# VONISHA SERVICE FOUNDATION



2017-2022.....





# Vonisha means – "Unique thinkers and excellent workers"

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#### **VISION**

Empower the lives of **underprivileged** through Education/life skills /Health/Sports/ Environment.

#### **MISSION**

Make a difference in the lives of **underprivileged** by scaling up with a **Cradle to Career** approach by blending passion with compassion, incorporating human values, skills and technology.

#### **CORE VALUES**

Compassion, Integrity, Transparency, Excellence & accountability.



# Challenges faced by Underprivileged

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- Displaced from their native places
- Language Barriers
- Daily wage laborers struggling to gain foothold
- Nomads in search of livelihood
- Unhygienic life style
- Children growth is their last priority
- Ignorance and illiteracy
- Falling into wrong hands leading to antisocial activities if not cared
- Psychological trauma
- Constant Threat to discontinue education

# Overview of Vonisha programs

- Vonisha Bridge Education program
- Mainstreaming through formal education
- Back to school project (OBE & NIOS)
- After School Program
- English Enrichment project
- Take off from school project
- Life skills to livelihood project
- Environment enhancement project



## **VONISHA BRIDGE EDUCATION PROGRAM**

- Bridge Program is a Tailor- made curriculum imparted to Out Of School Children /school dropouts aged 6-14.
- It bridges gaps in their education through one year Program.
- Children are mainstreamed into formal schools after the completion of Bridge Program.
- It targets the urban migrant population who are children of construction labourers and rag pickers.
- Since 2017, Vonisha Service Foundation has been running this program in and around Begur with due permission from Government authorities support under the scheme called Sarva Siksha Abhigyan and Samiksha Samagraha for school dropouts.

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No. of bridge project location	One	One	One	Nine onsite learning centres during pandemic	Nine onsite learnin g centre s during pande mic	Nine onsite learning centres during pandemic		
No. of children in Bridge	120	138	119	94	159	60	630	





# VONISHA BRIDGE PROGRAM-BRIDGING GAPS IN EDUCATION



Since 2017, Vonisha Service Foundation has been running an one-year Bridge Education Program in and around Begur, for Out of School Children aged 4-14, with due permission from Government authorities support under the scheme called Sarva Siksha Abhigyan and Samiksha Samagraha for school dropouts.





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## MAINSTREAMING for FORMAL EDUCATION

Dreams.... to... blossom

Those who finished Bridge program need to be mainstreamed into formal schools like Government school, Private schools, National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) for providing further structured education.



#### NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF OPEN SCHOOLING



#### LOW-COST ENGLISH MEDIUM SCHOOL



No. of children mainstreamed	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022(planne d)
In government school	27	23	26	NA	10
In low cost private school	24	40	28	NA	NA
Under NIOS	NA	NA	NA	NA	50
Total	51	63	54	NA**	60

## Children continuing education with our support as on March 2022

Government schools - 36 Low- cost English Medium school- 12 National Institute of Open schooling -61

## **OUR STRATEGY DURING PANDEMIC since 2020**

Pandemic brought in new challenges and opportunities. We identified NIOS as a viable long term option to pursue education... NIOS is a central government education program run through affiliated institutions. Vonisha mainstreams the school dropouts and out of school children after the completion of Bridge program into NIOS and supports them through Back to School Project (OBE&NIOS) by providing an appropriate personal care and attention on one to one basis.

## a. NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF OPEN SCHOOLING (NIOS)





- Online enrollment of children in NIOS website.
- Attached with NIOS accredited study centre
- Very nominal registration fees charged for registration by the Government.
- Handholding and follow up strategy by the NGO
- Cost effective and sustainable model
- Personal tutor support

## **b.** ONSITE COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTRES







- Vonisha hired rooms near to the settlements of these underprivileged / utilized the space offered by volunteers.
- We opened up nine learning centres to cover up 12 slums.
- Our team of facilitators go to these learning centres to facilitate education of Bridge / Mainstreamed children.
- As attending online classes were not fruitful to these children and off-line classes were banned, we adopted this strategy to secure these children.
- Very effectively scaled up since beginning of the pandemic till date March 2022.

# AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM(ASP)

As Vonisha works with I<sup>st</sup> generation learners, hand holding these children after their regular school hours and follow-up is very much needed .ASP is a tool and way forward for these children. It reinforces the curriculum taught at formal schools. The support is being given to children mainstreamed in government school, low-cost private school and NIOS.





MAINSTREAM SCHOOL	CURRENT STATUS
Govt school	36
Low-cost pvt/aided school	12
NIOS admission	61
Total	109

## **ENVIRONMENT PROECT**

Name of the project- Vonisha REEDOW Miyawaki Forest Development Project. Venue of the Project- Vayalpatti, in Gandhiji Government Middle school, Theni District, Tamilnadu.

Number of Trees Planted- 500 trees during April 2021

Care taker- REEDOW trust and Vonisha Volunteer Mr. Pradeep vivekanandan.

Land utilized - 9188 sq. Feet with permission from BEO and school SDMC

Nature of trees planted- Fruit, flower, seasonal, vegetable trees that suits to soil.

Purpose of the project- Bio-diversity and grow trees to save soil and water of

Mother Earth

**Impact Study-** continuous periodical follow-up through physical visit by our volunteers and report shared through live videos and sharing experiences helps us to understand the impact created through this biodiversity initiative.





## VONISHA REEDOW MIYAWAKI FOREST DEVELOPMENT PROJECT - 2021



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# LIFE SKILL PROJECT



## LIFESKILLS TO LIVELIHOOD

# DEVELOPING LIFESKILLS AND CREATIVITY IN VILLAGE CHILDREN











Supported by:





Name of the Project- Life skills to Livelihood

Venue of the Project ( 4 villages) - Bingipura, Hulimangla, Vittasandra & Mylasandra in Bengaluru.

**Project Period- 1** year

Nature of Beneficiaries- Children aged 5-14 years studying in Government schools and other low-cost private schools in rural / semi-rural areas.

Number of Beneficiaries- 120+ children

**Purpose of the Project**- To develop life skills and creativity in village children through sports , traditional indoor /outdoor games ,creative activities etc

**Future course of action**: to reach 26 more villages by 2023

#### Our interventions During Covid 19 pandemic (2020-2022) where it was needed most

- When the pandemic hit this country, the most affected were the underprivileged as their livelihood was at stake and we realised it early on and ensured that the staff provide emotional support by being in regular touch through phone calls and slum visits to provide dry ration.
- As on March 2022, Vonisha provided 2827 dry ration kits, (each worth around Rs. 1000 on an average) worth around 30 lakhs approximately, 3000 masks, 75 woollen blankets, 900 nutritious energy bars, more than 500 cooked meals and 70kg of vegetables to needy families since March 2020 till Dec 2021 through CSR donation from KOCH Business Solutions India Ltd, Quotient Technology India Pvt Ltd, Molex Business Solutions India, Lets Do Some Good Foundation, Aarambh Foundation, Lions club HSR, silk sense, general contribution from public and also we distributed some of the mentioned above items to the needy as received in kind from donors..
- In collaboration with Molex (India) PVT Ltd ,we distributed **Covid medical preventive kits worth Rs.500000**/ to the Deputy Health Office ,Mahadevapura Zone, Bengaluru
- We keep **upgrading the teachers** skills by organising **workshops** focussed on teaching nuances which helps them immensely. Also our staff attended many workshops organised by Vonisha Service foundation in association with Indian Institute for Montessori and Rotary club.Our staffs have attended Story telling workshops organised by Hippocampus in Koramangala.
- We partnered with Dheya Trust to mentor, monitor and hand hold school finishing students (10<sup>th</sup> std) of Vonisha through Career Awareness sessions, Career Counselling sessions like Psycho-metric tests, one –one sessions, closing sessions which helps to implement this School Finishing Project for last mile connectivity.







# Vonisha - Supporting the needy Government schools GMPS, BEGUR-During 2018-19 Donated a school bell and facilitated to renovate toilets. Conducted Children's day ,Teacher's celebrations and gave gifts and prizes

- to children. Brought motivational speakers to encourage the children. Conducted health camps at school. Donated a big school Bell.
- Government High school, Begur-. We constructed a Girls Toilet in Government High School, Begur with the help of the Lions Club HSR. As there was no gate at the backyard of the school which was very dangerous for the safety of the children, we facilitated to fix up a gate over there.
- GLPS, Chikkabegur- In 2017-18, We also facilitated to improve the infrastructure of the Government School GLPS, Chikkabegur by providing benches, desks, steel almirahs etc worth around 4 lakhs where need was there.
- GMPS, Hongasandra- In 2019-20, Vonisha donated a sanitary napkin vending machine with 500 disposable pads and also a 1 HP branded water motor as requested by HM of the school

















### Compassion makes a difference, When passion is involved

#### **During Vonisha Bridge Program**



She is Divya aged 13 years. She has two younger siblings. During our survey for OOSC in April 2019 ,we found her going for job instead of going to school. We asked her whether she is interested to join our school, very happily she agreed the same but she was doubtful if her father will allow her to go to school or not. Her father who is a cook has been addicted to alcohol since last ten years and spends most of his earnings to drink and abuse his wife and children. Her mother was helpless. With their neighbours and house owner's support, our team somehow convinced her parents and enrolled her into Bridge Program. Initially she knew only Kannada to speak and to write for some extend with minimum basic literacy level.



#### **After joining Vonisha Program**

She completed her Bridge Program Sep 2020 and came out with flying colours .She is 15+ years old now .As She was in need of English medium education,we enrolled her in NIOS to sustain her education without any further interruption. She completed grade 7<sup>th</sup> by April 2022.Her attitude towards peers, teachers, family and surroundings, communication skills ,leadership qualities are highly appreciable as she transformed a lot. During lockdown and pandemic, while catching up with formal education, she also worked as a maid for part-time to support the family for livelihood. She wants to support the education of her siblings through her income. Even though she undergoes some challenges, she doesn't want to give-up. Now she wanted to study further up to her potential and she wants to be a Teacher in future. She does not want her mother to work as a maid and give rest to her mother as a home maker.

Will you join with **VONISHA** to create more Divyass....? We need you **Now.....** 



#### **EXPERIENCE SHARED BY A PARENT**

Her name is **Pushpa** lives in the place called Doddakammanahalli and working as a maid there. Her husband name is Muni Raju works as a driver. She is having two kids named Shamitha 7 years old and Yeshas 5 years old. Pushpa wants to give English Medium education for her kids but not affordable to enrol even in a low-cost English medium. She leaves the children alone at home and goes for work

The older one was looking after the younger one when parents were away from them and at work. Our team found them during survey in June 2021and enrolled them in to our bridge program and the kids were studying since then in Bridge Program. Now Pushpa is very happy by seeing her daughter Shamitha's improvement. Her discipline, positive attitude, helping to other smaller children are few examples. She sends her kids to Bridge Program regularly without taking unwanted leaves and she wants to give her children good quality education.

She suggests and recommends us many OUT OF SCHOOL CHILDREN to us in her locality as she believes in that like her own children even other children also to be benefitted through our program. She had enrolled five OOSC so far and she was recognized and rewarded by Vonisha for her good work.

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