

# SAI KRUSHNA CHARITABLE TRUST

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Sai Krishna Arogya Dham - The New  
Haven for free rural healthcare

Annual Report 2016-2017



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This Annual report is dedicated to our God, Guru and Guide, Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba. We are grateful to Him for giving us the opportunity to be a part of His story. We offer our humble salutations and activities at His Lotus feet for He is the doer and we his instruments.



# Homage



**A loving, simple, dynamic, and selfless man of unassuming character who was willing to exert himself beyond all limits to take initiative and work in Swami's cause.**

Mr. Rajamani, born in Jamshedpur on 8th August 1942 merged in Swami on the early morning of 5th October, 2016. Having spent a large part of his career in Tata Steel as an Executive, he came with a strong understanding of engineering and science. He was very passionate about rural education, English language, and service to the underprivileged. To those who knew him well, Mr Rajamani was a silent worker ever willing to do his work without any pomp or display. One of the most helping personalities that anyone could have met, Rajamani Uncle symbolized the caring affection and love of a father. He would always be available to receive any person at the Jamshedpur railway station.

There were no tasks that he considered small or menial. Whether it was the construction of Sai Krishna Mandir; or the installation of the borewell; or teaching exercises to children; or sweeping and cleaning of the premises, Rajamani uncle was always there. The daily morning exercises practiced by the children were all taught by Rajamani uncle.

His firm faith was in doing one's level best and leaving the rest to God. Despite health ailments or physical weakness, he was the last person one would find complaining or warming a cot.

Ever active and enthusiastic, he could hold a conversation with people of all ages. A keen lover of music and excellent singer of Bhajans and Hindi music, he also shared many moments with the SKM children teaching them Sai bhajans. His favourite bhajans were *Bolo Narayana Jai Jai Vitthala*, *Sri Kari Krupa Kari and Ramachandra Sri Ram*. He was a deep thinker and revered Kabir for his simplicity in thought. His favourite couplets included *Kal Kare so Aaj Kar* [do today what you can do tomorrow], and *Dukh mein sumiran sab kare, Sukh mein kare na koi; jo sukh mein sumiran kare, to dukh kaahe ko hoi* [Everyone remembers the almighty during distress; no one remembers during happy times. If one remembers the almighty during happy times, there would be no times of distress at all].

Rajamani uncle was also a connoisseur of cricket. In fact, it was his love of the game which first brought him close to Swami in 2007. It was the inaugural edition of the T20 World Cup. India was participating under a new captain - MS Dhoni- and a young team from whom people did not expect too much. A strong supporter of the Indian team, Rajamani uncle was still rooting for the Indian team despite a tough draw against top rated teams like Australia, England, Pakistan and South Africa. In his mind he had set a challenge to Swami saying that he would come to Parthi if India won the T20 World Cup. As luck would have it--no--as Swami would have it, India won match after match and reached the final. In the final, things were heading for a nail biting finish. Pakistan seemed to be in a good position. In the final over, a mistimed (or shall we say Sai timed) shot ensured that India emerged victorious, stunning all cricketing pundits. As Swami says, the devotee gets pulled from wherever he is like a sparrow drawn by the thread attached to its feet. "*Bhagavan Bhookhe ke liye Roti ke roop mein aate hain.*" That eternal bond with Swami only got further strengthened by his ardent desire for Seva and his deep love of Sai bhajans.

If there was one feature which made him stand out, it was Rajamani uncle's simplicity. Though blessed with money he would never squander the same. He believed that he was the custodian of God's wealth which needed to be put to good use for the welfare of society. Rarely would he use a car for travel when he could use public transport. As the SKM children fondly recall: "We'll always remember the love and care with which you taught us the Yogasanas."

As per one of the villagers Raju: "His dedication and intent to learn Kannada despite his age were remarkable. The way he would accompany the volunteers to invite each villager - *Khandita Barbeku* - for Swami's birthday function was a lesson in humility and love."

**Dear Rajamani Uncle, you will always be a hero in our hearts and we shall strive to take forward your mission of selfless service with greater zeal.**

# From The Managing Trustee's Desk



*Vinod Cartic being instructed by Bhagawan to start Sai Krushna Mandir*

**“Would I ever give you a challenge, without giving you the corresponding strength to achieve the task?”**

These words of reassurance from our dear Lord have been the cornerstone of our endeavour as we inch forward in our mission of serving the underprivileged. There have been challenges galore but we take comfort in knowing that we have nothing to fear when God Himself is on our side.

Last year, the Sharavathi school transitioned to become an English medium school. While this implies improved opportunities for the school children, it also brings up a very strong need for better teachers with enhanced capabilities. In line with the same, there have been regular teacher training workshops and, we have also provided teachers with special teaching aids. Mrs Vijayalakshmy Krishnan, the School Director, has been constantly reviewing teacher improvement and while teachers are being given a chance to improve their

English knowledge in an effort to retain existing teachers to the extent possible, we have also made it clear that these are time bound objectives.

The tie up with Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vahini programme is another step in the same direction. The SSSVV programme has enabled teachers to become aware of best practices in teaching. Through interactive learning sessions, the teachers are being equipped to constantly grow and develop themselves. The huddle sessions last year comprised of an introduction to the SSSVV programme primarily through the IIEP x 4C approach: enabling learning in all four C's: Classroom, Corridor, Campus and Community by making learning more Insightful, Inspiring, Enjoyable and Participative. The teachers and students have been motivated to apply these in all aspects of their learning.



Boundary Wall Construction

In the coming year, we plan to construct a few additional classrooms. Our school strength has gone up from 97 in the year 2011 to 210 in 2017. With free English medium education, there are more children flocking to our school, necessitating the construction of additional classrooms. As a testimony to the same, all the classrooms are already full in the first week of June itself clocking over 210 students. We were forced to close school admissions on June 9th, whereas in previous years, we kept admissions open until June 30th.

While these are good omens, they also entail challenges on both an infrastructural and human resource front. To prepare for the same, one of our key initiatives last year was to get the donated land transferred in the name of the Trust. Invoking Section 109 of the Karnataka Land Reforms Act, the land has now been converted, making it usable for school / hostel purposes; and, has been registered in the name of Sai Krishna Charitable Trust. The boundary wall for the registered land is already under construction; and, the Trust plans to construct a few additional classrooms over the next couple of years on this land. Meanwhile, to manage the school room requirement, a new Science lab has been created in Sai Krishna Mandir. This Science lab was very kindly set up with support from the Agastya Foundation. The Foundation also

arranged to train our teachers in the use of the equipment and models. As of now, the school's Science teachers are taking the models and demonstrating them to the school children. Going forward, in this year, we plan to conduct a Science exhibition where the students will get an opportunity to showcase their knowledge of science to their parents and to the villagers.

The partnership with the Sai Annalaxmi foundation also resulted in vegetable supplement being provided to all the 350 school children from Classes 1- 10 from July 2016. Along with their midday meal, the children now get a bountiful serving of tasty, fresh vegetables every day to supplement their nutritional requirements. Two ladies from the nearby village have been doing the cooking through the week to ensure that the vegetable intake of the children is sustained. We hope that this will go a long way in helping translate into "a healthy mind in a health body" for all the children.

March 2017 also witnessed the inauguration of Sai Krishna Arogya Dham - the free primary healthcare center started by the Trust. The villagers typically struggled for access to nearby health clinics with the nearest PHC being 5 km away. The objective of Sai Krishna Arogya Dham is to serve as



Medical camp by doctors from SSSIHMS

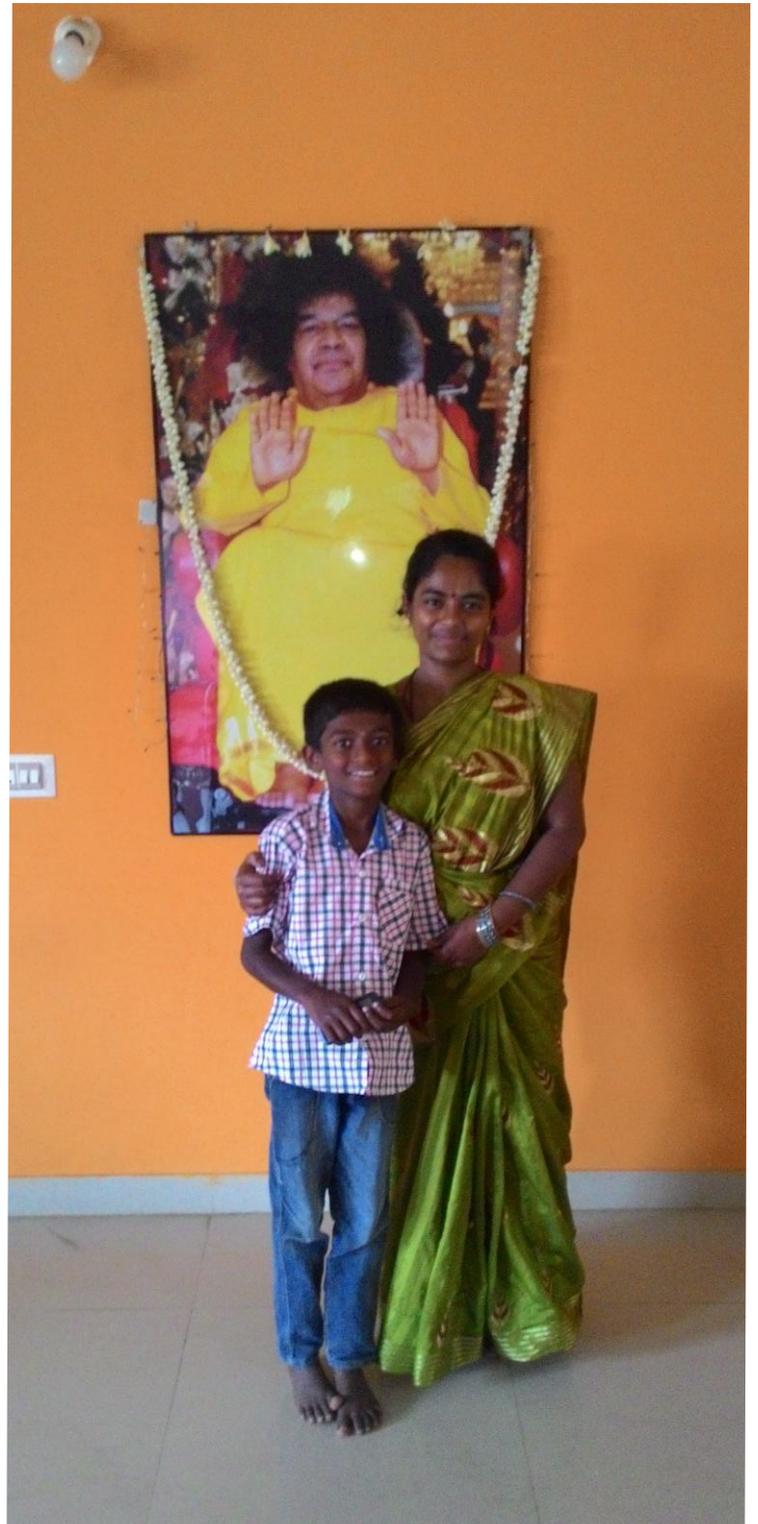


Medical camp by doctors from SSSIHMS



Medical camp by doctors from SSSIHMS

a provider of integrated healthcare and immediate attention to health care needs. We are fortunate to have a doctor staying with us in the village willing to offer her services on an honorary basis. The hospital building stands on a piece of land donated by one of our former trustees, Mr Balasubramani. The hospital was one of his cherished dreams. In March 2017, the first medical camp was conducted by doctors from the Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences (SSSIHMS), Whitefield Campus. Sai Krushna Arogya Dham will move in its function from being a medical camp center to a day care hospital to eventually becoming more complete in all primary healthcare facilities. We



Naveen with his mother

are also looking at tying up with nearby medical colleges to see how to best utilise the hospital premises.

At Sai Krushna Mandir, we had one new entrant last year - Naveen. Naveen hails from a humble family and lost his father to an accident two years ago. He has now completed his fifth grade. He is a very talented bhajan singer and sang at the Sri Sathya Sai Akhand bhajans held in Bangalore North in November 2016. Naveen has gelled very well with his other friends at the children's home and promises to become a talented, young, responsible citizen.



Sri Sathya Sai Vidhya Vahini Teachers' training workshop

In 2017-18, we shall admit boys to the home depending on the genuine need of the family and in keeping with Swami's criteria of single parent/ no parent/ very poor family and satisfying the age limit of 3-10 years. The boys are being given excellent training and an opportunity to develop as holistic, self-dependent individuals with a focus on service to society.

These are exciting times in the early life and growth of Sai Krushna Charitable Trust. The active involvement of our volunteers and donors has led to significant developments in the last one year.

But for the loving intent and generous involvement of each one of you, this project would still be just a dream. We continue firm in our honest approach in all our dealings with governments and other institutions. I want to reassure all of you who are supporting us that your contribution in terms of time, talent and treasure is in the right hands. We immensely value your hard-earned donations and are utilising them wisely towards socially meaningful and productive activities.

This is just the beginning of a long and exciting journey that we have all embarked together- a journey towards a better and brighter tomorrow for all our children. We joined hands together knowing fully

the value of this unique mission. Of course, we did anticipate and apprehend many obstacles on the path to success, but we were unfazed knowing that the divine mission of spreading love can conjure up miraculous and unique solutions for the same.

Those of us fortunate to be associated have been witnessing these 'hand of God' moments ever so frequently that we now look forward to scaling these challenges more eagerly.

This annual report is just a small tool to share some important developments over the last year. More than being a messenger of information and gratitude to you for your unflinching support, it is a chronicle of love unfolding itself. Here is our opportunity to 'Walk the Talk', and be the change that we envision. You are Invited. Together, we are making a difference.

K. Vinod Cartic  
Managing Trustee

# Kids' Corner



Students learning how to sew. Not only do they learn basic stitching but also to create art



The gardening team creates and maintains the green cover around the school and children's home



Cloth paintings done by the children

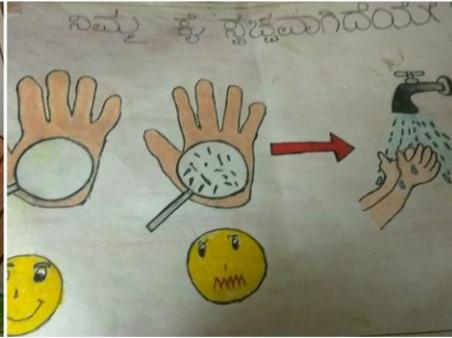


Photo frames made from recycled newspaper

Drawings by the school children



Children love their craft class



Enjoying a game of kho kho



They are quite serious about their studies and homework too



Football training



Well wishers visit Sai Krishna Mandir



The SKM family at ISKCON Temple

# Reminiscences of a Christmas Tree

You hear of Christmas trees only in that festive season when there is a chill in the air, when the devout rejoice His coming and there is an anticipation of gifts galore from our uncle Santa, isn't it? But, if life itself becomes His story then every moment is Christmas



Christmas Trees Outside SKM

I shot to life nurtured by our divine Gardener to witness and celebrate this spirit of Christmas. I had the good fortune to behold the unfolding of a saga of care and sacrifice. I vividly remember that day when the founders of Sai Krishna Mandir laid the foundation stone of this divine edifice of love. I was a small sapling then. There was excitement in the air coupled with uncertainty about the next step. But when His divine hand and his beatific smile are there to guide, where is the room for worry or anxiety? Oh! I forgot to tell you - I am not alone, I have a brother for company. We are the Christmas Trees you find on either side of the entrance to Sai Krishna Mandir.

The transformation of those chirpy tiny tots of Sai Krishna Mandir into confident, virtuous adolescents matches ours', from small saplings to fast growing trees with lush green foliage and strong branches.

It is morning prayer time and I hear *Vanamali Vasudeva, Govinda Gopala Hey Nandalala* sung in a sweet and innocent voice. Do you know this is Naveen, the latest member of this SKM fraternity, who until recently was shy and homesick? He hardly used to talk, let alone sing. If you ask him about the reason for this change, pat comes the reply, "What else, Sai Krishna Mandir, I belong here."

Oh! One challenge I am trying to overcome is trying to decipher those eloquent words coming out of the mouths of the village children in a tongue alien to me,

but I am not the one to give up. My name is no less challenging for an English vocabulary enthusiast. Have you heard of the name *Terminalia Mentali*? That is my name but simply put, I am a conifer or an Indian Christmas Tree.

The other day, Sneha, a chirpy girl with a sweet smile, rattled out spellings after spellings in English. She was comfortable with words like *disagreement, encourage, impression* besides others and got the first prize in one of its kind Spelling Bee contest held at the Sharavathi English Medium School. Yes, you read it right, it is an 'English' Medium school. Last year, the Sharavathi School took a giant leap from Kannada Medium to English medium. At the same time there is a strong emphasis on fluency in Kannada and Hindi. The management strongly believes that the students should know the three languages namely, Kannada, Hindi and English, as research has shown that learning more than one language enhances brain development.

It was a mammoth task to train the teachers, and then have the teachers teach the students in English. The special English coaching classes were made possible due to the dedication and tenacity of trainers like Murali Mani Sir, Saroja Madam, Pramodini madam and Brother Manoj Gadi. The hard work of the dedicated teachers like Pallavi who put in those extra hours of hard work, learning English and then teaching it to the children has borne fruit.

*Deen Dukhiyon se Prem Karo Mera Sai Prasann Hoga* - this bhajan playing on our Headmaster Ravi Sir's mobile glided in the air and made me emotional. My gaze fell on that new edifice – SAI KRUSHNA AROGYA DHAM- which stands tall living this bhajan. An old man named Venkataramana came out of the building and gazed at Bhagawan's photo just outside the main door with tears in his eyes, and a hope that there is someone to take care. This was the first of its kind medical camp where doctors from SSSIHMS, Whitefield and Narayana Nethralaya came and treated nearly 300 patients for ailments of teeth, eyes, diabetes and general health issues.

Is it an understatement if I say that we celebrate being a small part of His mission? Perhaps to underscore this spirit of love and service which flows as a divine song through these instruments of Sai Krishna Mandir, Bhagawan gave life to both of us in that divine ambience. Do you want to be a part of it?

Come one and all and be a part of His story unfolding and we will be at the door to receive you at this abode.



Science Lab



Small banana plant



Banana tree which yields sweet bananas



Teacher's Training



Science Lab

The third period just got over and children are coming out beaming. "Did they just attend a class or a picnic?" I thought to myself. I overheard two girls talking, "Shilpa madam makes Maths so interesting as if we are having fun and still learn. She comes down to our level and explains. I don't know what happened, she teaches so well these days?" I know the answer: last year, a new branch was added to this ever-growing tree of love and sacrifice that made learning Inspiring, Insightful, Participative and Enjoyable. You got it right - Sri Sathya Sai Vidya Vahini came to our doorstep. I can see the results already. Deepa madam who had some inhibitions in learning new skills is now forthcoming. She has picked up excellent soft skills, is more open to new ideas, and gives feedback from time to time on her progress.

It is lunch time and what was that? I just now heard Manikantha shouting in his shrill voice, "Vegetable please!" This can't be true, Manikantha who used to detest *Bendekai* (ladies finger) asking for a second and third serving! Thanks to Uma and Rajamma - the two local village women - who make vegetables palatable to students. The other day, they made carrot salad by grating nearly 20 kilograms each of carrot, cucumber and tomato. Not an easy task at all! Not even a trace of it was left. Students love Ladies finger curry, have no qualms in eating a potato curry or sambar loaded with vegetables. I see very few students dozing in the afternoon sessions and, they participate with alacrity in the evening games. All this is due to the nutritious meal being served to the Sharavati school children, in association with Annalakshmi Foundation and Akshaya Patra. I swayed in glee as I too got some dose of that nutritious food in the form of organic manure and the "best out of waste" project of the school.

In my growing age from a tender sapling to a small tree, I too was introduced to values and ethics like the school students. I felt enlightened seeing the students putting up dramas and skits on difficult themes of patriotism, devotion to God and, religious tolerance with aplomb. From the drama *Jatila*, these lines of the boy who played Lord Gopala's role have stuck with me: "Jatila, do not weep! I am always with you, in you, around you, above you, below you and nourishing you constantly."

I now know that this world is round, and also know my longitudes and latitudes. I even know my own physiology and anatomy and that of the human body too. You know, I just peeped into that well-equipped science laboratory and picked up all this. Not only this, they have some tongue twister equipment like k-a-l-e-i-d-o-s-c-o-p-e, p-e-r-i-s-c-o-p-e, and m-i-c-r-o-s-c-o-p-e. There are also some magical potions and abracadabra which the students know, that mystically turn a small piece of paper into blue or red at will.

While kids were busy frolicking and playing in that spacious ground of the school, that girl *Nirmala* used to sit lost and listless leaning on my trunk. She had some mental trauma of losing her mother. How I wished I could counsel her and get her out of it! I tried to help, at least by providing a cool breeze. But the loving teachers and *Vijaya madam* nurturing her out of this personal tragedy was the most touching thing I have witnessed. She would bite other children in the first few days of school as a result of that trauma, but now she has transformed into a sweet girl who is the first to greet everyone with a smiling "Sairam".

Come evening, the small playground in front of *Sai Krishna Mandir* hosts the budding footballers and cricketers. It is a feast for the eyes to see these future sport stars sweating it out in the middle. But, that energetic personality whose infectious enthusiasm rubbed on to these children is missing. They as well as I miss the cool and comforting presence of *Rajamani uncle*. His passing has been an irreparable loss for all of us. His innocence, down to earth attitude, sincerity and implicit faith in God were worth emulating.



Delicious and healthy vegetables being prepared for the school children



Fresh vegetables for the school children



Naveen



SKM Children

# Sai Krushna Arogya Dham

## THE NEW HAVEN FOR FREE RURAL HEALTHCARE



3D View of Dispensary

Education and Health are two of the main focus areas emphasized by Bhagavan Baba for activities aimed at service to humanity. Education provides a good foundation for the children to become productive and informed citizens of the country; and, Health gives the children and their families the strength required to move towards that goal.

Over the last few years, Sai Krushna Charitable Trust has been focusing on the Education component – developing the Sharavathi Kannada Higher Primary School into a quality English medium school to cater to the needs of the local villagers, which has taken a lot of time and effort. Making a home for the children of Sai Krushna Mandir has been another major activity. There was no specific plan to add the Health component immediately, although a local dispensary / hospital was somewhere in the plans to be tackled at a later date.

God however has a different timeline. Out of the blue, an idea came up suddenly that a dispensary could be built on the old school grounds in the village, about 200 yards near the current school building. One of the trustees of the Sharavathi school, and a well wisher / donor to the Sai Krushna Trust, late Shri Balasubramani (Balu Sir) also had a dream of serving the villagers by building a dispensary at the school site. So this seemed like a perfect opportunity and plan to pay tribute to Balu Sir by building a dispensary on the old school building site.

Before we knew it, the building came up, and was named Sai Krushna Arogya Dham. The Dispensary was dedicated to the memory of Balu Sir, and was inaugurated on March 12, 2017. The building has rooms on the ground floor for consultation, pharmacy and short-term acute care. On the first floor, a multi-purpose hall will serve as a meeting room for various activities such as wellness and preventive health programs, yoga, dance and, other activities for the school children.



Sai Krushna Arogya Dham under construction



In loving memory of Balu Sir

## First Medical Camp

As a part of the inauguration, a free medical camp was organized at the new Dispensary. Doctors from Shri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Medical Sciences (SSSIHMS) and Narayana Nethralaya took part in the camp. The various conditions treated were: diabetes (with blood sugar testing), blood pressure, vision and dental, along with other conditions that the patients arrived with. School children from Sharavathi were also treated at the camp. In all, 223 patients from a dozen nearby villages were served at the inaugural camp. Students from the school carried home the message about the camp and, members of Sai Krushna Mandir went door to door in Hosadoddi and Sadhanapalya to inform the residents about the camp. In general, attending doctors felt that the camp was a good start, and will serve as a foundation for the dispensary to start providing medical care to the surrounding villages.

## Future Plans

The Trust hopes to develop the dispensary in the coming year, so that a regular clinic will provide health services to the villagers. Currently, villagers have to travel 5 kms to the nearest clinic / hospital. Opening the dispensary up as a functioning clinic will help the villagers immensely by providing health care closer to their homes. The children from Sharavathi school will also benefit from the services of the nearby clinic. For this to happen, the Trust plans to equip the dispensary with furniture and, other supplies and materials required for the running of the clinic. In addition, the resident doctor – Dr Poornima – will need additional help in the form of nurses and other personnel to assist with the running of the clinic. Periodically, visiting doctors who wish to serve the village clinic will be invited to see patients at the clinic.

The dispensary is a work in progress, and the Trust hopes to build it up to a functioning clinic in the upcoming year. We look forward to participation by anyone interested in the various aspects of the dispensary project, so that we may be blessed with the chance of fulfilling the Healthcare focus in Bhagavan's dictat to serve humanity.



Dr. Poornima seeing patients at the dispensary



Medical camp by SSSIHMS doctors at Sai Krushna Arogya Dham



Medical camp by SSSIHMS doctors at Sai Krushna Arogya Dham



Inauguration of Sai Krushna Arogya Dham on March 12, 2017



Sathyannarayana Pooja at the inauguration of Sai Krushna Arogya Dham



Prasadam Distribution

# SKCT Celebrations



91st Birthday celebrations of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba on November 27, 2016



Teachers of Sharavathi Kannada Higher Primary School on the occasion of the Silver Jubilee celebrations of the school



New Year lunch at Pai Vista Hotel



Teachers playing games and being felicitated on Teachers' Day



Children enjoying birthdays and festivals at Sai Krushna Mandir

# Strategic Goals and Responsibilities

As part of the Trust meeting held in March 2017, we, the trustees have identified the following projects and categorized them based on priorities. We have also taken specific individual/joint responsibility to ensure their completion on agreed timelines. The list is provided below for your perusal and involvement.

If you feel inspired to do something for society and any of the areas below are of burning concern to you, please do feel free to contact any of us. We are looking to work closely with teams of volunteers and your involvement will make that huge difference.

SKCT PROJECTS LIST FY 2017-18		Timeline	Assigned To Trustee	Take Support From
<b>Level I Priority</b>				
1	School Classroom construction	6 classrooms by March 2018	NMS, VC	
2	Higher Primary School Permission	Sep 2017	VC	
3	High School Application Requirements and Process	Dec 2017	VC, VLK	Ravi
4	Meeting CM regarding Land	Oct 2017	VC, LNA	
5	Dispensary Up and Running	Aug 2017	CRVK	Dr Poornima
6	Sustainability of Funds/ Activities	Dec 2017	VC, PS	
7	Teachers Day	Aug 2017	VLK	Dr Poornima
8	Swami's Birthday	Nov 2017	CRVK	Dr Poornima, Prateeksha
9	Annual Report	Sep 2017	VC,PS	Lalita P
10	Solar Hot water: Sell and Replace with Geysers	Jan 2018	VC	
11	Solar fans and lights	Sep 2017	VC	
<b>Level II Priority</b>				
1	Waste Management		CRVK, VLK, NMS	
2	Goals set for each child		VLK	
3	Teach slow learners (volunteers)		VLK	
<b>Level III Priority</b>				
1	Lake cleaning and beautification		VC	School Teachers
2	Sewage management		VC	
3	Special needs children		VLK	

# Come, Get Involved

The activities of the Trust, school and Sai KrishnaMandir are greatly enriched by the involvement of volunteers. Manav Seva is Madhav Seva. And in return, volunteers get to spend time in a beautiful rural environment, experience the unconditional love of the children and return to their homes relaxed and fulfilled. We could utilise your help in various ways, depending on your time commitment, location and level of interest. To facilitate the same, we have listed the various opportunities below.

In addition to the projects described in the Trust goals section, we have listed activities based on their frequency and need for on-site/ off-site action. This should hopefully enable you to get involved more deeply, render meaningful service and relish the joy that is the automatic by product of such selfless action.

## BE THE CHANGE you want to see- Volunteer Opportunities

	Activity Name	Type	Required Volunteers	On Per Head Basis
S.No	Daily Tasks		Number	Hours Per Day
1	Teaching at school	On Site	2	4
2	Playing with children	On Site	1	1
3	Supporting Children with their Homework	On Site	1	1
4	Stories for Children	On Site	1	1
5	Bhajan/ Shlokas	On Site	1	1
S.No	Weekly Activities		Number	Hours Per Week
1	Website Management	Remote	1	2
2	Facebook Page Management	Remote	1	2
3	Computer Training	On Site	3	2
4	Spoken English Training	On Site	2	2
5	Whatsapp management	Remote	1	2
6	Club Activities: Music/ Dance/ Craft	On Site	1	2
7	Gardening	On Site	1	2
8	Special training for academically weaker children	On Site	1	2

9	Volunteering as a doctor at the dispensary	On Site	2	4
<b>S.No</b>	<b>Monthly Activities</b>		<b>Number</b>	<b>Hours Per Month</b>
1	Writing articles for Venugaanam	Remote	3	3
2	Donor Engagement	Remote	2	2
3	Speaking About SKM in Samithis/forums	Remote	Many	2
4	Updates in Kannada for the village	Remote	2	4
5	Getting Provisions	On Site	1	3
<b>S.No</b>	<b>Annual Tasks/ Events</b>		<b>Number</b>	<b>Hours Per Year</b>
1	Swami's birthday + Cultural Programme [compulsory for all]	On Site	All	14
2	Medical Camp	On Site	Many	6
3	Village cleaning/ sanitation	On Site	Many	6
4	School picnic	On Site	Many	8
5	Write article for the Annual Report	Remote	7	6
6	Annual Report design and publishing	Remote	1	20
7	Parthi trip planning, implementation and co-ordination	On Site	1	20
8	Printouts, photography for events	Remote	2	12



SKCT Volunteers

# A Note Of Gratitude



First visit to a mall on New Year's day



Volunteers teaching children table manners



kids with the car



Teachers' lockers



Enjoying their first film theatre experience



Godrej cupboards for safekeeping trust records

We at Sai Krishna Charitable Trust are grateful to each one of you! Your love, energy, enthusiasm, time, talent and treasure have enabled us to come this far in our journey. Every step we have taken in this mission to work towards the better future of a child has been possible because of your generous involvement and noble intent.

- You helped with Venuganam, so that everyone is kept up to date on the progress we have made, and would write great articles for us all to read.
- You generously contributed to the Trust funds which enabled us to run the school, the children's home and, start the new dispensary Sai Krishna Arogya Dham.
- You visited in person and helped with the conducting of the Sathya Narayana Puja and medical camp as part of the inauguration of Sai Krishna Arogya Dham
- You taught football to the kids every weekend
- You told everyone around you about Sai Krishna Mandir. Others who came to know through you reached out to us, eager to be a part of this divine story.
- You helped out at the village whenever we needed a local to run around and get things done.
- You gave us excellent cupboards and furniture for the children's home
- You helped us secure English medium permission for classes 1-5 of our school
- You took regular sessions in English for the teachers and enabled our teachers to become more proficient in teaching

- You helped out with administrative tasks, paper work and audio-visual media work.
- You volunteered to help the children with their academics whenever needed.
- You bought text books, notebooks and other supplies for the school.
- You arranged for vegetables and provisions.
- You made the New Year's day memorable for all the children with a special lunch and movie show
- You helped with all the events and decorations for Bhagavan Baba's 91st Birthday celebrations
- You helped with providing a UPS for the children's home and ending the long hours of darkness during power outages
- You provided the car for the children's home to enable the children and residents to travel easily
- You helped with various events at the school and Children's Home - whether conducting activities for the children, or providing food, school bags, clothes, and play equipment for the children.

A BIG THANK YOU to each one of you. It is the spirit of goodness and love in you that has taken the shape of Sai Krishna Mandir and, it is the same spirit that will be the inspiration for further growth!

We hope you will stay involved in all these myriad ways as we grow, and we invite you to come visit us at SAI KRUSHNA MANDIR.

# SKCT Financials

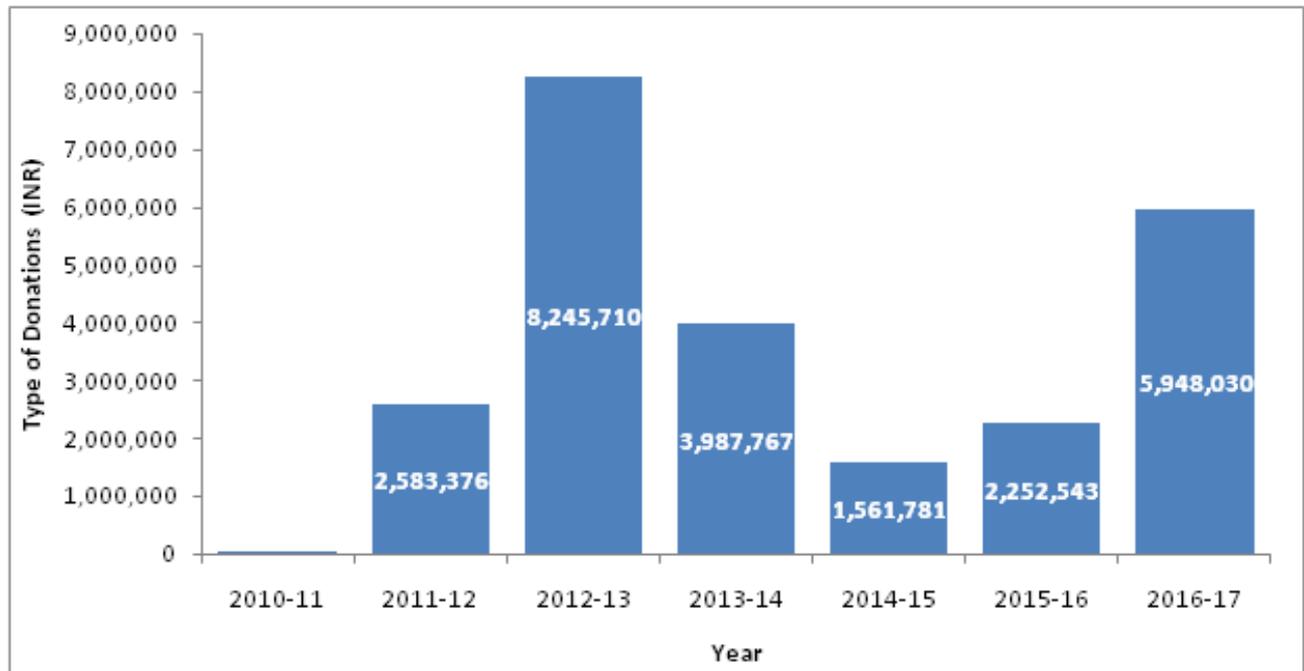
By Bhagavan Sri Sathya Sai Baba's divine grace, and with His initial contribution of Rs. 1,000 on 23rd September 2010 to the corpus fund, donations for this holy project continue to stream in. Total donations received by March 31, 2017 amounted to INR 2,46,28,421. We are very grateful for each donation – small or large, and its vital role in making a real difference to the lives of the children. As Mother Theresa says, "It's not how much we give but how much love we put into giving." We are very grateful to Bhagavan for providing us this wonderful opportunity to nurture the future torch bearers of our nation.

Accounts of Sai Krushna Charitable Trust are closed on

March 31 and audited every year as per the applicable norms. The Income Tax returns are also filed with the Income Tax department of India. Sharath & Company, Chartered Accounts, are the auditors. The 2016-2017 audited statements are presented in this report. Reports for earlier years can be viewed on our website.

The chart below presents the total donations received since 23rd September 2010 till March 31st 2017. Donations are given towards noble causes such as children's home construction, dispensary, children's play area and school, new school building, midday meals, teacher salary, school infrastructure and other activities.

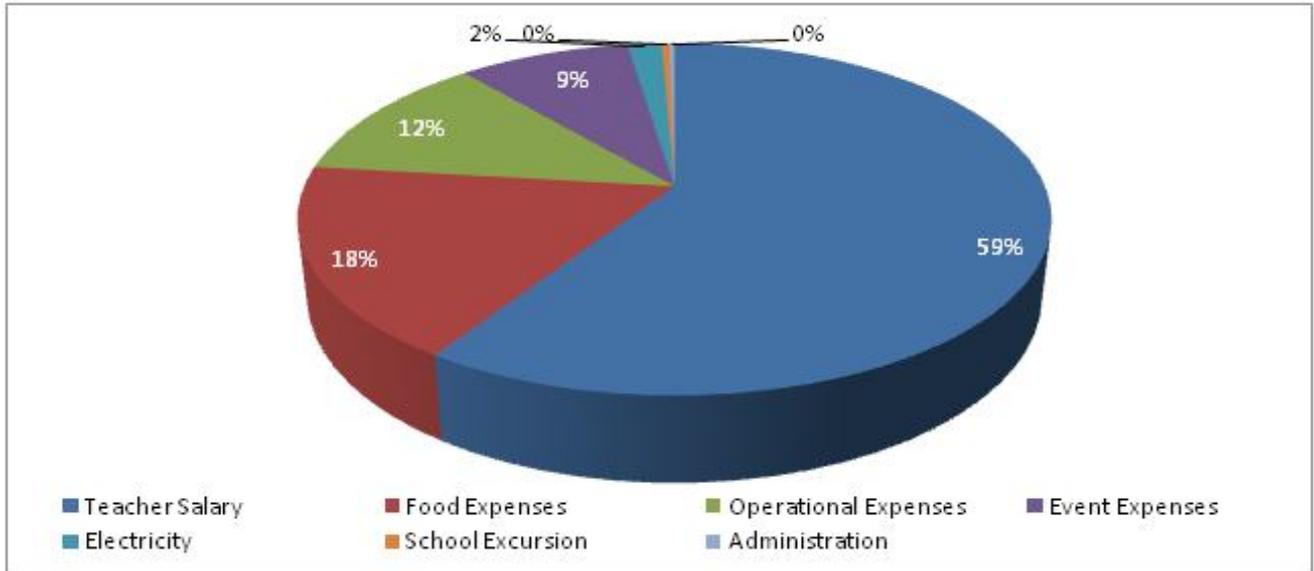
## Total Donations Received Year wise, 2011-2017



In 2016-17, the total expenditure was INR 41,20,803. Expenditure can be classified into capital expenditure (dispensary construction, new school building, school infrastructure, children home infrastructure), and recurring expenditure (teachers' salary, food expenses, electricity, operational expenses, school excursion, event

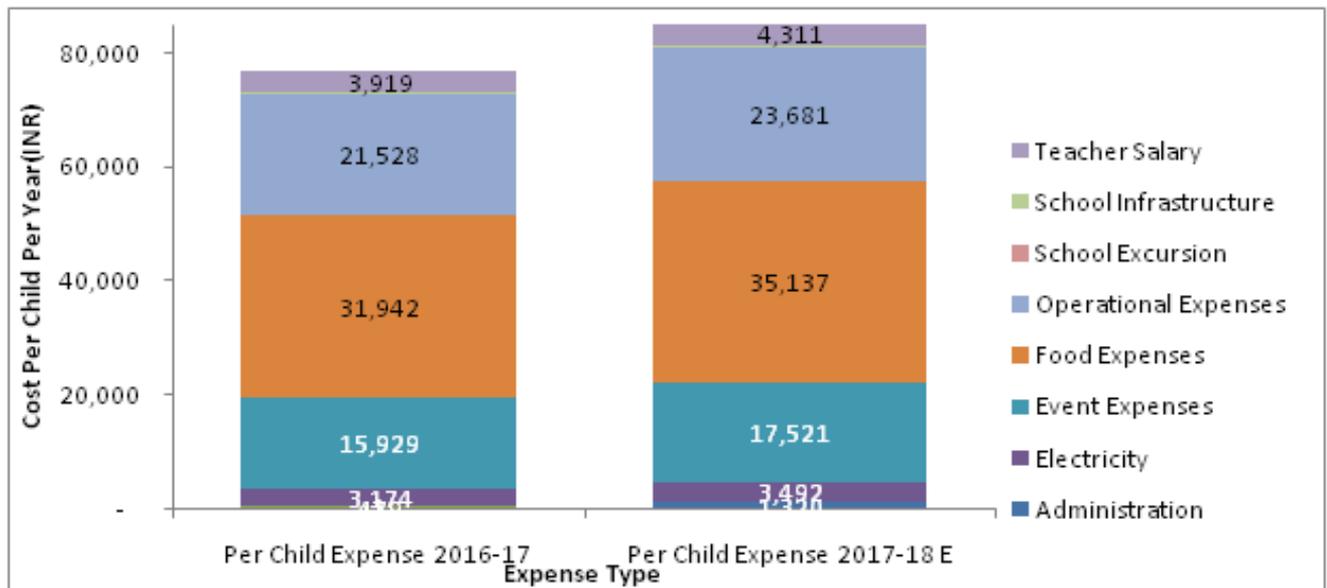
expenses and administrative). In 2016-17, the capital expenditure was INR 28,55,871 and recurring expenditure was INR 12,64,932. As seen in the chart below, teacher's salary, food expenses, and operational expenses accounts for 89% of the recurring expenditures.

**Spending Patterns by Type of Recurring Expenses, 2016-17**



Administrative expenses include Travel/Fuel/Office/Stationary/ Bank related expenses. In 2016-17, the administrative expenses were about 0.1% of the total expenses as against 0.7% in 2015-16. The chart below categorizes the approximate recurring expenditure per child per year in 2016-17 and the estimated expenditure per child in 2017-18 assuming 10% inflation.

**Yearly Recurring Cost Per Child, 2016-17, and 2017-18 (Estimated)**



**Estimated Expenditure for 2017-18**

On the capital expenditure side, majority of the expenditure is estimated towards the construction of a new school building. This will primarily be towards additional classrooms even as the school strength has been witnessing a significant increase. The Trust plans to construct additional classrooms for Higher Primary and High school purposes.

# Financial Statements

**Sharath & Co.,**  
Chartered Accountants



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## AUDITORS REPORT

I have audited the annexed Receipts and Payments Account, Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2017 and Balance sheet as on that date of **SAI KRUSHNA CHARITABLE TRUST (Regd)**, No.93/1, Hosadoddi Village, Off Kanakapura Main Road, Bolare Post, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore – 560 082. These financial statements are the responsibility of the management of the Trust. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

### I report that:

- I have obtained all information and explanation which to the best of my knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of audit.
- The Income and Expenditure Account and the Receipts and Payments Account are in agreement with the books of accounts and
- In my opinion and to the best knowledge and explanations given to me and as shown by the books of accounts the said account exhibit a true and fair view of transactions of the Trust as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017.

PLACE: Bangalore  
DATE : 04.08.2017

For **SHARATH & CO..**  
Chartered Accountants  
(Firm Regn. No. 003782S)

*S. N. Sharath Chandra*

(**CA. S.N.SHARATH CHANDRA**)  
Proprietor  
(Membership No. 18858)



SAI KRUSHNA CHARITABLE TRUST (Regd.) NO.93/1, HOSADODDI VILLAGE, OFF KANAKAPURA MAIN ROAD BOLARE POST, BANGALORE SOUTH TALUK, BANGALORE - 560 082 <b>BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31.03.2017</b>							
Previous Year (2016-17)	LIABILITIES		AMOUNT RS.	Previous Year (2016-17)	ASSETS	AMOUNT RS	AMOUNT RS.
3,98,607	<b>CORPUS FUND :</b>			1,06,07,966	<b>FIXED ASSETS :</b>		98,71,054
1,46,54,954	General Corpus	3,98,607			(Schedule - 1)		
1,38,000	Corpus Building Fund	1,46,54,954					
3,61,708	Corpus Vehicle Fund	1,38,000			<b>CURRENT ASSETS :</b>		
-	FCRA Building fund	3,61,708	1,81,10,769	495	<b>CASH &amp; BANK BALANCES :</b>		
	Construction Fund	25,57,500		33,47,924	Cash in Hand	495	
				3,93,088	Cash at SBI - 31614314137(General)	54,10,077	
(1,53,128)	<b>GENERAL RESERVES :</b>				Cash at HDFC - 50100018734916(FCRA)	3,41,997	57,52,569
	Opening Balance	(12,14,747)					
(10,61,619)	Add: Excess of Income		(933)		<b>OTHER CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
	Over Expenditure	12,13,814			Additional class room construction	50,000	
					Dispensary Construction	22,57,165	
551	<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES :</b>				Kitchen Construction	1,90,000	24,97,165
10,400	Outstanding Liabilities		551				
	Loan From Trustees		10,400				
<b>1,43,49,473</b>	<b>TOTAL Rs.</b>		<b>1,81,20,787</b>	<b>1,43,49,473</b>	<b>TOTAL Rs.</b>		<b>1,81,20,788</b>

Place : Bangalore  
Date : 04.08.2017

**NOTES FORMING PART OF BALANCE SHEET - SCHEDULE 2**

REFER TO OUR REPORT OF EVEN DATE

For SAI KRUSHNA CHARITABLE TRUST

*U. S. S. S.*

Managing Trustee



For SHARATH & CO  
Chartered Accountants  
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**BOLARE POST, BANGALORE SOUTH TALUK,**  
**BANGALORE - 560 082**

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31.03.2017**

Previous Year (2016-17)	EXPENDITURE	AMOUNT RS.	Previous Year (2016-17)	INCOME	AMOUNT RS.
	<b><u>GENERAL EXPENDITURE :</u></b>			<b><u>GENERAL INCOME :</u></b>	
	To <b><u>School Running Expenses</u></b>			By Donation Received	26,35,464
17,477	Printing & Stationary	-	7,17,764	By Interest on SB Account	1,83,834
322	Bank Charges	497	1,05,181	By Interest on IT Refund	-
9,294	Office Expenses	-			28,19,298
1,30,596	Programme Expenses	3,000		<b><u>FCRA INCOME :</u></b>	
6,624	Travelling & Conveyance	5,000	3,15,000	By Donation Received	7,42,392
69,508	Repairs and Maintenance	42,223	13,782	By Interest on SB Account	12,674
2,70,795	Salary and wages	30,533			7,55,066
68,125	School Picnic Expenses	94,075			
		1,75,328	10,61,619		
	To <b><u>Hostel Expenses</u></b>				
-	Labour Charges	-			
-	Local Conveyance	-			
89,528	Vegetables, Milk & Provisions	1,44,528			
14,300	Fuel Charges	-			
24,225	Electricity charges	22,221			
25,768	Cooks Salary	10,500			
-	Hostel Maintenance	-			
5,500	Children Expenses	-			
		1,77,249			
	<b><u>FCRA EXPENSES :</u></b>				
	To <b><u>School Running expenses</u></b>				
2,58,500	Salary and Wages	7,39,763			
482	Bank Charges	2,858			
	To <b><u>Hostel expenses</u></b>				
38,420	cooks salary	63,536			
		8,06,157			
	To Rates and Taxes	-			
		1,32,421			
11,83,882	To Depreciation	-			
		10,69,394			
	TO Excess of Income over Expenditure	-			
		12,13,814			
	<b>TOTAL Rs.</b>	<b>35,74,364</b>		<b>TOTAL Rs.</b>	<b>35,74,364</b>
<b>22,13,346</b>			<b>22,13,346</b>		

Place : Bangalore  
Date : 04.08.2017

**NOTES FORMING PART OF BALANCE SHEET - SCHEDULE 2**

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REFER TO OUR REPORT OF EVEN DATE

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31.03.2017							
Previous Year (2016-17)	RECEIPTS	AMOUNT RS.	Previous Year (2016-17)	PAYMENTS	AMOUNT RS.		
	To Opening Balance			<b>GENERAL PAYMENTS :</b>			
				<b>By School Running Expenses</b>			
31	Cash in Hand	495	17,477	Printing & Stationary	-		
24,59,434	Cash at SBI - 31614314137(General)	33,47,924	322	Bank Charges	497		
-	Cash at HDFC - 50100018734916(FCRA)	3,93,088	9,294	Office Expenses	-		
			1,30,596	Programme Expenses	3,000		
	<b>To General Receipts</b>		6,624	Travelling & Conveyance	5,000		
50,001	General Corpus	-	2,70,795	Salary and wages	30,533		
8,08,070	Building Corpus Fund	-	68,125	School Picnic	94,075		
-	Building Construction Fund	25,57,500	69,508	Repairs and Maintenance	42,223		1,75,328
7,17,764	Donation Received	26,35,464					
1,05,181	Interest on SB Account	1,83,834	89,528	<b>By Hostel Expenses</b>			
			14,300	Vegetables, Milk & Provisions	1,44,528		
	<b>To FCRA Receipts</b>		24,225	Fuel Charges	-		
3,15,000	Donation Received	7,42,392	25,768	Electricity charges	22,221		
13,782	Interest on SB Account	12,674	5,500	Cooks Salary	10,500		
3,61,708	FCRA Building Corpus Fund	-	-	Children Expenses	-		
				Rates and taxes	1,32,421		3,09,670
				<b>By Capital Expenditure :</b>			
				Building Under Construction	24,97,165		
			60,000	Purchase of School Tables	-		
				Purchase of Land	2,71,080		
				UPS at Hostel	61,403		28,29,648
				<b>FCRA EXPENSES :</b>			
				<b>By School Running expenses</b>			
			2,58,500	Salary and Wages	7,39,763		
			482	Bank Charges	2,858		
			38,420	<b>By Hostel expenses</b>			
				Cook's salary	63,536		8,06,157
				<b>Closing Balance :</b>			
				<b>General</b>			
			495	Cash In Hand	495		
			33,47,924	Cash at SBI - 31614314137(General)	54,10,077		
			3,93,088	Cash at HDFC - 50100018734916(FCRA)	3,41,997		57,52,569
48,30,971	<b>TOTAL Rs.</b>	98,73,371	48,30,971	<b>TOTAL Rs.</b>			98,73,371

Place : Bangalore  
Date : 04.08.2017

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# Trustees Corner

## Shri Lakshminarayan Aithal

served for 33 years in the Sri Sathya Loka Seva Institutions at Mudedenahalli and was also the Principal of this renowned institution between 1991-2006.



## Shri C R Venkat Krishnan

is a retired employee of TATA Steel, Jamshedpur with over 20 years of experience in the energy and Economy Division. He currently plays a key role in the day to day running of Sai Krushna Mandir.

## Smt. Triveni Shivakumar

W/O Mr N M Shivakumar, is an active Kannada writer who focuses on writing on the theme of travel and tourism. She is also keenly interested in children's education.





### Smt Vijayalakshmy Krishnan

is a former High school teacher with 25 years experience in educating students at DBMS English School, Jamshedpur. She has also been the Bal Vikas Coordinator of the city. Mrs. Krishnan is currently managing day to day operations, the main task of which is to care for the four children at Sai Krushna Mandir.

### Shri Shivakumar N M

is a founding member of the Sharavathi Kannada Higher Primary School. He has also been a leading member of the Lions Club of Jayanagar and runs a venture called Triveni Industries which manufactures aircraft spare parts.



### Shri K Vinod Cartic

has a degree in Chemical Engineering from IIT Madras and an MBA from Sri Sathya Sai University, winning a Gold Medal in both. He is currently an Independent Consultant in Financial services and Corporate Strategy.



### Shri Prakash Srinivasan

works as a Delivery Manager in DXC Technologies. He is very passionate about music, writing, travel and nature. He has secured an MBA , PGDICAP and B.Com from the Sri Sathya Sai University. Prakash is also an active volunteer and makes it a point to spend a significant portion of his time with the children at Sai Krushna Mandir.









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