of the day.
- The children love to draw and colour or paint and can be very creative.
- The most regular children are the school going age kids between 6 and 14 years of age.
- The participation of the children is also dependent on the participation of the caregivers in some way. If the caregivers are convinced that the mission of the foundation is essential for the children, then the children come in wholeheartedly. Hence, regular awareness programs are needed for caregivers and families of the children.
- Over years, the hospital staff has also got involved in the programs. The nursing staff come in and teach the children or read with them very often. They actively participate in events.
- Doctors are very encouraging about the learning program and encourage the children to attend regularly. They encourage children from 3 other wards at KMIO to come to attend the programs. The average monthly attendance of school going children has gone up from 26 in 2009 to 46 in 2012 and about s at 47 in 2014, which includes children from Kapur ward, Dharamasala building, Shantidhama and Jindal ward and Aniketh ward.

Visitors have observed that Samiksha Programs in the Hospital has made a huge difference to the atmosphere at the children's ward. It has also brought some routine of activity and learning, thus keeping the children busy during their free time instead of roaming around the grounds aimlessly. Many have commented :

"What was it like when Samiksha was not here?" "What would the children be doing otherwise?"- are questions we often get asked.

STATISTICS AND DATA – RECORD KEEPING

Volunteers and visitors at Samiksha					
	June2013 - May201	4			
Month	Aonth Volunteers Visitors Total				
June	19	20	39		
July	14	11	25		
August	16	7	23		
September	20	21	41		
October	28	28	56		
November	16	9	25		
December	14	8	22		
Janurary	23	12	35		
Feburary	21	10	31		
March	20	12	32		
April	28	20	48		
May	26	8	34		
Total	245	166	411		

June 2014 - May 2015

Month	Volunteers	Visitors	Total
June	28	26	54
July	28	15	43
August	17	14	31
September	26	17	43
October	21	33	54
November	18	5	23
December	14	4	18
Janurary	24	20	44
Feburary	16	7	23
March	12	5	17
April	8	3	11
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Total	228	154	382

Statistics on attendance of children is based on the record maintained at every class. It is collated and the average attendance is calculated on the basis of the number of children total number who attend per the register in the previous month minus the number of children currently attending , is added to the number of children who have been discharged or passed away, to get the exact number of those who attend. Table below is the record maintained - school grade wise data.

		No. of students attended and discharged grade wise data June 2013- May 2014											
Month	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Total
Below 3yrs	7	5	9	17	12	5	12	9	8	10	18	8	120
3-6 yrs (LKG)	15	11	18	15	16	2	10	12	16	10	12	17	154
3-6 yrs (UKG)	18	22	13	18	12	16	18	14	9	8	6	6	160
Gr 1	8	9	6	5	5	12	8	7	6	11	8	12	97
Gr 2	1	1	3	3	3	10	2	2	2	3	3	2	35
Gr 3	4	4	6	5	7	3	3	7	5	7	7	10	68
Gr 4	2	3	4	3	4	4	5	6	5	2	4	1	43
Gr 5	0	1	2	1	3	1	2	4	5	3	3	1	26
Gr 6	2	4	3	4	2	3	2	1	0	3	1	2	27
Gr 7	8	8	8	7	6	7	3	5	3	4	2	2	63
Gr 8	1	5	4	3	4	1	3	5	8	5	6	6	51
Gr 9	2	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	5	4	2	1	36
Gr 10	2	2	2	2	3	2	1	2	2	0	1	1	20
Total	70	79	81	86	80	69	72	77	74	70	69	69	896
Discharge	10	23	9	15	9	13	9	12	11	12	13	20	156
Avg Attendance	60	42	48	53	36	46	35	54	31	51	31	58	545
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3-6 yrs (UKG)	3	13	7	10	6	10	10	19	3	20	10	8	119
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Gr 6	2	4	4	5	3	7	5	6	6	3	5	2	52

CARING FOR CHILDREN WITH CANCER –SIXTH REPORT OF WORK AT KIDWAI INSTITUTE OF ONCOLOGY, PAEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY WARD (KAPUR –SBM WARD) - JUNE 2013 TO JUNE 2015													
Gr 7	3	2	4	2	3	1	2	7	7	6	5	4	46
Gr 8	4	3	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	13
Gr 9	1	1	0	0	1	3	1	2	3	3	1	1	17
Gr 10	1	2	4	2	1	1	0	2	2	1	1	3	20
Total	57	60	69	65	53	67	66	77	71	73	77	78	813
Discharge data not available at this time, but average attendance is expected to be 535 children attendance													

This data is collected for our work only for budgeting, organising of activities and planning. It is the property of Samiksha Foundation and may not be shared in public without our written permission. It may not be used for any medical research purpose.

In Memory :

Somen Roy

To all those who've interacted with Somen Roy at Samiksha – you certainly wouldn't have left each interaction empty-handed, as he always gave everyone at the ward his hand-made Origami work, as well as teaching others how to make them. Samiksha volunteers who taught him felt fortunate to be able to enrich Somen's life in some way. They treated him as a little brother thanks to his loving nature. This child, who brought us joy in many ways, has left us in peace, making sure to leave a message for his favourite Samiksha teacher, Girish. He wrote this in the form of a beautiful Bengali poem, whose content and thought is so beautiful that Samiksha member Barnalee felt it had to be translated and shared. "What Somen wrote in Bengali is way way more beautiful than the English translation", *Kokhono diner Alash kone Otheeth Jodi porbe mone*

Tokhon Jodi amar katha nibir mone Roy, Smriti tukui debe amar chotto porichoy. - Somen Roy.

English translation (Somen Roy, translated by Barnalee Sarkar) Sometime on a lazy day, If you think about the days gone by, If then, deep down your heart you find words of mine, Read them again, 'cos those little memories will keep reminding you of my humble presence.

This little 10 year old from a far away land; his words has touched all our hearts, he will be remembered as a true testimonial to the impact our work has on these children.

Donors for the Year 2013 – 2015

(Towards Corpus Fund)

Amounts by individuals and some institutions /trusts have been withheld in the public report for privacy

- 1. June 2013 Fundraiser "Rise against Cancer" by IB student of Bangalore, Sushil Vas, Sudhanshu and Ram – collected a total amount of Rs.1,85,000, including donations by:
- 2. Vida Labs, Soliton Technologies, Dexler Information Systems, 18 Herbs, Epsilon Ventures Pvt.Ltd.,
- 3. Vaishnavi Patti,
- 4. Nandini Nagarkatti,
- 5. Sandeep Khosla,
- 6. T,K.Ravichandra,
- 7. 180 other donors donated amounts less than Rs.2500/-
- 8. December 2013 Arangetram of Swetha Belur Rs.34,000/- donated
- 9. Shantanu and Anuradha Ghosh,
- 10. Hazel D'souza,
- 11. Dr.Latha N Kamath
- 12. Mrs.Sreelakshmi K
- 13. Fundraiser by Anisha Prabhu Rs.15,000/-
- 14. Lioness club of Anjanadhri Rs.10,000/-
- 15. Dr. Ananthnarayana Seethlakshmi Charitable Trust- Rs. 10,000/-
- 16. June 2014 -Fundraiser by IB student Sheel Soneji and friends Soccer event called Cheesy Neurons collection of Rs.293,695 Net after expenses for fundraiser, including donations by
- 17. Dr. Vinaya Chaitanya, Ergo Works INC, Kishore Jain, Subroto Bagchi, Sameer Das, BV Nagesh, Rahil Hassan, Venita Ramesh, Hemant Soneji and his extended family,
- 18. Ar. Yatindra Patil
- 19. Shinu John
- 20. Chitra Vaidya
- 21. Utsav group Rs,40,000/-
- 22. Rajaser V of Kochi Rs.60,090/-
- 23. Society Generale, Bangalore Rs.435,000/
- 24. Evora IT, Bangalore Euro 6500/- equivalent INR
- 25. V.V.S.Mani, Mumbai
- 26. Community Services of Bangalore Rs.40,000/-
- 27. Waseem Khan Photography
- 28. N.K Bansal, Mumbai
- 29. Jogin Desai
- 30. Madhavi and Gajanan Hegde
- 31. Yagnanarayan Kamaje
- 32. Gopal Shenoy and family

Donations towards Education of Children

- 33. Monthly donations by HOP Organics, Gurgaon
- 34. Monthly donations by Anand Satyamurthy/Anupama
- 35. Monthly donations by Padmavathy
- 36. Rajinder K.Chopra Rs. 50,000/-

37. Chitra Suryanarayana

38. GTC India Cisco Systems

39. Tania and Sandeep Khosla

40. Rotarian Narasimhan and Sujatha

41. Sundara Iyer, Indiranagar

42. Little Donors fundraiser (Children under 12 years of age contributing)

43. P.Rajalakshmi, Music Teacher- Indiranagar

44. Extended Family of the Trustees- Samiksha Foundation

45. 215 other donors who made contributions between Rs.200 to Rs.2500

46. Praveen Hingorani donated rs 10,000/- yr 2015

47. Rangaraj T.S Rs 5000/- in yr 2013 and and 10,000/- in 2015

48. BM Jacarnda Owners Rs 70,000/- in 2013

49. Amit Kumar Rs 10,000/- in 04/2015

50. Farhana Ritesh Rs 5000/-in June 2014

51. Shankara Infrastructure Materials Ltd Rs 21000/- in Oct 2014 (Diwali)

52. Dharmesh Gadiwala Rs 10,000/- Sept 2014

53. Rahul Balol Rs 5000/- in Oct 2014

54. Moumita Paul Rs 5950/- 03/15

55. Nipa and Daksheish Mehta

56. Somnath Chaterjee

57. Chandrima Banerjee

58. Jyothi Swaroop, Hiren

Donations towards Creative Play activities and Birthday events

59. Karnataka Pipe Manufacturers Association

60. Mantri Seva Group (Snehal Mantri)

61. Utsav Group

62. Jacaranda Apartments Association

63. Mayflower Apartments Association

64. Cassia Apartments Association

65. Rotary Club of Koramangala

66. Cipla Oncology- Lalith Singh

67. GTC Cipla group

68. Madhumita Santhosh

69. Interns from Christ University

70. Freemason's of Lodge Thirunal, Bangalore

71. Amanpreet Kaur Trust

72. Gayathri Shenoy

73. Delloitte Group organized by Shravan Kumar

74. Cognizant Group organized by Vijay Rajagopalan and Rajesh Varma

75. Dell Group – Mr.Sriram

76. Naveen Jaganathan and friends

77. Ambika Chandrasekhar and friends

78. Savitha Balajee

79. Mrs. Devepathy Bhoopathy

80. Rotary E club

81. Vijay Ladha

MAKING A DONATION TO THE FOUNDATION:

If you haven't already given to the Foundation, please do consider supporting us now. For details please contact Dr.Manjari Bhatnagar or email us at happinessquotient @ gmail.com.

We have 80G Tax deduction certification for all cash donations. You can choose the activity or program that you want to support and also choose the date on which this donation should be given through our NEFT facility with Axis Bank, Bangalore.

We have started a special Education Campaign – online for Rs.1500/- per child per month. We wish to secure at least 100 donors per month from this campaign. 75% of this will be used for the education of children admitted at hospital, 15 % will be kept to build a scholarship fund for surviving children who are doing higher studies and 10% for the administration of this campaign. Appeal to all donors to spread the word and facilitate contributions and donations towards this Education Campaign for children with cancer.

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Axis Bank – Bangalore Main Branch, MG Road, Bangalore – Trust Account

Our Auditors:

Vasudev Pai and Associates, S- 401/402, Manipal Centre, Dickenson Road, Bangalore

Audit records and Balance sheet are available on request.

Our Registered Office :

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Office Bearers and Committed Volunteers – 2013 - 2015

DEDICATED AND PASSIONATE ABOUT THIS WORK:

Dr.Manjari Bhatnagar	-	Director of Samiksha Foundation- (Wealth management and Theatre)
Ms.Meera Srivathsan	-	Program coordinator – (Chartered Accountant)
Ms.Vidyavathy B.S	-	Teacher and Librarian – (Trained teacher and Librarian)
Ms Parvathy K.B	-	Teacher and Librarian – (Trained teacher and Librarian)
Ms.Ambika	-	Storytelling specialist - (Trained Storyteller)
Ms Padma Vishwanathar	1 -	Software professional
Mr.Rajinder K Chopra	-	Advisor to the trust – (Retired Electrical Engineer, Management Consultant)
Ms.Tania Khosla	-	Advisor to the trust (Graphic designer and Art Therapist)
Mr. Girish Jayaraju	-	Regular volunteer and core team member- (software engineer)
Mr.Naveen Jagannathan	-	Volunteer and supplier of fruits every Saturday- (software engineer)
Ms.Vandana Misra	-	Hindi Teacher – (Home maker) – Tuesday volunteer
Ms.Chitra Ramesh	-	Thursday Volunteer- Coordinator with MAW – (Home maker)
Ms Barnalee Sarkar	-	Special program coordinator and teacher (Dancer)
Mr.Sadagopalan	-	Volunteer tutor –(Retired senior citizen)
Ms Gloria Davis	-	Volunteer (MBA student)
Ms Archita Suri	-	Volunteer (Architect and journalism student)
Punith Kumar	-	Volunteer (Event Management and MBA student)
Swami Yogaratna	-	Yoga Teacher and Consultant (retired)
Mr.PVR Murthy,Nandita	-	Yoga Teachers from Vivekananda Kendra, Jigani
Ms Priti Rao	-	Coordinator with Mallya Aditi School and volunteer
Aakanksha Jaypal	-	Volunteer (Architecture student)
Mr. Aditya Sharad	-	Volunteer (student)
Mrs Bhavani Nanjundesv	varan -	Trustee and Advisor. (Senior Citizen)
Ms Vijayalakshmi	-	Trustee and volunteer.(Management Consultant)
Ms.Sandhya Sharad	_	Founder of Samiksha Foundation (Architect and Design Consultant)



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