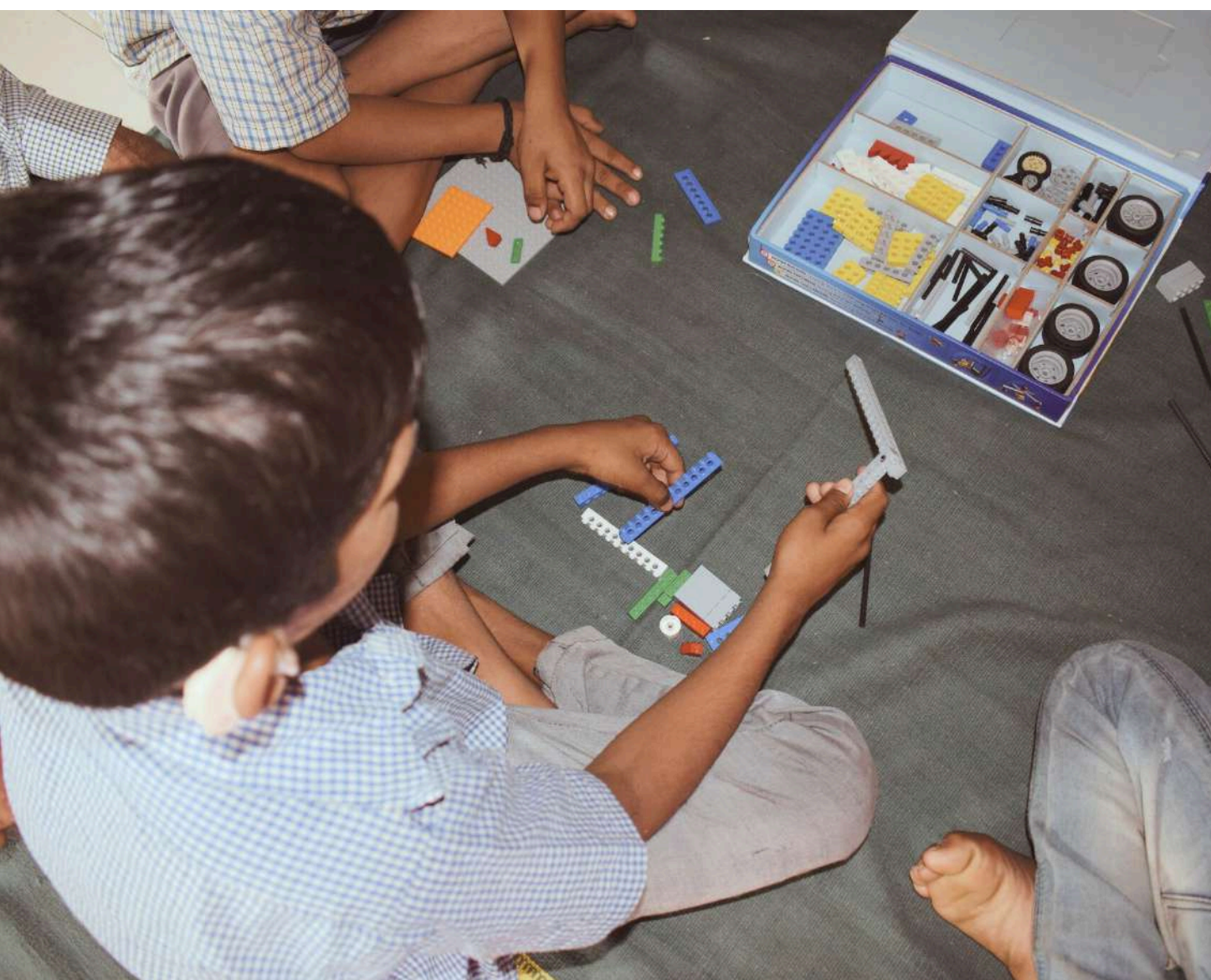


VAANI DEAF CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

# ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24





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# FOUNDER'S MESSAGE



## LETTER FROM THE FOUNDER

Dear Supporters and Advocates of VAANI,

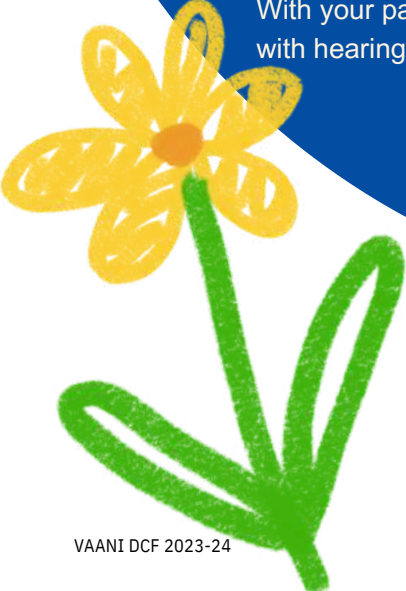
As the founder of VAANI Deaf Children's Foundation, I am profoundly moved by the strides we have taken together on this journey. From the inception of our organization to the present day, our mission has remained steadfast to empower and uplift individuals with hearing loss, fostering a world of inclusion and opportunity.

Each year, as we compile our annual report, I am reminded of the countless lives we have touched and the impact we have made. It is a testament to the dedication of our team, the generosity of our supporters, and the resilience of the communities we serve.

Our work goes beyond providing services it is about instilling hope, breaking down barriers, and nurturing potential. Whether it is through early intervention programs, educational initiatives, or advocacy efforts, every endeavour brings us closer to our vision of a society where every individual, regardless of hearing ability, can thrive.

As we celebrate our achievements and reflect on our challenges, I am filled with gratitude for your unwavering commitment to our cause. Together, we have built a legacy of compassion, empowerment, and impact.

Thank you for your continued support, dedication, and belief in the mission of VAANI. With your partnership, we will continue to create a world where the voices of individuals with hearing loss are heard and valued.





# CHAIRPERSON'S STATEMENT



## LETTER FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

Dear Esteemed Supporters of VAANI,

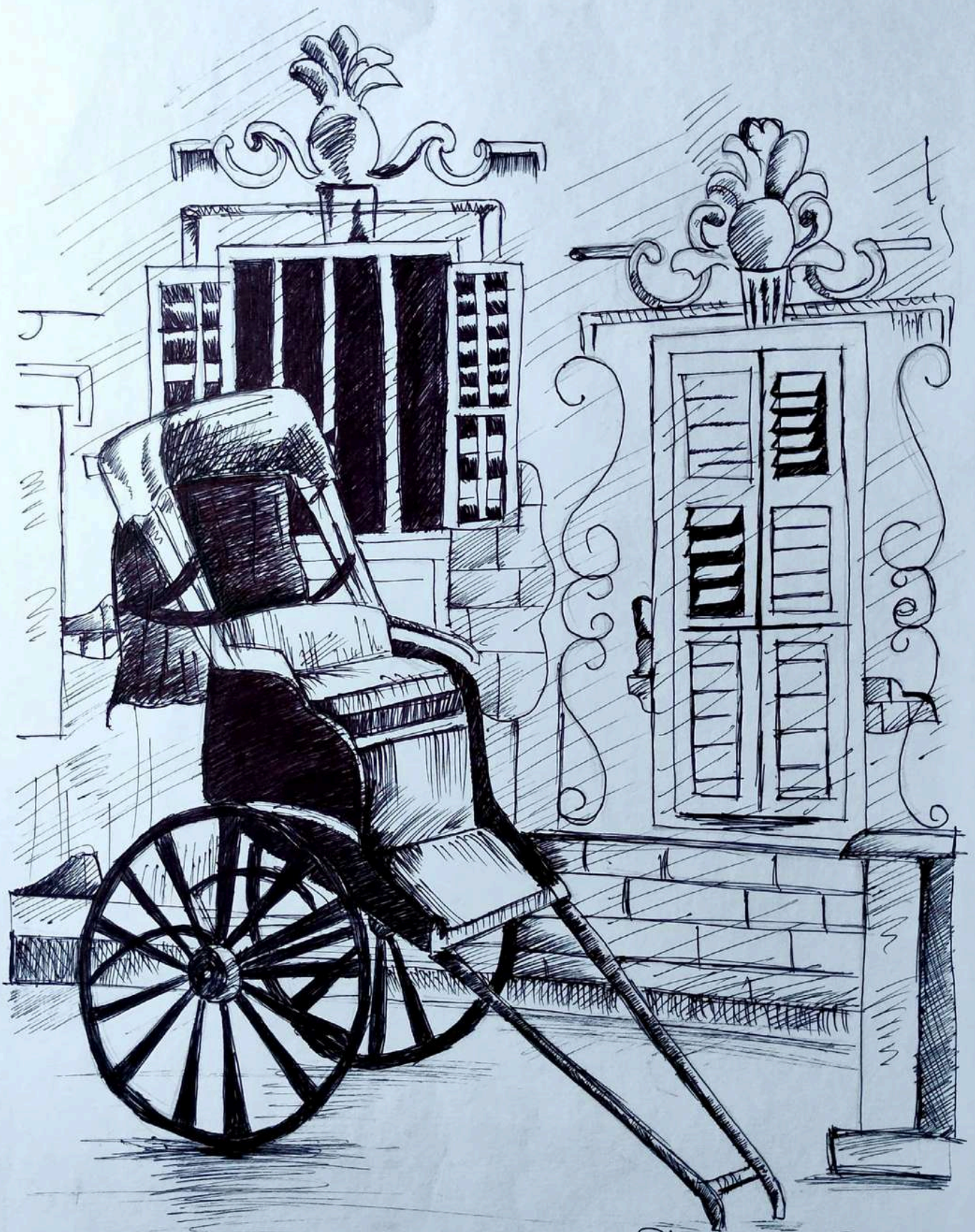
As I reflect on the achievements of VAANI Deaf Children's Foundation, it evokes a deep sense of gratitude and pride within me. Together, we have embarked on a mission to reshape the landscape of inclusivity for individuals with hearing loss.

At VAANI, our dedicated team passionately engages with families and children from the earliest stages, commencing with newborn screening. We champion early intervention, providing vital educational support and therapy to enable children with hearing impairment to forge meaningful connections with their surroundings. Witnessing the sheer joy and comprehension that illuminates a child's countenance when they feel understood serves as an immeasurable reward for our endeavor .

As we begin our journey next year, our vision of delivering services where they are most needed and least available remains steadfast. We are resolute in our commitment to empowering parents and caregivers, equipping them with the necessary tools and knowledge to nurture their deaf children.

Join us in our journey as we need your wise counsel, dedication, commitment and support to make this much needed transformation.





Shubam Rajwar



# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



## LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

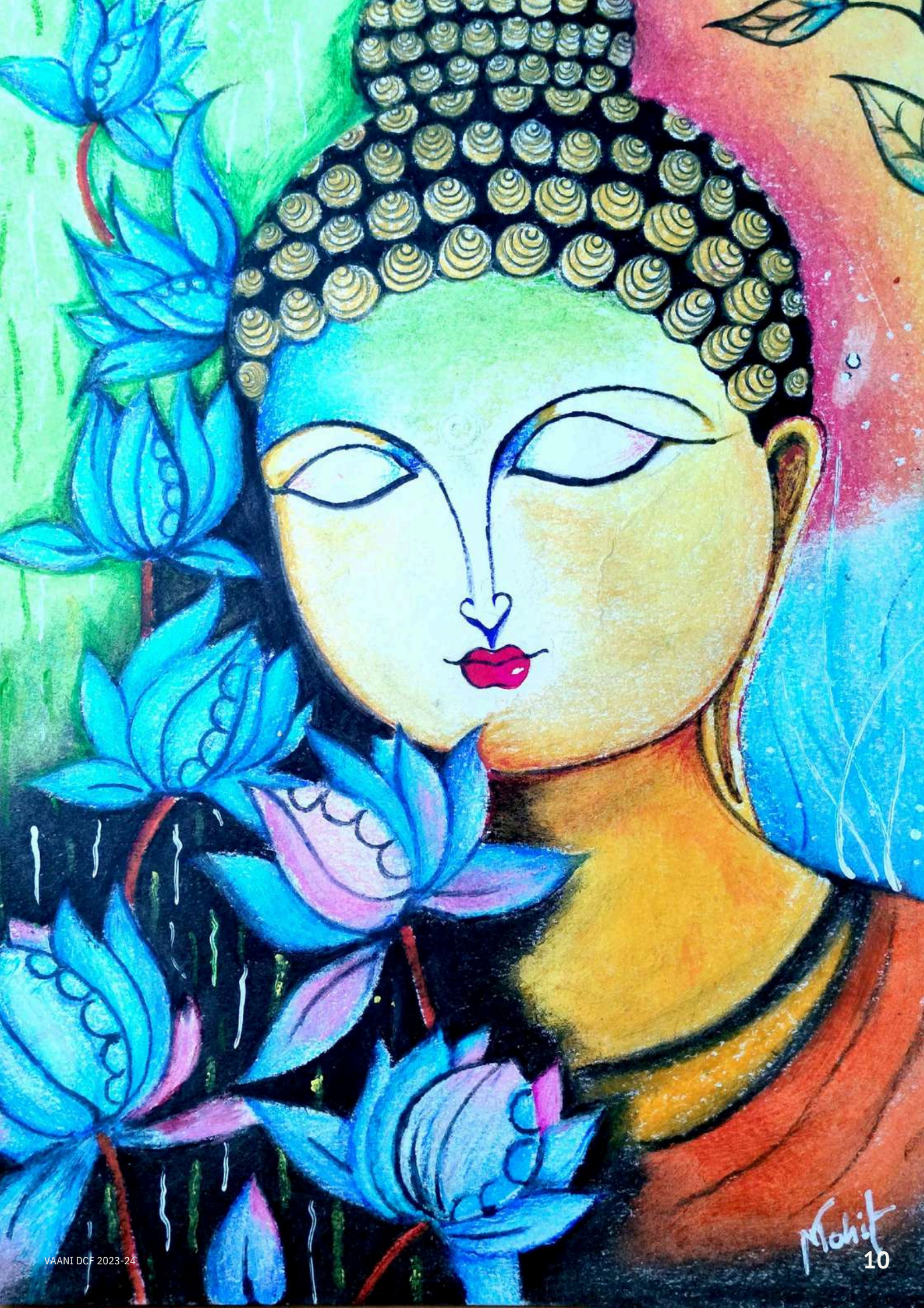
As we reflect on the past year, I am filled with immense pride and gratitude for the strides we've made at VAANI Deaf Children's Foundation. The year 2023-24 has been marked by unwavering dedication and tireless efforts from our team, partners, and beneficiaries alike.

Through our programs in Health, Education, and Skill Building, we continue to empower deaf children and their families, fostering a more inclusive society.

The success stories we've witnessed serve as a testament to the impact of our work. From educational advancements to enhanced access to healthcare and skill development opportunities, every achievement reinforces our belief in the transformative power of collective action.

Looking ahead, we are poised to build upon our accomplishments and explore new avenues for growth and collaboration. With your continued support and generosity, we are confident in our ability to create meaningful change in the lives of deaf children across communities.

On behalf of the entire VAANI family, I extend heartfelt thanks to each one of you for your unwavering support and belief in our mission. Together, let us continue to champion the rights and potential of every deaf child, ensuring they have the opportunity to thrive and succeed.



# Vision & Mission

## Vision

“Our Vision is to advocate for the right of every deaf child to a complete life with respect and dignity”.

## Values

We believe in INTEGRITY  
 We believe in PERSISTENCE  
 We believe in OPENNESS  
 We believe in TEAMWORK  
 We believe in SYSTEMS and PROCESSES  
 We LOVE to have FUN  
 We WORK with PASSION  
 We RESPECT, CARE and UNDERSTAND."



## Mission

“Our Mission is to bring language and communication into the lives of deaf children and their families and thus enabling them to have meaningful conversations between themselves and the world around them”.





## Our Approach

VAANI at present works in 5 States of India to provide Health, Education and Skill-building services to deaf children and their families.

## What we do

- Following a lifecycle approach for the holistic development of deaf children
- Capacity Building of Parents and Professionals
- Reaching untapped isolated pockets of Rural India
- Partnership model with Government Departments and Local Organizations



# HEADLINES FROM THE YEAR 2023-24

## MARCH 2023



On the occasion of World Hearing Day, VAANI DCF, in collaboration with the Health and Family Welfare Department of Karnataka, organized an ear screening camp for BMTC and Arogya Saudha staff. Approximately 170 individuals were screened and educated on the significance of ear health.

## APRIL 2023



A two-day intensive training session was conducted, and 63 Samagrah Shiksha Abhiyan teachers from six districts in Assam engaged in a comprehensive program covering story development and narration, sign language proficiency, curriculum adaptation, and more. This dynamic session provided an exceptional opportunity for professional growth, equipping educators with the tools necessary to create inclusive and effective learning environments for all children.

The dedication and enthusiasm of the teachers were instrumental in the success of this training.

## MAY 2023

The Kitchenette offered an exceptional opportunity for the hearing-impaired children from VAANI DCF to engage in a culinary experience. Facilitated by Founder & CEO Devika Agarwal and Social Venture Partner Kolkata, the children enjoyed preparing dishes like chocolate pie and pizza. Such experiences are invaluable in broadening their horizons and introducing potential career paths. This initiative not only enhanced their culinary skills but also fostered their connection with the broader community.



## JUNE 2023

Under our Youth Transition Program from Assam and Karnataka centers, the Tailoring Activity has shown significant progress. Starting with fundamental skills in sewing and embroidery, our children now proficiently operate sewing machines and consistently produce high-quality finished products.



## JULY 2023

Mr. Askari's story is a beacon of hope, illustrating that with the right mindset, education, and parental support, any obstacle can be surmounted, leading to extraordinary accomplishments. His inspiring journey and the profound impact it has on those facing similar challenges.



Mr Syed Askari mentioned about his journey: "As a hearing-impaired individual, I once felt life was unfair and opportunities were scarce. Many share this sentiment, questioning their place in society. However, education changed everything for me."

Syed Askari Abbas exemplifies the triumph of determination and passion over adversity. Despite his hearing impairment, Mr. Askari has achieved remarkable success in Graphic Design, Visual Art, 3D Modeling, and Animation, demonstrating that true potential knows no bounds.

## AUGUST 2023

Mr. Dipu Bara, our esteemed computer instructor at the VAANI Sadhan Centre in Siliguri. Despite being born deaf, Mr. Bara has demonstrated unwavering determination and passion in his pursuit of excellence.



He holds a B.A and D.Ed. from the prestigious Ali Yavar Jung National Institute of Speech and Hearing Disabilities, Eastern Regional Center, as well as a Diploma in Computer Application. His dedication to continuous learning is truly exceptional.

As an integral member of the VAANI family, Mr. Dipu Bara significantly impacts the children we serve, imparting essential computer skills while inspiring resilience and dedication.

## SEPTEMBER 2023

In honor of Deaf Awareness Month, VAANIDCF, in collaboration with Chiranthana and StemLab, launched a STEM program at our Gubbi Sadhan Centre.



Partnering with the Deenabandhu Organization, we inspired and supported newly identified deaf children in Gadag, conducting a community ear screening program for 158 children at Govt. Primary School.



An Awareness and Sensitization Workshop on Childhood Deafness was held for 101 Anganwadi workers in the Goroimari area, Chaygaon block, Kamrup district.



## OCTOBER 2023



Celebrating One Year of Success at VAANI Deaf Children's Foundation - Kolkata Youth Transition Centre (YTC).

Our YTC in Kolkata has been empowering children with hearing impairments through Remedial Teaching and Computer Training, helping 47 students excel in Science and Mathematics over the past year. Our dedicated team's efforts have paved the way for these children to achieve academic success and pursue their dreams.

## NOVEMBER 2023

We are happy to share the news that our amazing group of teachers Avijit, Aloy, Doly, Manisha, and Tonny—has been recognized for their unwavering commitment and tireless efforts by receiving the prestigious Tech Mahindra Foundation Exemplar Long Service Award.

Additionally, our organization has been acclaimed as the top-rated non-profit for our impactful work.

More exciting news: our Executive Director, Ms. Sumedha Vijaylaxmi Joglekar, has been featured with an insightful article titled "Empowering Deaf Children: A 'Life Cycle' Approach to Skill Training" in the Pune International Centre's "Sampada" magazine. The article highlights our comprehensive approach to empowering deaf children.



## DECEMBER 2023

VAANIDCF has expanded its Newborn screening program at General Hospital Tiptur Taluk, Tumkur District Karnataka.



## JANUARY 2024

1. Hearing Aid distribution program was organised for 10 identified Children With Hearing Impairment from our Assam Sadhan centres.

2. STEM program, Expanded in partnership with Shri Sahu Chhatrapati Apang Kalyan Sanstha, Kagal, Kolhapur, our dedicated teachers and enthusiastic kids who are wholeheartedly embracing and enjoying the STEM program.

3. Another expansion of our program in P.S.Hasnabad, District North 24 Parganas, West Bengal, in collaboration with our New NGO partner, Joygram Social Welfare Society. This milestone in our journey means that 30 Deaf Children and their Families will now have wider access to communication, and language development.

## FEBRUARY 2024

1. The Employee Engagement Activity with our philanthropic partner Pan seeds & Regaal Resources Limited was a delightful exploration of the Indian Sign Language world. It enhanced team unity and encouraged inclusivity, making it a rewarding experience.

2. We celebrated the successful completion of one year of our New Born Hearing Screening Program at Serampore Walsh Hospital, Hooghly, West Bengal.

3. VAANI Sign Connect, Born from the collaboration between VAANI Deaf Children's Foundation and SignAssistive AI. VAANI Sign Connect is just not an app; it is a promise of connection, empowerment, and belonging.

From learning Indian Sign Language (ISL) to empowering educators and facilitating seamless communication, VAANI Sign Connect is more than just a tool – it is a testament to the power of unity and inclusion.

## MARCH 2024

1. Ear Screening camp and Community Awareness Program in collaboration with Nongmensong. Darbar L.P School in Shillong, Meghalaya was organised.

The event saw active participation from a team of 8 dedicated teachers and over 100 enthusiastic children. Notably, the participants were provided with valuable lessons on maintaining good ear hygiene and Sign Language, contributing to a more inclusive and accessible community.

2. VAANIDCF Newborn Screening technician team has been recognized and honoured by the Health Department and NPPCD during the World Hearing Day celebration at the DHO office in Tumkur, Karnataka

3. 20 of our amazing children with hearing impairment have achieved a significant milestone: they've been promoted from the White Belt to the Yellow Belt in Karate





## Areas Of Intervention

From initiatives to impact, we follow a life cycle approach for the holistic development of Children With Hearing Impairments (CWHI)

### Health

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Our health outreach programs are dedicated to expanding access to essential health services in rural and underserved areas. By collaborating with government hospitals, we conduct newborn hearing screenings to ensure early detection and intervention for hearing impairments. Additionally, we organize community ear checkups to reach untapped locations, providing critical healthcare services to those who need them most.

### Education

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VAANI's education program adopts a life cycle approach for children with hearing impairments (CWHI), from foundational literacy to secondary and higher education. We emphasize developing language and communication skills and provide training for parents to understand and support their deaf children's communication needs. Additionally, we focus on helping deaf children succeed in their school curriculum, particularly in subjects like science, maths, and language, ensuring they can cope and excel academically.

### Skill Building

VAANI's skill-building program empowers deaf children by providing them with vocational training, preparing them for higher education and job opportunities. This program aims to make them confident, independent, and productive members of society, equipping them with the skills needed to excel in their future careers.



# HEALTH-NEW BORN SCREENING



# NEW BORN SCREENING-OVERVIEW



**VAANI's newborn hearing screening program focuses on early detection and intervention for hearing loss in newborns, ensuring timely support and assistance for children with hearing impairment**

## **Universal Newborn Hearing Screening (UNHS)**

VAANI partners with government hospitals and newborns undergo a hearing screening shortly after birth, usually before they leave the hospital.

## **Diagnostic Evaluation**

The screening involves a simple and non-invasive test, such as otoacoustic emissions (OAE) or auditory brainstem response (ABR), to assess the baby's hearing sensitivity.

## **Early Intervention and Follow-Up**

Once hearing loss is confirmed, the newborn and their family are referred to appropriate early intervention services and support programs of VAANI and others.

Early intervention may include access to hearing aids, cochlear implants, auditory-verbal therapy, sign language instruction, and other services tailored to the child's needs.

# EDUCATIONAL INTERVENTION



# EDUCATIONAL INTERVENTION-OVERVIEW



**VAANI's Educational Intervention Program focuses on providing individualized and holistic support to children with hearing impairment and their families.**

## **Foundational & Preparatory Stage**

focus is on fostering foundational literacy, emphasizing Language and Arithmetic Skills, Motor development, Communication, and Life Skills development

## **Middle Stage**

The focus is on supporting students with school curriculum, emphasising life skills and digital literacy.

## **Secondary Stage**

Focus is on preparing students to excel in higher standard subjects, particularly in Science and Mathematics, with the goal of ensuring their success in passing the 10th standard.

# YOUTH AND SKILL BUILDING



# YOUTH AND SKILL BUILDING-OVERVIEW



**VAANI's youth transition and skill-building program empowers young individuals for successful adulthood by focusing on technology, vocational training, and personal safety. We aim to foster self-reliance, confidence, and readiness for a bright future.**

## Technology Training

Equipping youth with essential digital skills and literacy to thrive in today's tech-driven world.

## Vocational Training

Providing practical training and guidance to develop job-specific skills and enhance employability.

## Personal Safety Education

Educating youth on personal safety measures and strategies to navigate risks and challenges effectively.

# SOME IMAGES FROM OUR SKILL BUILDING PROGRAM



# We are excited to announce a significant addition to our Youth Transition and Educational Program: E-learning classrooms!

These E-learning classrooms are designed to provide deaf students with access to high-quality educational resources and interactive learning experiences. The initiative includes:

- Tailored Learning Materials: Customized content and materials that cater to the unique learning needs of deaf students, ensuring they receive a comprehensive education.
- Interactive Sessions: Engaging and interactive online sessions that facilitate better understanding and retention of course material.
- Accessible Technology: Utilizing cutting-edge technology and tools to make learning accessible, including captioned videos, sign language interpretation, and interactive quizzes.
- Supportive Learning Environment: Creating a virtual classroom environment that encourages collaboration, participation, and a sense of community among students.
- Continuous Mentorship: Providing ongoing mentorship and support to help students navigate their academic journey and prepare for future career opportunities.

By integrating E-learning classrooms into our program, we aim to bridge the educational gap for deaf students, empowering them to achieve their academic and career aspirations. This initiative marks a significant step towards creating an inclusive and supportive educational environment for all.



In partnership with Oceanik Educational Institution, we have launched this innovative initiative to support more than 60 deaf students in Pre-University Courses (PUC) and pursuing graduation.





# THE IMPACT REPORT

In the year 2023-24, VAANI has made a significant impact through our dedicated efforts in early childhood education. We have provided vital support to children with hearing impairments, ensuring they receive timely intervention and access to educational resources.

Additionally, our youth transition and skill-building programs have empowered young individuals with the necessary tools and skills to navigate their journey into adulthood successfully. By focusing on areas such as technology literacy, vocational training, and personal safety education, we have enabled youth to become self-reliant, confident, and prepared for a bright future.

Our commitment to inclusion and empowerment has made a tangible difference in the lives of those we serve, fostering a more equitable and accessible society for all.

**We reached 806 deaf children and 1612 parents, delivering 29,678 Individualized Educational Assistance sessions through dedicated educators and interventionists.**



**In total of 15489 neonates have been screened and 35 have been referred for BERA confirmation, out of which 5 were identified as having hearing loss.**



**172 children enrolled in computer training, received 5672 sessions. Additionally, 61 children received 2911 tailoring sessions, while 40 participated in 50 Karate training sessions, with 20 advancing to the next level and earning yellow belts.**



Pari Saikia, a seventeen-and-a-half-year-old girl from Haluwagaon, Nagaon in Assam, has shown that determination and the right support can overcome any obstacle. Despite facing significant challenges due to her bilateral severe hearing loss, Pari remained focused on her academic success.

Attending Haluwagaon High School, Pari aimed to pass her 10th Board exams. Since 2015, she and her mother have been actively involved with VAANI's Outreach Centre in Puranigudam, Nagaon. The regular Educational Sessions and Parents Workshops at VAANI played a crucial role in her academic journey. The VAANI team's dedicated efforts, combined with her mother's proactive involvement, ensured Pari's holistic development and boosted her confidence.

Pari's mother proudly shares, ***"I am so happy today because my daughter has passed her 10th Board exams. I am immensely grateful to Dudumoni and Taherul Sir, and the entire VAANI team for their unwavering support."***

Pari's success in her 10th Board exams is a testament to her resilience and the support from her family and VAANI. She aspires to become a teacher, and VAANI remains committed to helping her achieve this dream.

Pari Saikia's story is an inspiring example of how determination and community support can lead to remarkable achievements. VAANI Deaf Children's Foundation continues to empower children like Pari, helping them overcome challenges and reach their full potential.





Anisha Borah, an eighteen-year-old from Naltoli, Kaliabor, Nagaon, has shown remarkable resilience in overcoming her bilateral severe hearing loss. Living with her parents, Sumi and Haren, and her younger sister, Anisha's journey has been one of determination and support.

Diagnosed at the age of three, Anisha was enrolled in a general school due to the lack of early intervention centres. In 2015, her mother discovered VAANI's Outreach Centre in Puranigudam, Nagaon. Since then, they have regularly attended sessions and workshops, receiving vital support and guidance.

Anisha recently passed her 10th Board Exams from Paschim Pubthoria High School in Kaliabor. Her mother expresses gratitude, saying, "The VAANI team from Guwahati supported us tremendously. Dudumoni and Teherul Sir dedicated significant time and effort, to providing notes and simplifying complex concepts for Anisha. This empowerment has been immensely helpful."

Beyond academics, Anisha has a keen interest in modelling and art, having participated in several fashion shows. She plans to complete her 12th grade and pursue a career in computers.

Anisha's story is a testament to her perseverance and the unwavering support from her family and VAANI. We wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

VAANI Deaf Children's Foundation remains committed to empowering children like Anisha, helping them achieve their dreams and reach their full potential.

# STEM PROGRAM



Through engaging, hands-on activities, children have had the opportunity to explore and discover the wonders of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

Additionally, parents have received valuable support and resources to encourage STEM learning at home, fostering a supportive environment for their children's educational journey.

Furthermore, our dedicated efforts in training teachers have strengthened their capacity to deliver quality STEM education, ensuring that our impact extends beyond individual sessions to classrooms and communities. Together, we are building a foundation for lifelong learning and innovation."

***Reaching a total of 189 children, 116 parents, and 39 teachers.***



# SPEECH TRAINING



"Our Speech Training Sessions emphasize a holistic development strategy, integrating auditory, tactile, and kinesthetic inputs to foster effective speech and communication skills.

Through tailored exercises and engaging activities, children have been empowered to overcome speech challenges and enhance their ability to express themselves confidently.

Each session serves as a pivotal opportunity for children to strengthen their communication abilities, paving the way for improved social interaction and academic success.

***Reached 90  
children  
through a  
remarkable  
total of 1150  
sessions***

# HEARING AIDS DISTRIBUTION



"Hearing aids serve as crucial tools in bridging the gap to sound, enabling children with bilateral hearing loss to immerse themselves more fully in the world around them.

With the support of hearing aids, they can now engage more effectively with their surroundings, actively participate in educational settings, and cultivate meaningful connections with peers and loved ones.

At VAANI, we strongly believe that simply providing technological aid is not enough. That's why we ensure that each hearing-impaired child receives individualized training tailored to their unique communication needs.

Additionally, we provide counselling and guidance to parents on the proper usage and maintenance of the hearing aids, empowering them to support their child's journey to hearing wellness."

***153 children  
with bilateral  
hearing loss  
have been  
fitted with  
hearing aids***



# COMMUNITY EAR CHECKUPS



"Across Assam, Meghalaya, and Karnataka, VAANI has made a significant impact, through its community-driven initiatives.

These serve as crucial touchpoints, connecting us with diverse communities and spreading awareness on the prevention of hearing loss, the importance of early identification, and ear hygiene practices.

Each camp not only provides essential ear health screenings but also empowers individuals and families with knowledge and resources to safeguard their hearing wellness.

Through these efforts, we are fostering a culture of proactive ear care and ensuring that every individual has the opportunity to enjoy the benefits of healthy hearing."

***Reached 3100  
children and  
adults through  
45 ear checkup  
camps***

# COMMUNITY AWARENESS



"Another key component of VAANI's initiatives is the Community Awareness Program, which educates community professionals.

These training sessions focus on the early identification of deafness, its impacts, and the creation of a supportive environment for those affected and their families.

Leveraging the expertise and networks of our partners, we aim to reach a broad audience and instigate enduring change.

By equipping community professionals with this knowledge, VAANI ensures wider access to early detection and support, promoting a more inclusive society.

***With 16 such initiatives, the knowledge of 2000 community professionals was enhanced.***

# TEACHER TRAININGS



Our teacher training program aims to equip teachers in mainstream schools with the skills to create an inclusive environment for children with hearing impairments.

Additionally, we focus on training our special educators, who work with these children, in the latest techniques.

The training emphasizes using directed activities, storytelling, textbook adaptation, and sign language as tools to develop language skills and enhance comprehension and knowledge for these students.

***We reached  
275 Teachers 5  
teacher training  
workshops***

# SOME IMAGES FROM OUR TRAINING SESSIONS



# TECHNICIAN TRAINING



Our New Born Hearing Screening Technicians from Assam, West Bengal, and Karnataka came together on December 4th for an enriching training session!

They delved into the significance of screening, dos and don'ts, counselling techniques, social and emotional support to parents, and the vital role of community collaboration.

The training strategy used was Engaging role plays, fun games, and heartfelt conversations fostering awareness and solutions!

# PARENTS TRAININGS



To further support parents, VAANI conducts training sessions that address understanding childhood deafness, communication skills, and strategies for fostering language development at home.

Using a participatory approach and interactive methods, these sessions ensure parents can apply what they learn in their daily lives. These trainings are essential for creating an environment where children can naturally develop their language skills.

Additionally, parents receive guidance on life skills and child sexual abuse, equipping them with the tools to support their children's holistic development and help them navigate societal challenges.

***540 Parents  
were equipped  
to support their  
children's  
holistic  
development:  
through 26  
training  
sessions,***

# SELF DEFENCE TRAINING



This groundbreaking initiative aims to empower hearing-impaired children by providing them with comprehensive self-defence training. The children participate in training sessions twice a week, equipping them with valuable skills and techniques to ensure their safety and well-being.

In addition to the self-defence training, the VAANI Deaf Children's Foundation recognises the importance of nutrition in the overall development of children. As part of the program, we are proud to offer regular nutritional supplements in the form of Ragi malt, prepared from grains and nuts. These supplements not only provide essential nutrients but also promote their overall health and growth.

The collaboration between VAANI Deaf Children's Foundation and the Indian Red Cross School for Hearing Impaired Children signifies our joint commitment to empowering children with hearing impairments and fostering their holistic development.

***Reached 40  
children by  
providing them  
with  
comprehensive  
self-defence  
training***

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20 of our amazing children with hearing impairment have achieved a significant milestone: they've been promoted from the White Belt to Yellow Belt in Karate!



# IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM

Third-Party Assessment Prepared by Impactree  
Data Technologies Pvt. Ltd

## ABOUT THE IMPACT STUDY OBJECTIVES

The goal of this impact report was to comprehend the impact that VAANI has had on the lives of Children with Hearing Impairment (CWHI) & their families by providing them with the necessary support in terms of training

## A year with unique challenges

Impact reports cater to a variety of audiences, so it's best to adjust it accordingly. First, identify your target reader. Next, you can shift your focus on what they need to know. For example, your future plans are in the interest of your beneficiaries. Some readers might prefer details like a breakdown of your funding while others, like your trustees, will be more interested in the challenges you encountered.

### Impact Assessment-Key Findings-NPS (Net Promoter Score)

**88%**

**The Happiness of Child-** All of the parents interviewed have responded that their child is much happier post joining VAANI.

**96%**

**Peer-to-Peer and Family Interaction-**Parents mentioned that their child is more interactive within the household leading to better relations with family.

**97%**

**Inclination Towards Studies**  
The parents have mentioned that their child's confidence in communicating has improved.







# Employees Engagement

VAANI had the honor of partnering with ExxonMobil, Pan Seeds, and Regal Resources, our esteemed philanthropic allies, for a deeply impactful volunteer initiative. During this activity, the employees generously dedicated their time to immersing themselves in learning Indian Sign Language and learning effective communication strategies for the Deaf community.

Additionally, we conducted an experiential learning activity, organizing a treasure hunt game to offer insights into the challenges faced by our Deaf peers and the realities of living without hearing. With the enthusiastic participation of over 300 individuals, the session was an inspiring testament to our collective commitment to inclusion and understanding.

The culmination of the event was particularly moving as we united to perform the Indian National Anthem in Indian Sign Language, symbolizing our shared dedication to bridging communication barriers and fostering unity within our diverse society.



VAANI prioritizes celebrating all festivals. It is an opportunity for language development, learning about your city and country, understanding diverse cultures, team building, fun, enjoyment, and love!





## An Evening to Remember - October 6th, 2023

SVP India hosted its annual fundraising event, 'Setu,' in Kolkata, a memorable evening marked by the incredible generosity of our supporters. VAANI DCF raised an impressive **₹1 crore 6 lacs**, ensuring the continuity of our ongoing projects and providing critical support for deaf children. Additionally, these funds will enable us to expand our reach, extending our programs to more children in need across the country and making a broader impact.



## One-Year Milestone of Our Youth Transition Centre

We are thrilled to announce the completion of the first-year milestone of our Youth Transition Centre (YTC), supported by the SVP Kolkata Chapter. Our YTC has been dedicated to empowering children with hearing impairments through remedial teaching and computer training.

Over the past year, we have had the privilege of assisting 47 incredible children in their educational journey. This initiative has enabled them to aim high and achieve their dreams. Our primary goal is to help these children successfully complete their 10th grade, laying the foundation for a bright and promising future.

Through our targeted support and comprehensive programs, we are committed to providing the necessary tools and resources to ensure these children can thrive academically and personally. We look forward to continuing this important work and celebrating more milestones in the years to come.



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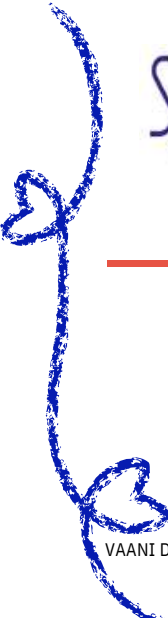
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### Independent Auditor's Report

To  
The Trustees of  
Vaani Deaf Children's Foundation

#### Opinion

We have audited the accompanying Financial Statements of vaani Deaf children's foundation comprise the Balance Sheet as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024, the Income and Expenditure Account and Receipts and Payment Account for the year then ended and a summary of Notes and significant Accounting Policies.

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the Financial Statements give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India of the state of affairs of the Trust as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2024, and the *Excess of Income Over Expenditure* for the year ended on that date.

#### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI). Our responsibilities under those Standards are further described in the "Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements" section of our report. We are independent of the entity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the Financial Statements and we have fulfilled our ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and ICAI's Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidences we have obtained are sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### **Management's Responsibility for the Standalone Financial Statements**

Management of the Trust is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the Financial Statements in accordance with the Accounting Standards generally accepted in India, and for such internal control as Management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of Financial Statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the Financial Statements, the Management is responsible for assessing the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Management either intends to liquidate the entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so. The Management is also responsible for overseeing the Trust's financial reporting process.

### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Statements are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an Auditor's Report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Standard Auditing Practises prescribed by ICAI will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these Financial Statements.

We communicate with the Management regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.



## Other Matters

Further, based on our audit we report that:

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



For Phillippos & Co  
Chartered Accountants  
FRN: 002650S

**Nikita L Antony**

Partner

Membership No: 239414

UDIN:24239414BKCZZO4543

Place: Bengaluru

Date:19-06-2024

**Vaani Deaf Children's Foundation**  
**Balance Sheet as on 31st March 2024**

Particulars	Schedule	31.03.2024 Rs.	31.03.2023 Rs.
<b><u>Source of Funds</u></b>			
Trust Fund	1	30,111	30,111
General Fund	2	2,75,50,005	2,28,06,718
PHF Fund	3	-	-
Current Liabilities & Provisions	4	71,38,729	31,81,541
		3,47,18,845	2,60,18,370
<b><u>Application of Funds</u></b>			
Fixed Assets	5	81,84,862	47,48,435
Loans & Advances	6	5,10,425	3,23,816
Cash & Bank Balances	7	2,60,23,558	2,09,46,119
		3,47,18,845	2,60,18,370

For VAANI Deaf Children's Foundation

For Phillipos & Co.  
Chartered Accountants  
FRN : 002650 S

For VAANI DEAF CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

*Ramashwamy*

TRUSTEE & CHAIRPERSON



T V Ramaswamy  
Trustee, Chairperson

*Sumedha*  
Sumedha Vijaylaxmi Joglekar  
Director

*Nikita L Antony*

Nikita L Antony  
Partner

Date: 19-06-2024  
Place: Bangalore

For VAANI DEAF CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

*Sumedha*  
Director

Mem.No. 239414  
UDIN: 24239414BKCCZZO4543



**Vaani Deaf Children's Foundation**  
**Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 2024**

Particulars	Schedule	31.03.2024 Rs.	31.03.2023 Rs.
<b>Income</b>			
Grants & Donations	8	3,56,76,768	2,66,70,504
Other Income	9	7,85,418	6,49,675
		<b>3,64,62,186</b>	<b>2,73,20,179</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Human Resource	10		
Project		87,24,307	
General		31,33,175	1,26,06,473
Operational Expenses	11		
Project		1,23,65,663	
General		23,96,989	61,53,461
Office & Administrative Expenses	12		
Project		25,93,416	
General		7,92,793	33,86,209
Fund Raising Activity	13	3,59,178	6,32,136
Bank Charges		13,777	1,42,871
Write off/Reversal of old balances		(30,300)	2,62,440
Depreciation	5	14,21,440	8,88,162
<b>Excess of Income over Expenditure</b>		<b>46,91,748</b>	<b>36,11,084</b>
		<b>3,64,62,186</b>	<b>2,73,20,179</b>

For VAANI Deaf Children's Foundation

As per our report of even date  
For Phillipos & Co.  
Chartered Accountants  
FRN : 002650 S

For VAANI DEAF CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

*Ram Ramaswamy*

TRUSTEE & CHAIRPERSON



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For VAANI DEAF CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION

*Sumedha Vijaylaxmi Joglekar*  
Director

Date: 19-06-2024  
Place: Bangalore



**Vaani Deaf Children's Foundation**  
**Receipts and Payment Account for the year ended 31st March 2024**

Particulars	Schedule		31.03.2024 Rs.	31.03.2023 Rs.
<b>Opening Cash and Bank balance</b>	14		2,09,46,119	2,17,80,897
<b>Receipts:</b>				
Grants & Donations	15		3,94,50,893	2,45,40,583
Other Income	16		8,03,528	6,49,675
Liabilities	17		2,34,602	-
			<b>6,14,35,142</b>	<b>4,69,71,155</b>
<b>Payments:</b>				
Human Resource	18			
Project		87,24,307		
General		31,33,175	1,18,57,482	1,26,06,473
Operational Expenses	19			
Project		1,23,65,663		
General		23,96,989	1,47,62,652	61,53,461
Office & Administrative Expenses	20			
Project		25,93,416		
General		7,92,793	33,86,209	30,46,960
Fund Raising Activity	21		3,59,178	6,32,136
Bank Charges			13,777	1,42,871
Write off Old Balances			-	1,19,925
Fixed Assets	22		48,57,867	17,72,035
Loans and Advances	23		1,74,420	32,384
Liabilities	17		-	15,18,791
<b>Closing Bank ,Cash, Fixed Deposit Balance</b>	24		2,60,23,558	2,09,46,119
			<b>6,14,35,143</b>	<b>4,69,71,155</b>

For VAANI Deaf Children's Foundation

**For VAANI DEAF CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION**

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**For VAANI DEAF CHILDREN'S FOUNDATION**

Date: 19-06-2024  
Place: Bangalore

*Sumedha Vijaylaxmi Joglekar*  
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## **VAANI New Born Hearing Screening Centre**

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## **VAANI New Born Hearing Screening Centre**

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## **VAANI New Born Hearing Screening Centre**

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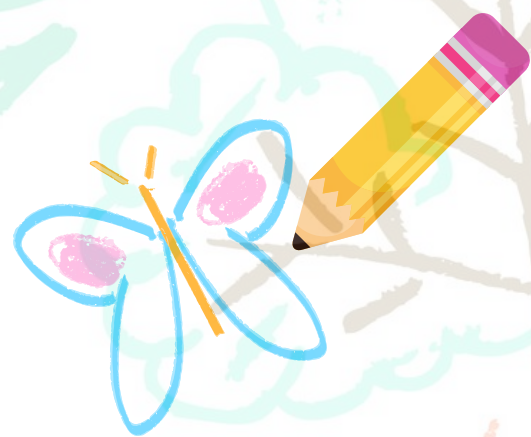
Siddhartha Medical College and Research  
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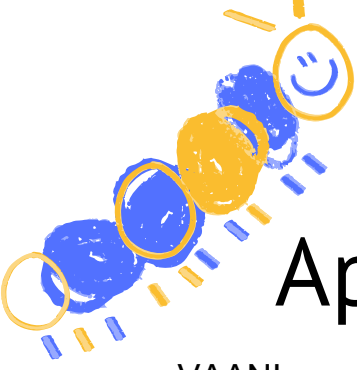
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# Appeal



VAANI receives its income through generous grants and donations from Institutions and Individual donors. This helps us continue our efforts to bring language and communication to the lives of deaf children and their families.

**You can help raise funds for VAANI by asking your friends/colleagues to donate to VAANI on special occasions** and taking part in fundraising events such as crowdfunding through your personal and professional networks.

## Volunteering with VAANI

You can choose to volunteer with us by helping us with your expertise in tech solutions, content writing, designing, communications and in fundraising for the cause.

Reach out to us at [VAANI@VAANI.in](mailto:VAANI@VAANI.in)

To raise funds for VAANI write to [VAANI@VAANI.in](mailto:VAANI@VAANI.in)  
Make a generous contribution at <https://VAANI.in/donate/>

**40,000 INR** will support one child annually for the following services:

- **6,000 INR** Individualised Educational Training
- **7,000 INR** Nutrition Supplements And Sanitation Supplies
- **13,000 INR** Teaching Learning Materials (Online & Print) And Technical Aids
- **7,000 INR** Parents Capacity Building Workshops And Community Sensitization Drives
- **7,000 INR** Health And Audiological Checkups







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