#### GandhiServe India

## Activities Involved during the period of 2018-2019

The study of Gandhian thought is and will remain important for ages. However, it seems to be particularly important in the present-day world threatened as it is by nuclear war and total destruction. The understanding and application of the Gandhian technique of nonviolence for the many problems facing the world today will go a long way in leading it to peace.

#### **Historical Research**

The purpose of the Trust is the promotion of science, cultural and historical research, and education through Gandhian technique of nonviolence. The historical research is the ongoing activity of the trust for identifying and preserving the materials of Mahatma Gandhi and India's Independence movements. helping them to preserve

Execution and financial support of both academic and non-academic research projects that identify and conserve original documents on and by Mahatma Gandhi.

Execution and technical support of such, educational projects which propagate peace, the ethics of nonviolence and the memory of Mahatma Gandhi and his teaching.

# Research and Information Service

As part of our activities we provide information to the students and scholars about the following topics:-

- Research and information service on the life and work of Mahatma Gandhi, his thoughts and the ethics of nonviolence.
- In co-operation with Gandhi archives, museums and leading researchers in India and abroad.
- On academic and non-academic aspects of Gandhi and his thoughts.
- Accurate facts in shortest possible time.

### **Travel Service**

People who all are interested to study and research about Mahatma Gandhi's life and works we provided the information as follows

- Across India and South Africa In the Footsteps of Mahatma Gandhi.
- For individuals and groups all categories.
- In co-operation with leading tour operators.
- Profound and rare materials on Mahatma Gandhi.
- Support of Gandhian educational and research projects in India.

### Children's Day celebration LKG center at Dabhad

We were part of the Children's day celebration on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2019 to give an introduction to about the India's independent movement and a brief about Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru.



### Shri Krishna Jayanti Celebration LKG center at Dabhad





#### **Book and Exhibitions**

The book "My Life is My Message – The Life and Works of Mahatma Gandhi" was launched by Sri. Sri Ravi Shankar at Art of Living centre Kanakapura Rd, Udayapura, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560082 on 2 October 2018 (on Gandhi Jayanti). It was on the occasion of World summit on Countering Violence and Extremism and thousands of people were presented in that program. There was a group of people from abroad were the main participants for the summit. GandhiServe India was in the organizing group and Art of Living was the main Organizer of the program.

### World Summit on Countering Violence and Extremism

GandhiServe India has actively participated to organize the conference at Art of Living centre Kanakapura Rd, Udayapura, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560082 from 1st to 3rd October 2018.





GandhiServe India has also put up an Exhibition of Mahatma Gandhi's Life in Colour on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2018.

This was around 108 colour photographs of Mahatma Gandhi along with captions and quotations. There was warm response from public and majority of them never seen before the colour photographs of Mahatma Gandhi. We allowed them to take the copies of the images at free of cost. The exhibition was seen by more than six thousand people



### **Teaching Program In Schools**

The problem of the rural education is the children doesn't acquire the basic knowledge and skills for higher education .if the basics are correct the higher education will be easy for the students . India has got 18 crore children below the age of 15 .about 80 percent of these children doesn't reach  $10^{\rm th}$  standard .and these pass out from the rural schools are not compatible to modern times .

Among dropout more girls are there .the reason behind it is lack of lady teachers, basic infrastructure and toilets

The basic problem is children doesn't acquire literacy as such, if literacy and numerical abilities are developed they will be able to go for higher education. So we teach them with basic till they can cop up with their curriculums in the respective classes. In the beginning of the academic year we contact a basic test in the classes and select the students who do not know to read and write. In this program, we are trying to improve the educational outcome of children studying in Government schools in rural areas.





# **Training for Differently abled People**

We set up a training centre at Ganeshpuri for the differently abled on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2016 and still it is continuing as reliable place. We mobilize the differently able people mainly from Thane and Palghar districts and get them registered with and then we support them to get the Government certificates like Handicap Certificate, Bus Pass, Train Pass and other Government schemes from Social Welfare Department. Apart from these we provided them with computer literacy and help them to find a job in the nearby places of their homes

#### The basic activities are:

- 1- Empowerment
- 2- Soft Skill Development
- 3- Basic Computer Skill
- 4-Job for the differently abled
- 5- Linkages with Government Schemes



We have distributed the wheel chairs for the differently abled people who cannot afford to have one on 23<sup>rd</sup> march 2019.

### **Planting Trees**

We took a multi-faceted approach to planting trees. We focused on planting fruit trees in community lands and homesteads of marginal farmers with small landholdings. When these trees mature, they provide a sustainable source of food and additional income to local community members. Mainly we supplied Jackfruit tree, Mango tree, Coconut Tree, Custard Apple, Guava etc.





### Mahatma Gandhi's 150th Birth Anniversary

In celebration with the 150<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, we are supporting "World Friendship Bicycle Tour" continuously from 2016 onwards of Shri. Dnyaneshwar Yewatkar throughout the bicycle tour we aim to spread the core messages of Mahatma Gandhi – nonviolence, truth, clean & peaceful society. Many great souls and lovers of peace have sacrificed their lives for establishing peace along with that they played important role to awaken the whole universe. This bicycle tour would be a tribute to all those great souls and a reminder for us of their message and sacrifice. This Bicycle Tour has started on 2016 and will end on 02<sup>nd</sup> October 2019.

\\ Celebrating 150th Anniversary

May Peace Prevail on Earth!