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Dear Friends,

October has been a month of immense dedication, partnership, and heartfelt impact across health, education, and community wellness. Each program we launched or continued this month reflects our mission to uplift and support communities in ways that truly make a difference. By building stronger healthcare infrastructure, creating inclusive educational opportunities, and empowering local economies, we continue to move toward a vision of a more compassionate and self-sustaining society. Your unwavering support enables us to extend a helping hand, even in the most remote and underserved areas. Thank you for being an essential part of this journey and for making it possible to reach new milestones every month. Together, we are bringing hope and transforming lives, and we look forward to many more impactful initiatives.



Warm Regards, **Ritu Prakash Chhabria** Managing Trustee Mukul Madhav Foundation

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Beach Cleaning Drive in Ratnagiri 28th September, 2024

At the invitation of Gaonkhadi Grampanchyat, FIL/MMF participated in a community-driven beach cleanup at Gaonkhadi Beach in Ratnagiri. This environmental initiative drew over 125 participants, including students, Anganwadi teachers, Panchayat members, and volunteers from local schools. The cleanup was a resounding success, with participants collecting and sorting waste for recycling, raising awareness about the importance of preserving coastal environments.

FIL/MMF provided snacks and refreshments for the volunteers, who pledged to continue maintaining beach cleanliness. This event serves as a reminder of our collective responsibility to protect natural spaces and demonstrates the positive impact of community-led environmental stewardship.

Cervical Cancer Vaccination Program. 3rd October, 2024

In our commitment to preventive healthcare, FIL/MMF successfullv completed а cervical cancer has vaccination program at Mahatma Gandhi School. The initiative, which began with the first HPV vaccine dose administered to 50 children on June 26. culminated on October 3 when 46 Children vaccinated for cervical cancer. By achieving full immunization, these children are now effectively protected from the risk of cervical cancer-a disease that, though preventable, continues to impact women globally. This vaccination program not only safeguards individual health but also raises community awareness about the importance of early prevention and regular health interventions. Through this, FIL/MMF underscores its dedication to providing equitable healthcare access to children, aiming to empower them with a healthier start to life.





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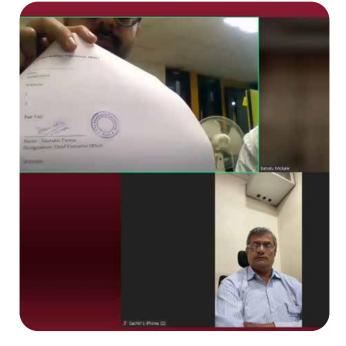
In honor of the International Day of Older Persons, FIL/MMF organized a heartwarming celebration at Anusuya Senior citizen home at Satara, Ratnagiri and Jaipur at all old age home. FIL/MMF representatives and volunteers shared joyful moments, engaging the senior residents in recreational activities and creating a festive atmosphere filled with laughter and camaraderie. These interactions not only brought a sense of joy and inclusion to the elderly but also underscored FIL/MMF's mission to support and uplift the often-overlooked senior community. We remain committed to enhancing facilities and care infrastructure for the elderly, ensuring that they lead fulfilling, comfortable, and dignified lives.

Senior Citizen Day Celebration 3rd October, 2024

Partnership with Akanksha Foundation to Support Savitri Bai Phule School. 7th October, 2024

In an inspiring effort to support education for underprivileged communities, FIL/MMF entered a partnership with the Akanksha Foundation to enhance educational resources at Savitri Bai Phule School in Moshi, Pune. This collaboration focuses on funding the remuneration of seven teachers, directly impacting 390 children from 1st to 8th standard, ensuring they receive consistent, high-quality instruction. The presence of Mr. Saurabh Taneja, CEO of the Akanksha Foundation, at the partnership signing underscores the shared commitment of both organizations to break barriers to education.

Through this partnership, FIL/MMF hopes to foster an environment where children can grow intellectually and emotionally, gaining the skills needed to excel in academics and beyond. The initiative empowers students and teachers alike, offering a model of sustained support that benefits not only the individuals but also the greater Moshi community, building a brighter future through education.









Felicitation Ceremony for TB-Free Gram Panchayat. 9th October, 2024

In Ratnagiri, FIL/MMF representatives attended a felicitation event by the Health Department to honor the TB-Free Gram Panchayat, celebrating FIL/MMF's ongoing commitment to TB eradication. For the past 16 months, FIL/MMF has provided 600 nutritious food baskets monthly to support TB patients and donated essential medicinal supplies during a period of government shortage, helping patients adhere to treatment schedules.

FIL/MMF's contributions have proven vital to maintaining treatment continuity, with community leaders expressing their gratitude for the unwavering support. This initiative is a testament to the power of healthcare compassionate consistent. and the difference it can make in eradicating diseases like tuberculosis in rural communities.









Dialysis Machine Donation to Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Cantonment General Hospital. 11th October, 2024

Aiming to bolster healthcare services for marginalized and under-resourced populations, FIL/MMF proudly donated a dialysis machine to Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Cantonment General Hospital in Khadki. Dialysis machines are critical for patients suffering from kidney disease, offering life-saving treatment that helps purify blood, manage fluids, and balance electrolytes. This donation ensures that local patients who previously had to travel far or wait long periods for dialysis can now receive timely treatment within their community. This donation event, attended by Ms. Meenakshi Lohiya (CEO), Dr. Bhonsale, Mr. and Mrs. Pooja Manish Anand (former Board Members), and several dedicated hospital staff, highlights FIL/MMF's enduring commitment to strengthening community healthcare. Over the years, FIL/MMF has supported Khadki Cantonment General Hospital with ventilators and other crucial medical resources, demonstrating an ongoing dedication to enhancing local health services for those who need it most.

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The Late Smt. Mohini Pralhad Chhabria Scholarship For Agricultural Students. 14th October, 2024

Since its inception in 2019, the Late Smt. Mohini Pralhad Chhabria Scholarship has been a cornerstone of FIL/MMF's educational support initiatives. This scholarship program, initially available to students from 10 colleges, has expanded to cover 15 MPKV-affiliated colleges, supporting 124 students pursuing BSc and MSc degrees in agricultural sciences. The event on October 14 saw representatives from FIL/MMF engage with second-year scholarship recipients, sharing words of motivation and celebrating the achievements of these young scholars.

Chairman Mr. Prakash Chhabria and Managing Trustee Mrs. Ritu Prakash Chhabria highlighted the program's focus on empowering students to become leaders in the agricultural sector, reinforcing the importance of this field in ensuring food security and sustainable development. Many students expressed gratitude for this support, which has alleviated financial burdens, allowing them to focus on their studies and future aspirations. FIL/MMF remains committed to empowering the next generation of agricultural professionals.

Collab with BAIF to empower rural communities in Uttar Pradesh and Maharashtra. 3rd September, 2024

FIL/MMF, in collaboration with the Kherwadi Social Welfare Association, has launched an initiative to construct Period Positive Holiday Homes in Gadchiroli. Recognizing the need for safe and dignified spaces for menstruating women, these homes provide essential amenities, including beds, toilets, kitchenette facilities, fans, and solar lighting. The initiative addresses the custom among certain tribes of isolating menstruating women in huts, known as "Period Huts" or "Kurma Ghars," often in unhygienic and unsafe conditions.

These homes are more than just physical spaces; they represent FIL/MMF's commitment to breaking down harmful stigmas associated with menstruation and ensuring that women are treated with dignity and respect.





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Beyond offering a comfortable environment, each facility includes resources like sewing machines, enabling women to gain tailoring skills that can support additional income generation. To date, FIL/MMF has completed 18 Period Positive Holiday Homes, as well as 450 individual toilets and 100 smokeless stoves in Gadchiroli, promoting health, hygiene, and empowerment.

ActionAid Bonded Labour Project for Tribal Empowerment. 18th October, 2024

FIL/MMF's collaboration with ActionAid has been transformative for tribal families previously trapped in cycles of bonded labor. Through this project, ActionAid and FIL/MMF provide vocational training, financial assistance, and mentorship to tribal individuals seeking to establish small businesses. Over recent months, beneficiaries in villages across Vadodara have launched diverse ventures, including food carts, vegetable vending, and a welding business. By supporting these businesses, FIL/MMF aims to create pathways for sustainable income, independence, and dignity. Through these initiatives, families are not only breaking free from labor exploitation but also contributing to their community's economic growth. Each story of success underscores the profound impact of economic empowerment and the potential it unlocks within individuals and their communities.







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On World Cerebral Palsy Day, FIL/MMF organized an awareness event at Wai Rehabilitation Center, where 22 children with cerebral palsy and their families gathered to learn about the benefits of physiotherapy and speech therapy. Specialists from Kasibai Navale Hospital led informative sessions, highlighting how regular therapy can significantly improve quality of life for children with special needs. The day also included recreational activities, giving children a space to enjoy, socialize, and feel supported. The event was an emotional and impactful experience, promoting understanding and compassion for children with cerebral palsy and emphasizing the role of rehabilitation in enhancing their well-being.

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Enterprise Development Training for Tribal Entrepreneurs. 28th October, 2024

As part of its ongoing efforts to promote economic self-sufficiency, FIL/MMF organized an enterprise development workshop for 45 tribal women and youth entrepreneurs at the Taluka Panchayat Hall in Dabhoi. Facilitated by industry expert Mr. Anil Singh, the training included key business principles such as procurement, production, quality control, packaging, promotion, marketing, and branding. Taluka Livelihood Manager Mr. Shahrukhbhai also provided valuable insights into government schemes available to support local enterprises, encouraging participants to take advantage of these opportunities.

This initiative is designed to equip aspiring entrepreneurs with the skills and resources they need to start and manage their own businesses, fostering financial independence and resilience within tribal communities. By creating an ecosystem that supports entrepreneurship, FIL/MMF aims to inspire lasting economic growth and community development.









'Give with Dignity[™]' Diwali Campaign 12-30 th October, 2024

As Diwali approaches, FIL/MMF's 'Give with Dignity' campaign has reached 10,000 Diwali Kits Distributed Across India – this is Finolex Diwali Gifting. This campaign, now in its fifth year, represents FIL/MMF's commitment to supporting local economies by sourcing items from Self-Help Groups (SHGs) and small businesses.

Each kit is not only a source of essential sustenance but also a symbol of hope and community support during this festival season. The campaign reflects FIL/MMF's belief that the joy of Diwali is magnified when shared with those in need, spreading the light of compassion and generosity across communities. This year's campaign has also contributed to local economic growth by ensuring SHGs and kirana stores benefit directly from the program, helping keep the spirit of Diwali alive for everyone.

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MONTHLY SUPPORT



(H V Desai Hospital and Seth Tarachand Hospital)





Thalassemia Support with Filters and medicine -187

(Wishing Factory, Bharathi Hospital, Thalassemia Society of Pune Chapter)

Midday Meal- 1000 + Daily

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Teacher support-3 (At Panchgani School)



Grocery support - 65



Fellowship Support at KEM hospital - 1



One Physiotherapist salary support at ECHS

(Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme)



Counselor support at Manav Foundation, Mumbai - 4



Education Support-15 Students

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For their continued help and support towards Mukul Madhav Foundation.

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