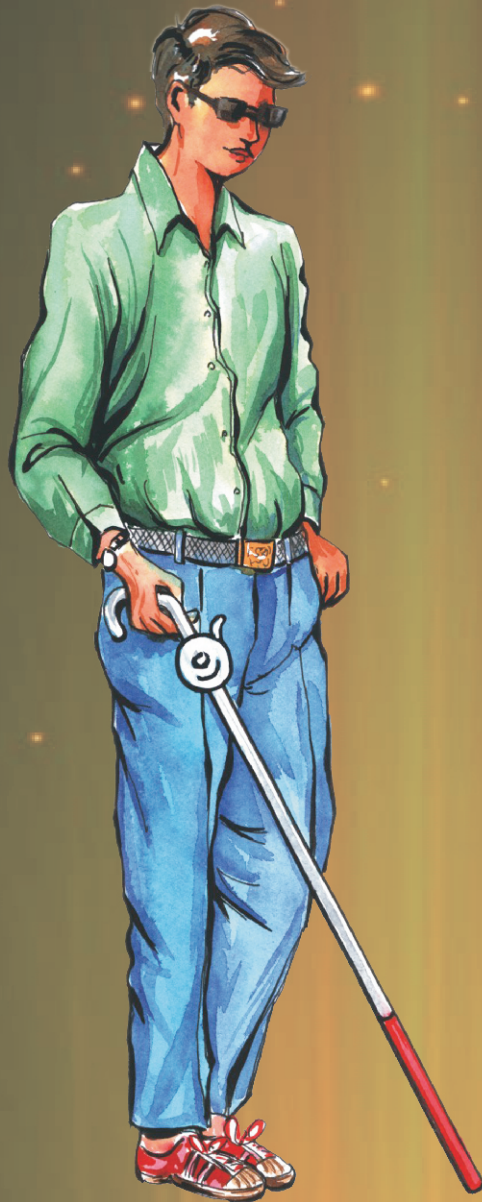


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Lt. G.L. Nardekar Memorial Award-2017 being awarded to Mr. Vinay K. Deshpande by hand of Dr. Neelam Gorhe, IAS Mr. Nitin Patil, Commissioner, Disability Welfare, MS



Sangh Mitra Sanman Drushtee Puraskar-2017 being awarded to Mr. Ghanshyam Kasat by hand of IAS Nitin Patil, Commissioner, Disability Welfare, Dr. Neelam Gorhe, MLA



Dr. Neelam Gorhe, MLA and IAS Mr. Nitin Patil, Commissioner, Disability Welfare, MS and other dignitaries with commorative statue of Sir Louis Braille



The visually impaired members from all over Maharashtra gathered for 40th Foundation Day function of NFBM



Hon. Nitin Kalaje, Mayor of Pimpri-Chinchwad Corporation addressed on the occasion of Inaugural event of Youth Festival



The visually impaired participants from all over Maharashtra were gathered for Youth Festival-2017



Miss Reena Patil addressing & other dignitaries were present on the event of Blind Womens Conference, Kharghar, New Mumbai



Beneficiaries of student-aid distribution held in presence of IAS Mr. Nitin Patil and office bearers of NFBM



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President, NFBM*

Presidential Address

“One step a head on the path of growth and development of the visually impaired community.”

As I sit down to pen my thoughts about the FY 2017-18 I am once again humbled by the support which has been received from the community towards the mission of providing a dignified life to the visually impaired. The year gone by, the 40th year of the existence of the NFBM was a year in which our focus was on improving the educational infrastructure at the 'NFBM Career Orientated Educational Campus' for the Blind, At Charholi Kd., Alandi Devachi Annexed, Pune.

As a team we also devoted our time and efforts towards making the voice of the visually impaired hawker community heard with State government authorities.

The journey of the year gone by has taken us one step ahead in the direction of achieving our objectives. I am grateful to all the individual and corporate donors without whose support this task of providing best in class educational infrastructure, employment and self employment opportunities and recreation for our visually impaired students and members would not have been possible.

I thank the entire team of NFBM and the executive committee of this organization whose tireless effort have resulted in the successful implementation of various projects undertaken by us throughout the year gone by.

*sd/-
(M. Y. Gurav)
President*



Mr. V.S. Hegde
General Secretary, NFBM

Message from the General Secretary

It is with great pleasure and a sense of modesty and gratitude that I present before our supporters the 40th Annual Report of The National Federation of the Blind, Maharashtra for the year 2017-18. Walking down the memory lane I must admit that this year has witnessed growth and expansion of our organization. The new NFBM Career Orientated Educational Campus for the Blind (COECB) which houses the Jagriti School for Blind Girls is fully functional. The hostel building construction is in progress and we have completed the entire RCC work during the year gone by. We have also witnessed the onset of many new training activities for the benefit of our students both in Jagriti School and at the Vocational Training Centres located at Nasik and Aurangabad. The successful implementation of all our projects is a result of constant support and encouragement by a large number of enlightened citizens and visionary corporate.

I am very grateful to the community of donors who have joined this organization as its dream patterns and are helping us in our mission.

Many thanks to the members of NFBM and my staff for their constant support in my endeavour to lead this organization on the path of growth and success.

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(V. S. Hegde)
General Secretary



NFBM Projects
NFBM Jagriti School for Blind Girls

Introduction

“Education breeds confidence. Confidence breeds hope. Hope breeds peace.”

The NFBM Jagriti School for Blind Girls is constantly striving to walk on the path of development and expansion with a philosophy of preparing its students to be productive, self dependent and peaceful citizen of this nation.

Much of the credit to our success goes to you because it is your continued encouragement and support that gives us the courage to carry forward our mission. Considering this it is our proud privilege to present before you the highlights of this institution's achievement for the academic year 2017-18.

Academics-

Providing conducive and positive atmosphere with the goal of achieving academic excellence has been our constant persuade for the last 28 years. This has resulted in our students securing a 100% result in the State Broad SSC examination. The academic year 2017-18 was no exception to this rule for the 19th year in a row our students secured a 100% result in the said examination. 11 students appeared for this examination; Kum. Sakshi Amrutkar topped the school by scoring 86.20%, Snehal Indore came 2nd with 85.80% and out of the 11 student 5 secured a distinction and 6 a first class. This has been so far the best performance of our institution in the SSC examinations.

Awards –

Excellence in sports with a view to building healthy competitive spirit amongst our students has been a Motto of our institution ever since its inception. In the year 2017-18 our students participated in District Level Chess competition organized by the department of Social Welfare they bagged 3 Gold, 2 Silver and 1 Bronze medals in this competitions.

Our students also participated in Samarthya 2017 (Blind Welfare & Educational Week, held at Osmanabad) which is organized by the National Federation of the Blind Maharashtra. They received the best school's trophy for the year 2017-18. They also received 3 other trophies

Abilities Institute Of IT Management Education and Research Project (AIMER) –

Project AIMER endeavours to provide training to our students in Technology

which comprises on training in MS Office and other assistive technology for the visually impaired. The highlight of this year was a special training organized by this project on the use of “Sugamya Pustakalaya and Book Share” which are the two online computer based audio libraries containing a vast repository of audio books. This program also involved special training and continuous year long refresher courses in use of a software known as “Open Book”. 40 of our students were also enrolled as members of Sugamya Pustakalaya.

In the final examination conducted by this institution in March 2018, out of the 105 students enrolled under this project 100 appeared. The institution secured 100% result in this examination with 12 students doing extremely well and securing A-1 grade.

Staff Training Initiative

The year 2017-18 witnessed a new horizons in the area of teachers capacity building initiative. Two major projects were implemented with an objective of enhancing our teachers Teaching, Learning Skills.

With support from Tech-Mahindra Foundation a special initiative was taken by our institution to organize a study tour for the benefit of our teachers. Our teachers visited Capt. Chandanlal Special School for Blind, Gudgaon, Delhi run by the All India Confederation of the Blind, India. This special school has successfully implemented innovative methods for teaching mathematics and science to their visually impaired beneficiaries. Our teachers were send to this institution with an objective of observing and implementing similar ideas in our institution. All the 13 teachers of this school were taken in 2 batches during September 17th to 29th September, 2017. This exposure trip during which our teachers also visited Saksham Trust, New Delhi proved to be great source of learning and inspiration for our teaching staff.

With full sponsorship from Rotary Club of Pune Central, Pune, a special program was designed and implemented in the field of training in accessible computing. This program was conducted under the able guidance of Mr. Shantanu Ladkat who works as Manager Human Resource development in the Technical Training Institute run By Poona Blind Men's Association. He is also pursuing his Ph.d. in Accessibility Computing from the Pune University. This unique initiative was inaugurated on 9th December, 2017 at the hands of Rtn. Anil Bora. 13 teachers of our institution enrolled for this program and were provided with laptops at 50% subsidized rate. The syllabus covered under the level one training which was completed on 31st August 2018 included following topics.

- Fundamentals of Computer
- Desktop Orientation
- Desktop Utilities
- Keyboard: English and Devnagari Script
- Basic of MS office: Word, and Excel.



Internet: Gmail and Information surfing etc.
Basic settings of NVDA

We are grateful to all the members of Rotary Club of Pune Central, Pune for this wonderful initiative which has resulted in the use of computers in carrying out day to day reporting task by our teachers. The level 2 and 3 training will also be conducted in due course of time.

Major Annual events-

Along with the regular curriculum, extra curricular and recreational activities are a very significant part of the annual calendar of our institution. The main objective behind such events is to provide an opportunity to all our students to showcase their special talents. Confident building and personality development are also the long term goals behind such projects.

During the academic year 2017-18 several events were planned and implemented by our students and teachers for instance International Yoga Day, Birth anniversaries of Dr. Helen Keller, Louie Braille, Chhatrapati Shahu Maharaj, Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, Lokmanya Tilak, Gandhiji, Dr. Ambedkar, Shri.mati Savitribai Phule etc.. On this occasion our students always make special efforts to prepare and deliver speeches about this achievements of this great personalities.

Let us now go through the highlights of a few significant and impactful events organized during this year.

Medical Check up Camp-

In collaboration with the FAIPM (Foundation for Ancient Indian Philosophy and Medicine) a comprehensive health check up Camp was organized by our institution on 29/07/2017 a team of doctors and lab technicians lead by Dr. Sachin Deshpande, Director, FAIPM visited the school premises and conducted a complete diagnostic Camp comprising of a blood test, with special emphasis on Hemogram, height-weight parameters etc.. The objective of this Camp was also to provide follow up treatment post the analysis of data from the test. The foundation team tested 105 students of the school and also provided vitamin and iron supplements to the effected students. The team also suggested inclusion of millets on a large scale in the diet chart of our beneficiaries as a large number of them were found to be anaemic. Ever since then efforts are being made in the direction of providing better quality of nutrition to all our beneficiaries.

Independence Day Celebration

The 71st Independence day of our nation was celebrated with active participation from all our students and office bearers, On 15th August 2017 the flag hoisting ceremony

was conducted by hand of Shri. Vasant Hegde, General Secretary, NFBM after which our students performed a parade in front of the audience. Kum. Shravani Nandevadekar gave a patriotic speech on this occasion. Shri. Vasant Hagde, Shri. Hari Bhalerao, Shri. Sanjay Honmane and Shri. Dnyaneshwar Tapkir were present on this occasion and they all addressed our students. The highlight of this event was the prize distribution ceremony for the top 5 students of the SSC examination held in March 2017. Cash prizes and gifts were presented to the girls, Smt. Vasudha Gokhale one of our senior most supporters who was also felicitated with a shawl and Shri. phal during this program to mark her 75th birth day.

Teachers Day celebration

Every year our students celebrates teacher's day to mark the birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvappalli Radhakrishnan who was the President of the Independent India and one of the greatest teacher of our country.

As per the annual tradition the students celebrated the Teacher's Day on 07th September 2017. Kum. Tejaswani Dahatonde, Prajakta Tamkar and Gauri Ingale played the role of their favourite teachers and conducted classes for the whole day. Kum. Sarika Gavhane, Saniya Sayyed and Kaveri Khainar played the role of care taking staff. At the end of the day our students were felicitated with gifts which was sponsored by Mrs. Pushpalata Deshpande one of our senior teacher.

Annual Gathering 2018

Every year the students of NFBM Jagriti School alongwith their teachers organize a 3 days talent extra viganza which is normally held in the month of January. This year this annual gathering was organized from 22nd to 24th January 2018. The first day of the gathering focused on outdoor sports. The students of std 1st to 7th who are interested in outdoor games took part in various competitions. Students played various sports like lemon and spoon races, throw ball, skipping, frog jump, long jump etc..

On the second day indoor games were organized. Students played games like chess, memory games etc.. The third day i.e. 24th of January was a day on which from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. the students presented a cultural feast to all their teachers. This talent show comprised of various programs like dances, dramas, mimicry items, solo songs, group songs, jokes and stories all the students of the school were given an opportunity to present their talents in this gathering.

Republic Day celebration-

26th January India's Republic day, our second National festival is always celebrated with great enthusiasm and fervor by the students of NFBM Jagriti School. This year as well the students were busy preparing for this republic day parade for a month before

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the event. Our 69th Republic day began with a flag hosting ceremony at the hands of Mrs. Mangal Khunte Acting Head Mistress, Jagriti School at 7.30 am on this great day. After the flag hoisting ceremony our students performed the Republic day parade under the able guidance of Smt. Pratibha Ahire their PT teacher they demonstrated drills with dumbbells, lazims and ghungroo-kathi . It was a beautiful sight to see all the students doing drills with perfection.

After this demonstration a formal event was organized. The winner of the sports competitions and cultural program organized during the annual gathering were given special prizes by the hands of teachers and our Acting Head Mistress. During this event scholarships were also awarded to the best performing student for the academic year 2016-17.

Science Day Celebration

As is the tradition in our school we celebrate the International Science Day every year. This is done with an objective of generating interest and curiosity amongst our students for Science and its importance in our daily lives. Every year this day is celebrated within innovative events which provides our students an opportunity to conduct scientific experiments and play Scientific games,

On 28th Feb., 2018 the International Science Day was celebrated at our school with the sponsorship support of Nvidia Graphics, Pune in collaboration with the Tech-Design Lab of Gyanadaya Foundation. Gyanandaya Foundation is the organization which works on promoting scientific literacy amongst the under privileged and special students. Shri.. Navneet Ranjan, Founder Trustee of this origination visited our institution along with his team of experts to celebrate this special occasion.

Mr. Ranjan and his team conducted full day workshop for our students on the various forms of energy through interesting experiment and toys they demonstrated use of solar energy. They also explained the concept of sound energy and electricity to our students. This was one of the most memorable day for our students in the academic year 2017-2018.

Annual School Picnic

18th & 19th January, 2018 were the 2 more exciting days for our students during this academic year as it was on this days that they were taken for a picnic to Aurangabad. During this 2 days our students visited Ajanta Ellora Caves,.They also visited other monuments in Aurangabad i.e. the Bibi Ka Maqbara and the Daulatabad fort etc.. A special visit was also organized to Paithan where they saw Samadhi of Sant Eknath Maharaj and visited the Girija Mata temple. They were also taken to the dancing musical fountain in the Paithan garden. We are grateful to the Industrial Vocational Rehabilitation and Training Centre, Aurangabad for their kind co-operation in organizing this annual fun filled extra viganza.

Interact Year 2017-18

Interact Installation Ceremony – For the 12th consecutive year in a row the students of NFBM Jagriti School were prepared to handle the responsibility of managing the activities of the Jagriti Interact Club. For the year 2017-18, 45 students of our school between the age group of 12 to 17 years were enrolled as the members of this Club. On 16th September 2017 a formal Installation ceremony for the Jagriti Interact Club was conducted by Rtn. Arvind Saraf, President, Rotary Club of Pune, Central Pune and Rtn. Rajeev Narvekar, Youth Director, RCPC. The other Guest of Honour who were present on this occasion were Rtn. Ravi Kapoor, Rtn. Anil Bora, Rtn. Ann Manjula Vishwanathan and Mr. Manoj Doshi.

The ceremony began with a welcome song by the Jagriti Interact members followed by a welcome speech by Kum. Nikita Jadhav outgoing President, Jagriti Interact Club, she also presented her report for the Interact Year 2016-17 highlighting the achievements of the Club during her tenure. She wished good luck to the new board of Interactors for the forthcoming year and invited Kum. Sarika Wathore to take over charge as the President for the year 2017-18. Kum. Sarika Wathore addressed the audience and informed them of her plans for the forthcoming interact year.

The highlight of this ceremony was the installation of all the board members by Sarika Wathore. After the formal installation of the new members Rtn. Rajvee Narvekar elaborated upon the duties and responsibilities of all the key post holders in managing the Club. Rtn. Ravi Kapoor and Rtn. Anil Bora also spoke to our students and encouraged them to plan and implement innovative projects during the new Interact Year. Rtn. Arvin Saraf, President RCPC who was the Chief Guest of this ceremony gave a wonderful speech to our students. His encouraging words prompted our students to work with enthusiasm for the successful implementation of various projects undertaken by the Club. This program was concluded with the vote of thanks by Mrs. Mangal Khunte, Acting Head Mistress, NFBM Jagriti School for Blind Girls.

Indian Constitution Day Celebration

Constitution Day, also known as Sanvidhan Divas, is celebrated in India on 26 November every year to commemorate the adoption of Constitution of India. On 26 November, 1949, the Constituent Assembly of India adopted the Constitution of India, and it came into effect on 26 January, 1950.

This year the members of Jagriti Interact Club celebrated the Constitution day of our country with great enthusiasm under the able guidance of Mrs. Mangal Khunte our Acting Head Mistress the Jagriti Interact Members read out the constitution which is now available in Braille. They also understood the importance of Indian Constitution and were explained about the various clause in the constitution by our teachers.

A Special Initiative-

As per the tradition every year the Jagriti Interact members invite Guest speakers to talk on various informative topics which are use full for the curricular and co-curricular development. This year on 13th January, 2018 our Interactors invited Shri.. Atul Nene a trained classical singer for a Guest lecture to our institution. The topic was how to prepare for vocal classical music. During his 2 hours session Mr. Nene exposed our students to the basic theory of Hindustani Classical music, helped them to indentify the 12 basic notes of Hindustani music and also explained them the importance of focussing Riyaz i.e. practise of singing. Towards the end of his session he sang a beautiful Bandish in Raag-Yaman. All the 40 interactors who participated in this session thoroughly enjoyed the same.

Summer Camp 2018 -A Brief

The flagship project of Jagriti Interact Club, a Summer Camp is being organized continuously for the last 10 years. This tradition of planning and implementing this summer extra viganza was continued by the Jagriti Interact Club in the 11th year in a row in 2018 as well. We are grateful to the Rotary Club of Pune Central, Pune, The Innerwheel Club of Pune Central, Pune, Xento Systems, Mukul Madhav Foundation and Tech Mahindra Foundation for collaborating with us as sponsors of this project. Let us look at the highlight of the 11 days fun festival.

This Camp was inaugurated on 12th April, 2018 at the hands of a very famous Marathi lyrist and poet Shri.. Praveen Davane. This function was also graced by Rtn. Arvind Saraf, President, Rotary Club of Pune Central, Pune, Rtn. Ravi Kapoor, President, Electected RCPC, Rtn. Madhu Rathi, Rtn. Anil Bora, Rtn. Ann Vanita Bajaj, President, Innerwheel Club of Pune Central, and Rtn. Ann Roma Dubey, Past President, Innerwheel Club of Pune Central, Pune. Ms. Vanita Ganeshnan, Head HR, Xento Systems and Mrs. Neelima Mulay from Tech Mahindra Foundation were our other Guest of Honour. Shri. Dyneshwar Tapkir, President Emeritus, NFBM and Mrs. Mangala Khunte, Acting Head Mistress, Jagriti School for Blind Girls were present on this occasion. Shri.. Vilas Potnis our first resource person and a passionate teacher of Mathematics was also a part of this ceremony.

After lightening the lamp of knowledge Shri. Praveen Davane declared that the Camp was inaugurated. All the Guests present for this event gave their speeches and wished our students good luck for the forthcoming workshops. Our girls also welcomed the Guests with flowers and a beautiful welcome song. After all the Guest had spoken Shri. Praveen Davane gave a long and memorable talk about creative writing and career opportunities in this field. This ceremony ended with the vote of thanks by Kum. Praitbha Mashke. The masters of ceremony Kum. Devka Rathod and Kum. Sejal Bhakad receives special compliment from the chief Guest for their act. The inaugural ceremony of this Camp itself was a thrilling experience for our delegates as they listen to the wonderful speech of the Chief Guest.

After inaugural ceremony a full day workshop was conducted by Shri. Vilas Potnis the topic for the same was simplifying mathematics through innovation, games and poetry. Shri. Potnis taught our students a mathematics aarti which is a unique way or remembering the complex mathematical tables. The principle objective of conducting this workshop was to reduce the fear of maths from the minds of our students which was full filled by Mr. Potnis. This event was the highlight of the 11 days summer extra viganza all the participants expressed the wish to continue with maths training from Shri. Potnis in the forthcoming academic year.

From 13th to 17th of April our participants were introduced to a unique world of Assistive devices which can help them in independent living and education. This workshops were carried out by the Resource Persons from Saksham Trust and IIT Delhi. This team was led by Mr. Piyush Chanana, a Research Scientist from IIT Delhi. Our students were also introduced to various aspects of Menstrual hygiene by a workshop which was conducted by Ms. Kamini Prakash and her team from Water Supply & Sanitation Collaborative Council (WSSCC).

On the first day of this seminar our students were introduced to various Assistive devices required for the purpose of Independent Living. For instance talking calculator, thermometer, liquid level indicators for measuring liquids in the cup, talking watches, smart canes, sonic labellers which can help the visually impaired to identify labels on packages and their important documents etc.. Training was imparted to our students about the use of each device through practical demonstrations. On the second day our students were given a full day training and orientation about the use of Braille digital display which has been designed by IIT Delhi for the purpose of reading e-Braille. They were also introduced to various geometrical devices like Braille callipers, scales, triangles and protectors, compasses etc. The third day of this seminar was completely devoted to training the participants in the use of daisy recording devices and Sugamya Pustakalya which is an online library providing books in accessible format both in English and Indian languages. Our students were enrolled as members of Sugamya Pustakalya as a result of this training.

On the last day the Jagriti Interactors were orientated to the concept of tactile graphics, they were also trained in menstrual hygiene with the help of this tactile models and diagrams this experience of the world of technology has given our students a new ray of hope and confidence that they can lead an independent and full filled life .

On the 17th of April, 2018 our participants enjoyed the scenic beauty and peaceful atmosphere at the Triveni Ashram run by Shri. Shri Ravi Shankar. They visited the ashram for a yoga and meditation Camp the exercises which they were taught during the Camp were designed with an objective of improving their concentration and focus on studies. They were taught some physical exercise and asanaas.



The next day was the day full of exciting workshop which began with a session on Power of Positive thinking by Col. Shashi Anand and was followed by training in Aerobics by Ms. Aarti Takwane our students really enjoyed both this workshops.

On the 19th of April all the participants were trained by Mrs. Vinaya Desai a well known Marathi comparer, her topic for the day was professional comparing skills. During her session she covered various aspect of comparing right from voice modulation to the use of poetry, stories and anecdote during comparing.

Our students were divided into groups and given exercises for preparing the comparing scripts for various types of events for instance Book release, literary fest, birth anniversaries of leaders, Independence and Republic day celebration events etc. This was rated the second best workshop of the Summer Camp by our participants as it opened the doors of career opportunities in the field of professional comparing for them.

20th April was a day of fun and entertainment for all our Summer Campers as it was on this day that they were taken to Seasons mall in Magarpatta City, Pune. The day began with a movie show they were shown “Hichki” which is a movie about a teacher who teaches in spite of suffering from an neurological disorder which causes continues hiccups while she communicated with her pupils. The movie proved to be an inspiration to our students as well as teachers, the message its conveyed that a devoted teacher can work wonders in the lives of his or her wards.

After the movie they were given a scrumptious meal at the Mayur Thali which was followed by an orientation round of the mall and fun ride. This according to our participants was the day they most enjoyed during the entire Camp.

The last day of the Summer Camp i.e. the 21st of April, 2018 was a memorable day for our Summer Campers. As is the tradition every year the motivational interview of a successful visually impaired person is conducted on the last day of the Camp. The year 2018 was no exception to this tradition this year Mrs. Jaai Khambkar who lost her vision after her 12th standard due to medical negligence was invited as a motivational speaker. She had faced this challenge in a brave manner and has immersed as a social activist in the village Takli-Haji in Shirur taluka. Initially she began her work by helping the physical and visually challenged in her area of acquiring mportant documents like Aadhar cards, Unique ID card etc. and now she is setting up a senior collage with residential facility in her village for this community. Her story and the amazing way she has come up in life left our students obstruct and inspired.

After this inspirational interview the formal valedictory function of the Summer Camp began and the master of ceremony Kum. Divya Thorat and Kum. Snehal Patange took over the proceedings. The chief Guest of this occasion was Shri. Siddharth Bendre who is a most well know and senior RJ on All India Radio, Pune, a voice heard by all

visually impaired. Other Guest of honour who were present on this occasion were Mrs. Bendre and their daughter Samruddhi along with Shri. D.N. Tapkir, President Emeritus, NFBM and Rtn. Anil Bora. This program began with a welcome ceremony and a welcome song sung by our Interactors after which some of our participants shared their feedback about the Camp and also informed our Guest about the various activities which were conducted during the Camp they also performed an group dance for our Guests. After the dance all the participants received gift from our chief Guest as a token of appreciation for their active participation in the Camp.

The highlight of this function was the speech given by Mr. Siddharth Bendre in which he spoke about the career opportunities in the field of radio jockeying. In his humorous and poetic manner he enthralled all our participants. The ceremony was then concluded with vote of thanks by Kum. Nikita Jadhav and the summer extra viganza 2018 came to an end.

NFBM Career Oriented Education Campus for the Blind (COECB)

In continuation of our mission to provide a state of the art dwelling facility to our visually impaired beneficiaries, the second phase of construction of a hostel building continued throughout this year and gained momentum. Due to continued funding support from Bajaj Finance, VolksWagen India Pvt. Ltd., Aarti Industries and Fiserv we were able to complete the erection of all the 3 slabs of the building. The approximate expenditure incurred on this project in the financial year 2017-18 of Rs 1.53 Crore. We thank Danfoss India, Monga Stray Fields, Uniklinger and DEMECH for joining us as our dream partners in this project.

NFBM Braille Publishing Centre

Ever since its inception in the year 2012 the NFBM Braille Publishing Centre is continuing to full fill its objective of providing reading material to the visually impaired students community in Braille. In the year 2017-18 this Centre produced about 200 new titles distributed about 3200 copies to special schools and libraries across the State of Maharashtra. Our efforts to edit, published print and distribute the Braille Jagriti Quarterly Magazine were continued during this year. 4 issues of this magazine were produce and distributed to 1000 visually impaired subscribers across Maharashtra. During this year “Chaar-choughi” a Braille magazine for women was also kept in circulation with contribution from NFBM in spite of the fact that the grant which this project used to receive from a funding body lapsed this year.

With kind contribution from Innerwheel Club of Nigdi, Pune the Braille Publishing Centre acquired one Focus 40 Braille refresh-able display which is used by the visually impaired proof readers for Braille proof reading of books and periodicals printed at our Centre. This device has helped us to employee one additional proof reader in the



Industrial Vocational Training and Rehabilitation Centre (IVRTC) Project Aurangabad.

Established in the year 2006, this vocational training Centre provides skill based training and opportunities for higher education to the visually handicapped girls between the age group of 18 to 25 years.

The training year 2017-18 began on 12th June 2017 with 27 new trainees joining the Centre. The highlights of this year are enumerated below.

During the training year 2017-18 this Centre emphasised on training its beneficiaries in various hand-skills for instance, making files, paper plates, drones, seasonal product like rakhis, hand painted diyas, Utane etc.. The file making unit of this Centre proved to be the most profitable due to tireless marketing efforts of Shri. Mahdukar Suryanwanshi who is one of senior members of NFBM. The unit had a turnover of Rs. 10,35,616/- and after paying the annual stipend for all trainees and managing a part of the administrative expense the Centre was left with an amount of Rs 1,66,806/-.

6 students of this training Centre appeared for standard 12th examination held in March 2017. Two out of the 6 students secured a distinction and 4 first class with Kum. Sapna Chabukswar topping the batch by securing 80% all this students are pursuing their education the Arts stream,

This year special efforts were also made in the direction of encouraging the beneficiaries of this Centre to appear for MS-CIT examination, 4 students appeared for the same and cleared the examination with Kum. Mangal Raut securing 86% in the examination.

This was a year in which special efforts were made by this institution in the direction of appointment of new staff and also capacity building for all the staff members. 2 new teachers Ms. Jyoti Ashok Jadhav and Ms. Sonali Manikrao Mutkule took charge as special teachers in June 2017. Their emphasis has been on trying innovative methods of training our beneficiaries both in hand skills and academics. One of our teachers was encouraged to go for a B.Ed. in special education.

The Centre has also seen a lot of improvement in its infrastructure in the training year 2017-18. The entire building is now Wi-Fi enabled with intercom facility in all the hostel rooms and classrooms. A biometric system of taking attendance for all the students and staff members has also been introduced during this training year.

Apart from their busy training and academic schedule our students had an opportunity to enjoy a few moments of recreation and fun during this training year. As per the annual calendar of this Centre our beneficiaries celebrated all the important events for instance Independence Day, Marathwada Mukti Din, Louie Braille Birth anniversary,



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Republic day etc.. The trainers also went on a two days trip to Tryambakeshwar, Nasik between 24 to 26 December, 2017. We are grateful to M/s. BSC Rubber Industries, Paras Industries and Shriram Auto Electricals for sponsoring this picnic.

On 28th January, 2018 our trainees were taken to city of Paithan. They visited the Mohata Devi temple and Kanifnath temple. The sponsorship of this event was done by Vijay Laxmi Services and Mohata Devi Sansthan, Kanifnath Sansthan.

Vocational Training and Rehabilitation Centre (VTRC) Nasik-

The VTRC Nasik is a Centre which focus on providing one year training program to the visually challenged beneficiaries who pass Std. 10th or 12th; established in the year 2000 this Centre has been training its beneficiaries in MH-CIT, C.C.O.B. and typing. For this courses it has acquired affiliation from the Yeshwantrao Chavan Open University, MKCL and Pune Technical Board who issues certificates to the students of VTRC in collaboration with the NFBM.

During the year 2017-18 this Centre admitted 35 girls in the age group of 18 to 25 years. This year all the trainees took advantage of the free residential facility provided by our Centre. The training year began on 1st August, 2017. The highlights of the Centre's achievement for this year are as follows, during the year 2017-18 our trainees received a four months rigorous training in the computer course for the blind CCOB run by Yeshwantrao Chavan Open University. On the 9th December 2017 the final examination of this training program was conducted by the university. Our students secured 100 % result in this examination.

All our beneficiaries cleared the short hand typing examination held by the Pune Technical Board in January 2018. All 35 trainees appeared for the MH-CIT examination and cleared the same.

Along with the continuous and focused training schedule our trainees also celebrated various events throughout the year for instance Independence Day, Ganesh festival, World White Cane Day, International Day of the Disabled, International Yoga Day, Louie Braille Memorial day etc..

One of the most significant development during the training year 2017-18 was the donation of CD players and a large number of audio books to the Centres library by the Nasik Municipal Corporation. This huge repository of books will prove to be a major source of knowledge for our current and future beneficiaries.

For the successful implementation of all the planned events and activities for the current year we have received contributions from various sources, we are grateful to all our donors, viz. Punjab National Bank, M.G. Charitable Trust, Varadraj Cement Ltd., BOM Marketing, Jayawant Sutar, District Sport Officers etc..

A Special Negotiation Strategy For Blind Hawkers

Ever since its inception the NFBM has been an ardent supporter of the visually impaired hawkers community in Mumbai and across the State of Maharashtra. After the unfortunate collapse of the bridge at the Elphinstone railway station in Mumbai the hawkers community was forbidden to carrying out its business on railways platforms, railway stations and trains consequently the visually impaired hawkers lost their only mean of livelihood. Considering this, special efforts were made by the senior office bearers of NFBM to put forward a charter of demands raised by the visually challenged hawkers to the Chief Ministers of Maharashtra Shri. Devendra Fadnavis.

After several efforts the Chief Secretary of Shri. Fadnavis granted an appointment to the NFBM officials. Shri.. Mahadeo Gurav, President, NFBM and Shri. Hari Bhalerao, Treasurer NFBM were present for this meeting in which they raised several demands on behalf of the hawker community some of the major demands are as follows.

1. A special rehabilitation scheme must be implemented for the physically challenged and visually impaired hawkers.
2. All the major Government bodies must be instructed to allocate 3% of their budget for self-employment opportunities for the differently abled.
3. They should be provided interest free loans for carrying out their business by the State government.
4. Till such time that the hawkers are granted permission to restart their business they should be provided with a sustenance grant of Rs. 5000/- per month.
5. The physically challenged hawker community must be provided with free health care, free education and free insurance cover for their families.
6. The educated blind hawkers should be given jobs under the reservation quota.

These demands were presented to Shri. Sumit Mallik, Chief Secretary to Chief Minister who assured team NFBM that he would try his best to put forth this charter to the Chief Minister. The NFBM team is constantly following up with the State Government authorities for the upliftment of the visually challenged hawkers' community. NFBM is also putting pressure on the State Government for solving problems of the visually impaired hawkers through a group called Saksam Kokan Praant. The same Charter of demands of the visually impaired hawkers has been presented to this group and we are hoping for the positive outcome of this negotiations in the forthcoming year.

NFBM Significant Events

Labour Day Celebration- The 1st of May every year is Internationally celebrated as 'May Day' or 'Labour Day' in order to celebrate the dignity of labour. It has been the tradition of the NFBM to celebrate this day by honouring the visually impaired labours and hawkers community. The year 2017-18 was no exception to this rule.

This year the occasion of the International Labour Day was marked by the NFBM by organizing a special event on the 1st May, 2017. This program was organized at the Soubhagya Park, Kandivli, Mumbai. About 400 members of the NFBM from Mumbai & Thane region were a part of this celebration. The Chief Guest on this occasion was Smt. Shubhatai Gudekar, a Corporator and the President of Education Committee of Mumbai Municipal Corporation. The other Guest of honour who were present on this occasion were Shri. Mahadeo Gurav, President, NFBM, Shri. Vasant Hegde, General Secretary, NFBM and Shri. Shahsank Chowkidar, President, Mumbai Unit.

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The purpose of this program was to felicitated visually impaired hawkers who in spite of fighting with the social and economic challenges around them have brought up their families educated their children and achieved social fulfilment. The following hawkers were felicitated at the hands of the Honourable Chief Guest with a Shawl-Sripthal and a cash prize Smt. Vijaya Pawar, Shri. Jayram Bhandarkar, Shri. Changdeo Gavand, Shri. Nitin Athawale and Shri. Anil Mhaske.

During this event all the 400 families were given 15 kg. of grocery items per family. All the dignitaries present on this occasion expressed their views about dignity of labour and the need for special support to the visually impaired hawkers community. The event was concluded with a vote of thanks after which tea and refreshment were served to all the participants. All the other regional units of NFBM also held simultaneous celebrations in the respective districts to mark this great occasion.

A Special Initiative

The All India Confederation of the Blind which is a national level NGO and an affiliation partner of the NFBM organizes a training program for women every year during the period of 22nd May to 30th June. This program is aimed at providing training to Visually challenged women between the age group of 18 to 35 years in the areas of Information Technology, Orientation and Mobility Training and Home Management. This year a special initiative was taken by NFB, Maharashtra to sponsor 4 delegates for this program. The delegates who attended this course are Kum. Rupa Gupta, Savita Ghadge, Shilpa Koli and Devka Savarkar.



The 4 participants showed an exceptional performance during this course and enthusiastically participated in all the activities undertaken during the training period. As a result they were gifted with Laptops for supporting them in their further education.

Youth Festival

Every year NFBM organizes a unique project specially aimed at providing an opportunity to the visually impaired youth to come together and showcase their talents. This festival is known as the “Youth Festival” in which visually impaired women and men between the age group of 18 to 35 years are invited from across the State of Maharashtra. This year the NFBM implemented this project on the 9th and 10th of June, 2017 at the Skills Development Centre of the NFBM Career Orientated Education Campus for the Blind, Alandi, Pune. 145 youth from across the State of Maharashtra participated in this event.

This grand and fun filled extra viganza was inaugurated on 10th June, 2017 at 10 a.m. with a formal inaugural ceremony. The Chief Guest on this occasion was the Mayor of Pimpri Chinchwad Municipal Corporation Mr. Nitin Kalje other Guest of honour who graced this ceremony were Mr. Mahadeo Gurav, President, NFBM, Mr. Vasant Hegde, General Secretary, NFBM, Mr. Hari Bhalerao, Treasurer, NFBM and Mr. Dnyaneshwar Tapkir, President Emeritus, NFBM.

In his motivation speech Mr. Nitin Kalje praised all the projects of NFBM and promised that he would do his best to garner support for the activities of this organization. He wished all the participants Good Luck for the forthcoming events and competitions.

In the 2 exciting days that followed after the inauguration ceremony the organizers kept the participants busy by giving them an opportunity to participate in various competitions i.e. singing, reading original poetries, debates, elocution and quest contest. This grant event was concluded on 10th June, 2017.

Foundation Day Celebration

On 5th June, 1977 the NFBM came into existence in a huge Statewide conference of visually impaired members who pledged to joint this organization and serve the cause of their fellow friends. To mark this day the Foundation Day of our organization is celebrated with great enthusiasm by the founder members of this democratic self-help group.

This year the Foundation Day celebration were held in the premises of the NFBM Jagriti School for the Blind Girls, Alandi, Pune on 11th June, 2017. The Chief Guest for the celebrations this year was Dr. Neelam Gorhe a well known social worker and Politician and the Spoke-person for ShivSena. Mr. Nitin Patil the Commissioner of Disabilities was the Guest of honour for this grant ceremony. The presence of all the officer bearer of the NFBM also make this occasion special. 350 members of NFBM along with the 145 participants of the Youth festival were present on this occasion.

During the ceremony the NFBM honoured 2 special Guest by giving 2 special awards. The Sangh Mitra Drishti Sanman Award which is given to a personality who contributes regularly for the welfare of the Visually Impaired community was this year given to Mr. Ghanashyamdas Kasat. He is a well known social worker from the Vidarbha region who supports the needy physically challenged and visually impaired students of Amravati and other parts of Vidarbha and is harden supporter of NFBM.

“Lt. G.L. Nardekar Memorial Award” which is given to a person who helps in providing employment and self employment opportunity to the visually impaired was bestowed upon Mr. Vinay Kumar Deshpande. He is a Management Graduate and an Accountant by profession, his main goal is to help visually impaired entrepreneur from the Marathwada region to set up small scale businesses. Mr. Deshpande prepares Project proposals for visually impaired loans applicant who seek loans from nationalized banks. He also provides support to this entrepreneurs in setting up their business.

The highlight of this ceremony was the prize distribution were all the winners of the Youth Festival competitions were awarded cash prizes and other gift articles by the Chief Guest As is the tradition every year scholarships were also awarded to 170 visually impaired students from across the State of Maharashtra who are pursuing higher education from Std. 11th to Post graduation and approximate amount of Rs. 4,50,000/- was distributed as scholarships to this needy and deserving students. Dr. Neelam Gorhe in her motivational address promised to support the activities of NFBM by declaring a donation of Rs 2,50,000/-, out of which Rs. 1,00,000/- was to be given NFBM Braille Publishing Centre and Rs. 150,000/- to the Vocational Rehabilitation and Training Centre, Nasik for purchase of computers. She also said that she was very impressed with the cause orientated efforts of this organization and she would support NFBM to the best of her capacity.

In his speech Mr. Nitin Patil, the Commissioner Of Disabilities Welfare, Maharashtra State expressed his satisfaction about the facilities provided by the NFBM Jagriti School and promised to support the efforts of NFBM in acquiring 100% grant for the school. This grand ceremony was concluded with a vote of thanks.

A Special Felicitation Ceremony

8th July, 2017 was an exciting day for the students of Std. 10th and 12th who had appeared for and cleared the SSC and HSC examination in the year 2017; It was on this day that 125 students from across the State of Maharashtra were felicitated by team NFBM.

This special felicitation ceremony was conducted at Rushi Mehta Hall, Tardeo, Mumbai the Chief Guest for this occasion was Shri. S.R. Ranshivare, Assistant Commissioner, Mumbai Traffic Police Division. Before the felicitation ceremony the students were given a special lecture on traffic safety and traffic rule by Shri. Sudhir Gadgil one of the Traffic Inspector. The students were awarded special prizes on this occasion.

Leadership Development Seminar

The National Federation of the Blind, Maharashtra being a self help group of the visually impaired which works for the visually challenged is constantly enrolling new members in the organization. The NFBM conducts a special leadership development seminar for the newly elected youngsters. This year this training program was conducted for the Latur and Solapur Units of NFBM on 12th and 13th August, 2017. This program was conducted at Latur, the seminar began with a formal inaugural ceremony, the Chief Guest for this ceremony was Shri. Ashok Govindpurkar, Deputy Mayor, Latur, Shri. Mahadeo Gurav presided over the ceremony and Shri. Sudhakar Gharapurkar one of the senior member of NFBM was also present on this occasion as our honourable Guest. Shri. Vasant S. Hegde introduced the participants to the need and importance of this leadership seminar and also gave a brief about the schedule of the seminar. All other dignitaries also spoke to our young participants and encouraged them to learn from the session which were to follow post inauguration.

The first day of the seminar was full of exciting and interesting sessions the first session was conducted by Shri. Mahadeo Gurav, President, NFBM who enlightened the participants on the history and achievements of NFB, Maharashtra in past 40 years of its existences.

In the second session Shri. Madhav Gore, Secretary, NFBM spoke about the importance of developing leadership skills. He enlightened the participants on the characteristics of good leader and also highlighted the various techniques for becoming a good leader.

The third session was a session of organization, administration, documentation and report writing which was conducted by Shri. Mahadeo Gurav this session was followed by session on Right to Information which was conducted by Adv. Sachin Chavan, this session was the highlight of the first day of this Leadership Development Seminar. Many relevant questions were raised by our participants to which Adv. Chavan gave excellent and appropriate answers. He explained to the participants about the use of the RTI Act and its importance in getting work done from the Government. The last session of this day was conducted by Shri. Vasant Hegde, General Secretary, NFBM. The topic of this session was Resource Mobilization Techniques and the Need and Importance of Fund Raising. This session was very well received by our participants who were explained about the various techniques of resource mobilization through innovative games and group work; after this session a panel discussion was also held on this topic in which all the delegates took part with great enthusiasm.

The Second day of the seminar was equally informative for the delegates. It was on this day that several sessions were conducted by experts on the following topics -

- a. Accounting and the relevance of GST for Non profit organization by CA Mr. Patil

- b. Stress Management By Prof. Sanjay Gawai
- c. The Constitution of NFBM and its Objectives Shri. Raghunath Barad and
- d. The Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 By Shri. Raghunath Barad

The last session of the day was the valedictory session which was presided over By Shri. Raju Bhagat, Vice President, NFBM. In this session the emphasises was given on acquiring feedback from the participants about this seminar and also taking suggestions for further improvement in this activity. Most of the participants appreciated the decision of NFBM to organize this sessions for regional units and not at the State level as the regional workers who participated in more numbers. The NFBM Executive Committee and Shri. Raju Bhagat assured the members that they would continue to organize such seminars at regular intervals for the benefit of the regional members. These sessions was concluded with a vote of thanks by Shri. Madhav Gore, Secretary, NFBM.

Special Trekking Camp

As per the tradition every year the NFBM organized a special trekking and leadership Camp for 47 young and new members of our organization. The Camp was organised on 9th and 10th of September 2017.

On the morning of 9th September our 47 youngsters and 8 volunteers left for this exciting event from the Ruia College, Dadar. Their first destination was the Kaivalya Dham Yoga Ashram, Lonavala which is founded by Swami Kaivalyananda. Our participants were orientated to the history of the ashram and the activities of the ashram. They were also trained to do a few Yogasanas and were taken for the Samadhi darshan of Swami Kaivalyananda.

After a simple vegetarian meal at the ashram the group left for Tata Power Guest house where they were taken for a visit to the herbal garden set up by Tata power. They also visited the 102 years old Valvan dam constructed by Tata power. They were very well orientated to the herbal garden and dam by the Tata power staff and volunteers.

After some refreshment all the participants were gathered at the Guest house venue for a cultural fest. Our trainees participated in this program by performing solo songs, group songs, mimicry, jokes, storytelling etc.. They also played various stress buster games. In this joyfull atmosphere they were also informed about the history, activities and projects of NFBM by Mr. Sanjay Honmane, NFBM.

10th September, 2017 was an exciting day for all our trekkers as it was on this day that they were taken to Lohgad for a trek. Shri. Lalit Neve and his team of volunteers guided our young enthusiasts to climb one of the most difficult forts of the State of Maharashtra. During the trek information was also given to our participants about the history of Lohgad, its architecture, geography etc.. The participants were also shown the Shiv temple, the Darbar hall, many water streams, a lake situated on the fort etc..

After a long trek our trekkers were brought down to a small village known as Lohgadwadi where they enjoyed typical Maharashtrian food. This exciting Camp came to a conclusion with a special felicitation ceremony for the most active participants and the most active volunteers.

We are grateful to Tata Power and Kaivalya Dham for their support and sponsorship of this event.

Samarthya 2017

The 30th interschool talent fest i.e. Samarthya 2017 was organized by NFBM between 14th to 19th December, 2017. This year the talent extravaganza was conducted at Osmanabad and the venue for the same of Puspak Mangal Karyalaya, Osmanabad. The inaugural ceremony of this grand event took place on 15th December, 2017 at the hands of Shri. Makarand Raje Nimbalkar a well known Corporator and Social Worker. During the ceremony Shri. Madhav Gore, Secretary, NFBM explained the objectives of organizing this event. Shri. Nimbalkar also promised his support to this event and to our institution.

25 schools from across Maharashtra State were registered for this event and a total of 400 students participated in the various contest and competitions organized during this festival of talents. The main competitions which were organized were Braille reading, writing, singing solo and group songs, instrumental performances, poetry reading etc. In the sports category chess and cricket were the two games which were played during this program.

The highlight of this event was an awareness rally about the skills and talents of the visually challenged which was organized across the city of Osmanabad. This rally was conducted on 16th December, 2017. During this rally pamphlets were also distributed to the on-lookers with information about how they should help the visually impaired community. On the same day a special Eye check-up Camp was also conducted for the benefit of our participants.

This talent Extra Viganza was concluded with grand valedictory ceremony on 19th December 2017. The Chief Guest for this ceremony was Shri. Vijay Rathi passed District Governor, Rotary Club Of Latur. Other Guest of honour who graced this occasion were Shri. Mane Tahsildar and Shri. Sudhakar Dharapurkar a senior member NFB, Maharashtra, Shri. Makarand Raje Nimbalkar was also present on this occasion alongwith his colleagues. The highlight of this ceremony was the prize distribution for the winner school of the various contests and competitions at the hands of our honourable Guests. The following trophies were awarded to our talented institutions.

“Dr. Helen Keller Memorial Trophy” which is given to the best performing institution which is the first prize was awarded to the NFBM Jagriti School for Blind Girls, Alandi, Pune.

“The Louie Braille Memorial Trophy” which is awarded to the second runner up institution was bagged by Dr. Helen Keller Residential School, Nanded

“The NFBM Mascot Trophy” which is given to the third runner up was awarded to M.A.B. School for the Blind, Udgir, District Latur.

During this ceremony the volunteers who devoted their time and effort to make this event a grand successes were felicitated at the hands of our honourable Guests. We are grateful to the Osmanabad Municipal Corporation, Sports Division, Terna Trust, MLA Shri. Dada Rana for their financial support for the successes of this event. Our special thanks to Vice-President NFBM Shri. Raguhnath Barad, Secretary, NFBM Shri. Madhav Gore and Shri. Amol Nilangekar for helping us to the conduct this program.

Annual Picnic

Every year NFB, Maharashtra has a tradition of planning a picnic for the organizations members and their families. The objective of this picnic is to visit and learn about the different parts of our country and to get to know each other and the families better through recreation and fun.

During this year 107 members of NFBM alongwith volunteers and family members joined this picnic and visited Kerala which is the most beautiful southern State of our country. This picnic was organized between the 26th to 31st of January, 2018.

On the first day of the picnics i.e. 27th of January our members visited Ernakulum and saw the various temples in the city. The next day they were taken to Munnar which is a famous hill station in Kerala, well known for its tea garden and tea factories. Our visually impaired participants were assisted by their volunteers who described the scenic beauty of this hill station. The highlight of this day was a visit to a tea factory where all our members learnt about the tea cultivation, tea processing and various types and flavours of tea.

In Munnar our members also visited a nursery and flower garden. They were given a sumptuous meal by the Kerala Hotels Owner Association. On their way back they also enjoyed the beauty of spice garden and herbal garden in a place called Deepak World.

On the third day our trip went to Alleppey and all the participants enjoyed a full day ride of our houseboat. The children were kept busy with various games and our older members enjoyed the scenic beauty of the back waters of Alleppey. They were also given a sumptuous meal and refreshment time to time.

Our members left for their return journey on 31st January we are grateful to Dream Green Hotel Ernakulam for providing accommodation to all our participants at a highly subsidize rates. We also wish to thank Shri. Hari Bhalerao, Treasurer, NFBM and

Shri. Sanjay Honmane for their tireless efforts in organizing this memorable and successful trip.

International Women's Day Celebration

On the occasion of the International Women's Day NFBM organized State level seminar for the benefit of the women members of this organization. This training program was conducted on 10th and 11th March, 2018 the venue for this program was the Youth Centre Hall, Navi Mumbai. 90 visually impaired women participants from entire Maharashtra attended this unique event. This event began with an inaugural ceremony for which Shri. Jaywant Sutarji, Mayor, Navi Mumbai and Smt. Leena Kedari, HOD, Marathi Department Ruia College, Mumbai were present as our honourable Guest. After the formal ceremony of lightening the lamp our Guest of honour spoke to our participants and wished them good luck for these 2 days training program. The honourable Mayor of Navi Mumbai donated Rs. 21,000/- towards the expenses of this program during the inaugural ceremony.

After the inaugural ceremony our participants were exposed to 4 interesting session one after the other which deals with significant aspects of womenhood the first session was conducted by Smt. Leena Kedari who spoke about women yesterday, today and tomorrow. She explained this topic in an extremely informative and interesting manner by giving live examples of the evolution of women with special reference to visually impaired women. In the second session Smt. Sushama Nikam a retired school teacher and an expert visually impaired home maker spoke about Home management and cooking skills with special emphasises on cooking techniques for the visually impaired. She gave special tips to our participants on how to indentify different smells while cooking how to ensure proper frying, making chaptis etc..

The third session was a session on health and hygiene and commonly faced health problems which was conducted by Dr. Sarika Mhatre. In the forth session our participants were lightened about the various aspects about a happy married life. Through an informative interview of Mrs. Minal Mahadeo Gurav. Through her excellent interviewing skills Miss Rina Patil was able to communicate to our participants about the perspective of a sighted women who has been married to a visually impaired gentleman. According to all our participants this was the most interesting session of the day

Between 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. blind musical circle a group of visually impaired orchestra performers conducted a musical night for all our special women's participants. This is an Orchestra Group lead by Shri. Ashok Acherekar. Our women participants also joined in with this group and exhibited their talent. This was a memorable event for all our participants.

The next day i.e. 11th March, 2018 was full of exciting contest and sports competitions for all our participants. Various competitions like Braille reading, writing, poetry reading, story telling, singing etc. were conducted during the day. This special program was concluded with a valedictory function organized between 3 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. on the same day. This function was presided over by Smt. Swati Nagardhankar retired school teacher, Dr. Vidya Kshirsagar was another Guest of honour to grace this occasion. During this function all the winners of different competitions were awarded with cash prizes and certificates. All our Guest in their speeches congratulated our participants for attending this program and inspired them to carry on the path of progress. We are grateful to the special women committee of NFBM for the successful implementation of this grant event.

Initiatives by NFBM Regional Units

In the year 2017-18 the regional units of NFBM undertook various innovative initiatives for the upliftment of the visually challenged.

The highlight of this initiatives are mentioned below-

The Amravati Unit of the NFBM has taken a lead in helping the visually impaired home seekers to apply for home loan under the Pradhan Mantri Aswas Yojna. The Aurangabad unit has implemented a unique schemes of donating school kits to the children of the under privilege visually impaired parents. The Solapur unit undertook a blood donation drive in the year 2017-18 in which its visually impaired members came forward to donate blood to the needy persons.

A unique drive of providing the Unique Disability Identity card UDID. The UDID \was undertaken by the Kolhapur Unit where 110 visually impaired were helped to acquire this card. The Pune unit of NFBM started a computer training institute in Dhankawadi, Pune for the benefit of the College going visually impaired students. This units has also taken an initiative to provide financial assistance for medical needs of the deserving visually impaired beneficiaries from the year 2017-18. We congratulate all the regional units for taking up such innovative projects during this year and wish them good luck for the forthcoming financial year.

Conclusion

The journey of the year 2017-18 has taken us a step forward our goal of improving the life of our visually impaired beneficiaries. We wish to scale new heights with every passing year, for this purpose we will always require support, encouragement and blessings from all our well wishers. We are sure that we will be able to perform better and better as the years go by.

Sd/-
(V.S. Hegde)
Gen. Secretary

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the members of National Federation of the Blind, Maharashtra

REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of The National Federation of the Blind, Maharashtra, which comprise the Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2018 and the Income & Expenditure Account for the year then ended.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Federation's Executive Committee is responsible for the preparation of these financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position, financial performance of the Federation in accordance with the specified Accounting Standards notified and in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India. This responsibility includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

AUDITORS' RESPONSIBILITY

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. Those Standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Auditee's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Auditee's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of the accounting estimates made by executive committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

OPINION

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the aforesaid financial statements give the information required in the manner so required and give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India:

(a) In the case of the Balance Sheet, of the state of affairs of the Federation as at March 31, 2018;

(b) In the case of the Income & Expenditure Account, of the deficit of the Federation for the year ended on that date.

REPORT ON OTHER REQUIREMENTS

We further report that:

- We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of our audit;
- In our opinion, proper books of account as required by law have been kept by the Federation so far as appears from our examination of those books.
- The Balance Sheet & the Income & Expenditure Account, dealt with by this Report are in agreement with the books of account.

For Soundararajan & Co.
Chartered Accountants
(Firm Registration No. 115227 W)



CA S Srinivasan

M No. 044302

Mumbai

Dated: 17th December 2018



THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND, MAHARASHTRA

The National Federation of the Blind, Maharashtra

Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2018

LIABILITIES		Sch	Amount Rs
I	Corpus of the Trust	A	2,157,703
II	Reserves & Surplus	B	93,113,455
III	Current Liabilities	C	2,202,889
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			97,474,047
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ASSETS			
IV	Fixed Assets	D	89,822,590
V	Investments	E	389,939
VI	Current Assets, Loans & Advances	F	7,261,518
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			97,474,047
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As per our report of even date

For **Soundararajan & Co**

Chartered Accountants

Sd/-
CAS Srinivasan
MNo 044302

Dated: 17 Dec 2018

For **The National Federation
of the Blind, Maharashtra**

Sd/- Sd/-
Gen Sec. Treasurer

Sd/-
President

Signed after reading through
Sd/- before us



THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND, MAHARASHTRA

The National Federation of the Blind, Maharashtra

Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 2018

EXPENDITURE

I CENTRAL OFFICE	Rs	Rs
Salaries to Staff	410,700.00	
Braille Periodical and Literature	1,173,226.00	
Unit Financial Assistance	185,500.00	
Travelling & Conveyance	28,462.00	
Women's Day Conference	211,152.00	
Website Reforming Expenses	25,000.00	
Printing, Stationery & Computer Consumables	54,069.00	
Postage & Courier	25,467.00	
Telephone & Broadband Expenses	24,865.00	
Legal & Professional Charges	584,783.00	
Youth Trekking & Camp Expenses	46,518.00	
Property Tax	34,648.00	
Members Greivences & Redressal	2,152.00	
Bank Charges	4,257.80	
Meeting Expenses	149,539.00	
Awards & Prizes / Foundation Day Expenses	28,836.50	
Souvenir Exp	19,000.00	
Audit Fees	10,620.00	
Blind Welfare & Education Week Expenses	833,591.00	
Aids & Appliances, Distribution Program	37,617.00	
House Keeping Expenses	7,700.00	



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Leadership Seminar	50,682.00	
Office Rent	40,000.00	
Repairs & Maintenance	72,141.00	
Medical Aid	27,427.00	
Computer Project - Vidarbha Unit, Nagpur	30,000.00	
Financial Aid	39,150.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	18,531.00	
Labour Day Expenses	130,098.00	
Youth Festival Exp	174,171.00	
Utane Project Exp	294,560.00	
Student Education Aid	312,000.00	
Staff Welfare	4,236.00	
Depreciation	626,401.52	
Picnic Expenses	359,984.00	6,077,084.82

II NFBM JAGRITI SCHOOL

Deficit for the year	6,691,959.83
<i>(as per Income & Expenditure Account attached)</i>	

III VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE (Nasik)

Deficit for the year	740,940.40
<i>(as per Income & Expenditure Account attached)</i>	

IV INDUSTRIAL VTRC (Aurangabad)

Deficit for the year	855,897.66
<i>(as per Income & Expenditure Account attached)</i>	

14,365,882.71



THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND, MAHARASHTRA

INCOME

I CENTRAL OFFICE

	Rs	Rs
General Donations	2,155,887.00	
Aids & Appl Receipt	7,350.00	
Blind Welfare Week Receipt	608,500.00	
Braille Jagriti Magazine Receipt	3,809.00	
Grant from Maharashtra Rajya Sahitya & Sanskritik Mandal	50,000.00	
Charchaughri Receipt	6,960.00	
Picnic Receipts	204,000.00	
Bank Interest	95,620.00	
Youth Festival	5,000.00	
Membership Fees	18,382.00	
Souvenir Receipts	59,000.00	
Utane Project	328,148.00	
Women's Day Receipt	3,600.00	
Premises Rent	<u>900,000.00</u>	4,446,256.00

II BRAILLE PUBLISHING CENTRE

Surplus for the year 1891178.01
(as per Income & Expenditure Account attached)

Deficit for the year 8,028,448.70

14,365,882.71

Sd/-

For Soundararajan & Co

Chartered Accountants

Sd/-

For The National Federation
of the Blind, Maharashtra



THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND, MAHARASHTRA

The National Federation of the Blind, Maharashtra

Schedules forming part of Annual Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2018

Schedule "A"	Rs	Rs
<i>Corpus of the trust</i>	2,157,703.00	2,157,703.00
Schedule "B"		
<i>Reserves & Surplus</i>		
Bldg Fund - Jagriti School	63,776,311.33	
School Development Fund - Jagriti School	27,001,704.66	
Education Endowment - Jagriti School	183,367.20	
School Vehicle Fund - Jagriti School	1,522,687.20	
DIK COECB- CO	10,178,773.00	
School Building Fund - CO	1,834,833.55	
Welfare fund for the blind - CO	50,651.00	
Gyanprasad Gupta Memorial Fund - CO	5,000.00	
Income & Expenditure Account	(11,439,873.01)	
		<hr/> 93,113,454.93 <hr/>



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Schedule "C"

Current Liabilities

Advance for Kondivade land	131,000.00	
NFBM CO-Provisions	<u>37,620.00</u>	168,620.00
NFBM Nashik-Provisions	15,900.00	
Security Deposit	<u>46,481.00</u>	62,381.00
Jagriti School - Salaries	1,110,033.00	
Jagriti School - Other Liabilities	<u>790,054.97</u>	1,900,087.97
NFBM Aurangabad-Provisions		15,900.00
BPC-Provisions	5,900.00	
BPC-Other Liabilities	<u>50,000.00</u>	55,900.00
		<u>2,202,888.97</u>

Schedule "E"

Rs

Investments

FD - Union Bank (School)	168,184.00
FD - Jankalyan Bank (Nasik VTRC)	21,755.00
FD - BOB (CO)	<u>200,000.00</u>
	<u>389,939.00</u>



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Schedule "F"

Current Assets, Loans & Advances

1	<i>Deposits & Advances - CO</i>		12,400.00
2	<i>Cash & Bank Balances (CO)</i>		
	Cash in Hand	16,361.18	
	Bank Balances	2,021,840.29	2,038,201.47
3	<i>Cash & Bank Balances (Nasik VTRC)</i>		
	Cash in hand	4,071.67	
	Bank Balances	<u>52,781.05</u>	56,852.72
4	<i>Cash & Bank Balances (Jagriti School)</i>		
	Cash in Hand	3,091.22	
	Bank Balances	<u>4,074,101.19</u>	4,077,192.41
5	<i>Cash & Bank Balances (Aurangabad IVTRC)</i>		
	Cash in hand	18,005.00	
	Bank Balances	<u>180,133.95</u>	198,138.95
6	<i>Cash & Bank Balances (Braille Publishing Centre)</i>		
	Cash in hand	2,685.20	
	Bank Balances	<u>876,047.15</u>	878,732.35
			<u><u>7,261,517.90</u></u>

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Schedule "D"

CENTRAL OFFICE

Fixed Assets

Asset Description	WDV as on 01.04.2017	Additions/ (Deletions)	TOTAL	Depreciation & others	WDV as on 31.03.2018
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
Land & Buildings					
Hostel Building	2,902,819.50	-	2,902,819.50	290,281.95	2,612,537.55
Land	35,000.00	-	35,000.00	-	35,000.00
Land - Aurangabad VTRC	48,651.00	-	48,651.00	-	48,651.00
Land for Hostel building	1,150,095.00	-	1,150,095.00	-	1,150,095.00
VTRC Building - Aurangabad	2,863,324.00	-	2,863,324.00	286,332.40	2,576,991.60
AIMER Computer Training Centre	401,631.62	-	401,631.62	40,163.16	361,468.46
Computer	32,834.85	-	32,834.85	3,283.49	29,551.37
Furniture & Fixture	60,341.27	-	60,341.27	6,034.13	54,307.14
Office Equipment	3,063.99	-	3,063.99	306.40	2,757.59
	7,497,761.23	-	7,497,761.23	626,401.52	6,871,359.71

The National Federation of the Blind, Maharashtra

Schedule "D"

Fixed Assets

Asset Description	WDV as on 01.04.2017	Additions/ (Deletions)	TOTAL	Depreciation & others	WDV as on 31.03.2018
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
CENTRAL OFFICE	7,497,761.23	-	7,497,761.23	626,401.52	6,871,359.71
NFBM JAGRITI SCHOOL	64,902,983.21	15,718,801.49	80,621,784.70	1,207,019.78	79,414,764.92
VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE - AURANGABAD	775,568.11	209,365.00	984,933.11	98,493.31	886,439.80
VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE - NASIK	612,142.11	-	612,142.11	20,581.37	591,560.74
BRAILLE PUBLISHING CENTRE	2,267,933.40	19,250.00	2,287,183.40	228,718.34	2,058,465.06
TOTAL	76,056,388.06	15,947,416.49	92,003,804.55	2,181,214.32	89,822,590.23



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NFBM JAGRITI SCHOOL FOR BLIND GIRLS - PUNE

Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2018

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
BUILDING FUND	63,776,311.33	FIXED ASSETS	79,414,764.92
CORPUS	1,283,559.00	(as per schedule attached)	
SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT FUND	27,001,704.66		
EDUCATION ENDOWMENT	183,367.20	Investments	168,184.00
SCHOOL VEHICLE FUND	1,522,687.20	NFBM Central Office	5,274,471.70
CURRENT LIABILITIES	1,858,943.47	CURRENT ASSETS	
		Cash in hand	3,091.22
		Bank Balances	4,074,101.19
		INCOME & EXPENDITURE A/C	6,691,959.83
	<u>95,626,572.86</u>		<u>95,626,572.86</u>

As per our report of even date

Signed after reading through _____ Sd/- before us.

For Soundararajan & Co
Chartered Accountants

For The National Federation
of the Blind, Maharashtra

Sd/-
CA S.Srinivasan

Sd/-
Gen Sec.

Sd/-
Treasurer

Sd/-
President

NFBM JAGRITI SCHOOL FOR BLIND GIRLS - PUNE

Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 2018

EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
To Salaries to Staff	7,833,147.00	By Government Grant - Salaries	7,171,899.00
Foodgrain Expenses	913,674.00	Government Grant - Non Salaries	495,971.00
Travelling & Conveyance	22,218.03		
Advertisement	4,725.26		
Printing and Stationery	19,105.00		
Telephone&Broadband	77,417.00		
Clothing & Beddings	179,950.00		
Sport & Recreation Prog	11,095.00	Deficit transferred to B.Sheet	6,691,959.83
Audit Fees	8,260.00		
Educational Fees	7,930.00		
Fuel and Oil for Vehicle	225,619.36		
Educational Aids & Applainces	75,481.00		
Educational Picnic	61,603.00		
Repairs & Maintenance	94,083.00		
Electricity Charges	164,200.00		
Property Tax	15,913.00		
Postage & Telegram	4,272.00		
AIMER Expenses	142,980.00		
Medical Expenses	53,824.68		
Gas & Firewood	126,408.86		



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BDL Literature Digitalisation Expense	179,320.00	
Premises Rent	816,000.00	
Misc Exp	14,486.00	
Seminar and Workshop	120,873.51	
Legal & Professional Charges	88,100.00	
Books & Periodicals	39,479.00	
Sanitary Exp	138,507.00	
Utensils Consumables	25,575.00	
Vehicle Tax & Insurance	175,181.00	
Grinding Charges	16,040.00	
Vehicle Repairs & Maintenance	33,380.00	
Bank Charges	2,760.35	
Prizes & Award	6,245.00	
Water Charges	62,800.00	
BDL Honorarium Exp	210,065.00	
Hon. to Writers/Readers	26,500.00	
Gardening Expenses	3,650.00	
Washing Charges - Clothing & Beddings	43,552.00	
Labour Charges	490,300.00	
Hair Cutting Expense	7,350.00	
Guidance & Counselling	160,000.00	
Mobility & Orientation	290,740.00	
Spoken English Training	160,000.00	
Depreciation	1,207,019.78	
	<u>14,359,829.83</u>	<u>14,359,829.83</u>

As per our report of even date

Sd/-

For **Soundararajan & Co**

Chartered Accountants

Signed after reading through Sd/- before us.

Sd/-

For **The National Federation**
of the Blind, Maharashtra

NFBM JAGRITI SCHOOL FOR BLIND GIRLS - PUNE

Fixed Assets Schedule forming part of Annual Accounts for year ended 31-03-2018

Particulars	WDV as on 01.04.17 Rs.	Additions/ (Deletions) Rs.	TOTAL Rs.	Depreciation Rs.	WDV as on 31.03.2018 Rs.
AC Machines	124,200.00		124,200.00	12,420.00	111,780.00
AIMER Computer Training Centre	24,603.30		24,603.30	2,460.33	22,142.97
Catering Equipments	44,654.67	13,887.00	58,541.67	5,854.17	52,687.50
CCTV System	43,233.30		43,233.30	4,323.33	38,909.97
COECB - CCTV System	179,732.70		179,732.70	17,973.27	161,759.43
COECB - Computers	1,528,875.00		1,528,875.00	152,887.50	1,375,987.50
COECB - EPABX System	121,500.00		121,500.00	12,150.00	109,350.00
COECB - Fan	99,792.00		99,792.00	9,979.20	89,812.80
COECB - Furniture & Fixtures	4,659,102.90		4,659,102.90	465,910.29	4,193,192.61
COECB - Laser Printers	132,678.00		132,678.00	13,267.80	119,410.20
COECB - Perkin Brailers	112,185.00		112,185.00	11,218.50	100,966.50
COECB - Philips Music Systems	27,540.00		27,540.00	2,754.00	24,786.00
COECB - Softwares	1,331,449.20		1,331,449.20	133,144.92	1,198,304.28
COECB - Water Purifier	51,949.80		51,949.80	5,194.98	46,754.82
Computer Softwares	58,468.14		58,468.14	5,846.81	52,621.33
Educational Equipments	283,635.45	12,000.00	295,635.45	29,563.55	266,071.91
EF Aquaguard Water Purifier	87,495.21		87,495.21	8,749.52	78,745.69
EPABX	7,910.82		7,910.82	791.08	7,119.74
Fans	18,437.85		18,437.85	1,843.79	16,594.07
Fire Extinguishers	41,194.26	21,342.00	62,536.26	6,253.63	56,282.63
Furniture & Fixtures	191,503.89	1,300.00	192,803.89	19,280.39	173,523.50

Gas Water Heaters	4,839.39		4,839.39	483.94	4,355.45
Hostel Equipments-Cotts	107,394.48		107,394.48	10,739.45	96,655.03
Hostel Equipments-Security Cabin	13,451.22		13,451.22	1,345.12	12,106.10
Hostel Equipments-Vaccum Cleaner	1,256.13		1,256.13	125.61	1,130.52
Hostel Equipments-Water Cooler	13,053.87		13,053.87	1,305.39	11,748.48
Hostel Equipments-Water Pump	7,710.48		7,710.48	771.05	6,939.43
Housekeeping & Cleaning Equipments		328,023.00	328,023.00	32,802.30	295,220.70
Inverter & UPS	8,767.17		8,767.17	876.72	7,890.45
Kalashri Water Heater-MSK-500	49,112.91		49,112.91	4,911.29	44,201.62
Model School Complex	53,309,637.80	15,241,949.49	68,551,587.29		68,551,587.29
Musical Instruments	574,994.07		574,994.07	57,499.45	517,494.62
Office Equipments-Computer	6,188.49		6,188.49	618.85	5,569.64
Office Equipments-Fax Machine	2,175.75		2,175.75	217.58	1,958.18
Office Equipments-Other	1,223.19		1,223.19	122.32	1,100.87
Office Equipments-Printer	8,594.19		8,594.19	859.42	7,734.77
Office Equipments-UPS	2,584.26		2,584.26	258.43	2,325.83
Printer-Epson Dotmatrix	5,932.17		5,932.17	593.22	5,338.95
Public Adressing (P.A.) System	36,225.63		36,225.63	3,622.56	32,603.07
Refrigerator	5,211.09		5,211.09	521.11	4,689.98
SARA-Reading Machines	73,411.83		73,411.83	7,341.18	66,070.65
Vehicle-TATA 709 Bus	163,412.91		163,412.91	16,341.29	147,071.62
Vehicle-TATA Bus-MH-14-CW-1002	795,389.40		795,389.40	79,538.94	715,850.46
Vehicle-TATA Spacio	117,756.72		117,756.72	11,775.67	105,981.05
Washing Machine	7,903.62		7,903.62	790.36	7,113.26
Water Boiler	6,369.48		6,369.48	636.95	5,732.53
Water Cooler	60,279.75		60,279.75	6,027.98	54,251.78
Water Pump	24,637.77		24,637.77	2,463.78	22,173.99
Water Purifiers	325,327.95	100,300.00	425,627.95	42,562.80	383,065.16
Grand Total	64,902,983.21	15,718,801.49	80,621,784.70	1,207,019.78	79,414,764.92

NFBM Vocational Training & Rehabilitation Centre - Nasik

Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2018

LIABILITIES	ASSETS
CAPITAL & RESERVES	FIXED ASSETS 591,560.71
Corpus Fund 444,385.00	(as per schedule attached)
CURRENT LIABILITIES	INVESTMENTS 21,755.00
Security Deposit 46,481.00	
O/s Audit Fee 5,900.00	CURRENT ASSETS
O/s Professional Charges 10,000.00	Cash in hand 4,071.67
NFBM , Head Office 3,840,425.90	Bank Balances 52,781.05
	INCOME & EXPENDITURE A/C 2,936,083.07
	Add : 'DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR' 740,940.40
<u>4,347,191.90</u>	<u>4,347,191.90</u>

As per our report of even date

Sd/-

For **Soundararajan & Co**

Chartered Accountants

Signed after reading through Sd/- before us.

Sd/-

For **The National Federation**

of the Blind, Maharashtra



THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND, MAHARASHTRA

Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 2018

EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
To Salaries to Staff	454,845.00	By Donation	127,008.00
Travelling & Conveyance	35,314.00	Bank Interest	2,729.00
Printing & Stationery	31,382.00		
Telephone Expenses	44,855.00		
Repairs & Maintenance	40,703.00	Deficit for the year	740,940.40
Water Supply Charges	4,341.00		
Foodgrain Expenses	56,276.00		
Audit Fees	5,900.00		
House keeping Exp	5,699.00		
Legal & Prof Charges	10,000.00		
Property Tax	484.00		
Advertisement	3,000.00		
Depreciation	20,581.40		
Exam Fees	54,610.00		
Electricity Charges	79,805.00		
Bank Charges	149.00		
Gas & Kerosene	11,363.00		
Miscellaneous Expenses	11,370.00		
	<u>870,677.40</u>		<u>870,677.40</u>

As per our report of even date

Sd/-

For **Soundararajan & Co**

Chartered Accountants

Signed after reading through Sd/- before us.

Sd/-

For **The National Federation**

of the Blind, Maharashtra



NFBM Vocational Training & Rehabilitation Centre - Nasik

Fixed Assets Schedule forming part of Annual Accounts for year ended 31-03-2018

Asset Description	WDV as on 01.04.17 Rs.	Additions/ (Deletions) Rs.	TOTAL Rs.	Depreciation Rs.	WDV as on 31.03.2018 Rs.
Furniture & Fixtures	49,337.28	-	49,337.28	4,933.73	44,403.55
Computer	101,708.46	-	101,708.46	10,170.85	91,537.61
Computer Software	1,987.56	-	1,987.56	198.76	1,788.80
Computer Table	1,121.76	-	1,121.76	112.18	1,009.58
EPABX	9,322.47	-	9,322.47	932.25	8,390.22
Laser Printer	5,364.18	-	5,364.18	536.42	4,827.76
Solar System	9,870.39	-	9,870.39	987.04	8,883.35
Stenography Machine	1,826.55	-	1,826.55	182.66	1,643.90
Air Cooler	711.36	-	711.36	71.14	640.22
Typewriter	17,995.05	-	17,995.05	1,799.51	16,195.55
Water Meter	590.94	-	590.94	59.09	531.85
Flour Mill	5,977.71	-	5,977.71	597.77	5,379.94
Premises	406,328.40	-	406,328.40	-	406,328.40
TOTAL	612,142.11	-	612,142.11	20,581.37	591,560.74



THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND, MAHARASHTRA

NFBM Industrial Vocational Training & Rehabilitation Centre - Aurangabad

Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 2018

EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
To Salaries to Staff	593,831.00	By Donation	916,103.00
Purchase of File material	318,356.00	File Sales	239,156.00
Travelling & Conveyance	50,682.00	Bank Interest	9,574.00
Printing & Stationery	35,694.00	Deficit for the year	855,897.66
Telephone, Mobile and Internet Exp	26,300.00		
Repairs & Maintenance	62,479.00		
Foodgrain Expenses	305,499.00		
Audit Fees	5,900.00		
Education Aid	2,120.00		
Water Charges	17,719.00		
Labour Charges	2,163.00		
Legal fees	44,641.00		
Sport and Recreation	15,974.00		
Sanitary Expenses	1,792.00		
Medical Expenses	19,190.00		
Clothing & Bedding	126,045.00		
Grinding Expenses	1,996.00		
Postage and Courier	5,173.00		
Professional Charges	10,000.00		
Electricity Charges	28,976.00		
Picnic Expenses	33,015.00		
Exam Fees	5,021.00		

Bank Charges	982.35		
Gas & Kerosene	18,676.00		
Miscellaneous Expenses	28,597.00		
Depreciation	98,493.31		
Program Exp	3,305.00		
Office Exp	7,890.00		
Project Registration and Affiliation	17,870.00		
Property Tax	105,571.00		
Student Stipend	26,780.00		
	<u>2,020,730.66</u>		<u>2,020,730.66</u>

As per our report of even date

Signed after reading through Sd/- before us.

For **Soundararajan & Co**
Chartered Accountants

For **The National Federation**
of the Blind, Maharashtra

Sd/-
CA S.Srinivasan
M No 044302

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Dated : 17th December 2018



THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND, MAHARASHTRA

NFBM Industrial Vocational Training & Rehabilitation Centre - Aurangabad

Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2018

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
NFBM Head Office		FIXED ASSETS	
	6,686,342.55	(as per schedule attached)	886,439.80
CURRENT LIABILITIES		CURRENT ASSETS	
O/S Audit Fees	5,900.00	Cash in hand	18,005.00
O/S Prof Charges	10,000.00	Bank Balances	180,133.95
		INCOME & EXPENDITURE A/C	4,761,766.14
		Add : DEFICIT FOR THE YEAR	855,897.66
	<u>6,702,242.55</u>		<u>6,702,242.55</u>

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THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND, MAHARASHTRA

NFBM Industrial Vocational Training & Rehabilitation Centre - Aurangabad

Fixed Assets Schedule forming part of Annual Accounts for year ended 31-03-2018

Asset Description	WDV as on 01.04.17 Rs.	Additions/ (Deletions) Rs.	TOTAL Rs.	Depreciation (@10%) Rs.	WDV as on 31.03.2018 Rs.
Audio Recording Equipments	5,314.50	-	5,314.50	531.45	4,783.05
Bedding		11,000.00	11,000.00	1,100.00	9,900.00
Cots	33,822.45	-	33,822.45	3,382.25	30,440.21
Computer	84,613.68	67,890.00	152,503.68	15,250.37	137,253.31
Furniture & Fixtures	142,636.86	62,449.00	205,085.86	20,508.59	184,577.27
Cupboard	9,405.00		9,405.00	940.50	8,464.50
File Machinery	290,232.45		290,232.45	29,023.25	261,209.21
Ceiling Fan	3,813.30		3,813.30	381.33	3,431.97
Inverter	34,211.29		34,211.29	3,421.13	30,790.16
Water Machine		57,160.00	57,160.00	5,716.00	51,444.00
Water Tank		4,500.00	4,500.00	450.00	4,050.00
Water Cooler	44,005.50	666.00	44,671.50	4,467.15	40,204.35
Software	25,739.28		25,739.28	2,573.93	23,165.35
Utensils	8,653.50	5,700.00	14,353.50	1,435.35	12,918.15
Solar Unit	93,120.30		93,120.30	9,312.03	83,808.27
TOTAL	775,568.11	209,365.00	984,933.11	98,493.31	886,439.80



THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND, MAHARASHTRA

NFBM Braille Publishing Centre

Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 2018

EXPENDITURE		INCOME	
To Books and periodicals	15,029.00	By Bank Interest	19,817.00
Honorarium Paid	1,737,451.00	Grant in Aid -VMWare Foundation	3,017,200.00
Printing & Stationery	17,661.00	Sales & Sponsorship	1,747,543.00
Travelling & Conveyance	18,000.00		
Audit Fees	5,900.00		
Repairs & Maintenance	16,400.00		
Electricity Charges	96,000.00		
Binding & Forwarding	50,259.00		
Miscellaneous Expenses	90,180.00		
Postage, Internet & Telephone	61,300.30		
Bank Charges	483.35		
Premises Rent	84,000.00		
Paper Purchases	472,000.00		
Depreciation	228,718.34		
Surplus for the year	1,891,178.01		
	<u>4,784,560.00</u>		<u>4,784,560.00</u>

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For **Soundararajan & Co**

Chartered Accountants

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For **NFBM Braille Publishing Centre**



THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND, MAHARASHTRA

NFBM Braille Publishing Centre

Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2018

LIABILITIES	ASSETS
NFBM Jagruti School 240,056.50	FIXED ASSETS 2,058,465.06 (as per schedule attached)
CURRENT LIABILITIES	CURRENT ASSETS
O/s Audit Fees 5,900.00	Cash in hand 2,685.20
Other Liabilities 50,000.00	Bank Balances 876,047.15
	Braille Digital Library 198,912.00
	NFBM Head office 1,815,301.00
INCOME & EXPENDITURE A/C 2,764,275.90	
Add : SURPLUS for the year 1,891,178.01	
4,951,410.41	4,951,410.41

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For **Sundararajan & Co**

Chartered Accountants

CA S. Srinivasan

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For **NFBM Braille Publishing Centre**

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NFBM Braille Publishing Centre

Schedule of Fixed Assets

Asset Description	WDV as on 01.04.17 Rs.	Additions/ (Deletions) Rs.	TOTAL Rs.	Depreciation (@10%) Rs.	WDV as on 31.03.2018 Rs.
Digital Library Refreshable Display	773,615.52		773,615.52	77,361.55	696,253.97
Embosser	848,631.24	-	848,631.24	84,863.12	763,768.12
Braille Machinery	1,588.50	-	1,588.50	158.85	1,429.65
Computers	113,834.52	-	113,834.52	11,383.45	102,451.07
Fixtures	185,102.55	-	185,102.55	18,510.26	166,592.30
Furnitures	29,828.88	-	29,828.88	2,982.89	26,845.99
Publishing Centre	209,462.04	-	209,462.04	20,946.20	188,515.84
Printer HP-CP 1025		19,250.00	19,250.00	1,925.00	17,325.00
Scanner ADF Kodak	40,827.15	-	40,827.15	4,082.72	36,744.44
Braille Labeller	65,043.00		65,043.00	6,504.30	58,538.70
T O T A L	2,267,933.40	19,250.00	2,287,183.40	228,718.34	2,058,465.06



Hon. Nitin Patil (IAS), Commissioner, Disability Welfare while getting information about the special educational material available in Jagriti



The students are engrossed in reading Braille book in a classroom of Jagriti School for Blind Girls, Alandi, Pune



The Students of Jagriti School on the occasion of Republic Day flag hoisting



Mrs. Meena and Mr. Raghunandan Joshi have published Braille Book on Activities of Ineract Club during the year in Summer Camp-2017



The students of Jagriti school in mood of a sport activity



Students of Jagriti School have visited to Tech Mahindra Makers Lab as an activity in Summer Camp 2017



The students appeared for SSC Examination with their gifts given to them on the occasion of Send-off program.



A snap of Career Oriented Education Campus for the Blind... can see construction of Phase-2 of Hostel Building is in progress