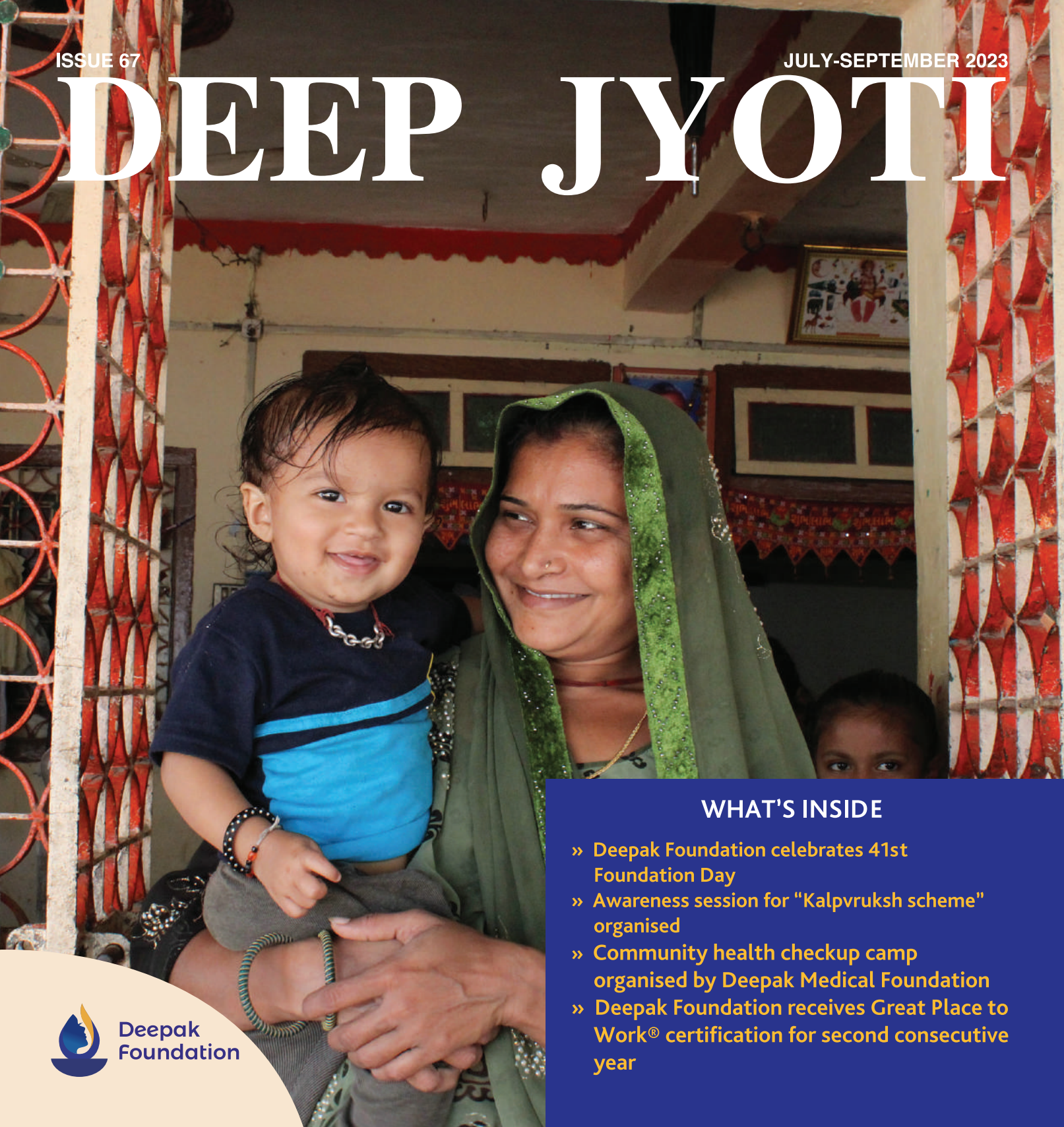


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Deepak Foundation celebrates 41st Foundation Day



Deepak Foundation is a leading civil society organization, headquartered in Vadodara, Gujarat, has been working tirelessly in the field of public health and clinical services, skill building and livelihood, disability and special needs and education and providing disaster relief and rehabilitation since its inception in 1982. With substantial presence in five states across the country, the Foundation has earned its esteemed reputation through unwavering commitment, and compassion towards the underprivileged communities. It implements CSR initiatives for Deepak Group as well as other donors. Recently, the Foundation celebrated its 41st Foundation Day at Vadodara headquarter.

With its Director Dr. Jai Pawar at the helm, the Foundation has experienced comprehensive growth and development. The event was graced by the presence of distinguished individuals Shri Deepak C. Mehta, Trustee, Deepak Foundation and CMD, Deepak Group, Smt. Ila D. Mehta, Trustee, Deepak Foundation, Shri A. M. Tiwari (IAS) Retd. Additional Chief Secretary, Govt of Gujarat and Principal Advisor, Deepak Foundation, Shri Maulik Mehta, CEO and Executive Director, Deepak Nitrite Ltd, Dr. Riddhi Mehta, Incharge-Deepak Medical Foundation and Dr. Ruchi Mehta, Incharge-Samaj Suraksha Sankul.



Deepak Foundation's New Trustees introduced

On the 41st Foundation Day, two new Trustees, Dr. Riddhi Mehta and Dr. Ruchi Mehta were formally introduced by Shri Deepak C. Mehta. Deepak Foundation continues to demonstrate its unwavering commitment to the betterment of the society, and the addition of these two new trustees strengthens its resolve to create lasting positive change in the lives of those in need.

Dr. Riddhi Mehta, Trustee



Dr. Riddhi Mehta, a Family Medicine doctor by education and profession has been majorly looking into the Deepak Medical Foundation's work providing health care facilities. It also offers myriad healthcare services such as obstetric and gynaecological OPD and IPD services, paediatric OPD and IPD services, Dental and general surgery, OPD services, Emergency Services 24x7 physiotherapy center and many others. Dr. Riddhi Mehta is also the President and Chief Evangelist at Vadodara Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (VSPCA) which works compassionately for the welfare of animals and birds in need.

Dr. Ruchi Mehta, Trustee



Dr. Ruchi Mehta is leading the strategy intervention department at Deepak Foundation is also an Impact Investor in various start-ups of agri-business sector and social security and health sector. She has completed her Ph.D. in Medical Oncology and Surgical Sciences from the University of Oxford. She is also the recipient of the prestigious Marie Curie Fellowship and Horatio Symonds Scholarship. She has completed her graduation in Chemical and Bioengineering from Johns Hopkins University. Samaj Suraksha Sankul, a project initiated for children with special needs and also on Project Karuna - a Palliative Care Center where patients with low economic sections are provided treatment and care are extremely close to her heart. Deepak Foundation continues to demonstrate its unwavering commitment to the betterment of society, and the addition of these two new trustees strengthens its resolve to create lasting positive changes in the lives of those in need.

Awareness session for "Kalpvruksh Scheme" organised

The Deepak Foundation has initiated the implementation of help desk activities as part of the "Sangaath" Project since March 2022 in a total of 53 villages within the Mokhada block of Palghar district, Maharashtra State. Under the "Sangaath" Project, a total of 11 Jan Suvidha Kendras (JSKs) have been established, with 10 at the village level and 1 at the Block level. The primary objective of these JSKs is to provide necessary support to the community in accessing various government schemes and programs. This support includes identifying eligible beneficiaries, assisting them in obtaining the required Pre-Requisite Documents (PRDs), assisting in the completion and submission of applications to the respective government departments, and following up with these departments until the beneficiaries receive the benefits they are entitled to.



opportunities in the area, agriculture remains the sole source of income for the local population, leading to significant migration to nearby towns and cities.

To provide alternative sources of income for farmers who have access to water and sufficient land for cultivation beyond the monsoon season, the "Sangaath" Project team of the Deepak Foundation has informed them about the "Kalpvruksh Scheme" through the Mokhada Block Agriculture Department. This scheme enables farmers to engage in wadi cultivation by providing them with cashew and mango saplings. Wadi cultivation not only offers farmers a stable source of income but also contributes to the improvement of the local economy by generating additional income for farmers.

Currently, within the Mokhada block, the JSKs are facilitating a total of 38 types of Pre-Requisite Documents and 61 government schemes for the community in the catchment area. Since the inception of the project until July 2023, a total of 4891 beneficiaries have received benefits from different PRDs, while 6241 beneficiaries have benefited from various government schemes.

The Mokhada block, located in the Palghar district of Maharashtra state, is a highly remote area where farmers primarily engage in traditional farming practices. Despite having ample land, these farmers face challenges during the summer season due to the lack of water availability for farming. Additionally, they are unable to cultivate double crops in their fields. With limited employment



EVENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

An ambulance has been donated by Sabri Chemicals Pvt. Ltd. Ambulance services will be available round the clock 24x7 for the patients of Deepak Medical Foundation (DMF), community and the nearby industries. RK Dychem Industries Pvt. Ltd. also donated ECG machine. Mr. Rahul Jain inaugurated the equipment. Mehul Ice and Cold storage, Mr. Yogesh Palan donated a spirometer to DMF.

Shiv Dyestuff & Intermediates Pvt. Ltd., Mr. Kamlesh Palan also donated for audiometer for the patients, which is used to test hearing impairment of the patients. It is a vital test for industrial workers.



Under the Cluster Based Business Organisation of Farmers (CBBO) programme, Deepak Foundation organised two days of training on September 11 and 12 at its head office, Vadodara. The Board of Directors and CEOs of Farmer Producer Organisations (FPO) from Kalol, Dist. Panchmahal District and Valiya, Dist. Bharuch, Gujarat were briefed about the importance, authority and characteristics of the FPO and received participatory training on leadership, including regulations, policies, good governance practices, etc. Communication skills, personality development, business planning, presentation skills and early morning laughter exercises were also imparted.



PUBLIC HEALTH EVENT

A community health checkup camp in coordination with Nidaan Van was organised by the Deepak Medical Foundation and sponsored by Panoli Intermediates India Private Limited at NIA Hall, Nandesari. On Day 1, 319 beneficiaries were provided with a RBS, HIV, HB, chest X-ray, blood sugar test, an eye checkup, counselling and free medicine distribution. Shri Babubhai Patel, NIA Chairperson; Dr. Riddhi Mehta, Trustee-Deepak Foundation; Mr. Ramesh V. Dabgar, General Manager Panoli Intermediate; Mr. Mohan Nair, Director Shabhri Chemicals; Mr. Palan, Secretary NIA; and Mrs. Smita Maniar, Team Leader, were among the guests.



Deepak Foundation receives Great Place to Work® certification for second consecutive year

Deepak Foundation has presence in 53 locations in 5 states in India, and head office in Vadodara, Gujarat. An employee assessment survey was conducted by Great Place to Work® Institute, India for obtaining their insights for creating suitable and sustainable workplace. The Foundation has been awarded with Great Place to Work certification second consecutive year for creating outstanding high-trust, high-performance workplace cultures.



AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

Samaj Suraksha Sankul managed by Deepak Foundation has been awarded with the Best Education Support Initiative of the Year 2023 award at the Indian CSR Awards 2023, held on October 7, 2023, at Hyatt Centric, New Delhi, organized by Marketing & Brand Honchos.



This award recognises their outstanding work in providing high-quality education to visually impaired, physically challenged, and children in need of protection and care. The institute's holistic approach to education includes academic rigor, vocational training, and life skills development, empowering students to live independent and productive lives.

The **BW Disrupt Social Impact Summit & Awards** is not just a consortium of talents and impact creators, but it is also about creating a brilliant ecosystem of thinkers, trailblazers, and transformers from various spheres of society. For Deepak Foundation receiving the Social Impact Award at such a platform makes a difference in team members' lives.



Education - Head Santosh Surve celebrates the innovation by allowing to foster an ecosystem of social change and scaling for excellence. The award is synonymous to the vision that believes in creating change. To achieve many more milestones and etching history, we are grateful to the supporters who believe in us.



Celebrating the spirit of India's 77th Independence Day

Flag hoisting ceremony was organized at the Samaj Suraksha Sankul which is managed by Deepak Foundation celebrating the spirit of India's 77th Independence Day.

Cultural program was rolled out by children with special needs which enthralled the audiences. The guests for the occasion were Dr. Bhagwati M. Oza Octogenarian athlete; Shri Keyur Rokadia MLA; Smt. Seema Mohile General Secretary, Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) Mahila Morcha, Vadodara; Dr. Ruchi Mehta, Head (Strategy) and Deepak Foundation family.



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