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THE YEAR AT A GLANCE

269	2,504	49	2
Children in school	Children given polio drops	Villages in water monitoring	Monuments renovated

The widest year yet. The school carried 269 children and gained a bus and computer teaching; the health programme reached thousands across five villages; citizen monitoring of water ran in 49 villages of Amreli district; and the Trust was entrusted by the State Archaeology Department with the renovation of two historical monuments.

EDUCATION, EQUALITY & EMPOWERMENT

A school with a bus and a computer room

Strengthening educational opportunities for children from underserved communities.

Sardar Vidyalaya, established in 1998 at Damnagar in Lathi taluka, taught 269 children in Standards 1 to 7 this year. Children come from ten to fifteen villages around Damnagar, and the Trust provides a bus so that they can reach the school. Computer education is given from the primary standards upward.

Competitions in games, elocution, essay writing and drama were held through the year, and the national festivals — Independence Day, Republic Day, Gandhi Jayanti and Sardar Jayanti — were observed. As the number of students grew, an admission week and a rally were organised. Teachers' Day is marked every year as an occasion to hear what the students think, and parents' meetings were held.

WELL-BEING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Reproductive and child health, and two monuments

Enabling individuals and communities to live with dignity.

Reproductive and child health. Run with the mother NGO Samagra Vikas Trust in Chital, Timba, Machiyala, Jaswantgadh and Goriya, with the aim of improving the health of women and children. Twenty-three meetings on reproductive and child care were held with pregnant and lactating women and with women leaders, attended by 980 women, and 19 meetings discussed the menstrual cycle and sexual health with 1,129 women. A rally under the polio vaccination drive was taken out by 75 school children, and 2,504 children were given polio vaccine. A health fair with an exhibition, a video show and pamphlet distribution drew more than 500 women. Eight women received delivery aid and eight were treated for sexual illness; thirty women came forward for family planning. Training on women's and children's development was held

with anganwadi workers, midwives and women leaders, attended by 89 women.

Renovation of historical places. The State Archaeology Department entrusted the Trust with the renovation of Sitavav and Nadala Kotho, both on the main road between Utvad and Charakha villages in Babra block. At Nadala Kotho the parapet was repaired, rough plaster removed and the inner and outer walls replastered, major cracks in the walls repaired, and the collapsed portion of the slab rebuilt in reinforced cement concrete with proper bonding, levelling and curing, before an upper layer was laid. Unwanted vegetation and unserviceable material were cleared from inside and around the structure and a ladder was provided. At Sitavav an iron gate of approved design was fabricated and fixed, and an iron grille placed over the step-well for safety; grass and vegetation were cleared from inside and outside the step-well, and the new steel surfaces were cleaned and given a primer coat and two coats of enamel paint.

NATURAL RESOURCES & SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS

Citizen monitoring of water in 49 villages

Promoting sustainable practices and strengthening the ecosystems that support resilient livelihoods.

Getting water, and reducing the difficulty of getting it, is a basic need of every citizen. Citizen monitoring was carried out in 49 villages of Amreli district with the aim of joining every citizen to the campaign for water. People's views were gathered in their own areas, with their participation, so that every citizen might have independence in drinking water.

OUR TEAM

An efficient, qualified and experienced team of ten in education and health — seven women and three men.

LOOKING AHEAD

- A building of the Trust's own for its activities, and a training centre to meet the training needs of target groups in Amreli district.
- The Namak Majdur Avas Yojana for salt workers.
- Awareness on making greater use of renewable sources of energy.
- Vocational training, to provide alternative choices of income generation.

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This edition sets the year's work under the Trust's three current thematic areas. The framework itself is later than the year reported;

the activities, names, figures and dates are as recorded at the time.