



Annual Report 2011-12



OM FOUNDATION

Bringing opportunities to the underprivileged

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Trustee's speaks

Friends I am privileged to present our 10 Annual Report. When we started this mission of educating the underprivileged kids, our vision was to transform their lives so that they enjoy their existence in this world. From 20 kids to 282 kids is a long journey and I sincerely thank all of you for the immense support that you have provided towards the cause. OM Foundation believes if you want to bring the real transformation in the lives of underprivileged population then you have to educate them, you have to create opportunities in employment and empower them with various life skills. All the students at the OM Foundation School are immensely talented and all what they need is the guidance and the opportunity. This year also we have maintained our student attrition rate below 4% and administrative cost under 5.5%. Today our country needs more such initiatives where people from the backward society can get the opportunities to contribute in the country's growth. I congratulate all the staff of OM Foundation for their excellent work and wish all the beneficiaries of the Foundation a glittering future ahead!!!



Sanjay Drabu

A decade. Wow looks like we started yesterday !! Great going team OM Foundation. Trust me, It has been a truly fascinating and totally satisfying journey to see the kids transitioning from buds to flowers. The Foundation ensures their holistic development and provided the best facilities to the students. Today our education program is acting as a catalyst in changing the lives of 282 families for the generations to come. The regular monitoring and evaluation by our qualified faculty at the Foundation made sure we had very strong delivery mechanism.

I must acknowledge our donors in various capacities such as individuals, corporate and NGOs for their sustainable support. And I request you all to come forward for this cause and help the cause. Best wishes to all the beneficiaries and staffs of OM Foundation for the coming years.



Vivek Gaur

"I feel fortunate to be a part of this noble cause & to have the wherewithal to aid & facilitate underprivileged children in small ways.. I must state that since 2002 "OM Foundation" has been working rigorously focusing in the area of cognitive development of children and youth; enabling them to grow up into empowered citizens .

Knowing that my contribution brings about happiness and poverty alleviation in these children's lives; gives me immense gratification. I extend my whole commitment towards the underprivileged communities so that they might become self-sustaining entities once they are passed out of our institution.

I wish them all the very best for their future endeavors."



Piyush Jain

The last nine years of Journey....

2002-03

OM Foundation starts its mission education with 20 kids from the urban slums. Organization registered as a Charitable Trust .

2004

Foundation added 20 more students this year and completes the kinder garden wing .

2005

The Foundation decided to convert this project into Primary School to have a larger impact.

2006

Foundation added 20 more kids increasing the strength to 60 students running 3 classes. The Foundation started creating difference in the society through its education program.

2007

The school shifted to Hoshiarpur village , more students enrolled and qualified teacher appointed. School strength crossed the 100 mark with an attrition rate of below 2% and maintained its administration cost below 5%.

2008

This year Foundation joined hands with British Gas and Exl Services for the extension of the current project.

2009

New building inaugurated at the midst of Hoshiarpur village with 12 class rooms , library and computer room. OM Foundation school is now a big family with more than 150 students with 10 qualified teachers.

2010

Foundation added a new block which comprised of more class rooms, kitchen and multi purpose hall. This year Foundation extended its support to more underprivileged population through its employment initiatives and community based programs.

2011

The school strength crossed 200 with 15 regular teaching faculty. OM Foundation launched its first table calendar by promoting the students creativity. This year Foundation promoted its work through various events and activities with the help of its partners.

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Education

Employment

Empowerment

Holistic Development of the Underprivileged Population

Development Projects

OM Foundation
School

Youth Employment Program

Women
Empowerment
Program



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Education Program: OM Foundation School



Regular weekly tests were conducted before the first terminal exams and students performed fairly well. These tests helped the teachers in continuous evaluation and monitoring of the students before the term examinations.

The results of First Terminal Exams were declared in the first week of November, 2011. A total of 244 students from Nursery to Standard VIIIth appeared in the examination. The students performed well in the exams based on CCE (Continuous Comprehensive Evaluation) pattern. The average school result was 82.4%.

The Annual Examinations for the academic year 2011-12 were conducted in the Month of February 2012. The results were declared in the third week of March followed by the Parents-Teacher meeting. The total of 244 students of Nursery to Standard VIIIth appeared in the examination. The overall pass percentage of these classes was 98.48%.

Over-All Performance (in %)		
	Pass percentage	More than 60%
Nursery	100	100
KG	100	100
Ist	95.45	68.18
IInd	100	70.84
IIIrd	100	71.43
IVth	94.74	61.10
Vth	95.45	52.38
VIth	100	76.2
VIIth	100	50
VIIIth	100	58.62
Over All	98.56	70.87

The academic session 2011-2012 commenced from 4th of April. This year school added another 37 underprivileged students under its umbrella. The total strength of the school went up to 249. The school also started standard Eight from this session. The school is running ten classes i.e., Nursery to Eight from its Hoshiarpur Village Campus. The student attrition rate for 2011-12 is below 4%. All the new admissions were made after proper entrance test through scrutiny of the socio economic conditions of the parents. The preference was given to the orphans, physically handicapped, girl and single parent child.



New Trustee



Mr. Piyush Jaiin is a young & vibrant entrepreneur who has been in technology and Consulting business for over 20 years now. He founded the 100 crore Unecops Technologies Ltd. His association with OM Foundation is not new, from being a dear friend to the Foundation for over the years, he joined OM Foundation as one of its Trustees in June, 2011. His experience and the social zeal will help the Foundation achieve its long term goals.

New Head Mistress



Dr. Rekha Mahajan joined the school as the Head Mistress in the month of September. She has more than 20 years of academic experience. Representing a diverse background, she is MSc., MEd, with Phd in Education. Adding to her achievements, she is equally competent in sports and various curricular activities. NCC Cadet and a district level volleyball player add feathers to her various accomplishments.



The average school attendance of the OM kids for the year 2011-12 is 91%

School Celebrations:



- ❑ 64th Independence Day
- ❑ Mother Teresa Birth Day
- ❑ Teacher's Day
- ❑ 9th OM Foundation Day
- ❑ Eid
- ❑ Holi and Diwali
- ❑ Children's Day
- ❑ Christmas Day
- ❑ Republic Day Celebrations



Annual Outing for OM Foundation Students



The students of OM Foundation School went for the annual outdoor trips in the month of December. The tiny tots of Nursery and KG went for a picnic to Meghdootam Park while the students of Ist to Vth went for the picnic to Nandan Kanan Park in Noida. Students carried cricket bat, badminton rackets and volley ball with them. The students were accompanied by their class in-charge. The outing was complete with sumptuous food.



The students of Vith, VIth and VIIth, the senior wing of the school went for the day long excursion to Science Museum, New Delhi. The excursion helped the students in enriching their scientific knowledge. The museum coordinator briefed them about the different sections of the museum. The students were amazed to see the models related to Physics, Chemistry and Biology. They even raised questions and urged to know more on whatever they have seen. They even had the 3D movie experience for the first time in their lives. After the museum visit, the group went to India Gate where they had their lunch at the lawns of India Gate and after that it was a play time for the students.

Scholarships for the OM Foundation Students

10 students of OM Foundation school got annual scholarship of Rs 3600 from the Basic Shikha Board, Uttar Pradesh for their academic excellences.



One of the students along with the Gram Pradhan and the mother

Healthcare Initiatives



Annual Eye check-up camp



The Foundation organized Annual Eye check-up camp in association with ICARE Hospitals, Noida. The hospital extended its support by sending the team of doctors to carry out the check-ups. Theosophical Order of Society provided the spectacles to the students. OM Foundation extends special thanks to the ICARE hospitals and Theosophical Order of Society for their sustained support.

Annual Health Check-up

The Annual Health Check-up Camp was organized for all the students of the school on 20th of December. Chinmaya Healthcare Centre and Max Health Care extended its support in collaboration with Rotary Indraprastha for the health check-up camp. The students who detected with some problem are under medical supervision and follow ups.

Hepatitis B vaccination was conducted on 21st October for the Nursery Kids in OM Foundation School.



Holistic Development of the Beneficiaries



Summer camp- Puppet Show:
OM Foundation students developed their vocational skills at the Puppet Making Workshop in the Summer Workshop organized by Setu Shiksha Jyoti Kendra, Nithari.

Inter-School Drawing Competition, a platform to showcase the creative skills and imagination power on various environment based issues was conducted by OM Foundation under Green Initiative Programs



Successful OM students
OM school students participated and won several prizes in the cultural and academic events in the Annual fest of Social Outreach Foundation School, Noida.



Creating awareness through Diwali Mela...

Diwali Mela organized by OM Foundation attracted the visitors through its liveliness of the ground events. The major attractions were the art and craft products made by the students, the games stalls and the delicious food counters. The kids entertained the visitors by with their songs and dance performances.



Annual Sports Meet 2011-12.

The Annual Sports Meet of OM Foundation School was an opportunity for the students to showcase their sporting talent and the sportsman spirit. From the kids of nursery to students of class VIII participated in almost 20 various event and activities. It was an offsite event with commendable participation of the parents and our corporate partners.



Movie "I am Kalam" screened

The students were shown the movie "I am Kalam" produced by our NGO partner Smile Foundation. The movie was about the story of a child and his struggle to pursue his dreams and to surpass the boundaries of reality. It is a story of redemption, of the need to provide education to the underclass and to equalize social inequities. Inspired by former Indian President, Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam, the film was conceptualized after the Right to Education Act was enforced in India.

Corporate Initiatives



Environment Awareness Program:

OM Foundation conducted series of events on Environment Awareness for the students of OM Foundation School.

The month long event constituted of various activities on environment based themes. Tree plantation, Green Skit presentation, Drawing competition and Film Screening were the major activities conducted during the Friday corporate volunteering session. The volunteers from our corporate partners Centrica India, Exl Services and Aon Hewitt actively participated in these activities.



Computer lab enriched with new systems:

Centrica India enriched the computer laboratory with highly configured desktops. Volunteers from Centrica themselves installed the systems at the lab. After this addition there are 25 systems in the lab and every student will have an individual access to the systems for the practical learning.

The volunteers from Barclays Shared Services started the initiative "Time and Skill Community Program" with the students of the OM Foundation School. The day long Art and Craft workshop enhanced the creative skills resulting some fabulous handicraft products. This type of opportunities boosted up the moral and confidence of the students



Fujitsu Consulting India Pvt. Conducted “Computer Literacy Program” for senior students of OM Foundation school. 54 students were benefited from this **Six months training program**. The students were given hands-on training on various computer software and hardware related skill sets. The workshop also trained in Basic English Communication and Personality Development.



“ Road Safety Awareness Camp” by TVS and Noida Traffic Police

To make the school students aware of the various traffic rules, the automobile company TVS in association with Noida Traffic Police conducted traffic awareness camp under the aegis of Road Safety Week. They addressed the students of standard VIth-VIIIth and told them various traffic safety rule and importance of sign and symbols. They also conducted a quiz and showed them a documentary related to road safety.



HCL Technologies initiated “Power of One” program at the OM Foundation School for the students. The program “Power of One” aims to strengthen employee commitment to society and environment. This will also strengthen the employee’s ability to lead, work in teams, and be a catalyst for social change. Various activities such as health awareness talk, drawing competition, community lunch were conducted with an objective to sensitize the underprivileged students on the importance of health and hygiene in their daily lives.



Aon Hewitt volunteers and OM School kids rocked the stage together with some scintillating performances to inaugurate the volunteering programs at the OM Foundation School. The objective of this visit was to initiate a bonding between the AonHewitt volunteers and the school kids. Regular volunteering activities helped the students to develop their personality and confidence.



OM Foundation Table Calendar 2012



This was the first initiative of its kind initiated by the Foundation to raise funds for the education program by showcasing the creative talents of the OM Foundation students. The 12 best student's paintings featured in the calendar along with their profiles. The Foundation targeted to sell around 5000 calendars and it successfully achieved the target by selling them across corporate partners. objective behind the project was to raise funds for the upcoming project Senior Secondary School which will provide secondary education to its students.

Corporate Visits



Students celebrating Christmas at EXL Services corporate office in Noida. Exposure to the corporate floor enhanced the confidence of the students.



Barclays Shared Services invited the students to provide them an exposure on the corporate working culture and the office environment.



Community Initiative

OM Foundation in partnership with Barclays Shared Services organized the “Cancer Awareness Talk” at the OM Foundation School. The talk and presentation was designed and delivered by the team from Indian Cancer Society. The target audience for this talk were the parents of the students of OM Foundation School. It’s an initiative to sensitize the parents of the students to understand Cancer and recognize its early warning signs. This event was the first step in this mission. OM Foundation and Indian Cancer Society planned to organize more programs in the future as well.



Youth Employment Initiative

OM Foundation successfully completed the Youth Employment Program with Etasha Society that aimed to provide market-oriented ‘employability’ and ‘vocational’ skills to young people from disadvantaged backgrounds. The program has got the sustained support from the Barclays Shared Services. Under this program, more than 70 candidates were placed in the sectors like Hospitality, Retail and IT-BPO. The purpose of initiating this program is to uplift the youth of underprivileged communities by providing them the industrial skill sets. OM Foundation will continue to organize such more programs in the coming years.



Prof KVK Nehru of Theosophical Order of Service visited to Om Foundation School on 13 September for Talk on - “One Planet One Life.”



Visitors



Mr. Ian Cain and Ms. Miranda Clarke
British Gas.



Team from Aetna Group, Clients EXL
Services.



Ms. Laura Turkington and Ms. Bindu
from Vodafone Foundation.

Volunteering

The sustained volunteering program by the volunteers of Exl Services and Centrica India benefitted the students in their holistic grooming. One hour of volunteering on every Friday helped the students in developing their English speaking skills, creative talents, sporting abilities and personality grooming. Besides this set of programs, events related to environment, health and hygiene were also carried out. The volunteers have shown high level of commitment in carrying out the activities to bring the positive change in the students of OM Foundation School.



Young, energetic and enthusiastic student of year 10 came all the way from United States for week long volunteering activity. She worked on improving the English language and communication skills of the students by conducting various interactive activities. She also encouraged the students to increase the reading habits and suggested lot of books which will help the students. Her dedicated and sincere efforts will prove to be a boon in building the career of these children. Mihika is the daughter of Mr. Rohit Kapoor, Vice Chairman and CEO, Exl Services. OM Foundation extends sincere thanks to Mihika for spending time with the OM students.

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They build a foundation for slum kids

Ayesha Arvind | TNN

Noida: Tucked away in an obscure, unmarked alley of Hoshiyarpur village, a huge iron gate separating it from the overflowing drains, garbage dump and the mess characteristic to most urban slums, is the OM Foundation School. Enter through the grey iron gate and one gets a glimpse of another world, where children, all neatly dressed with oiled hair and trimmed nails, dutifully wish their teachers in English, seek permission to enter class, finish their homework in time and maintain strict discipline.

Started in Morna Village in 2002 as a corporate social responsibility venture by a private firm, OM Foundation has transformed into a full-fledged school for underprivileged children living in urban slums. The school now functions from a three-storey, well laid-out campus in Hoshiyarpur in Sector 51. While it began with merely two teachers and 20 students, the school today has over 200 students and 15 teachers. "The trustees realised that these kids required help that was more permanent," says Sumita Ganjoo, one of the founder members of the initiative. OM Foundation is the brainchild of Sanjay Drabu, the trustee of the foundation, Sumita Ganjoo, the current director of the school and R Chitra, who



SILVER LINING FOR THE POOR: Within nine years, the school's strength has increased from 20 to 200 students

teaches at the school. "When we began, we had no clue about how to run a school. It all started with feeding a group of children and educating them. We set small targets and always managed to achieve them. But we realised it wasn't enough. There were hundreds of children whiling away their time in the slums, not even knowing what were they missing out on," says Ganjoo. Dedicated to catalysing a

change in the lives of the slum kids, the school does not enrol more than 20 children each academic session. "We admit children at the nursery level, though there are some admissions against vacancies in other classes. But we make sure that we keep the class strength to just about 25 to 30 chil-

children because apart from academic learning they also require personal care which wouldn't be feasible if we increase the strength," says Krishnendu, another staff member. Currently, the school has classes from nursery till standard VIII.

The children are not just given academic education but books, stationary and nutritious meals — all free of cost. Though OM Foundation offers free education to children whose annual family income

is less than Rs 4,000, it's like any other public school offering amenities like a computer lab, neat restrooms, well-equipped science and mathematics laboratories, latest audio-visual teaching aids and a library that has over 4,000 books. The children attend school from 9 am to 3pm, get homework and assignments and also have to brave regular tests and exams, all based on the CBSE curriculum.

"Initially it was difficult to convince parents to send their wards to school — they just would not trust us. However, things have changed drastically. Parents participate in PTA meetings and will not let their children miss class at all. The attrition rate has come down to about five per cent," Krishnendu says.

The biggest challenge now is what to do after class VIII. If we admit them to regular government schools, then much of our efforts will go waste," he adds. Currently, OM Foundation School is equipped to teach up to standard X and is waiting for an affiliation from CBSE that is likely "anytime now." It eventually plans to expand till standard XII. An integrated vocational project in collaboration with some private firms is also underway. It will give senior students some form of vocational training equipping them to find jobs after they complete their studies.



CITY OF ANGELS

Times of India published an article on OM Foundation School in its national daily



The OM Foundation events like Diwali Mela, Drawing Competition, Plantation Program were well covered by the local and national newspapers. The support from the media fraternity helped OM Foundation to promote its projects to a larger extent.



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