DAYSTAR
HOME FOR DESTITUTE KIDS
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NEWSLETTER

Updates 25-26

CELEBRATING 20 YEARS of Orphan Care

20 YEARS OF LOVE, CARE
SOMANY LIVES TRANSFORMED.
A FUTURE FILLED WITH HOPE.



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Daystar: A Gleam of Dawn That Shines Ever Brighter

In January 2026, Daystar completed 20 years of service to vulnerable children in the remote hilly areas of Gajapati District, providing shelter, care, protection, and education.

Two decades ago, these communities faced severe hardship, with little access to roads, electricity, clean water, healthcare, or education, and high rates of dreaded diseases and maternal and infant mortality.

Our vision was simple: to give orphaned children a safe home, nourishment, and education. We acquired two acres of land, built a protected campus, and developed facilities for their growth and well-being.

From a small thatched house in 2006 with 10 children, Daystar has grown into a home for 50 children, supported by government agencies, donors, and partner organizations in India and abroad.

Over 20 years, more than 260 children have been cared for. Of these, 40 have passed matriculation, 21 pursued technical education (18 in ITI and 3 in diploma courses), and 17 are in undergraduate studies.

We are deeply grateful for this journey of transformation and grace. As we move forward, we remain committed to giving vulnerable children hope, dignity, and opportunity for a brighter future.

OUR KIDS DURING 25-26



OUR KIDS (CONTINUED)

Out of 50 children who were under institutional care during 25-26, 17 were double orphans, 25 were single orphans, and 8 were abandoned kids. 45 kids were from 30 villages of Mohana block such as Gudi Sahi, Merama, Renu, Naringi, Dumiguda, Aligonda, Narayanpur, Budhiguru, Kumangapadar, Padrima, Pakelgud Bakima, Patharagada, Telengapada, Galama, Ashrayapur, Padrima, Malasapadar, Kharikuti, Baliganda, Khariguda, Telengabandha, Rakeshpanka, Jamaganda,Sindhiba, Dhekapanka, Rajpanka, Adapanka,and Poipada, 2 from villages Pulasara and Langalakunia of R.Udayagiri block, 1 from village K.Jalarsing of Nuapada block and 1 from village Badagaon of Rayagada block. 4 children were in Standard-II, 4 in Standard-III, 5 in Standard-IV, 3 in Standard V, 6 in Standard –VI, 1 in Standard-VII, 4 in Standard VIII, 5 in Standard-IX, and 10 in Standard-X, 5 in ITI and 3 in Diploma engineering. Our staff conduct field visits regularly , trying to reach the uttermost parts of the district where even now there is no road communication and other basic amenities. They identify the needy and after getting the approval of Child welfare committee and Child Protection unit are admitted to our CCI and their education and health care are taken care of.

OUR STAFF



Mr. Manoj Kumar Satapathy
B.Tech& MSW, BijuPatnaik Hotel Management & Tourism
(Superintendent)



Mr. Tuna Kumar Nayak,
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Counselor



Mr. Santosh Kumar Karjee,
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Mr. Ismael Majhi,
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House Father-Science



Mrs. Sikshyarani Jena,
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Mr. Govinda Sabar,
10th , Cook



Mr. Chinta Mandal, B.A,
House Keeper



Mrs. Ana Majhi,
House Helper



Mr. Manayam Raita,
Driver

Academic Achievements

1) ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

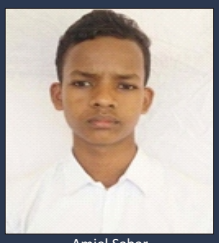
100% pass in matriculation: **All 10 children who appeared in the matriculation examination ,2026 passed . One of our kids, Chandan Kandha topped among the candidates who appeared for matriculation examination in the Khetrabasi High School, Gobindpur during the year. Out of the 10 , Nine have already joined ITI, one joined +2 at Hilltop college, Mohana.**


Muguni Badamundi
Diploma 3rd Year Mechanical


Subham Karada
Diploma 3rd Year Mechanical

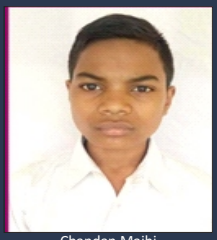

Iswara Mallick
Diploma 3rd Year Mechanical


Raju Mallick
Fitter Trade 2nd Year


Amiel Sabar
Fitter Trade 2nd Year


Arun Mallick
Fitter Trade 2nd Year


Sibaram Bhuyan
Fitter Trade 1st Year


Chandan Majhi
Fitter Trade 1st Year

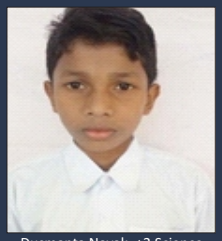

Sahil Nayak
Fitter Trade 1st Year

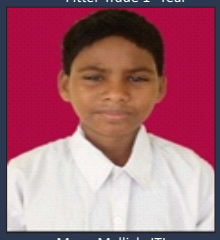

Chandan Kandha, ITI


Saula Behera Majhi, ITI

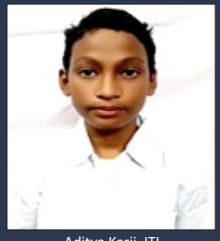

Prakash Raita, ITI

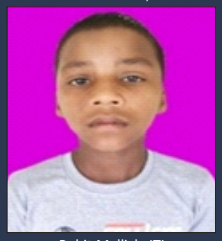

Chandan Sabar, ITI


Dusmanta Nayak, +2 Science


Muna Mallick, ITI


Mirtan Mallick, ITI


Aditya Karji, ITI


Rohit Mallick, ITI


Ruhan Kandha,ITI

10 Children Graduated from High School in 2026



OUT REACH WORKS

(a)*Counseling to create awareness regarding Govt. schemes meant to benefit the orphan children*
Staff of the Institution conducted counseling sessions both at CCI and also at villages through field visits . Most of our kids are identified and institutionalized after approval of competent authorities through extensive field visits undertaken by our staff . Inmates are frequently counselled to make them LFA(legally free for adoption), to send them on foster care , to get the benefits under green passage scheme and to get after care services. Till 2026 TEN children have received assistance through Green Passage Scheme, NINE have received sponsorship, ONE is placed in Foster care, THREE have gone for Adoption- out of which one by a couple from Italy, TWO have received After Care assistance.



Field visit of House Father-Arts





Identifying children in need of Care & Protection-Three Children namely Sanu Mallick, Mohan Mallick & Amon Mallick



Counseling session in progress by Superintendent and counselor-DCPU for LFA

ACTIVITIES

(b) *Eradication of Social evils* : Adequate awareness is created about the child related Social evils such as Child Marriage, Child Trafficking, Child labour, Child abuses including sexual abuse etc through outreach programmes and public meetings. Govt of Orissa has identified Mohana block as the most vulnerable area for child trafficking. An ORPHAN DAY was celebrated on 20th April 25 in the Daystar Home premises which highlighted these evils and legislations which provides punitive actions on culprits by eminent leaders in the field . The home also functions as a Short Stay Home for runaway children from other districts rescued by child welfare officers and police personnel and helps in the rehabilitation of such kids in their families or child protection unit of concerned district.







Address by Hon'ble MLA Sri. Dasarathi Gamango



Address by Sri. Bijay Kumar Das, Hon'ble Collector

ACTIVITIES

3)MENTAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT AND THERAPY :

Children admitted to the Home are usually those who had high exposure to trauma and adversities , having no proper emotional support. Some are habituated to substance use, with academic and social difficulties. Staff from Schizophrenia Research Foundation visit the CCI and conduct mental health counseling sessions to identify mental health issues of inmates and to successfully prepare them for independent life when they go out of CCI.



Mental Health session in progress

Activities

4) COACHING : Our motto is 'Education for All with prejudice towards none'Education only can equip and enable the children to become responsible citizens of the nation. As there are children studying in 9 classes and as one Educator cannot do full justice to the job , all staff members share the responsibility of overseeing the studies of children according to a preplanned allotment of coaching duties. This enables all children to get personalized attention in studies –to identify the strength and weakness of each child and to give personal attention to each child as per need. Computer education is introduced for all and our children participate in E-Shiksha programme with the help of 5 Lenovo tablets gifted by OSCPS.



Subject wise note book distributing by Superintendent



Computer Class

Activities

5) EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Our kids are engaged in a well structured extra curricular activities on a regular basis. This includes learning music, dance and songs;playing Chess, Carom, Ludo and out door games such as Cricket, Badminton, Volley Ball. In addition daily physical exercises, and other athletic activities such as Long jump, High jump, Discuss throw, Javelin , 100 and 200 meters race are practiced . Arts and crafts, Drawing and painting, debates etc. are done .Our children participated in various events namely Quiz, Debate, Drawing, Chess, Carrom and Dance during Inter CCI Mahek festival held at Parlakhemudi on 15-8-25 and received prizes (Subham Karada in Chess , Sibaram Bhuyan in Carrom)







Sibaram Bhuyan Receiving Prize in Carom Competition



Subham Karada Receiving Prize in Chess Competition



Children Playing Tabla, Khanjuni and Nal



Participants of Sisu Mahotsav-2025-2026

6) CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL FESTIVALS

In order to inculcate the spirit of patriotism in our children, national festivals such as Independence Day, Republic Day, Gandhi Jayanti, Children's Day etc are celebrated . Unfurling the National Flag was done during Republic Day i.e 26th January and hoisting the National flag was done on the Independence Day i.e. 15th August. Activities such as debate competition, drawing and painting, Quiz, Song etc are done and prizes were distributed .. The theme for Drawing competition this year was 'My ideal campus'



Flag Hosting - 79th Annivery of Independance



Unfurling the National Flag - 77th Anniversary of Republic 26-1-26



Children Celebrating 80th Anniversary of Independence
15th August 2026



Prakash Raita got 1st Prize from Superintendent for Debate Competition during Swachhata Hi SewaProgramme 2025-26

7) CELEBRATION OF BIRTHDAY OF INMATES

The children who are orphaned crave for affection from elders and to free them from the feeling of deprivation of emotional support from parents birthday of each child is celebrated with birthday cake, birthday songs and merry making by other inmates and staff. This inculcates confidence in the kids which in turn promotes their learning capacity and integration in to the society and in the overall personality development .







8) LIBRARY-CUM-READING ROOM

It is 'READING THAT MAKES A PERFECT MAN'. Establishing a Library cum Reading Room was a long felt need for our Home. We are thankful to The Falcon Charity Foundation for the Financial support for construction of a Library-cum-Reading room .We need to equip the space with Books and furnitures to make it functional . A functional Library shall be a game changer in our orphan care programme.



Activities & Achievement

9)SWACHHATA HI SEWA –Cleanliness is next to Godliness
Under swachhata Hi sewa programme several activities such as Orientation programme on WASH (Water, Sanitation & Hygiene), Best out of waste, Campus cleaning , Plantation, Wall painting on SHS message, Drawing and Painting, Arts & Crafts etc.. were undertaken.



Senior Group : 1st Prize Saula Behera. 2nd Prize- Prakash Raita,3rd Prize-Minthu Malick
Junior Group : 1st Prize-Samson Malick, 2nd Prize-Dusmant Nayak,
3rd Prize-Bishnuprasad Behera



Water, Sanitation, Hygiene demonstration



Campus Cleaning



Painting Competition - My Ideal Campus



Plantation Programme

Infrastructure Growth

10) MORE INFRASTRUCURAL DEVELOPMENT

a) A staff-guest room complex is constructed on the first floor over Library . 4 staff rooms and a Gust room with attached bath rooms are nearing completion.

b) A cultural centre with assistance from the BGBO scheme of state Government is under construction in the campus by the Block Development Officer of Mohana block



VISIT OF DIGNITARIES

1) Hon'ble Additional District & Sessions judge, Gajapati district , Parlakhemudi visits the Home once in every month . Hon'ble judge inspects the standard of care and facilities of the Institution . The Hon'ble judges who visited the Daystar during different periods are Hon'ble Sri.Pradeep Kumar Samal, Hon'ble Sri.BibhuPrasad Panda, and Hon'ble Sri. Haraprasad Pattnaik.

2) Sri. Bijaya Ku Dash, Hon'ble Collector & District Magistrate visited the Institution on 20-4-25.

3) Sri. Arun Kumar Tripathy , District Child Protection Officer visits the Home regularly and supervises the welfare of inmates , offering valuable suggestions and guidance to staff and children.

4) Sri. Dasarathi Gamango, Hon'ble M.L.A. Mohana constituency visited the Home of 20-4-25 and encouraged the staff and kids .

5) Daystar is indebted to the members of Child Welfare Committee such as Sri. Amiya Kumar Tripathy,Smt. Subhrakanti Behera, Sri. Nageswar Choudhary, Sri. Premananda Beura, and Smt. Reeta Das for their visit to the Home and for overseeing the selection and admission of Kids to the Institution and in guiding in noninstitutional care of orphans.

6) Sri. Koushal Kishore Singh, General Manager, SBI, Bhubaneswar , Alok Kumar Sinha, Deputy General Manager, SBI, Harekrushna Panda , Regional Manager, Berhampur, Shyam Sunder Thakur, Regional Manager, Aska, and Sri. Nirod Kumar Rout, Chief Manager(HR) , Zonal Office , Berhampur visited the Daystar on 7th September 25 and handed over the four wheeler(Boleroneo) to our home .

7) Sri. Rajib Das, O.A.S., Block Development Officer, Mohana visited the institution on 20th April 25.

Other Charitable works



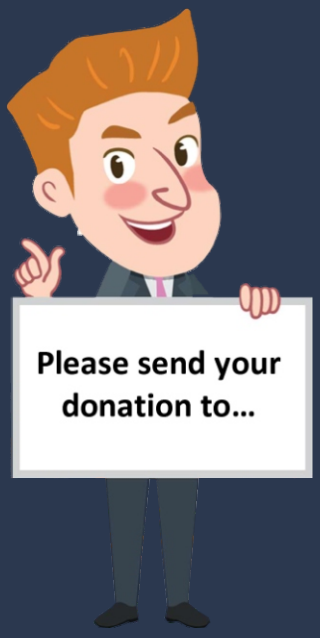
Distributed 60 umbrellas to school going children from Saliasahi slum of Bhubaneswar in an event organized by YSMEN CLUB & YMCA Bhubaneswar on 8th JULY 2026

The trust also gave financial support to Children from under privileged families for higher education(as B.Sc. (Nursing) , M.B.B.S., BBA etc)to meet payment of tution fees,hostel fees, purchse of books etc .



School going Children with the Umbrella they Received

DONATE



DONATE FOR A NOBLE CAUSE

URGENT FINANCIAL NEEDS

Equipping Library cum reading room with books,
Periodoicals, computers and furnitures, audio-visual aids.....7 lakhs
Assistance to underprivileged children for higher education.....5 lakhs
Buildings for the proposed old age home for destitute
women/Handicapped kids.....30 lakhs
Completion of staff-guest room complex.....7 lakhs
Outdoor play equipments such as swing, merry go round, slide, etc...5 lakhs
Badminton and volleyball court.....5 lakhs

Children are the FUTURE OF THE NATION! INVEST IN THEM.

From those Inside India
SCAN & DONATE



Donations to be sent to the Managing Trustee , Susi Charitable Trust

OUR BANK DETAILS

For those from India
A/C No - 146201000001602
Indian Overseas Bank
I.R.C. Village branch,
Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India
Branch code : 1462
Branch IFSC code : IOBA0001462
SWIFT : IOBAINBB159

For those from Outside India
SBI New Delhi Main Branch
FCR A/c No: 00000040098992967
IFSC : SBIN0000691
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