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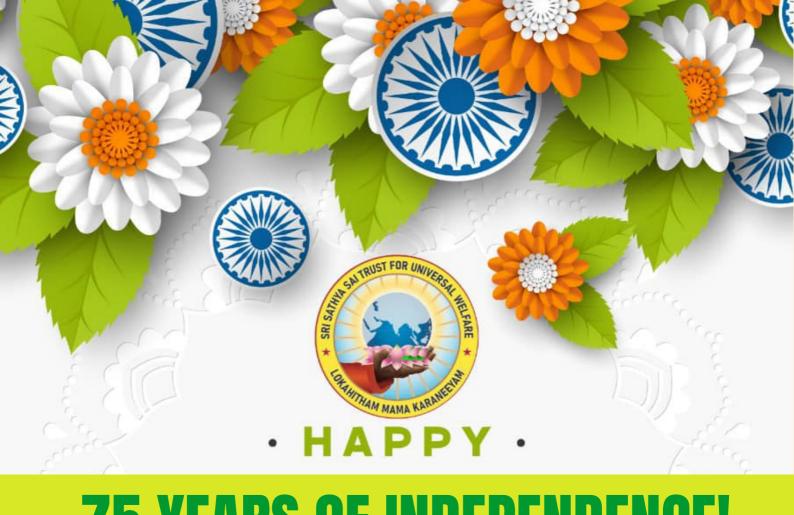
## SRI SATHYA SAI TRUST FOR UNIVERSAL WELFARE







SERVE THE NEEDY



## 75 YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE!





TO OVERCOME DIGITAL DIVIDE IN RURAL AREAS

# COMPUTER LITERACY DRIVE

EQUIPPING REMOTE RURAL SCHOOLS WITH DESKTOPS AND PRINTERS



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#### ABOUT THE TRUST

Sri Sathya Sai Trust for Universal Welfare (SSSTFUW) is a Public charitable trust headquartered in Hyderabad, Telangana,

India.

Founded drawing inspiration from Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba, with a clear vision to Serve the Needy and Create Livelihood, the Trust enterprises in the fields of Health, education, Hunger Alleviation and other permanent and sustainable service projects.

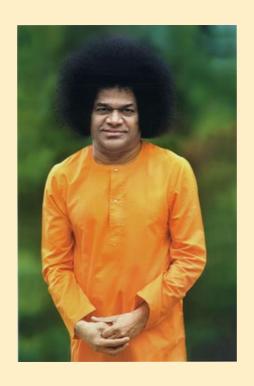
SSSTFUW includes like-minded individuals in partnership with enabled individual and corporates for the betterment of the society.



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#### THUS SPAKE THE LORD

Vinayaka is the Leader without a Leader, the intellect within that paves the way for one to move closer to the nature and transcend the world by overcoming the identity with one's body and mind. When mind, a jungle of doubts and uncertainties is integrated with intellect, the Vinayaka within, the path to the Oneness is revealed. Thus by winning the Grace of Vinayaka, one is bestowed with Utsaaham, Sahasam, Dhairyam, Sadbuddhi, Shakti, Paraakramam that enable to earn My Grace.

- Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba





## A NOTE FROM THE SECRETARY

Dear Patron,

As we complete 75 years of independence, it is important for us to take stock of our Nation's progress and chart the path for a phenomenal future ahead. As citizens of this glorious Nation, we all have a great task ahead of us, especially in the next 2 decades.

It excites me to let you know that Sri Sathya Sai Divyaamritam, the upcoming free-of-cost comprehensive cancer treatment hospital near Thatipudi reservoir near Visakhapatnam is now less than 90 days away from opening their OPD block to one and all, especially the needy. This will be a divine disruption in the field of cancer that is certain to create an everlasting impression in the hearts of not only the patients but also of their family members

We are also stepping up our efforts on various other fronts such as Education where apart from the envisaged free-of-cost residential educational campus near Visakhapatnam, we are also providing support to education in the form of providing Scholarships and equipping schools with Desktops to narrow down the rural digital divide. Some needy students are also provided with laptops and tablets.



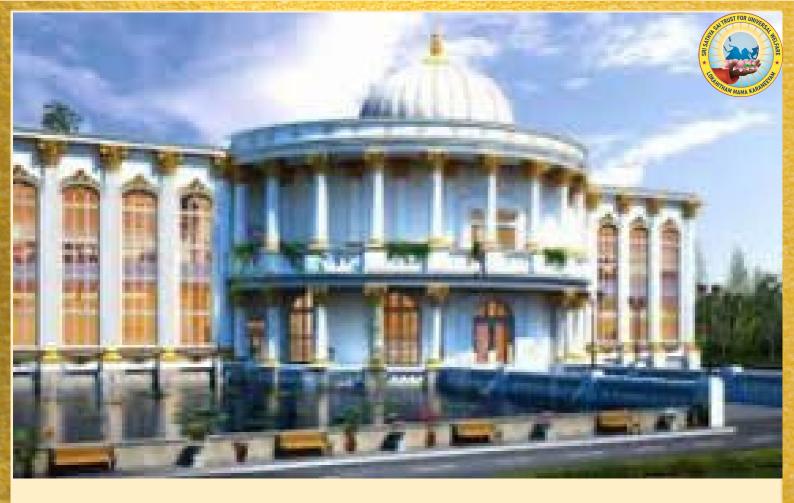
In the area of hunger alleviation, we are heading towards the completion of I year of Divya Prasada Seva, the night hunger alleviation programme. This programme has helped many needy to focus on their livelihood tasks, as they now are assured of a dinner meal.

Dear friends, I request you to share the impact created by Sri Sathya Sai Trust For Universal Welfare in improving the lives of the needy. This, I am sure, would inspire many others to help the needy in their surroundings.

I conclude this note by thanking you from the bottom of my heart for your continuous support and love which is creating a positive impact in the lives of the needy

With Love,

Dr. Kalyan Sarvepalli Secretary and Trustee



#### **CANCER ALLEVIATION FOR NEEDY**

Cancer is a physically, mentally as well as financially straining ailment that impacts not only the individual but also the entire family.

Sri Sathya Sai Divyaamritam, the upcoming free-of-cost comprehensive cancer treatment hospital, comes to the rescue of families. The hospital that has no billing counters, it immediately alleviates the financial burden directly. Being founded on the principles of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba's mantras of Love All Serve All and Help Ever Hurt Never, the hospital's culture would ensure a very painless and a highly empathetical approach to the family, while providing world-class treatment to the affected. The hospital's OPD will be inaugurated in November this year.



#### SAI SCHOLARSHIPS



### SAI SCHOLARSHIPS FOR NEEDY STUDENTS

Fill and Submit the Application in Person
Award of Scholarship is subject to Eligibility and Verification of details

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In a move to further support the cause of education for students from economically challenged background, Sri Sathya Sai Trust For Universal Welfare announces 'Sai Scholarships' programme for needy students for the academic year 2022-23. Interested candidates may reach out to the below mentioned contact number for the scholarship application and other details.



#### SRI SATHYA SAI DIVYA GIRI

#### **VALLEY OF DIVINITY**

Moved by the devotion and love of the tribals and inhabitants of Araku Valley during His Divine Andhra Kodai Trip to Araku Valley back in May 2022, Bhagawan Baba had then announced the construction of a Community Center for the welfare of the region.





As a sequel to His Divine Sankalpa, Swami performed the Bhoomi Pooja for the Sai Community Center, named Sri Sathya Sai Divya Giri, at Araku Valley on the holy occasion of Sri Krishnashtami (19th Aug 2022). It is indeed very apt that the Bhoomi Pooja for the Divine center, to be built amidst lush evergreen meadows and surroundings, was conducted on the holy birthday of Lord Krishna, a nature lover of the highest order and an embodiment of bliss and divine beauty. The Bhoomi Pooja started with a Ganesha Pooja, and was followed by Panchamrutha Abhisekham and Shankustapana for the Project.





Thus, Swami graciously blessed the Hari Putras (as well as the Giri Putras) with a Divine community hall for their prayers, satsangs, bhajans and functions. It is to be noted that this divine community hall is blessed to be open to one and all free of cost.

With this, the region will soon witness the beautiful Araku Valley turn into 'Valley of Divinity' with the establishment of Sri Sathya Sai Divya Giri!







#### **DESKTOPS DRIVE FOR RURAL SCHOOLS**

#### CELEBRATING 75 YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE

In order to commemorate 75 years of Independence and to sow seeds for India's Glorious Future, Sri Sathya Sai Trust For Universal Welfare celebrated the entire red-letter day of the 76th Independence Day at various rural and remote schools near Visakhapatnam and Vizianagaram empowering young minds in various ways.





Desktop Computer sets were provided to 5 of our adopted schools near Visakhapatnam and Vizianagaram. The children were excited that they will soon get to work on a computer system. We believe this will be a step towards bridging the digital gap characteristic in rural areas. This will also empower children as well teachers in their academic journey.





Further, about 200 children studying across 6 schools were provided with a uniform set of t-shirts and tracksuits. The excitement amongst the students, who are from needy rural background, during the distribution was palpable. The team also took the opportunity to distribute good quality stainless steel lunch plates for 50 Anganwadi children studying in the rural schools.





As India aims to use the launchpad of 75 years of independence and fly higher in the next 25 years, we strongly believe investing in children, our future blocks, is a very crucial factor that will help us reach the glorious goal of national welfare! And that is exactly what was attempted on this wonderful occasion of Indian Independence Day!



#### **GANESH IDOLS DISTRIBUTION**

#### ECO-FRIENDLY GANESHAS FOR CHILDREN

Sri Sathya Sai Trust For Universal Welfare distributed 500 idols of Lord Ganesha to families of children studying in MPP School Seethanagaram and Balvikas Bharatha Desam school in Pedagantyada in Visakhapatnam, on the eve of Ganesh Chaturthi. The distribution event started at 2 PM in the afternoon and concluded by 4:30 PM.



The children exhibited great enthusiasm in understanding and spreading the message of conservation of mother Nature and to promote advantages of worshipping ecofriendly Ganeshas.









The children used banners and slogans to spread the message of ecofriendly and naturally sustainable modes of worship of Lord Ganesha. If a child learns, the entire family learns. Thus we are confident that these 500 families have now resorted to a chemical-free and eco-friendly mode of celebrating this holy occasion that invokes the Blessings of Lord Ganesha.





#### **GANESH CHATURTHI CELEBRATIONS**

Ganesh Chaturthi was celebrated in the Divine Presence of Bhagawan Baba at Sai Kutir. The programme started with a sankalpam for universal welfare. There was abhishekam for the holy Hiranya Garbha Lingam and Gokarna's Lord Vinayaka. Further, Vinayaka sahasranamam was chanted by one and all.

Bhagawan Baba, in His Divine Discourse announced the construction of a temple for Ganesha inside the premises of the upcoming Narasimaha Swami temple. Swami reminded us that Lord Ganesha will take care of all the good work being done and will ensure to remove obstacles that come in the path of the progress of selfless deeds for universal welfare.

Swami also graciously gave us the recipe to keep our lives ever pleasant devoid of hatred by a simple tip where we take the initiative to go ahead and wish and exchange pleasantries with all - including those who may be new to us. This will ensure to promote good feelings. The session ended with Divya Prasadam.





#### **SPECTACLES FOR NEEDY**

#### FOLLOW-UP ACTION TO MEDICAL CAMP

In July, Sri Sathya Sai Trust For Universal Welfare had organized a mega medical camp that was held in Raghunathpur in Yadadri Bhuvanagiri district, with the able support of District Collector Smt. Pamela Satpathy, Addnl Collector Sri Deepak Tiwari, CEO of AIIMS Bibinagar Sri Vikas Bhatia, and many doctors including those from the DMHO.

During the camp, the ophthalmologist had prescribed spectacles for 26 beneficiaries. As a follow-up to that, the 26 beneficiaries, consisting of 9 males and 17 females, have been provided with the spectacles based on the individual prescriptions. The beneficiaries expressed their heartfelt gratitude for enabling them with a better vision.





#### YOUTH EMPOWERMENT

#### CELEBRATING 76th INDEPENDENCE DAY

Back in July, young and ambitious minds participated in a youth empowerment workshop 'Abhinandana' that had provided them with a platform to listen and interact with great minds from various walks of the society. As a part of the Independence Day celebrations, the 100 youth and adolescents, carrying a tricolor flag in their hands and wearing a small badge of the national flag on their chests, congregated again to display their true spirit of patriotism.



Organized by Sri Sathya Sai Trust For Universal Welfare, the young hearts were welcomed to the independence day celebrations programme by a introductory speech by Brother Sivasai. This was followed by a vibrant speech by Sri. Nagur Baig, Ex-Navy & Social activist, on the importance of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav. Some children shared their thoughts about our nation, and about their personal transformation due to their association with the Sai Center 'Sai Prema'.



A professor from a leading engineering college addressed the children about 'Unity in Diversity'. We next had our trustee Sri. RamaMurthy, who made the children aware about various programmes that are undertaken by the trust for the welfare of the society. The programme ended with graceful dance performances of Sai Students on various patriotic songs.



Wrist Watches were then distributed to all the attendees. The young minds were reminded of the importance of time and were asked to practise Swami's' teaching contained in the message of Watching one's Words, Actions, Thoughts, Character and Heart (*WATCH*).

The trust also took the opportunity to felicitate a few guests for their selfless service to Society. After Aarathi, Divya Prasadam followed for all including children and parents.

The children, at the end of the day, took home a strong message: 'A true Patriot is one who serves the society selflessly'



#### **ANCIENT TEMPLE RESTORATION**

#### SRI SATHYA NARAYANA SWAMI TEMPLE

Bhagawan Baba has often said that restoring and maintaining old temples is more important than building new ones. In His gargantuan mission of universal welfare that consists of giant service projects like free healthcare, free education, hunger alleviation etc., restoration of old dilapidated temples also forms an important aspect.



Bhagawan Baba chose to restore a 150 year old Sri Sathya Narayana Swami temple, in VV Palem in Vizianagaram district, back to its ancient glory. The restoration work started on 18th August 2022 and will be inaugurated with Kumbabisekham on the holy occasion of Karthika Poornima this year.

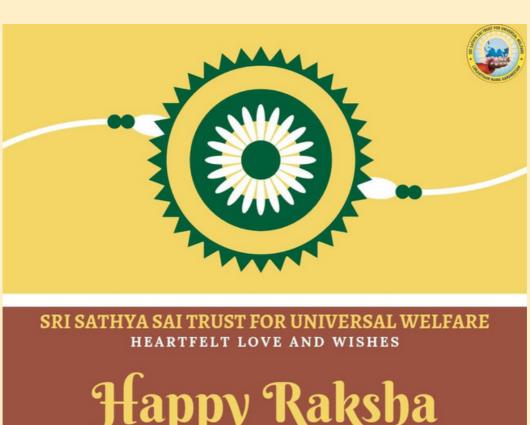
The programme started with an invocation to Lord Ganesha with a Pooja followed by a Navagraha Pooja and Panchamrutha Abhisekham for the Deity. The divine mother cows were worshipped with a Gopooja. Also, the Bhoomi Pooja was performed for the Dwajastambam of the temple.



#### RAKSHA BANDHAN MESSAGE

On the holy occasion of Raksha Bandhan, Bhagawan conveyed HIS Blessings to one and all. He lovingly reminded us of the importance of the occasion as follows:

'Today is Poornima. It is Raksha-Bandhan too. Why do sisters tie Raakhis?... When Krishna was about to leave for the war, His sister, Subhadra tied a thread to His hand, praying for His welfare and uttered the following words while she tied the thread to Krishna: "May you shine like the full moon and may you be victorious." This was the first time Raakhi was tied. RakshaBandhan blessings to everyone.'



Happy Raksha Bandhan!

LOKAHITHAM MAMA KARANEEYAM info@ssstfuw.org



#### **DIVYA PRASADA SEVA**

#### NIGHT HUNGER ALLEVIATION

The divine scripture depicting Shirdi Sai Baba's holy life, Sri Sai Satcharita, stresses immensely on the importance of having food before resorting to any task. It goes on to say that an empty stomach seldom helps achieve a task successfully.

Divya Prasada Seva, started on the divine command of Bhagawan Baba, aims to alleviate night hunger, as food is not accessible to the needy during nights. The seva, that happens non stop every night, not only intends to satiate the hunger of the needy, but also encourages them to think beyond food thereby encouraging them to take up tasks that may strengthen the chance of earning their livelihood.

The Divya Prasada Seva, that has served for close to 350 days, is inching towards completion of first year with the wonderful support of patrons and volunteers!





# It's time we resolve and commit ourselves once again to bring smiles and happiness in the lives of the needy

#### LOKA HITAM MAMA KARANEEYAM

It's our duty to do good to the world!



# IF YOU WISH TO GET INVOLVED

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#### And spread the Divine news!

#### We will be happy to have your support and participation!

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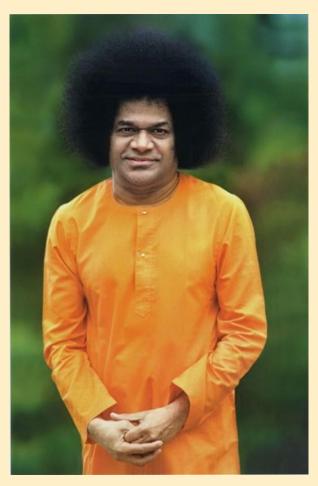
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### THANK YOU

FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!



WE PRAY TO BHAGAWAN TO SHOWER BLESSINGS ABUNDANTLY ON YOU AND YOUR FAMILY!

SAMASTHA LOKAH SUKHINO BHAVANTHU

**STAY SAFE | STAY BLESSED**