

# S'W'AMPADAM

## NEWSLETTER



Not Disabled But Differently Abled

Swayam Siddha Industrial Co-operative Society for Handicapped Ltd.

### Editor Speaks

If I were asked to assign an adjective to this month - 'Jubilant' would be my choice. Not only does 'Jubilant June' sound great, but it also describes the month the best!

This month, we held our very first out-of-Mumbai exhibition attempt at Indore, where our member also bagged an award.

Another award to our Treasurer by the Rotary Club added to our jubilation.

We also managed to power pack a huge gifting order of beautiful 55 ocean themed photo frames this month.

In the month beginning, we saw the anniversary celebrations for two of our members followed by Yoga Day Celebrations later in the month.

Many donations in kind dotted our month: most useful products such as suitcase, cooking utensils were gifted to us by our cherished donors.

Please continue to support us. Your wishes, prayers and donations are what drive us month on month.

Akhila Ramganesh

Swayam Siddha's beloved treasurer **Ms. Jagruti Kishor Shah** ji was awarded '**Fab Vocational Award**' by the **Rotary Club** of Navi Mumbai recognising her contributions to the society.

This Rajkote lady dons mat hats. At the age of 63, she completed her certificate course in Acupuncture and she is now Maharashtra Government certified 'Dr.' of Acupuncture. She attends to and treats her patients in her home cum clinic in Koperkhairane, Navi Mumbai. She is also a Yoga guru.

Over the years, she has worked for many other non-profits and service organizations. But as of now, her primary focus is Swayam Siddha for which she has devoted much of her recent years.

Jagruti ma'am has been highly instrumental in re-defining the organization since she formally took the reins in 2018: seeking donors, employment opportunities, a safe and peaceful shelter for the members, that is differently-abled friendly too.

In addition to the Chembur centre, she began a new centre in Rabale, Navi Mumbai for youth with disability. Jagruti ma'am left no stone unturned to secure a venue from MIDC to open this shelter. Through her goodwill, she was able to get help from Pagaria Welfare Foundation, which helped her shape the dilapidated warehouse into a safe and hospitable shelter by donating tiles and fixtures.

At Swayam Siddha, we are extremely proud of her achievement and are very happy that her contributions to the society are duly noted and awarded by the Rotary Club.



## Divya Kala Mela, Indore

Divya Kala Mela is one of the Indian Government's schemes to give opportunities and promote entrepreneurship among Divyangjan.

Every month, an exhibition is conducted on a huge scale across the length and breadth of the country to give space for Divyangjan entrepreneurs and NGOs working in Disability sector to showcase and sell their products. Supported by **NHFDC**, the stalls are free of charge for participating Divyangjan. The participants are also provided accommodation and boarding for the entire duration of the exhibition. Even the railway fare is refunded upon claims.

To make use of this wonderful scheme by the Govt. of India, Swayam Siddha participated in the **Divya Kala Mela, Indore** edition from 17th June to 23rd June.

One of our member, Vishal hosted the stall with the support of our centre head Chitra. The entire experience of our team has been jubilant. Our products were well received by the people of Indore. Not only did we make great sales, we also built a lasting friendship with other NGOs working for the cause of the disabled.

The cherry on the cake was when our Vishal Khandare was awarded '**Best Divyang Artisan**' by the NHFDC team in the event. Vishal had demonstrated his skill to the NHFDC team, who chose him out of many skilled artisans in the Mela. It is a matter of pride, honour and recognition of Vishal's talent and Swayam Siddha's efforts to train him and provide him the opportunity to showcase his skills.

We are thankful to the Indian Govt. and NHFDC for initiating a benevolent and enriching platform for all the Divyangjan entrepreneurs and artisans of India.





## Anniversary Celebrations of our member duo



Fun & Frolic are a part of life in Swayam Siddha. Month on month, we never fail to have celebrations and moments of joy and jubilation.

This month of June saw the anniversary celebrations of Maulik & Leena, our beloved members and a very cute couple.

Cake cutting was followed by a sumptuous meal that was sponsored by Jagruti ma'am and her family.



Later on, everyone played the well-liked 'Housie' game which was highly enjoyed by all members.

Our members had an great time.

We welcome all our well-wishers to celebrate their special days with us and double your joy by sharing it with us.

## Photo Frame bulk order



*Ocean themed Photo frame*

This was one of moment of pride for our centre. A well-wisher wished to order 55 gifts as return gifts for a family function. After a few deliberations, the client reverted that their family was keen on cream or white photo frames with shell decoration. We immediately identified vendors for photo frames and shells.

The shells were brought in all the way from Rameshwaram - one of the top places in India to source quality shells. To add to the beauty and purpose of the frames, we created a quote image on a beach background. After our expert craftsmanship and eye for detail, the finished products are here to see.



*Bulk order*

It doesn't end here. These frames were beautifully gift packed in a gift box with customised label and a Thank you Card. The frames got us many appreciations - from the client and everyone who had a chance to look at it.

This project just goes to show that when we set our heart onto something, we do not rest before we complete it to perfection.

## Coconut Shell Candles

The world is moving the Eco-friendly way. Many individuals and corporates are very particular about eco-friendly gifting options as a commitment to their ESG practices.

Understanding the demand for eco-friendly products and as a commitment to environment ourselves, we have come up with the new product: Totally Eco-friendly hand-poured Soy wax Coconut shell candles.

Sourced directly from Kerala, these shells are beautifully sanded and polished with pure coconut oil giving the shells a grand look.

These aesthetic and beautiful looking candles are a perfect solution to your home decor and gifting solutions. Get in touch with us to book your order.



## Yoga Day Celebrations

Yoga is one of the top contributions to the world by India. As a means to identify, respect and celebrate Yoga as means to complete well-being, **International Yoga Day** is celebrated on 21st June. Right from US Congress to a remote rural school in India, people all over the world participated in celebrating this day.

How can we, the members from Swayam Siddha lag behind? That too, when our Treasurer ma'am, Jagruti ji is a Yoga guru?



Yoga is a part of our member's daily life. A typical day in our Rabale centre begins with prayers and Yoga.

On the International Yoga Day too, our Rabale centre members and a few parents collectively joined in performing Yoga and thus took part in the celebrations of International Yoga Day.



## Donations in Kind

The month of June saw many donations in kind by well-wishers who are newly introduced to the Swayam Siddha Family.

The donated **suitcase** was most convenient to the team who traveled to Indore for the Divya Kala Mela and was a lucky charm which got us great sales and an award!

The **cookers** and a few more cooking utensils such as **frying pan** are the most beneficial additions to our kitchen in Chembur centre - where everyday, food for 10 members are cooked. The members earlier were struggling with few very utensils, some of which were broken as well.

We are very grateful for your kind gesture and thank you every time we utilise your donations.



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