

## **BLIND WELFARE ORGANIZATION TRACK REPORT OF LAST FOUR YEARS 2017-2020.**

### **Background of the Organization:**

Blind Welfare Organisation is one of the prominent registered Social organization, working for the social awareness and all-around development of the Blind regularly. In this connection, we are implementing the following programs and schemes.

1. Scholarship Scheme: - We are offering scholarships to those blind students who are studying from class 8 to post-graduation. We are glad to inform you that this year [2020] 120 students benefited from the scholarship scheme.

Students were beneficiaries in the year, 123 students in 2017, 122 students in 2018, and 119 students in 2019, 120 Students in 2020. These ways total 484 blind student beneficiaries under this scheme for the last 4 years. This way the poor blind students are benefited from the scholarship. Students can remit examination fees; afford the bus passes and books or educational stationary etc. with the help of this fund received from the public and society.

2 .Self Employment: - We do provide good assistance in self-employment to needy blind people. We would like to inform you that, in the last four years we supported 35 blind people for self-employment. 8 blind candidates benefitted from this scheme in the year 2017, and 9 candidates in 2018, 9 candidates in 2019, 07 candidtes in 2020 Out of these total 33 candidates, 25 candidates are running the stationery, cutlery stores and 9 candidates are selling toys in the railways, thus all of them has maintained themselves and their families.

3. Educational help to create new educational types of equipment and free distribution.

a) Education and Training: - We are running a musical academy named “Brahmanand Musical Academy” at Nasik and

imparting free musical training and education for blind people. With this help, blind people can get a job or get self-employed either by running Orchestra or Music Class. At present, a total of 25 candidates is learning music and musical instrument in the academy.

b) The Organization is also running a computer training center for the blind with the help of talking software. With the help of this computer training, blind people can work efficiently in Government offices and the service industry. Similarly, they can have better educational facilities, study materials, and book reading facilities with the help of talking software.

c) Publication of Braille Books: - Lions club of Pune donated the Small Braille printer to BWOI, with the help of this printer we published books: Nishabda (English Grammar Book) with 3 Editions which helped 2100 students to improve their English skills, especially in a rural area. Further it is added that for the eternal development and philosophical awareness of the blind person. We had published & distributed “Bhavarth Dipika Dnyaneshwari” critical appreciations and translation in Marathi ‘Ovi’ by Sant Dnyaneshwar which inaugurated uncovered by Shiv Sena Chief the and present Chief Minister Hon’ble Udvaji Thakrey on dated 11 August 2018. It is our most pleasure to us and matter of proud that we have also published and distributed the poetry book by Mr. Attal Bihari Vajpayee “Attel Vishwas” in braille for the blind persons. The book was inaugurated and uncovered by central minister honourable Mr. Suresh Prabhu on dated 25th of December 2018.

It is my Pleasure to step and point outrank. So many 18,400 Guides were published for the blind students free of cost with the help of Kotak Mahindra and Bharat Petroleum through their CSR funding. As result student has more positive result and percentage of marks compare to earlier.

We are grateful for the financial grants by aforesaid companies.

4 Sports Activities: - We arrange various types of pro sports and games activities for the Blinds people, which include

Athletics, Chess, and Cricket, etc. these tournaments are organized at the national and state level on every year. We are proud to inform you that in the year 2014, 7 of our blind players played and won the cricket world cup of blind cricket held in South Africa. Among these 7 players of us. 2 were from Maharashtra 3 from Gujarat and 1 each from Andhra Pradesh and Punjab. For the last 3 years, ONGC and kotak Mahindra is helping us to conduct these tournaments successfully and it is also stated that Siyaram group, Rotary Club of Bombay Queen City helped us to conduct National Cricket Tournaments 2017. It is also informed that World Blind Cricket Board arranged T20 World Cup held in India 2017, in this tournament our 7 players have participated in this tournament. Which are the best of outcome and beautiful sweet fruit of the efforts taken by the organization with the help of these people. We pleased to inform you that in 2019 for the first time we held a national level cricket tournament at Panjim Goa. Due to this activity, we can extended our services to another state. As a results the local players is highlighted and has positive attitude toward game activities. It also help to getting awareness to the society about blind sports activities.

5. We are also conducting eye check-up camps in the remote rural areas, where the poor people cannot afford to visit eye specialist doctors. In year 2020-21 current year we helped nine needy people for their Cataract surgery and distributed free spectacles for numbers of needy people.

6. We helped poor blind people by organizing their marriage and support them by offering the house-hold materials for their new life. In year 2017, we helped 3 couple, 2 couple in 2018 and 2 couples in 2019, and 3 couples in 2020 thus, we arranged and supported a total of 10 couples in the last four years. We hope the number will keep growing.

7. Simultaneously, We run awareness programs about blindness eradication in rural areas for all people, we conduct personality development camps for blinds people to help make their life

better. Our organisation is doing various social activities for the blind for the betterment of their life.

It is our good fortune that we have received enormous support from many dignitaries, I and our organization believes that we cannot mover further without their supports. It is my privilege to offer the vote's gratitude and thanks gratefully from the bottom of my heart. Please note that we don't have any government financial assistance/grants for any projects. We, totally dependent on the financial support of the donors and well-wishers and social boundary institutes.

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