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GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT HAND IN HAND

HAND IN HAND is an **international non-profit organisation for humanitarian aid, founded in Vienna in March 2000**. This was followed by

- HAND IN HAND USA (2001)
- HAND IN HAND Foundation Germany (2005)
- HAND IN HAND Switzerland (2006)
- HAND IN HAND Foundation Netherlands (2007)
- HAND IN HAND France (2008).

The present activity and progress report describes the current developments of the HAND IN HAND projects in India and summarises the specific activities of the HAND IN HAND organisations in Austria, Germany, the Netherlands, and France. The activity reports of HAND IN HAND Switzerland and HAND IN HAND USA are available at www.handinhand-schweiz.org and www.handinhandusa.org.

All the organisations listed above, work for the conception, planning, financing, and implementation of the HAND IN HAND aid projects in the areas of education, health, and disaster relief in Odisha. Odisha is one of the poorest states in India with an exceptionally high degree of exposure to natural disasters.

The aid projects are implemented in cooperation with the **partner organisation of HAND IN HAND, the PRAJNANA MISSION in Cuttack, Odisha, India**. The structure of HAND IN HAND together with an overwhelming voluntary commitment, enables up to **80 to 90% of the donations to flow into the projects efficiently** and allows for almost all donations to reach those so urgently in need.

HAND IN HAND pursues exclusively charitable goals. As a result of international cooperation, it is possible to break hopeless cycles of poverty by:

- Giving children living in extreme poverty a home, the chance to grow up healthy, and quality education - and thus a future.
- Providing medical care to people without access to health services and medicines.
- Providing rapid and sustainable aid in the event of natural disasters, to protect people, animals, and the environment.

In the **HAND IN HAND health projects - the Hariharananda Charitable Health Centres (HCHC)** more than 30 doctors offer general and special medical treatments in the Health Centres. They are located in:

- Balighai: HCHC Balighai
- Jagatpur: HCHC Jagatpur (Day Clinic)
- Arua: VHP* Arua (Health Centre within the Balashram school)
- Athagarh: VHP* Athagarh
- Bhishindpur: HCHC Bhishindipur

*) Village Health Project

The HAND IN HAND education projects are currently:

- The Hariharananda Balashram Residential School
- The Chrysalis project, which emerged from the Balashram project
- Tuition Centre in Arua

The HAND IN HAND disaster relief and civil protection includes:

- Provision of immediate life-support assistance such as medical aid, provision of food, hygiene items and emergency kits.
- Helping to restore destroyed infrastructure, such as building storm- and flood-proof, one-room houses.
- Provision of agricultural land and seeds for replanting and reforestation.

All HAND IN HAND projects stand for an **ecologically-attentive and care for life**, and aim at increasing autonomy. With green ideas for a healthy future the following was achieved:

- Organic Farming since 2021
- The construction of a farm building for the supply of dairy products and the preservation of the Indian humped cattle (Zebu).
- The construction of a biogas plant connected to the farm building.

TO BRIEFLY OUTLINE THE ACTIVITIES OF THE YEAR 2024/25:

In the year 2024 / 2025 the education and health projects were **successfully continued**.

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES:

- The Admission Survey to identify and select deserving children from remote areas of Odisha was carried out successfully again this year, resulting in 40 new admissions.
- All but one student passed their final exams in Grades X and XII.
- School life at Balashram over the past year has been well-balanced, combining steady academic progress with cultural activities, observances of important days, and sports.
- A noteworthy development has been the initiative run by Commit 2 Change (C2C), whose programs have benefitted students across all age groups.
- Infrastructure improvements were also made to enhance accessibility at Balashram, including the installation of an elevator.

HEALTH-CARE RELATED ACTIVITIES:

- Since the inception of the Hariharananda Charitable Health Centers in five regions of Odisha, around 1.9 million patients have received treatment. These services continue to expand periodically to meet the community's growing health-care needs.
- A new partnership has been established with LV Prasad Eye Institute, which has a strong presence in Odisha and seeks to extend eye-care services to rural areas, with the vision of making quality eye care accessible to all.

Disaster-relief related activities: None during the reporting period.

A section-wise coverage of each of the above follows.

HAND IN HAND HEALTH PROJECTS

25 YEARS OF HARIHARANANDA CHARITABLE HEALTH CENTRES (HCHC)

28 February 2024 marked the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Hariharananda Charitable Health Centres. To celebrate 25 years of selfless service dedicated to humanity, a special function was held in Jagatpur, Cuttack, under the auspices of Paramahansa Prajnananandaji, and renowned guests such as Dr. Mukesh Mahaling, Minister of Health and Family Welfare, Odisha; Sj. Bhartruhari Mahatab, Member of Lok Sabha (the Lower House of the Indian Parliament), Cuttack; S. Souvic Biswal, *Member of the Legislative Assembly (MLA)* –, Choudwar, Cuttack; Dr. Prasant Kumar Hota, Chief District Medical Officer (CDMO), Cuttack. Special guests included Prof. Dr. Purna Chandra Mohapatra and Prof. Dr. Jayant Kumar Panda.

The Hariharananda Charitable Health Centres (HCHC) provide medical treatment to people without access to adequate medical and dental care. **Since 1999/2000**, the founding year of HAND IN HAND, **five Health Centres** have been established.

- There are **more than 30 doctors** offering health services across all the centres on a voluntary basis.
- **General health and dental services** are provided in the OPD (outpatient department) centres at Balighai, Puri District and Bhishindipur, West Medinipur district.
- **Homeopathy** services are offered at the HCHC Bhishindipur, Athagarh, and in the Village Health Project (VHP) in Arua.
- The HCHC in Balighai has started **Ayurveda services** in September 2018 and Homeopathy services since February 2021.
- The HCHC in Cuttack, has been developed into a **Day Clinic**. It started on February 14, 2014, at New Industrial Area, Jagatpur. This complex is serving the general population by providing medicine, surgery, paediatrics, gynaecology, and other health services. During normal times, **each day 200 to 300 patients** from the nearby communities receive medical treatment.

Centre	Inauguration	Allopathy	Homeopathy	Ayurveda
HCHC Jagatpur	1999	7 days a week		
HCHC Balighai	1999	5 days a week	1 day a week	1 day a week
HCHC Bhishindipur	2004		2 days a week	
VHP Arua	2010	Alternate days	1 day a week	
VHP Athagarh	2012		7 days a week	

HCHC = Health Centre; VHP = Village Health Project

HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED AT HCHC

Eye Care Services

In Balighai, eye care consultations were initially conducted on a regular basis. However, due to the lack of doctors available on a long-term voluntary basis, the service is currently paused. At the same time, efforts are ongoing to find professionals willing to contribute their expertise voluntarily.

In Jagatpur, a weekly eye OPD has been running since 2014, serving an average of 50–60 patients. After a short interruption, the services were successfully resumed in 2021.

Modern Diagnostics for All

Since its opening in 2014, the laboratory in Jagatpur has been continuously upgraded with modern equipment. Today, almost all essential blood and urine investigations as well as infection tests can be performed directly on site.

Since 2020, the services have been further enhanced by the installation of an X-ray unit, ensuring that patients no longer need to travel to external facilities for most diagnostic needs.

Professional Wound Care

The wound care unit in Jagatpur is equipped to handle both minor injuries and more complex cases such as burns or diabetic foot ulcers. This provides patients with a reliable point of care where they can receive prompt and expert treatment.

Focus on Heart Health

With the introduction of regular ECG testing, cardiovascular conditions can now be detected at an early stage. This has greatly improved diagnostics and spared patients the need to visit specialized diagnostic centers.

Expanded Dental Services

Initially limited to basic procedures such as fillings and scaling, dental care in Jagatpur now also includes more advanced treatments such as root canal therapy. The availability of modern equipment has played a key role in broadening the scope of services.

A Wide Range of Care in Balighai

Since 2018, Balighai has been offering not only allopathic but also Ayurvedic treatments. In 2021, homeopathy was added to the services. As a result, patients now benefit from a broad spectrum of healthcare options.

Advancements in Physiotherapy

The introduction of the modern Tech Laser SS-2000 in 2024 has significantly enhanced physiotherapy services. This equipment allows larger areas to be treated quickly and effectively – a clear improvement for patient care.

NEW ACQUISITIONS IN 2024/25

ENHANCED DENTAL TREATMENTS

In July 2024, a Dental Light Cure Machine was purchased and put into service. This device provides improved illumination of the oral cavity during dental examinations, treatments, and fillings, ensuring greater precision and comfort for patients.

ADVANCED LABORATORY DIAGNOSTICS

Since February 2025, an Electrolyte Analyzer 3p has been in operation, further strengthening the diagnostic capabilities of the laboratory.

SPECIALIZED HORMONE TESTING

An Immunoanalyzer has been installed at HCHC Jagatpur to carry out advanced hormone testing, including T3, T4, and TSH. This technology enables more accurate and efficient detection of thyroid-related conditions.

EXPANDING DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES

Since May 2025, an Ultra Sound Machine has been in operation. At present, it is being used for 2-D Echo examinations, adding valuable diagnostic support for cardiac patients.

PLANNED ACQUISITIONS 2025/26

IMPROVED DIABETES MONITORING

Plans are underway to procure a Hemoglobin A1c Machine. This equipment will allow for more accurate monitoring of metabolism in patients with diabetes, supporting better long-term treatment and care.

PREVENTIVE AND HOLISTIC HEALTH CARE THROUGH YOGA-THERAPY

To complement medical services, Yoga Therapy is being introduced, offering patients holistic support for physical and mental well-being.

NUMBER OF PATIENTS TREATED IN THE HCHC

From July 1999 until March 2025, the HCHC provided medical assistance and medicines for close to **1.96 million patients**.

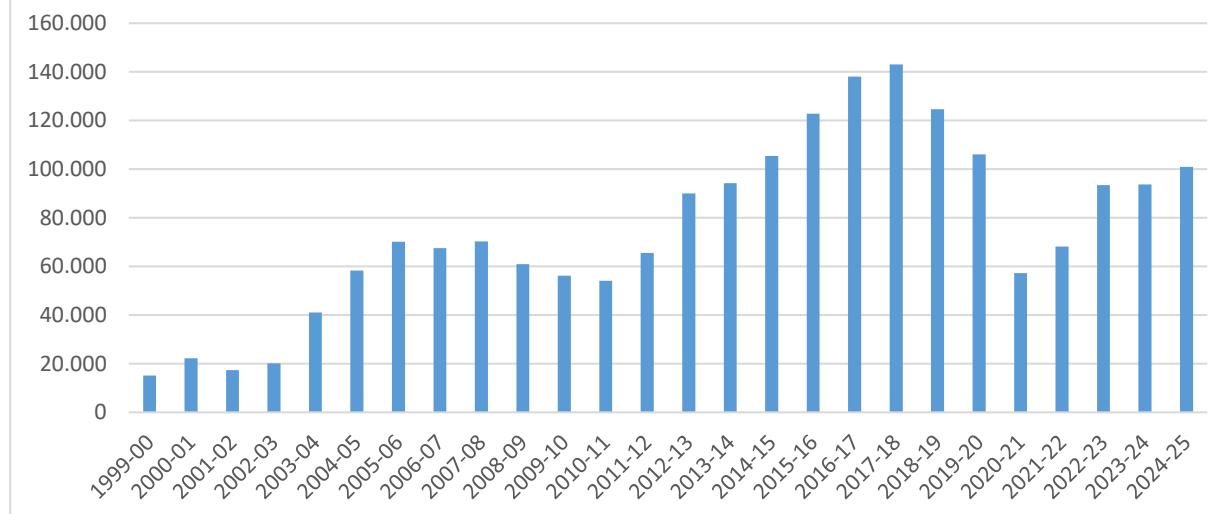
The year-wise breakup of patients treated:

Year	Total Patients Treated
1999-00	15,147
2000-01	22,218
2001-02	17,370
2002-03	20,167
2003-04	41,087
2004-05	58,371
2005-06	70,151
2006-07	67,473
2007-08	70,304
2008-09	60,993
2009-10	56,199
2010-11	54,096
2011-12	65,514
2012-13	89,973

Year	Total Patients Treated
2013-14	94,272
2014-15	105,418
2015-16	122,828
2016-17	138,085
2017-18	143,001
2018-19	124,581
2019-20	106,045
2020-21	57,288
2021-22	68,209
2022-23	93,491
2023-24	93,746
2024-25	100.892

SUM TOTAL = 1.956.919

Medical Statistics 1999/2000 - 2024/2025*



HCHC JAGATPUR (DAY CLINIC)

NEW DEVELOPMENTS AT HCHC JAGATPUR 2024/25

In the year **2024/25**, the HCHC day clinic in Jagatpur provided medical help to about **100 patients every day**. With the introduction of new services such as the **Immunoanalyzer**, **Ultrasound**, and other diagnostic facilities, HCHC Jagatpur is now generating nearly **65% of its operating expenses**.

- A **Dental Light Cure Machine** was purchased and put into service in **July 2024** to provide better illumination of the oral cavity during dental examinations, treatments, and fillings.
- The **Electrolyte Analyser 3p** has been operational since **February 2025**.
- In **2025/26**, a **Hemoglobin A1c machine** is planned to be purchased in order to monitor the metabolism of patients with **diabetes** more effectively.

A Trusted Healthcare Centre Since 2014

The **HCHC Jagatpur Day Clinic** opened its doors in February 2014 in the new industrial area of Jagatpur. Since then, it has earned an excellent reputation across the region, with patients even traveling from neighboring states such as West Bengal for treatment. The clinic primarily serves underprivileged communities and offers both general medical and therapeutic care, as well as specialized services in pediatrics, gynecology, and surgery. Modern diagnostic services are available throughout the year, and outpatient consultations are provided six days a week.

Strengthening Infrastructure and Safety

- On **March 19, 2024**, HCHC Jagatpur obtained the official **fire and safety certificate** from the Government of Odisha – a prerequisite for offering services such as ultrasound.
- As part of a **land development project**, additional land behind the clinic was purchased in the 2023–24 financial year for future medical initiatives. The property has been secured with a boundary wall, soil filling, and proper access.
- A **fire exit staircase** was constructed and made operational in **November 2023**.
- In **spring 2020**, a **first aid room** was established on the ground floor.

Expanding Physiotherapy Services

The **physiotherapy department**, set up in 2016/17, was originally designed to treat around 30 patients per day. Today, nearly 60 people use this service daily. Physiotherapy has increasingly become a valuable alternative to pain medication and drug-based therapies.

Comprehensive Outpatient Care

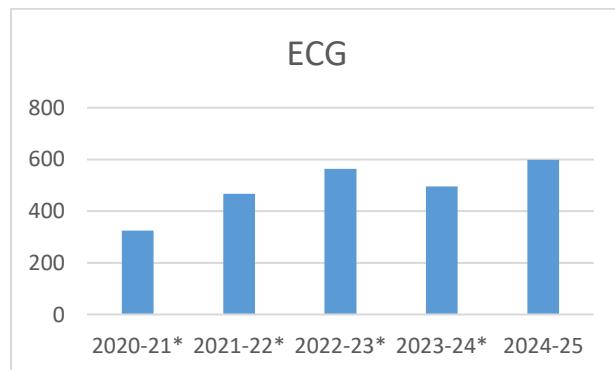
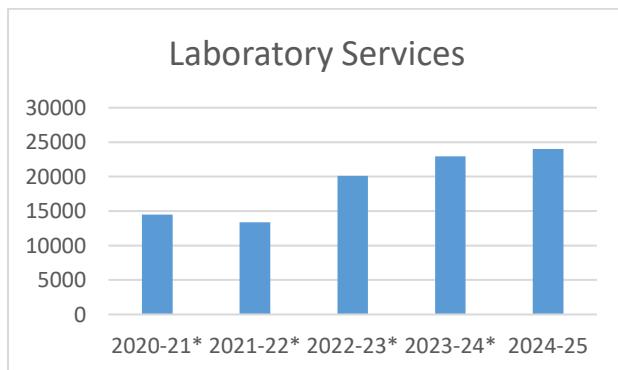
- The **Eye OPD** has been running since **October 2014**, with 50–60 patients treated weekly.
- The **dressing unit** continues to provide care for a wide range of cases, including diabetic foot ulcers and lipomas.
- **Dental services** have expanded from simple extractions, fillings, and scaling to advanced procedures such as root canal treatment. In **July 2024**, a **Dental Light Cure Machine** was added to enhance illumination during dental examinations and treatments.

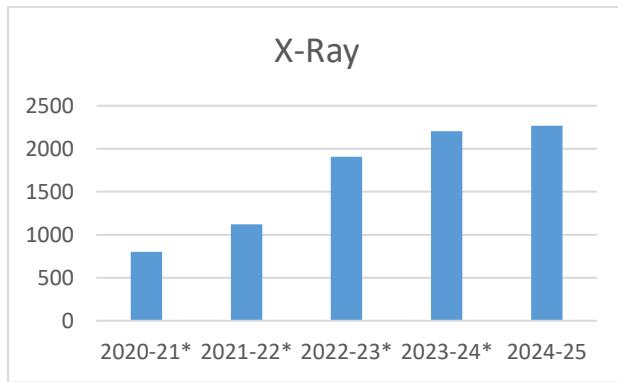
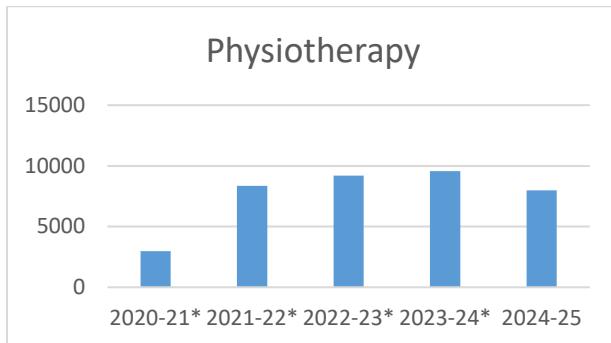
Advanced Diagnostics

ECG services have been continuously upgraded, ensuring that patients no longer need to rely on external clinics for tests. In **2023/24**, an **Immunoanalyzer** was introduced for advanced thyroid testing (T3, T4, TSH). In **February 2025**, the laboratory further expanded with the installation of an **Electrolyte Analyzer 3p**.

	2020-21*	2021-22*	2022-23*	2023-24*	2024-25
Laboratory Services	14,508	13,360	20,123	22,955	24,020
Surgical Services	1,030	607	1,041	703	996
ECG	325	467	564	495	598
Physiotherapy	2,964	8,354	9,210	9,572	7,997
X-Ray	800	1,120	1,906	2,203	2,266

*April to March - the number of people who utilized the services since 2020/21





HCHC BALIGHAI

The HCHC in Balighai, Puri (Odisha) provides both general medical treatments and specialist health services. The centre is open six days a week and serves as an important healthcare centre for the local community.

In addition to its regular medical services, HCHC Balighai also offers Ayurvedic and Homeopathic treatments, expanding the spectrum of care. Ayurvedic services have been available since February 2018, and Homeopathy was introduced in February 2021. Special health camps, supported by local Ayurvedic specialists, are organized to address specific health conditions.

The centre further provides physiotherapy services, usually offered twice a month, as well as specialist skin consultations and dental treatments, also available twice a month.

Between April 2024 and March 2025, a total of 16,884 patients received treatment at HCHC Balighai.

HCHC BHISHINDIPUR

HCHC in Bhishindipur in the state of West Bengal offers conventional general medical treatments and specialist health services, such as homeopathic treatments on two days every week. **The OPD services at Bhishindipur were utilized by 3,015 patients in 2024/2025.**

VILLAGE HEALTH PROJECTS (VHP)

The **VHP Athagarh** (Upavanam), offers homeopathic treatments six days a week and dental care twice a month. **About 6,942 patients were treated during 2024/25.**

The **VHP Arua**, situated on the premises of the Hariharananda Balashram Residential School, offers four days a week allopathic treatment and twice a month dental care. Regular homeopathic treatment has also been carried out since 2019/20. **The OPD services at the Village Health Project Arua was utilized by 8,711 patients during 2024/25.**

HAND IN HAND - EDUCATION PROJECTS

HARIHARANANDA BALASHRAM RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL

20 YEARS OF HARIHARANANDA BALASHRAM – A DAY OF GRATITUDE!

The foundation day of Hariharananda Balashram was celebrated on July 29, 2024. On this special occasion – marking 20 years since the establishment of the institution – the students expressed their sincere gratitude to all sponsors and well-wishers of Balashram.

The principal emphasized: *“On this twentieth anniversary, the message of Paramahansa Prajnanananda is for us to look back on our journey of caring for and educating children, and to acknowledge both the successes and the challenges. Our heartfelt thanks go to all members, patrons, and supporters for their unwavering love and guidance.”*

THE BALASHRAM FAMILY 2024/25

In the academic year 2024/25, Balashram had 556 students (280 boys and 276 girls), 33 teachers including the Principal, and 4 non-teaching staff members.

THE ANNUAL SURVEY FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2025/26

The annual admission survey for enrolling new nursery students for the academic year 2025/26 was conducted by Swami Sugitananda Giri and was completed in the first week of April.

- In total, 284 applications were received.
- Among them, 166 children were above the age of five, and 30 children had not yet reached the age of four – these applications could not be considered.
- From the remaining 99 applications, a total of 40 children were admitted.

- **Hariharananda Balashram – a home for care and education** – was founded on **July 29, 2004** in Arua / Kendrapara. Since then, this residential school has been offering children living in extreme poverty—without primary care and without access to education—a safe home, healthcare, and holistic, high-quality schooling. Children who suffer from neglect in urban slums or who live in severely underserved and hard-to-reach rural areas are selected by a specially qualified commission.
- Each year, **40 young girls and boys aged between four and five** are enrolled at Balashram for a period of **14 years**, during which they receive comprehensive care and education. After this, they are supported in the Balashram follow-up project “**Chrysalis**”, until they are able to stand on their own feet. Even later in life, Hariharananda Balashram remains their home.
- The school includes **Nursery classes (Nursery 1 and 2)** and offers formal education starting at the age of six, covering **Secondary Level 1 (Grades I–X)**.
- Every student is encouraged to dream of a future of their own choice and to realize that dream through dedicated effort. The school’s motto is “**Make Your Dream a Reality**”, and the institution truly embodies this spirit.
- After completing the compulsory years of schooling (**Grade 10**), the adolescents move on to the follow-up project **Chrysalis** to continue with **Secondary Level 2 (Grades XI–XII)** or to pursue vocational training.
- Hariharananda Balashram Residential School is managed by **Prajnana Mission**, headquartered in Jagatpur / Cuttack. Based on the school’s performance, facilities, laboratories, and qualified teachers, the **Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)** has extended the school’s affiliation until **March 2030**.
- The school follows the **CBSE curriculum** with the **Continuous Comprehensive Evaluation (CCE)** system as per CBSE guidelines. In the curriculum, **English is the first language, Odia the second, and Hindi the third**. The course of studies includes **mathematics, science, social science, and environmental studies**. Non-academic subjects include **computer studies, general knowledge, and value education**. Teaching is conducted through **activity-based learning**, with computerized projectors supporting audio-visual learning.
- The **final examinations** for the classes X and XII (Secondary Level 1 and 2) are **open to the public** and are conducted by CBSE.

EXTRACURRICULAR AND OUT-OF-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

The children and adolescents are encouraged to dream of a life that they freely choose for themselves, and to realize their dreams actively and through their own efforts. This is reflected in the school’s logo which bears the inscription "Make Your Dream a Reality" and in the Balashram’s pedagogical approach, and ultimately in the organisation of care in the residential school, as well as in the actual teaching.

To provide the best possible environment and support for the development of each child's individual talents and potential, as well as a natural sense of social responsibility, extracurricular and out-of-school programmes are offered in the areas of:

- vocational training & life skills,
- art & culture,
- nature & environment,
- sports & games.

Playfully Learning Fair-Play

The total students of the school (except KG and Nursery) are divided into 4 houses (teams); namely Valmiki, Vasishta, Vishwamitra and Vyasa. These four houses will have inter-house competitions that include debate, calligraphy, chanting, essay writing, games, sports, and so on. Every Friday these competitions are held. Each house will have students from all classes (class I to class X). Moreover, there are different clubs including Science, Language, Heritage Eco-Club, and Youth Club etc., to conduct different Co-Curricular activities. Every Friday various inter house competitions including quiz, song, dance, debate and extempore speech are organized in the school.

Life Skills and Career Competencies

In addition to the CBSE curriculum, vocational and life skills have been taught since the 2013/14 school year, when the first children turned 13 to 14 years old. Since then, students in classes VIII to X have been undergoing a competence-oriented programme for the development of life skills.

Extracurricular subjects include IT, general knowledge, ethics and values education. In concrete, courses are available to the girls and boys in tailoring, gardening, desktop publishing, computer hardware assembly, plumbing, electrical house wiring, bicycle repair, hair cutting and cooking, among others.

Each student enrol in at least one training course for practical skills development. The girls and boys may enroll in more than one course depending upon their interest. These classes are once a week on Sundays. The class duration is two hours. The aim of this programme is to make the young people understand the value of work and competence.

COLLABORATION WITH COMMIT 2 CHANGE (C2C) INITIATIVE

Commit to Change (C2C) is a non-profit organization dedicated to transforming the lives of girls, especially from vulnerable communities, by empowering them through education. In partnership with Hariharananda Balashram, C2C provides knowledge and skills in English and other subjects, along with counseling sessions for the girls. The C2C classes are progressing well. The first round of Professional Development Classes for Grades IX, X, and XI has been successfully completed, and the current focus is on Grade VIII. Students are actively engaged in Vedic Math, Computer Science, Spoken English, and Robotics. In Robotics, two projects have already been completed. Each program is running smoothly.

Orientation Classes

In 2024/25, **Paramahansa Prajnanananda** conducted orientation classes for students and teachers to support the overall development of Balashram, as follows:

ORIENTATION CLASSES FOR STUDENTS

Brahmacharya - the discipline of controlling one's senses to reach liberation	July 16, 2024
Ramayana and its heritage - Follow Lord Rama's values and serve the nation	April 07-08, 2025 for Class VI-IX
Lessons from Mahabharatha - Morality, Leadership, Emotional Control and Spiritual Knowledge	April 07-08, 2025 for Class X-XII
Inspiring narratives from the life of Lord Hanuman - Self-control, Humility and Dedication	May 05-06, 2025
Significance of Lord Jagannath and the presence of 7 deities – True wealth comes from the hard work and the earth	June 29, 2025 from Class VI-XII
Guru Purnima and its significance	July 16, 2025

ORIENTATION CLASSES FOR TEACHERS

Role of teachers in shaping students' lives – Inspirations from Shri Guruji's selected books: the discipline of controlling one's senses to attain liberation.	April 10, 2025
Lessons from the ancient Gurukulam tradition – The role of sages and the distinction between spiritual knowledge (<i>Paravidya</i>) and worldly knowledge (<i>Aparavidya</i>). Follow Lord Rama's values and serve the nation.	May 07, 2025
How to build trust and create a safe environment for students at Balashram (school and hostel).	July 17, 2025

Additional Teachers Training

This year, the teacher training program was conducted primarily online. Teachers participated in various Continuing Professional Development (CPD) courses tailored to their individual areas of interest and expertise.

Additional Students Training

A Foundation Course has been introduced for selected high-achieving students from Grades 6 to 10 to help them deepen their knowledge and prepare for future academic challenges. At the same time, special conceptual classes are being held for slower learners to strengthen their understanding of basic concepts and to ensure that no child is left behind.

Excursions

As a part of the academic activity, study tours for Nursery to Class-XII had been arranged to different places of Odisha.

NEW EXPERIENCES: BALASRHAM EXCURSIONS IN 2024/25

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (IIT)

Senior students visited on December 26, 2024 IIT Bhubaneswar to gain exposure to modern research and to be inspired in their academic pursuits. They toured several departments including Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, and more.

BHUBANESWAR BOOK FAIR

Books open the door to some of life's greatest treasures. Balashram students visited the 6th Odisha State Book Fair in Bhubaneswar, held from December 6 to 17, 2024.

Organized by the Odisha Department of Language, Literature, and Culture, the fair featured 400 stalls presenting an extensive collection of books from 200 publishers and booksellers. With themes centered on the lives of luminaries such as Dr. Harekrushna Mahatab, Lord Buddha, Birsa Munda, and other freedom fighters, the fair offered visitors a chance to explore rich historical and cultural narratives. Needless to say, the children had a truly rewarding day.

SCHOOL EXCURSION TO MINA BAZAR MELA

On October 5, 2024, the children enjoyed a special excursion day. They visited Mina Bazar Mela, an amusement fair with fun rides for everyone. The children had a fantastic time and returned home full of joy, carrying wonderful memories of the day.

HARIHARANANDA BALASHRAM

EXCURSION/STUDY TOUR- FOR STUDENTS (SESSION-2024)

Date & Time	Spot	Group	Team Member (A)	Team Member (B)
20-11-2024 <i>Wednesday</i> Starting Time at 4:30-5:am	Paradeep, Gorakhnath & Maa Sarala Pitha	<u>GROUP-“A”</u> Class-IV, V & VI Boys=21+17+21=59 Girls=18+16+11=45 Total=104	ND , GS, RM, SB, SBM, HKP	Ranjit Baba, Nihar Baba, Rameswar Baba, Gita Ma, Kuntala Ma, Padmini Ma, Minati Ma and Ranjit Baba Gitanjali Ma (M)
22-11-2024 <i>Friday</i> Starting Time at 8:00am	Pattamundai Park Dhyanamandir	<u>GROUP-“B”</u> Nursery & KG Boys=19+20=39 Girls=21+21=42 Total=81	SM ,PJ, JM, MN & MD	Parvati Ma, Padmini Ma, Kuntala Ma, Kuni Ma, Archana Ma, Subhadra Ma & Anta Baba Deepika Ma (M)
23-11-2024 <i>Saturday</i> Starting Time at 4:30-5:am	Puri, Balighai Ashram & Konark	<u>GROUP-“C”</u> Class- VII, VIII & IX Boys=22+17+18=57 Girls=14+17+19=50 Total=107	AB, PP, BM, JDM, AD, AL, PD, BD & BKS	Nihar Baba, Biswajit Baba, Laxmi Ma, Gita Ma, Minati Ma & Giri Baba Ramranjan Baba (M)
25-11-2024 <i>Monday</i> Starting Time at 4:30-5:am	Emami Temple, Punchalingeswar, Khirachora Gopinath, Balesore	<u>GROUP-“D”</u> Class-X, XI & XII Boys=14+4+17+14+14=63 Girls=19+10+9+16+13=67 Total=130	KRD, BK, AKN, PC, AKB, JR, BS, AKD, PKD, & MB	Nanda Baba, Biswajit Baba, Archana Ma, Sima Ma, Suresh Baba & Gagan Baba Deepika Ma (M)
27-11-2024 <i>Wednesday</i> Starting Time at 4:30-5:am	Mahavinyayak, Biraja, Pathani Samanta Planetarium, dhauli shanti stupa & Regional Museum BBSR	<u>GROUP-“E”</u> Class-I, II & III Boys=18+23+20=61 Girls=24+24+27=72 Total=133	AMM , LS, BLS, SD & MD	Ram Baba, Hari Baba, Chandra Baba, Anusaya Ma, Sima Ma & Srikant Baba Gitanjali Ma (M)

Arts & Culture

Extracurricular activities in the visual and performing arts have always played a central role in Balashram's educational programme. The CBSE gives particular importance to an interdisciplinary approach to teaching and learning, which also includes the integration of art and culture in both curricular- and extracurricular learning. Therefore, visual and performing arts are partly compulsory for the children from nursery to class IX. The children learn drawing and painting, to make collages, drawing in two dimensions and acquire craft skills. In the performing arts, each child takes at least one of the three subjects dance, music and tabla. For music lessons, Balashram is affiliated to the *Pracheen Kala Kendra* of Chandigarh University*. The girls and boys also learn classical Hindustani and Odissi music as well as traditional Odissi dance. *) Pracheen Kala Kendra of Chandigarh University is the oldest organization in India that promotes classical arts. We are affiliated to it, and they support Balashram.

ARTS & CULTURE EVENTS AT BALASHRAM 2024/25

WORLD LITERACY DAY

On September 8, 2024, World Literacy Day was observed, providing an opportunity to reflect on the significance of literacy in our lives. Teachers shared insights on the importance of education and highlighted India's literacy rate, with special attention to Odisha.

DURGA PUJA VACATION

Durga Puja is a festival honoring Mother Durga and celebrating her victory over the demon Mahishasura. It is a ten-day festival — Navratri — culminating in Vijaya Dashami on the tenth day. The final five days are of particular importance.

Hariharananda Balashram students enjoyed these celebrations as their school vacation began on October 9 and continued until October 15. During the holidays, children engaged in creative activities such as making terracotta clay idols of deities, young girls preparing festive meals and enjoying cooking, and participating in a quiz competition on Durga Puja. Since *chaat* (a popular spicy and tangy Indian snack) is much loved, the students were treated to *chaat* on one of the vacation days — an experience the younger ones especially relished!

SHRI GURUDEV MAHASAMADHI DIWAS

The 23rd Mahasamadhi Divas of Shri Gurudev was observed at Hariharananda Balashram on December 3. The event began with a Gurupaduka Puja performed by the Principal, Swami Sugitanandaji, together with the students. Saina Biswal (Grade XI) gave a talk on Shri Gurudev, and students participated in essay and speech competitions.

Games & Sports

Games and Sports are an integral part of the school curriculum. Throughout the year students participate in various competitions organised both inside and outside the school. The students are trained by coaches in football, rugby, volleyball, handball, kho-kho and kabadi.

Balashram is a member of Sahodaya School Complex, Eastern Odisha Chapter. Sahodaya School Complex is an association of 20 CBSE schools from different locations. This association discusses different issues related to education. In addition, they also arrange different competitions among other CBSE schools. Our school became the runners up in the Kabaddi Tournament during 2023-24 academic year. Moreover, in the Yogasana competition, Khirod Bhoi & Snehalata Pradhan also participated at Odisha state level, respectively.

SPORTS EVENTS AT BALASHRAM 2024/25: PROMOTING FAIR PLAY AND TEAM SPIRIT

ANNUAL SPORTS MEET

The 19th Annual Sports Meet was held on November 11–12, 2024, with great enthusiasm and energy. The event brought together students, staff, and spectators to celebrate the spirit of sportsmanship and healthy competition. It was inaugurated by Swami Anirvanananda and the Principal, who lit the torch and delivered an inspiring address on the importance of sports in fostering discipline, teamwork, and physical fitness.

The Sports Meet included events for all classes, ranging from athletics (running, jumping, discus throw) to Math Races, Volleyball, Throwball, and more. Participation was highly encouraging, with a large number of children taking part.

The event concluded with a prize distribution ceremony, where Durgya Guiya (Grade XI, Vasistha House) and Khiramani Sabar (Grade VIII, Viswamitra House) were declared the overall champions for boys and girls, respectively. Paramahansa Prajnanananda closed the Sports Meet on the evening of November 12, 2024.

SAHODAYA INTER-SCHOOL KABBADI CHAMPIONSHIP

The Sahodaya Inter-School Kabaddi Championship was held on December 14, 2024. Both boys and girls from Balashram participated actively. The day ended on a high note, with the Balashram girls (Grades IX–XII) proudly bringing home the Senior Girls Runner-Up Trophy.

DISTRICT LEVEL FOOTBALL MATCH PATTAMUNDI: JANUARY 17-21, 2025

Balashram's football team secured 3rd place in the District-Level Football Tournament, held at M.N. High School, Pattamundai. The team, guided by teacher Ambika Mohanty, consisted of students from Grades VII and VIII who competed with great dedication.

Scouts & Guides

The school offers the students the opportunity to join scout & guides groups. For the boys it is the Sri Yutkeshwar Scout Troop and for the girls the Anandamayee Guide Company. There is a third group, the Bulbul Group, for the very little ones from the kindergarten classes. A total of 100 students from different classes are enrolled in one of these groups. They regularly participate in various community outreach programmes.

ACTIVITIES OF SCOUTS AND GUIDES IN 2024/25

- The Tritiya Sopan Examination for Scouts and Guides was held in July 2024, where all participants successfully passed, marking an important milestone in their journey.
- As part of their community service, the Scouts and Guides organized a cleaning drive at the Dadhibaman Jew Temple on 27th July 2024, contributing to local cleanliness and public awareness.
- An Investiture Ceremony was conducted on 8th August 2024 to formally welcome new members into the Scouts and Guides movement. This was followed by a Plantation Program on 10th August 2024, where students actively planted saplings to promote environmental awareness.
- In observance of Ekta Divas, the Scouts and Guides carried out an awareness campaign on 12th August 2024, spreading the message of unity and integration.
- A total of 8 Scouts and 10 Guides appeared for the Rajya Puraskar Examination on 9th November 2024. All of them successfully qualified, demonstrating their dedication and preparedness.
- In the summer of 2025, on 28th April and 3rd May, the Scouts and Guides took the initiative to serve drinking water to pedestrians along the roadside, showing compassion and civic responsibility.
- Since March 2025, the Guides have been focused on raising awareness about the importance of a clean and healthy environment at Balashram, while also making their own contribution. For one month, they cleaned the toilets and the nursery block on a daily basis.
- On the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti and Lal Bahadur Shastri's birthday on 2nd October 2024, the Scouts and Guides of Balashram led an All-Faiths Prayer Meeting. They sang and chanted prayers, conveying Gandhiji's message that all faiths are one, and that success can be achieved if we unite and work together towards a common goal.

IMPORTANT EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

Utkal Diwas	April 1, 2024
Earth Day	April 22, 2024
Shri Gurudev's Birthday Celebrations	May 27, 2024
International Yoga Day	June 21, 2024
Rath Yatra	July 7, 2024
Welcome Ceremony of Nursery Kids	July 18
Balashram Foundation Day	July 29, 2024
Shri Guruji's Birthday Celebration	August 10, 2024
77th Independence Day	August 15, 2024
Shri Krishna Janmashtami	August 26, 2024
Teacher's Day	September 5, 2024
Shri Ganesha Chaturthi	September 6, 2024
National Unity Day	October 31, 2024
Children's Day	November 14, 2024
Kartika Purnima (Boat festival)	November 15, 2024
19th Mahasamadhi celebration of Shri Gurudev	December 3, 2024
Christmas Celebration	December 24-25, 2024
New Year Celebration	December 31-January 1, 2025
Birthday of Paramahansa Yoganandaji	January 5, 2025
National Youth Day	January 12, 2025
Republic Day	January 26, 2025
Saraswati Puja	February 2, 2025

Apart from the major festivals such as Rath Yatra (Chariot Festival), Guru Purnima (the birthday of Sage Ved Vyasa), Raksha Bandhan (celebrating the bond of protection between brothers and sisters), Sri Krishna Janmashtami (the birthday of Lord Krishna), and Shri Ganesh Chaturthi (the birthday of Lord Ganesha), which were celebrated in a grand manner at the school, other significant days observed at Balashram during this period included the following:

Hariharananda Balashram Foundation Day

The Foundation Day of Hariharananda Balashram was celebrated with grandeur on July 29, 2024. Marking the completion of 20 years of the institution, the students expressed their heartfelt gratitude to the contributors and well-wishers of Balashram. Quoting the Principal:

“On this twentieth anniversary, the message of Paramahansa Prajnanananda is to reflect on our journey of nurturing and educating children, celebrating both our successes and our challenges. Our heartfelt thanks also go to all members, patrons, and supporters for their unwavering love and guidance.”

Annual Day Celebration - Spandan

The 20th Annual Day was celebrated on December 22, 2024. The program began with the lighting of the ceremonial lamp by the Chief Guest, Swami Shivachidananda Saraswati Maharaj, along with other dignitaries. The event recognized and honored students' achievements in academics, sports, and extracurricular activities. Cultural performances added vibrancy to the celebration.

Akshara Abhyasa

As every year, a welcome ceremony was organized for the new entrants following their official admission. A special ceremony, Akshara Abhyasa (initiation into learning to write), was performed, during which the little ones were formally introduced to writing by Paramahansa Prajnanananda, who lovingly guided each child in tracing their first letters. This event took place on 18 July 2024.

Parent Teacher Meeting:

On 2 October, 2024, a meeting was held between teachers and the parents or guardians of the students. They were invited to the school to engage with the teachers, who provided valuable feedback on the children's progress, fostering mutual understanding and support.

Teacher's Day

Teachers' Day was celebrated on 5 September, 2024, honoring the invaluable contributions of educators. In an online address, Paramahansa Prajnanananda highlighted the three types of Gurus in our lives: Father, Mother, and Teachers, along with our spiritual guides.

The day also included a reflection on the life of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, inspiring students to cherish the wisdom and guidance of their teachers. Class XII students prepared and served breakfast, while teachers received gifts and mementoes. The celebrations featured cultural programs, including songs, dances, a skit on the teacher-student relationship, and a lighthearted session where teachers answered spontaneous questions from students. The program concluded with a festive lunch prepared and served by the students.

Alumni Meet

The 2nd Alumni Meet was held on 21 December 2024, with notable alumni and guests, including Padmashree Ileana Citaristi, noted environmentalist Somya Ranjan Biswal, and Dr. Sruti Mohapatra. The event highlighted alumni achievements and fostered collaboration and growth. Alumni also presented cultural programs of dance and song, and the event concluded with a group photo with Paramahansa Prajnanananda.

Gandhi Jayanti & Lal Bahadur Shastri's birthday

2 October is a day of great significance for India as well as for Balashram, marking the birthday of Mahatma Gandhi, Father of the Nation as well as the birthday of Lal Bahadur Shastri, the second Prime Minister of India. Both occasions were observed with reverence and gratitude.

World Peace Day

On 21 September 2024, the school organized a special assembly in honor of World Peace Day. The programme focused on spreading the message of peace and how everybody can contribute to creating a harmonious world.

HEALTH AND MEDICAL CARE

The school has its own Hariharananda Charitable Health Centre to check the children's health and dental health and ensure their well-being. As part of a Village Health Project, health camps are organized four times a week for the village people. However, with the outbreak of COVID the village health camps were cancelled and could not be continued since then.

Balashram HCHC serves the village with a Homeopathic service on one day and allopathic doctor every alternate day during the week. There are dental camps twice a month. A pharmacist helps in the functioning of the medical centre with a visiting doctor.

EYE CHECK-UP COMMITTEE – L.V. PRASAD EYE INSTITUTE (LVPEI)

To ensure that children's vision is not neglected but regularly monitored, Hariharananda Balashram has established a partnership with the L.V. Prasad Eye Institute (LVPEI). With a strong presence in Odisha, LVPEI is committed to extending quality eye care to rural communities across the state.

This partnership began in September–October 2024, when the LVPEI team visited Balashram for the first time and expressed their willingness to conduct regular eye examinations for the students.

Eye-examinations held so far at Hariharananda Balashram:

- From **January 11–13, 2025**, the LVPEI team carried out the first round of eye check-ups at Balashram. About **600 students** underwent examinations during this three-day program.
- The **second round** of check-ups was held on **February 4, 2025**, with seven LVPEI staff members visiting the campus.

As a result of these examinations, **29 children were prescribed glasses**, several students with infections received treatment, and a few were referred to Bhubaneswar for further tests.

FARMING PROJECT

For more than four years, Balashram has been engaged in organic farming. Around 8.5 acres of land are cultivated with paddy, and an organic vegetable garden has also been developed to supply the Balashram kitchen.

FACILITIES

- The residential school has 26 dormitories for girls and 23 dormitories for boys.
- The school is well equipped with a computer laboratory that has 45 computers and a projector for teaching information technology. Since 2013-14, Balashram has introduced an audio-visual learning system. Balashram frequently uses TeachNext tools - a digital teaching and learning system.
- The new central library was completed in February 2021.
- Construction work on the mini-auditorium began in December 2019 and was completed in August 2020. The grand opening of the auditorium took place on 16 February 2021.
- The solar power project was commissioned in December 2019 and it supplies electrical power of 50 kVA to school campus. Requirement for Balashram is 100+ kVA. Based on the success of this project, a 10kVA off-grid solar power project was installed on the school terrace. Completion date was March 2022.
- In December 2019, construction work began on the mini auditorium, and was completed in August 2020. The ceremonial opening of the auditorium was on 16 February, 2021.
- The biogas plant, commissioned in 2018, currently covers 80% of fuel requirements. LPG is used for the remaining requirements. Wood is no longer used to run the kitchen.
- Organic farming had been taken up at Balashram shortly before the outbreak of the Pandemic in 2019. About 8.5 acres of land is being cultivated for paddy and an organic vegetable garden is also developed for Balashram kitchen.

ACCESSIBILITY

According to the Guidelines for Children with Special Needs (CwSN), all existing schools and those seeking affiliation with the CBSE Board are required to provide either a ramp or a lift on every floor of the school building. In line with this mandate, Balashram installed a lift, which has been fully functional since July 2024.

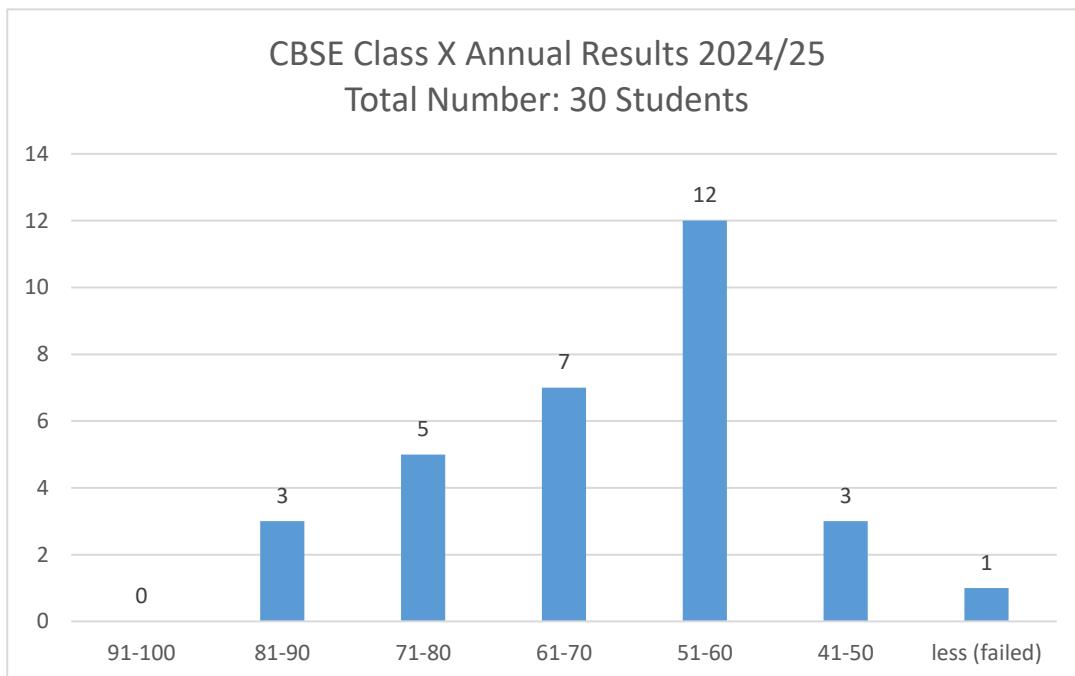
FUTURE CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

To ensure dedicated care and education for children in Grades I to V, and to create more space for older students in the current facility, separate buildings for younger children are planned. Construction is scheduled to begin in October 2025.

FINAL EXAMINATIONS – CLASS X

Class 10 results for the academic year 2024-25 were declared by CBSE on 13 May 2025. Out of 30 students, 29 students passed. Of these, 12 students joined Science, 13 students opted for Humanities, while 2 chose ITI; 1 student failed, 1 student has not decided yet.

The best student in class X was Rajalaxmi Murmu who scored 89.33%.



CHRYSTALIS

Chrysalis supports graduates of the Balashram Residential School after leaving school. This Balashram follow-up project has the scope to give graduates the best possible support. The school received the Composite Provisional Affiliation for Secondary School from the Central Board of Secondary Education, New Delhi, in 2017. The approval for education up to secondary level 2 is a result of the Chrysalis project, which emerged from the Balashram project in 2016, and it is an important milestone in the school's development. Since then, it is possible to harbour the children for 14 years at Balashram and to give them further education at levels +2 and +3 after completion of compulsory schooling (class X).

FINAL EXAMINATIONS – CLASS XII

The Classes XII annual results for the academic year 2024/25 were declared by CBSE on 13 May 2025.
All students passed.

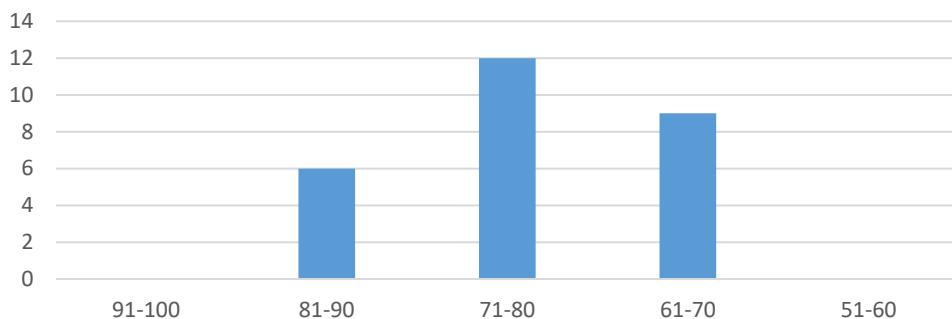
Class XII - Sciences

All 27 students in the Sciences stream successfully passed their final exams. Remarkably, 11 of them have been part of Balashram since their nursery years (admission batch 2011–12). The top student of the Science stream was **Himanshu Ranjan Mallick**, who achieved an excellent score of 87%.

CBSE Class XII SCIENCES - Annual Results 2024/25

Total Number: 27 Students

Average Result: 74,49



Class XII – Humanities

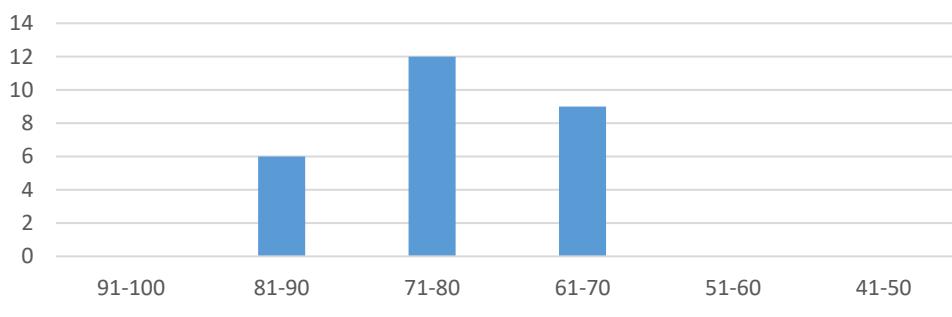
Among the 29 students who opted for Humanities, 16 have already enrolled in undergraduate (+3) studies in various disciplines, while the others are still awaiting confirmation of their admissions. The top performer in the Humanities stream was Anpa Tudu, who earned a strong score of 84%.

CBSE Class XII - HUMANITIES

Annual Results 2024/25

Total Number: 29 Students

Average Result: 72.71



Support for Former Balashram Students in Higher Education

Even after graduation, the Chrysalis Project continues to accompany young people on their educational journey. At present, two alumni are being supported:

- **Purusottam Barik:** He achieved an impressive rank of 1287 in the IIT JEE Advanced examination under the *Economically Weaker Section (EWS)* category. His goal is to study Computer Science or Artificial Intelligence. Since this combination was not available at his preferred IITs, he chose to enroll at the National Institute of Technology (NIT) in Rourkela – a renowned institution regarded as the leading alternative to the IITs. There, he was able to pursue his chosen field of study.
- **Narsingh Palia:** In the Joint Admission Test for Masters (JAM 2025), he secured an excellent All India Rank of 898 among 12,721 candidates. With this achievement, he gained admission to the prestigious IIT Bombay, where he has already begun his Master's degree in Chemistry.

TUITION CENTRE

A tuition centre was constructed in 2021/22 in Arua / Kendrapara near the Balashram Residential School. It offers tutoring classes for the children of the villages of Arua, Kadliban, Hatapatana, Keshpur and Nuapatana, with the aim of raising the children's educational levels. The tuition centre offers two shifts: morning and evening:

Classes I to VI come for tutoring in the morning while students from classes VII to X come in the evening. Graduates of Balashram, who live on the Balashram campus and study in nearby educational institutions under the Chrysalis Project, teach in their free time as tutors in the new Centre.

Parents of the children pay a small fee which covers the electricity costs and the examination fees. Retired government teachers who live in the villages, visit the Centre frequently and offer suggestions on how to improve teaching for the children. Parents-meetings are organised at regular intervals with the aim of promoting the parents' understanding of their children's educational journey. Moreover, an ethics lesson is held every Sunday and is attended by about 60 to 70 children.

The main goal of the Tuition Centre is to compensate for the poor quality of education in the regular village schools. It wants to help students, who find regular school classes difficult, to understand the basic courses of the lower grades. The tutors try to meet the individual needs of the students and advise the parents accordingly. The response of the villagers to the Tutoring Centre has been very positive.

Three students of 10th grade studying in a village school, and who received support in the Tuition centre successfully passed the last school year.

In 2023-24, the Tuition Centre building was extended, and a large hall was built above the classrooms. A library was set up there, and part of the extension is used for sewing courses.

HAND IN HAND – DISASTER RELIEF

In the financial year 2024/25, the Board of HAND IN HAND – Organization for Humanitarian Aid in Vienna decided to increase the disaster relief fund from EUR 10,000 to at least EUR 35,000. This decision was made in response to the projected heightened risk of extreme weather events due to climate change.

GENERAL ACTIVITIES OF HAND IN HAND

- HAND IN HAND undergoes a strict audit procedure every year in Austria to obtain the donation seal of approval. On 6 June 2024, Annemarie Ackerl, Treasurer of HAND IN HAND in Austria, happily accepted the certificate of honour for '20 years of the Seal of Approval for Donations' in a festive Viennese setting.
- Paramahansa Prajnanananda, the founder of our partner organisation in India, PRAJNANA MISSION, visited the HAND IN HAND organisation in Austria in June and September 2024. He participated in a fruitful exchange on the future vision for HAND IN HAND.
- The president, the management, and members of all HAND IN HAND organisations in Europe travelled to India in spring 2024 to celebrate 25 years of HCHC and 20 years of Balashram. Further development of the projects in India were discussed together with the PRAJNANA MISSION.
- Regularly meetings are held with HAND IN HAND USA, and the PRAJNANA MISSION in India with the aim of strengthening and expanding HAND IN HAND's international and worldwide cooperation.
- The President, Vice President, Executive Director and board members of HAND IN HAND were able to inform about HAND IN HAND and raise funds for the projects in India during Europe-wide events in the financial year 2024/25.
- In the financial year 2024/25, HAND IN HAND produced one donor-letter, Christmas mail, the Sponsorship-Letters, and an issue of the donor magazine Spotlight and sent them out by post and email.
- In the mailings were enclosed postcards, and notecards based on drawings by the children and artwork by Atelier Silke Weiß, who again designed and sponsored a Christmas card for HAND IN HAND as well as a Birthday-Card on the occasion of 20 years of Balashram.
- The donor-letters were published in German and English since 2021 and additionally in French, Hungarian, Polish, and Spanish from spring 2022. Translations into Italian and Dutch followed in 2023, and Portuguese in 2024.
- The Spotlight was published as a print version in German, English, French and Polish.
- A PDF version of the French Spotlight is available on the website www.handinhand.fr; a PDF version of the Dutch Spotlight is available on the website <https://handinhandnederland.org/>

- PDF versions of the Spotlight and Newsletters of all languages, including Portuguese since 2024, are published at www.handinhand.at.
- The new website for HAND IN HAND in Europe has gone online in Spring 2024. The website is to be translated in German, English, Italian, Spanish, Hungarian, Polish, Russian and Portuguese.
- This year fundraising programs were held in various European cities. In Austria, Germany, Poland and the Netherlands, small charity auctions and in Austria also raffles were held this year for the benefit of the children of Balashram. In Austria, Germany and the Netherlands live concerts took place and in the Netherlands, even gong-baths in favor of HAND IN HAND.
- Dirk Denzer and Asango Schuster presented the HAND IN HAND donation initiative in the course of their variety festivals. During these well-attended performances Dirk Denzer and Asango Schuster delivered the donation appeals and offered the audience detailed information about the aid projects. The work of HAND IN HAND was showcased on an LED wall behind the stage, and information and donation booths were set up in the foyer.
- In Germany and Switzerland HAND IN HAND information and Christmas booths were organized. In the UK charity walks were undertaken in aid of Balashram. In Germany, HAND IN HAND was presented during the Kriya Yoga Festival from 15 to 16 June 2024.
- On 7 June to 12 June the 8th Balashram Trek successfully took place in Switzerland.
- Atelier Silke Weiß designed and created in collaboration with HAND IN HAND supporters in Germany a peace-flag in favour of HIH.
- The singer and pianist Yvonne Krüger-Schulte presented her CD-Project in June 2024. She was musically supported at the live concerts by the artist Omid Bahadori. 'JOY'N US!' was the motto of the duo's concerts in aid of HAND IN HAND. 100% of the proceeds from the concerts, the CD and the songs, which are also available individually on SoundCloud, will go to HAND IN HAND.
- In addition to the annual general assembly, board meetings, as well as working meetings via Zoom, were held during this financial year. Apart from that, the board members are in telephone and/or email contact.

Thanks to the international collaboration of HAND IN HAND Organisations in Europe, "Stiftung HAND IN HAND Deutschland", "HAND IN HAND Schweiz", "Stichting HAND IN HAND Netherlands", "HAND IN HAND France" and Support Groups in Poland, Hungary and the UK and non-European HAND IN HAND supporters, we can look back to a successful business year. HAND IN HAND USA makes a significant contribution to the planning, coordination and financing of the humanitarian aid projects in India. In India, Europe and in the USA many voluntary helpers and coordinators are participating in the different projects.

FINANCIAL REPORT

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TYP	BIL			
SUMMEN	4/23 - 3/25.1	4/23 - 3/24	4/22 - 3/23	4/21 - 3/22
CASH	1.439.424,22	175.595,56	60.813,93	41.974,24
Fonds	-1.150.000,00			
Gesamt	289.424,22	175.595,56	60.813,93	41.974,24

TYP	GuV			
SUMMEN	4/23 - 3/25.1	4/23 - 3/24	4/22 - 3/23	4/21 - 3/22
Erlöse/Spenden	353.816,60	430.865,95	451.545,20	346.902,97
Erlöse.Erbschaft	285.476,55	154.352,96		
Personal	-36.118,84	-48.493,02	-41.665,19	-34.737,87
Vertrieb	-15.901,89	-13.629,80	-15.964,76	-13.867,45
Verwaltung	-26.443,76	-43.314,46	-24.075,56	-14.144,05
Weitergabe Spenden	-447.000,00	-365.000,00	-351.000,00	-316.000,00
Gesamt	113.828,66	114.781,63	18.839,69	-31.846,40

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HAND IN HAND – Organisation for Humanitarian Aid
Activity and Progress Report 2024/25

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VEREINSEINNAHMEN / INCOME		EUR	Operativ	Erbschaften
Zur allgemeinen Zweckverwirklichung / General Incomes				
Spenden ohne Zuordnung / Donations without Classification		179.614,62		
Speziell gewidmete Einnahmen / Special dedicated Incomes				
Spenden für HCHC Gesundheitszentren und Dentale Betreuung, Gesundheits Camps, Katastrophe / Donation for HCHC Health Centres		22.000,00		
Spenden für Balashram-Schule und -Heim: Patenschaften / Donations for Balashram Class Sponsorships		148.180,82		
CHRYSLIS		4.000,00		
Sonstige Erträge, Erbschaft / Other Income, Inheritance Donation				285.476,55
Zinserträge / Interest Earnings		21,16		
Summe Vereinseinnahmen / Total Income		353.816,60	285.476,55	
VEREINSAUSGABEN / EXPENDITURES				
I. Leistungen für die statutarisch festgesetzten Zwecke /				
Payments For Statutory Stated Purpose				
H.C.H.C. Allgemeine Kosten / H.C.H.C. general costs		447.000,00		
Katastrophenhilfe / Disaster, Flood Relief		150.000,00		
Laufende Kosten Balashram / Balashram running costs		0,00		
Balashram Projekte (interactive class room)/ Balashram projects		256.000,00		
Balashram Projekt CHRYSLIS		25.000,00		
		16.000,00		
87,04%				
II. Zurechenbare Aufwendungen der Spendenwerbung und Spendenbetreuung				
Expenditures for Marketing and Care for Donors				
Druckkosten, Informationsmaterial / Printing Costs, Information Material		50.237,59		
Gehälter Marketing, Sozialversicherungsbeiträge / Salaries, Social Insurance Contribution		14.118,75		
		36.118,84		
9,78%				
III. Verwaltungsaufwand / Administration and Office				
Porti / Postage		16.344,43		
Sonst. Verwaltungsaufwand / Other Administration Costs		878,54		
Bankspesen / Bank Charge		12.730,75	11.882,47	
		2.735,14		
3,18%				
Summe Vereinsausgaben / Total Expenditures		513.582,02	11.882,47	
Geburungszugang / Increase of Cash 2022/2023		113.828,66		

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**Betrifft: Rechnungsprüfung HIH, Geschäftsjahr 2024/2025
Antrag auf Entlastung des Kassiers**

Als bestellte Rechnungsprüfer haben wir für den Zeitraum vom 1. April 2024 bis 31. März 2025 die Belege und Kontoauszüge des Vereines einer Durchsicht unterzogen und festgestellt, dass die Darstellung des Kassiers (Einnahmen/Ausgaben-Rechnung) als zusammenfassende Darstellung aller Kontenbewegungen summarisch richtig ist. Die Belege zu den einzelnen Positionen sind vorhanden.

Die Erbschaft haben wir separat dargestellt und vom operativen Geschäft –siehe Fonds - getrennt. Technisch wurde dies als zusätzliche außerbücherliche Nachbuchungen aufbauend auf die Saldenliste dargestellt. D.h. diese Um- und Nachbuchungen sind im Folgejahr noch bucherlich zu erfassen.

Bezogen auf das Rechnungswesen kann gesagt werden, dass durchaus vereinsübliche, gemeinnützige Gegebenheiten bestehen und insgesamt den Vorschriften für Rechnungslegung für Vereine entsprochen wurde. Wir stellen daher den Antrag auf Entlastung des Kassiers hinsichtlich des Zeitraumes 1. April 2024 bis 31. März 2025.


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