

**Respected President, Vice President, Members of Managing committee, Supporters and members of Mahesh Foundation.**

**Namaskar,**

It gives me pleasure to present before you an over view report of the projects and activities accomplished by Mahesh Foundation for the year **2015-16**. I would like to highlight the activities conducted by the Mahesh Foundation during this Season.

Mahesh Foundation, a non-governmental organization working for the welfare of children and youth affected by HIV/AIDS in society by ensuring them education and encouraging them to fight against HIV/AIDS the deadly disease.

Mahesh Foundation runs “**ASHAKIRAN**” Orphanage, where more than 45 HIV infected & affected orphans are sheltered.



<b>Membership.</b>	<p>In order to strengthen the organization and broaden the base the Managing committee took efforts to enroll more and more members due to which the total members as on <b>31<sup>st</sup> March 2014</b> are as follows Members –144.</p>
<b>Managing Committee Meeting.</b>	<p>The Managing committee meeting is conducted 2nd Saturday of every month at <b>Mahesh Foundation</b>. So there were <b>16</b> meetings during the year.</p>
<b>Activities:</b>	
<b>Shelter HIV Infected and Affected orphan Children.</b> 	<p>AADHAR orphanage works for HIV infected orphan children. This orphanage shelter <b>45</b> children and caters to their varied requirements including Shelter, Medicine, Nutrition and Education.</p> <p>As we thought of fighting against HIV/AIDS we conducted little survey around the District of Belgaum and we have witnessed that the affected HIV/AIDS family is orphan in one or the other way. We usually see that the HIV infects the children by their parents and in most cases the child is single/double orphan, and this orphan child is never seen taken care by the people around after their parents passed away.</p> <p><b>Total Sheltered children– 45</b></p>
<b>Nutrition Support to Children Living with HIV.</b> 	<p>Mahesh Foundation provides nutrition support for 350 Children Living with HIV/AIDS in Belgaum district that adds up to 20% of total CLHIV in whole Belgaum district. The instances say that two CLHIV children on an average are dead because of non availability of proper nutrition food, as it is non practical to shelter all 1700+ children. Mahesh Foundation is trying to at least supply nutrition food to CLHIV so that it helps to keep them alive.</p> <p><b>Total Benefitted children – 360 Children.</b></p>
<b>AADHAR Village</b>	<p>AADHAR village program involves the identification of communities long ignored by authorities and society at large, example slums and shanties, and providing the residents there with healthcare, education and improving their living conditions by involving the residents as well as bringing in volunteers.</p> <p>These areas have long been associated with sub-standard living conditions and negligence to basic sanitation and</p>





health needs. By this program we were successful to reach more than 350 families and 600 children.

**Total Benefitted – 8200 people.**

### Youth Awareness about Social Responsibility.



Mahesh Foundation has taken steps forward even in youth awareness, by allowing the youngsters to celebrate festivals with the children of our orphan age, we have done youth awareness in various colleges, telling them about social responsibilities to give same love and care which we get from our parents to such children by celebrating birthdays with them spending time with them giving them a feel of being a family. keeping the good network with collage students have given us very enthusiastic volunteers who comes to our programs n give their helping hands.

After one experience young generation has come to a conclusion that they want to give their support for needy people. More than **7000+** college students visited Mahesh Foundation during year.

**Total Benefitted – 14560+ College students.**

### School Support Programs



Mahesh Foundation Conducted School Support program For orphans, HIV infected, Slum Children and very poor children from rural school. In this Campaign we collect Rs. 300/-, as sponsorships for one child, this contribution will surely motivate a child to go to school and put a big smile on their face... The school kits will be given to support orphans, HIV infected, Slum Children and very poor children from rural School. The kit includes a school bag, note books, stationery & a water bottle.

**Total Benefitted – 1800 school children.**

### Functions and Programs:

**Kannada film start dr shivarajkumar visits mahesh foundation.**

Kannada actor Shivarajkumar visited our Ashakiran Child Care Home on **27<sup>th</sup> April 2015** Kannada actor Shivarajkumar has many things to cheer about, but one thing that brings him pain is the discrimination towards children infected by HIV.

**Summer camp**

Mahesh Foundation Takes a Vacation. The age old adage "All work & no play make jack a dull boy"

	applies to everyone, no matter what their work is. So we at Mahesh Foundation decided to take a much needed vacation along with the kids at MAHESH FOUNDATION to Goa, the vacation paradise of the south.
<b>School Support Donation drive</b>	In month of June & July we along with our donors donated school kit for needy and underprivileged children in different school in and near Belgaum District. More Than 1600+ Underprivileged children benefited
<b>Raksha Bandhan Festival celebration</b>	On 30 <sup>th</sup> Aug, 2015 " <b>Raksha Bandhan</b> " celebrated relationship between brothers and sisters; we gave the same brotherhood feeling to the orphanage child that gives a pleasure of having family around.
<b>Independence Day.</b>	<b>15<sup>th</sup> Aug, 2015</b> is celebrated as independence day in India. We celebrated this 69 <sup>th</sup> INDEPENDENCE day in our orphanage giving the same INDEPENDENT and discrimination free life to the Children Effected by HIV.
<b>Ganesh Chaturthi Festival Celebration.</b>	On <b>17<sup>th</sup> Sept, 2015</b> we celebrated "Ganesh chaturthi" in Ashakiran Orphanage. We have brought Ganesh idol for five days and these five days our orphanage was filled Joy and happiness.
<b>Health check up camp for slum people.</b>	On <b>10<sup>th</sup> Sept, 2015</b> we organized Health check up for slum dwellers which have lead for development of Aadhar community center for welfare of slum dwellers.
<b>Aadhar Mahila Udyog launched.</b>	AADHAR MAHILA UDYOG a livelihood creation unit of Mahesh Foundation launched on <b>8<sup>th</sup> Nov, 2015</b> .
<b>Praxiar's school support program @ Dharwad.</b>	We, Mahesh Foundation In association with Praxair Pvt Ltd, we distributed 300 school kits to HIV infected children in Dharwad on <b>9<sup>th</sup> Oct 2015</b> . This school kits contains all the essential school stationeries. This initiative was supported by Praxair's Global Giving Program.
<b>Joy of Giving Week</b>	On the day <b>2nd of Oct 2015</b> . We successfully Inaugurated the "JOY OF GIVING WEEK". As we have Maintained our social consciousness the people who appreciated our work joined us together for the Inauguration of "JOY OF GIVING WEEK" and told people to give something back to the society n feel that JOY OF GIVING. The "BIGBAZAR" Belgaum took initiative and helped us to do this successfully.
<b>Dasara Celebration</b>	On <b>22<sup>nd</sup> Oct, 2015</b> we celebrated "Dasara" a festival which shows triumph of good over evil. Dasara celebration brought joy on faces of our children.

<b>Celebration of "Diwali"</b>	On 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov, 2015 we celebrated "DIWALI" a festival of lights in our orphanage. We celebrated this festival with same joy and we will keep lighting the lives of the people infected and affected by the HIV and needy.
<b>Children Day Celebration</b>	Mahesh Foundation celebrated children's day on <b>14<sup>th</sup> Nov, 2015</b> in EEFA Hotel in association with SETU-A social organization arranged for variety of activities in relation for Children Day Celebration.
<b>World AIDS day.</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> December 2015</b> , Mahesh Foundation participated in World AIDS Rally organized by District Administration. In this rally Mahesh Foundation actively creating awareness about HIV AIDS by attraction of our meaningful banners. By the Theme: (" <b>FIGHT AIDS NOT PEOPLE WITH AIDS</b> ")
<b>Child Parliament Exposure at Tamil Nadu</b>	It is a child parliament exposure visit. In this 7 teams from different care home from 2 states Maharashtra and Karnataka were participated. In this every child parliament presented their work, what they doing at care home, about meetings etc. Our 5 children participated in this exposure.
<b>HIV/AIDS Awareness campaign</b>	On <b>1<sup>st</sup> December, 2015</b> the occasion of World Aids Day we organized a Signature Campaign @ Big Bazaar Belgaum. The Staff of Big Bazaar Belgaum supported us to create Awareness by tagging Red Ribbon as a symbol of "solidarity with HIV-positive people and those living with AIDS".
<b>Christmas Celebration</b>	On <b>25<sup>th</sup> December, 2015</b> children enjoyed Christmas a lot as Santa was there for them with gifts. Our donor dressed in Santa Claus dress gifted children.
<b>Kannerimath Educational tour</b>	One day trip to Kannerimath for Mahesh Foundation children was organized by Mr Nikhil Maduskar. This trip was of full enjoyment for the children. Through this trip children came to know about culture our ancestors were following, their lifestyle and have seen artistic way of presentation of history. They also played games.
<b>Id &amp; Makarsankranti Celebration.</b>	On occasion of Id, Makar Sankranti and our inmate birthday, Mr Feroz Sait, MLA of North Belgaum visited Mahesh Foundation at Ashakiran orphanage. He appreciated Mahesh foundation for their work towards society. He discussed our problem of accommodation as 45 orphan kids are staying in two BHK room since four years.
<b>Blanket Distribution</b>	On first night of New Year Mahesh Foundation has distributed 56 blankets to beggars and homeless peoples on Bus Stand, Belgaum Railway Station and crowded areas. Mahesh foundation staff, volunteers, railway and bus

	department officials have participated in this part of Blanket Donation Drive.
<b>Republic Day.</b>	On <b>26<sup>th</sup> January, 2016</b> we celebrated our 65 <sup>th</sup> Republic Day with all our Children, staffs, managing committee members in AADHAR orphanage premises.
<b>Sunday Celebration</b>	On <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Feb, 2016</b> Children of Mahesh foundation visited Bhutramhatti park for picnic. Children were happy playing on swings and enjoyed playing cricket. They saw many animals in zoo there. Away from their daily routines of school and hostel, children's were happy and enjoyed their picnic.
<b>Spirituality at Ashakiran</b>	Spiritual thoughts and feeling are an internal part of the emotional growth process for children. Prabhuji from ISKON comes to Ashakiran every Saturday to teach children spirituality which connects them to divine power of Universe. It is not curing illness of children but showing positive effect on their health conditions.
<b>Holi Celebration</b>	On <b>March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016</b> Children were delighted in spraying colors on one another with their pichkaris and throwing water balloons and were dancing on rhythm of songs. Children enjoyed Holi celebration and had lots of fun.
<b>Awards &amp; Honoring:</b>	
<b>Best NGO of the year</b>	District Administration of Belgaum giving best NGO Award to Mahesh Foundation on Occasion of World TB Day on <b>March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2016.</b>
<b>Special Honor</b>	Special Honour for Lions of Belgaum for outstanding contribution towards society in the month of <b>15<sup>th</sup> March, 2016.</b>

The accounts of Mahesh Foundation have been audited by **Umesh Bolmal** Chartered Accountants who were appointed as the auditor at the general body meeting last year. The income tax benefit u/s 80G has been extended and as per few rule it will be continued without renewal.

This are the very few methods adopted to betterment of society, in the same way there are many such incidents which shows the methods adopted by Mahesh Foundation towards this society. To get their rights Mahesh foundation is struggling & is successful & will struggle until all these peoples get their rights.

**Secretary.**