

Annual Report

The All-India Association of Philadelphia Churches in India, Delhi, INDIA

2024-2025

PROCEEDINGS

With a deep sense of gratitude and thankfulness to our Board members, Donors and partners, and with great pleasure I am submitting this annual report of The Philadelphia Churches in India for the year 2023-2024. This is for all the board members, donors, and concerned officials in the government and non-government sectors in India and over



We are glad we could continue our services to the needy and marginalized community in India. We continued with our different projects and initiatives to assist the communities in that area of health, education, water, women empowerment and post-COVID assistance to the victims of COVID so that they can carry on small

businesses to support their families. This year we could provide drinking water wells to many and we did a follow-up on the ones we had dug earlier to our great joy we found all the wells functioning well and being utilized by the villagers. Our focus on the education of children in the slums of Delhi is proving to be very beneficial. Children are enrolled in schools that were unschooled and those attending our After School program are showing great performances in their respective classes. The mid-day meal program and monitoring of their health is seen in their looks and actions.

We are thankful to our team of committed staff who work tirelessly to achieve the aims of the organization.

We solicit the support of each member of the community and staff and board members in carrying out the organisation's objectives in a progressive manner.

Thanks and regards

Rev. Dr. Abraham Sahu

President, AIAPC-India

Genesis

The Philadelphia Church or the Association of Philadelphia Churches in India is a registered body in India under the Societies Registration Act, of 1950. It is registered in the National Capital Region of Delhi. Its registration is on an All-India basis. It exists to serve the people of India especially those who are suffering, being neglected and deprived of their rights and privileges and to all citizens of India, irrespective of their caste, creed, religion, sex or language.

It came into existence in 2002 and since then it has been working towards enriching the lives of people in India, both in rural and urban cities through various sustainable development strategies as per the SDG goals and bringing people into a fulfilling lifestyle and brotherhood.



The Church is actively engaged in the welfare of the community where it is located. It has been focusing its attention on areas such as education, health, hygiene, gender equality, empowerment of women, relief and rehabilitation of the victims of natural and man-made calamities, etc. like Covid 19 in various parts of India, Its area of operation extends to various parts of India On the whole, it exists to serve the poor, marginalized, suppressed, neglected and needy sections of the community of Indian society irrespective of their ethnic, social, sexual or religious backgrounds.

Some of the programs that have been undertaken in the recent past include; Running and managing Churches in various locations of India It has been also conducting Sunday Satsang and national festivals. It also provides

various health, hygiene, and family welfare programs, education and care programs to the people of Delhi slums. It provides education and daycare to the slum dwellers' children in Delhi.

Activities of The Reporting Year

CHILDREN'S EDUCATION AND HEALTH

The Philadelphia churches is burdened for the education, health issues, hygiene issues, and skill development of children. We wish to see our children becoming worthy citizens of our country and lead a clean and decent life during their lifetime.





PRE SCHOOLING/NON-FORMAL EDUCATION

Philadelphia Church education programs strive to ensure the providence of basic education for children and elementary skills of reading, writing and arithmetic (3Rs) to the rest of the community. During this reporting period, we are carrying out our education program for the children living in the slums of Delhi, and through our project named Nai Roshni that caters to the children living in the slums of Delhi namely Badli, Surajpark, Khaddabasti and sector 26, Rohini. A total number of 135 children are being assisted in preschool program and out of them 18 were admitted in the nearby government school. The project also provides school stationeries and books to all children in preparatory classes.

All these Children are supplied with mid day meal on a daily basis to fight mal nourishment among them which is mostly prevalent with almost all the children. Regular height and weight measurement is being carried out to monitor their health and if required, necessary medical assistance is also being given to these children on a regular basis for their holistic growth.



SCHOLARSHIP AND GIFTS FOR HIGHER AND PROFESSIONAL COURSES

The Philadelphia Church continued assisting many school and college-going students in their studies through scholarships and educational gifts as well as scholarships for higher and continuing education. 60 such candidates are being helped by our Church in their education whereas more than 20 continue to get vocational training i.e computer education.

SAFE WATER SAVE WATER

Being part of the process of providing safe drinking water to marginalized communities brings profound joy and fulfilment. Access to clean water is essential, as it directly impacts health, education, and quality of life. By addressing this basic need, we help reduce waterborne diseases, which leads to healthier, more resilient communities. Safe drinking water enables children to attend school regularly, as they are less affected by illness and frees up time for women and families who often bear the burden of sourcing water. This work is not only about providing a resource but fostering sustainable, transformative change, empowering communities to thrive independently and creating a ripple effect of positive outcomes across generations.



Women's Empowerment and Their Safety

Women from our target area were made aware of their rights and privileges through many innovative approaches. They were empowered legally and economically. In the year 120 SHGs were formed with 2000 women who continued with their daily savings through SHGs. The women got loans from their groups, banks and other financial institutions to start small businesses. The program has earned the appreciation of the government and banks. In this year 36 women started a sizable business that has been strengthening the economy of their homes.



Special seminars were held for women leaders in various leadership skills and also on issues such as raising a healthy family. Adult literacy classes were carried out to educate uneducated persons with a special focus on women living in the slums of Delhi.

We continued assisting women and girls in our target locations to undergo tailoring and crafts designing training. They were encouraged to continue working from home and earn whatever they could. This is bearing much fruit in their lives and homes. 34 girls and women completed the training and were awarded certificates. They are now earning from home.



Women Marshall training and legal awareness program was carried out by Delhi Police, DLSA and teams of women lawyers where the organization created awareness about the rights and privileges of women and how they must attain them and enjoy their lives. Girls were trained on skills to protect themselves from un-social elements if they were attacked or threatened. Some 400 girls have been trained in the skill by Delhi Police and their Parivartan Scheme.

Women's day celebration

Women day was celebrated for the women living in the slums to enthusiast them and inculcate in them leadership talent and celebrate their womanhood. Hundreds of women participated in the program and persons from Delhi Police, Delhi Council for Women partook in it. and it was a time for us to boost their morale during these hard times.



Training and Capacity Building meetings

The Philadelphia church continued its in-person and online training programs for the leaders of the community as well as the community members to sharpen their skills to serve the community where they live. Thousands of people have benefited from our online and in-person training and online seminars. The organization also took the opportunity to educate and assist people and their leaders in 15 states of India and focused on handling POST COVID cases and not panicking.

The Philadelphia Churches continued assisting families that had been affected by the pandemic by providing financial help to some most deserving families where they could start small businesses from their homes to support their families – especially women and children. People continued piggery and Kirana shops under this program.

The growth in Philadelphia Church has necessitated a demand for training and equipping its present and future staff. As a result, we have undertaken initiatives to train more workers for future challenges. Emphasis was laid on In-House



training of staff and workers in all our target areas and evaluation of programs and skills of our staff.

National Festival and other Celebrations

The Philadelphia Churches could celebrate national festivals like Independence Day, Republic Day, and Children's Day and host other special days with the members of the community. Christmas was also celebrated with much pomp and show. Thousands of people from the target area partook in various celebrations and felt very happy.



All these programmes of Philadelphia Churches are aimed at the development of the communities living in our country and at the welfare of the underprivileged and poor section of society. The Philadelphia is committed to serving them without any discrimination against caste, creed or religion.

LEGAL STATUS AND ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

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Societies Registration Act.

The Philadelphia Churches of India is a registered organization, which works on a no-profit no loss basis. It is registered under the Societies Registration Act. XXI of 1860 in the name of The **“All India Association of Philadelphia Churches in India”** vide Registration NO. 41928 of 2002.

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