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"The great use of life is to spend it for something that will outlast it."

– WILLIAM JAMES



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INTRODUCTION

HISTORY OF M S INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Rika and Manu Shah founded MSI in 1975 in the basement of their home in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. Today, MSI is the America's largest importer and distributor of premium surfaces, offering a vast portfolio of natural stone and tile sourced from 37 countries worldwide, serving residential, commercial, and hospitality markets with high-quality products.

About 30 years ago, they began their philanthropic journey with the Sarva Mangal Family Trust and later founded the Shah Happiness Foundation in 2022. Together, the Shah Family Philanthropies support over 70 million people across 9 countries through 51+ nonprofit partners, serving individuals across diverse communities from prenatal care and maternal health initiatives to compassionate end-of-life support and palliative care services.

Their vision is to drive scalable, sustainable innovation and empower changemakers who challenge the status quo and create long-term social impact. Rika and Manu Shah have received numerous honors, including Ernst & Young's National Entrepreneur of the Year (2007), The Migliore Award (2024), and induction into the Asian Hall of Fame (2025). MSI also proudly supplied the granite for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C., reflecting its enduring legacy, global leadership, and lasting impact across generations.

ABOUT SARVA MANGAL FAMILY TRUST

Established in 1994 by the Founders of M S International, Inc. The mission of the Sarva Mangal Family Trust is to improve and strengthen health, education and the illness of communities and help them prepare for global jobs of the 21st century. Sarva Mangal is a Sanskrit word which means Goodness to All.

To advance this mission, the Sarva Mangal Family Trust has donated to and is continuing to work with various organizations and programs in health promotion and prevention, assisting victims of domestic violence, empowering seniors, entrepreneurship, technological literacy, community activism, and children's education.

MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS



STRENGTHENING ACADEMIC INFRASTRUCTURE THROUGH GIVING

The Shah Happiness Foundation has committed its support toward the development of a Multipurpose Academic Complex Building at Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute (VJTI) Mumbai. As an alumnus of VJTI, Manu Shah's association reflects a deep-rooted connection to the institution and a steadfast belief in strengthening academic infrastructure and advancing educational excellence for future generations.

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February: A new advancement to the Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute (VJTI) Mumbai as the Shah Happiness Foundation committed its support toward the development of a Multipurpose Academic Complex Building. The pledge represents an investment in academic excellence and institutional growth, aimed at strengthening infrastructure and enriching the overall learning experience for future generations of students.

As an alumnus of VJTI, Manu Shah’s association with the institute lends a deeply personal dimension to this initiative. The proposed 11-storey building is envisioned as a comprehensive academic hub, with six dedicated floors comprising modern classrooms, advanced laboratories, seminar rooms, a training and placement office, and a cafeteria. These facilities are designed to enhance academic engagement, promote research and innovation, and provide structured support for student development and career readiness. By creating dynamic learning spaces and collaborative environments, the complex will contribute to a more integrated and future-ready campus ecosystem.

The initiative reflects a broader belief that world-class infrastructure plays a critical role in shaping institutional excellence. Investments in academic spaces not only elevate educational standards but also foster creativity, technical proficiency, and leadership among students.

This commitment marks an important milestone in the Foundation’s journey of purpose-driven philanthropy. It reaffirms a continued dedication to empowering young minds, strengthening educational institutions, and advancing opportunities that create long-term societal impact—reinforcing the belief that sustainable progress begins with investing in education.



EVENT – INDIA AI SUMMIT 2026

February 2026 – The MSI Social Impact Team attended the India AI Summit 2026 in New Delhi (16–20 February 2026), marking an important step toward integrating advanced technology into social impact initiatives. The summit convened global policymakers, industry leaders, researchers, and innovators to explore how Artificial Intelligence can accelerate progress across healthcare, education, workforce development, and public service delivery.

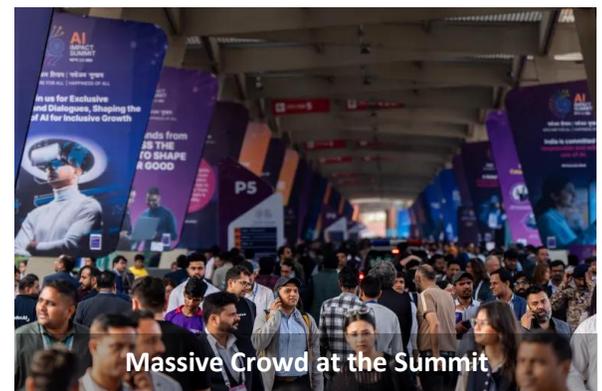
Over five days, discussions highlighted the growing importance of leadership-driven AI adoption, ethical AI implementation, and scalable sovereign digital solutions tailored for inclusive growth. Panels on AI-powered public health systems emphasized the potential of structured digital records, predictive analytics, and AI-enabled diagnostics to strengthen healthcare access while reducing systemic burdens.

The summit’s expo showcased innovative technologies with strong relevance for nonprofit ecosystems, including AI-driven assistive devices for the visually impaired, early autism detection tools, cervical cancer screening innovations, AI-powered learning platforms, and future-skilling initiatives aligned with national digital transformation goals. These solutions demonstrated how emerging technologies can be adapted to strengthen grassroots education, healthcare outreach, and livelihood initiatives.

The India AI Summit 2026 reinforced the transformative role of AI when combined with responsible governance and community-centered implementation. The engagement reflects MSI Social Impact’s continued commitment to exploring forward-looking partnerships and technology-driven solutions that can enhance program effectiveness, expand reach, and create sustainable impact at scale.



Google's AI based Healthcare Initiatives



Massive Crowd at the Summit



Lend A Hand India Team with MSI Social Impact Team



One of the Exhibitors at AI Summit Expo

VISIT – ONE WORLD ONE FAMILY

February 2026 – In February, the MSI Social Impact Team visited the Sri Madhusudan Sai Institute of Medical Sciences and Research on 10 February 2026 to gain an overview of its healthcare delivery model and institutional approach. The institute operates as a completely free-of-cost tertiary care hospital, ensuring that patients receive high-quality medical treatment without any financial burden. This unique model of compassionate healthcare continues to serve patients from economically vulnerable backgrounds across multiple regions.

During the visit, the team learned about the hospital's multidisciplinary clinical services, modern diagnostic facilities, and structured patient care systems designed to provide seamless treatment and follow-up. The institute combines advanced medical infrastructure with a value-driven philosophy, placing equal emphasis on clinical excellence and human-centered care.

The hospital also plays a significant role in medical education and research, contributing to the development of skilled healthcare professionals while strengthening healthcare access for underserved communities. By integrating specialized treatment with training and outreach, the institution reinforces a sustainable healthcare ecosystem.

The engagement also underscored the broader vision of delivering healthcare that is inclusive, dignified, and accessible to all, regardless of socio-economic background. The institute's commitment to providing free, high-quality medical services reflects a powerful model of service-driven healthcare that prioritizes patient well-being above all else.

Overall, the visit reaffirmed the importance of collaborative partnerships in supporting institutions that combine compassion, innovation, and accessibility to create lasting impact in the healthcare sector.



Sri Sathya Sai Rajeshwari Memorial Block for OPD Consultation



Outpatient Department Waiting Area



MSI Social Impact Team with OWOFF Team



Sri Madhusudan Sai Institute of Medical Sciences and Research

VISIT – SHAH HAPPINESS URGENT CARE CENTRE

February 2026 – In February, the MSI Social Impact Team visited the Shah Happiness Urgent Care Centre (UCC) to review its operational progress since commencement on 3 January 2026. The visit provided insight into patient flow, service delivery, and the Centre’s role in strengthening primary and urgent healthcare access for surrounding communities.

Since becoming operational, the UCC has treated a total of 1,256 patients, with an average daily footfall of approximately 40 patients. The Centre manages a range of common cases from nearby villages, including diabetes, hypertension, and general pain management. Fever cases are treated with short-term medication protocols, while patients with chronic conditions such as diabetes are provided structured medication support with scheduled follow-ups to ensure continuity of care.

In 35 days of being operational, a total of 24 X-ray cases has been conducted, along with 30 orthopedic cases and 11 gynecology cases, reflecting the Centre’s growing scope of services. Intravenous treatments and dressing procedures are carried out in a designated procedure room, ensuring organized and efficient patient handling. Blood test reports are typically made available within 45 minutes of sample collection, supporting timely diagnosis and treatment decisions.

The UCC operates with a structured team comprising medical, nursing, laboratory, pharmacy, registration, and support staff. The Centre utilizes the same Electronic Medical Record (EMR) system as Shrimad Rajchandra Hospital, enabling streamlined patient data management and coordination of care.

Overall, the visit highlighted the UCC’s steady integration into the local healthcare ecosystem, reinforcing its role as a reliable and accessible medical support point for the community.



VISIT – SARVAMANGAL CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR WOMEN

February 2026 – In February, the MSI Social Impact Team visited the Shrimad Rajchandra Sarvamangal Centre of Excellence for Women, reviewing operations across the Raj Amrut, Raj Kruti, and Raj Saurabh units, along with its skill development and digital training initiatives. The visit provided insights into the Centre’s integrated livelihood model aimed at strengthening economic empowerment and self-reliance among women.

At Raj Amrut, an Indian snacks manufacturing unit is operational with structured sections including frying, Khakhra and Thepla production, dough preparation, a food testing laboratory, packaging, and dispatch units. The first-floor houses Raj Kruti, where handcrafted artisan products are developed using traditional art forms. During periods without direct orders, Raj Kruti undertakes third-party manufacturing assignments to maintain production continuity. Raj Saurabh operates as a manufacturing unit for fragrances, candles, and incense sticks, further diversifying income-generation avenues.

In addition to manufacturing, the Centre offers diverse training and skill development programs across entrepreneurship, financial literacy, health insurance, spoken English, retail sales, and front office assistance. The AI & Digital Lab provides courses in Jewellery Design (CAD), Canva-based content creation, AI tools, digital marketing, and Domestic Data Entry Operator (DDEO) training. The Skill Lab offers vocational courses including beauty and hair styling, fashion jewelry, candle making, culinary training, and henna art.

Overall, the visit highlighted the Centre’s multi-dimensional ecosystem—combining manufacturing, digital literacy, entrepreneurship, and vocational training—to create sustainable livelihood pathways and enhance women’s participation in economic activities.



VISIT – SHRIMAD RAJCHANDRA GURUKUL & SARVAMANGAL UNIVERSITY

February 2026 – In February, the MSI Social Impact Team visited Shrimad Rajchandra Gurukul and the construction site of the SMFT-funded Shrimad Rajchandra Sarvamangal University in Dharampur, Gujarat, to review ongoing academic and infrastructure developments. The visit provided insight into both the operational educational model of the Gurukul and the progress of the upcoming university project.

Established in 2011, Shrimad Rajchandra Gurukul provides quality education to tribal and economically underprivileged students from 9th to 12th standard, with a current enrollment of approximately 420 students. The institution emphasizes holistic development by integrating academics with skill development, technology-enabled learning, and extracurricular engagement. Classrooms and laboratories are equipped with Smart Boards to support digital learning. A dedicated Skill Development Centre offers vocational training, including mobile repairing, and supports student entrepreneurship through structured guidance. Hostel facilities with a capacity of 150 beds are currently accommodating 140 students. The Gurukul also operates the Shah Happiness Foundation-supported “Education on Wheels” van, extending educational outreach and mid-day meal support to surrounding villages.

The team also reviewed the progress of the Shrimad Rajchandra Sarvamangal University, a project funded by SMFT. Construction of the Nursing Department building and Cafeteria has commenced. Work has also begun on the Shrimad Rajchandra Statue and Garden, reflecting steady advancement of the university campus infrastructure.

The visit highlighted a comprehensive approach to educational empowerment—strengthening secondary education through the Gurukul while advancing higher education opportunities through the upcoming university initiative.



Smart Class in Shrimad Rajchandra Gurukul



Shah Happiness Foundation Funded
'Education on Wheels'



Shrimad Rajchandra Sarvamangal University
Construction Site



Nursing Department and Cafeteria
Construction

VISIT – ROCKET LEARNING

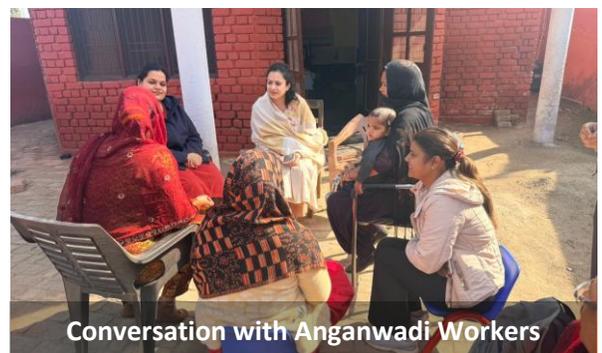
February 2026 – In February, the MSI Social Impact Team visited an Anganwadi Centre in Delhi along with the Rocket Learning team, gaining deeper insight into early childhood education initiatives being implemented at the grassroots level. The visit focused on understanding how structured learning interventions and technology-enabled support systems are strengthening foundational learning among young children.

During the visit, the team interacted with Anganwadi workers to observe classroom engagement and activity-based learning sessions. Rocket Learning’s model integrates simple, accessible technology tools with daily learning prompts, empowering educators and parents to support cognitive, social, and emotional development during the critical early years. The sessions demonstrated how play-based activities and structured guidance help improve school readiness and foster curiosity among children.

The visit also provided an opportunity to review how digital content and AI-enabled tools are being leveraged to enhance learning consistency and monitoring. Anganwadi workers shared insights into how ongoing training and community engagement have strengthened their confidence and classroom effectiveness.

Conversations with caregivers reflected growing awareness about the significance of foundational learning during the first six years of life and the positive role technology-supported interventions can play in strengthening home-based learning.

Overall, the visit highlighted the importance of collaborative partnerships in strengthening early childhood ecosystems. By combining technology, training, and community participation, Rocket Learning continues to support scalable and sustainable early education interventions that contribute to long-term learning outcomes for underserved children.



VISIT – VISION SCREENING CAMP

February 2026 – In February, the MSI Social Impact Team conducted multiple field visits under the SMFT-funded Vision Care Project across Navsari, Valsad, and surrounding regions to assess on-ground implementation and community impact. The visits included a village screening camp, two school-based screening camps, and a follow-up survey to evaluate spectacle usage among students.

On 4 February 2026, a Vision Screening Camp was organized in Navtad village, Vasda block, Navsari district, with support from the local ASHA worker who mobilized villagers for participation. A team of optometrists and registration staff screened 119 adults, distributing free spectacles to individuals requiring corrective support. The visit highlighted both the accessibility of services and challenges in encouraging cataract patients to opt for surgical treatment.

Subsequently, school Vision Screening Camps were conducted on 13 and 19 February 2026, covering government primary schools and screening a total of 543 students. While most students demonstrated normal vision, a small number required corrective lenses. It was observed that rural schools reported comparatively fewer vision-related issues than urban schools. Teachers and support staff were also screened, with some receiving spectacles.

On 18 February 2026, a follow-up survey in Valsad district assessed spectacle usage among students. The survey revealed low regular usage, particularly in urban schools, influenced by factors such as peer perception, parental advice, dissatisfaction with frames, and minor refractive errors.

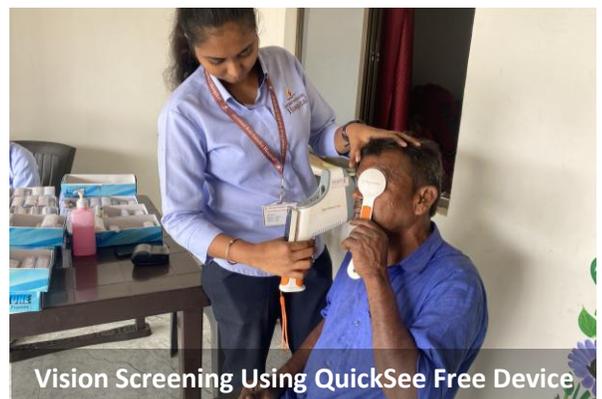
Overall, the visits underscored the importance of continued awareness, counselling, and follow-up engagement to strengthen compliance and ensure sustainable impact of the Vision Care Project.



Vision Care Project Survey in School



Beneficiary Receiving Eyeglasses



Vision Screening Using QuickSee Free Device



Vision Screening in Govt. Primary School

VISIT – ANEMIA SCREENING CAMP

February 2026 – In February, the MSI Social Impact Team conducted multiple visits under the SMFT-funded Anemia Mitigation Project, reviewing school-based anemia screening initiatives across the region. The visits provided insights into the scale, implementation processes, and outreach impact of the project.

On 5 February 2026, an Anemia Screening Camp was organized at Bagvada Primary School, Orvad Primary School, and Pardi Primary School. The camp was managed by a dedicated four-member team responsible for student registration and hemoglobin testing. A total of 437 students were screened during the visit. Students identified with low hemoglobin levels were provided appropriate Iron and Folic Acid supplementation along with deworming medication, aligned with age-based protocols. Informational pamphlets on anemia, nutrition, and common symptoms were distributed to promote awareness among students and families.

Further strengthening outreach, the MSI Social Impact Team visited Swaminarayan Vidyalaya and Chikhala Primary School on 25 February 2026, where 775 students were screened. Two teams were deployed to ensure efficient registration and hemoglobin testing. Age-appropriate Iron and Folic Acid supplements were provided where required, and awareness on nutrition and anemia prevention was reinforced during the camp. One non-teaching staff member was also screened and provided necessary support.

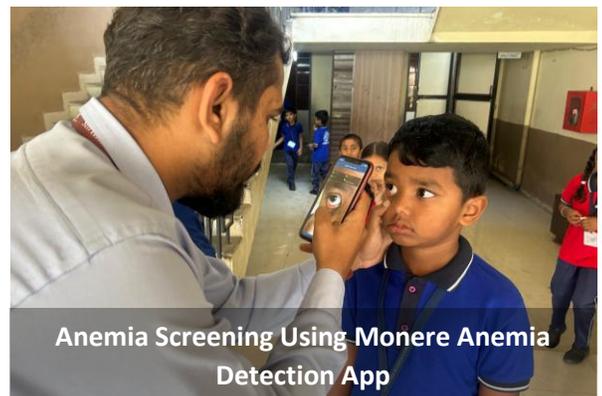
The camps also highlighted the integration of technology in preventive healthcare delivery. The team utilized the Monere Anemia Detection Application as an additional screening support tool, complementing hemoglobin testing and strengthening early detection efforts. This technology-enabled approach enhances monitoring, supports data-backed follow-up, and contributes to a more structured and efficient anemia screening process within school communities.



Anemia Screening in Primary School



Anemia Awareness Session for Students



Anemia Screening Using Monere Anemia Detection App



Student Provided with Iron & Folic Acid Syrup

About the Nonprofit

Voice of Specially Abled People (VOSAP) is a US-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit founded in 2017 by Pranav and Usha Desai, dedicated to empowering Specially Abled People (SAP) by focusing on their ABILITY rather than disability. Holding Special Consultative Status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council, VOSAP advances global advocacy to promote accessibility, dignity, and inclusion.

The organization's mission is to bridge systemic gaps for Persons with Disabilities through innovation in assistive technology, healthcare access, and economic inclusion across India, the United States, and beyond. Its vision is to serve as a transformation catalyst for a world that is accessible and inclusive, where every Specially Abled Person enjoys equality, opportunity, and the freedom to thrive.



About the SMFT Funded Project

SMFT's funded project "Empowering SAP" is designed to transform the lives of Specially Abled People (SAP) by enabling access to education, employment, and independent living opportunities.

The initiative focuses on expanding the reach of government programs across India while advocating for economic inclusion at national and global levels.





Through the strategic use of technology, partnerships with reputed assistive technology providers and NGOs, and community-driven engagement, the project aims to scale impact with efficiency and transparency. By 2026, the initiative seeks to empower 100,000 Divyangjan and contribute toward expanding the broader Vision 2047 framework for inclusive and accessible development.

Project Location/Geography

VOSAP's "Empowering SAP" project operates across 28 states and 8 Union Territories in India, reflecting its nationwide impact and outreach.

Key enablement camp locations:

1. Anand
2. Ahmedabad
3. Surat
4. Pune
5. Mumbai
6. Ayodhya
7. Mathura
8. Agra
9. Chandigarh

VOSAP also operates in 4 states in the United States and is headquartered in California, USA.

Recent Project Updates

VOSAP continues to advance disability inclusion through strategic partnerships, surgical interventions, and systemic policy advocacy. In collaboration with Instalimb, a Japan-based leader in AI-designed 3D-printed prosthetics, VOSAP aims to enable 1,000 amputees in 2026 to receive this globally tested innovation in India, which has demonstrated a 90%+ adoption and comfort rate. Complementing assistive innovation with medical intervention, VOSAP also supported 2,200 eye surgeries in February 2026, strengthening access to restorative healthcare.

Through Project HITARTH, VOSAP is transforming healthcare access for individuals with intellectual disabilities. In FY 2025–26, approximately 87% of all new Niramaya cards nationwide were issued through the HITARTH initiative, accounting for 42% of the overall national beneficiary base. This revival has significantly strengthened the reach of the Government of India's Niramaya Scheme, increasing total beneficiaries from 52,677 in 2024–25 to 72,359 in 2025–26.

Beyond healthcare, VOSAP continues to champion empowerment through awareness and policy leadership. Its flagship publication, "A Symphony of Abilities," documents the journeys of over 275 individuals with disabilities, offering inspiration to families and communities worldwide. Simultaneously, the Vision 2047 roadmap—aimed at building a \$1 trillion disability economy—has gained traction in high-level engagements with national and state leadership.



Overall Impact

Overall, VOSAP is advancing inclusive development and expanding opportunities for Specially Abled People across India and beyond. To date, the initiative has directly impacted over 65,000 Divyangjan and positively influenced the lives of more than 325,000 individuals, including families and caregivers.

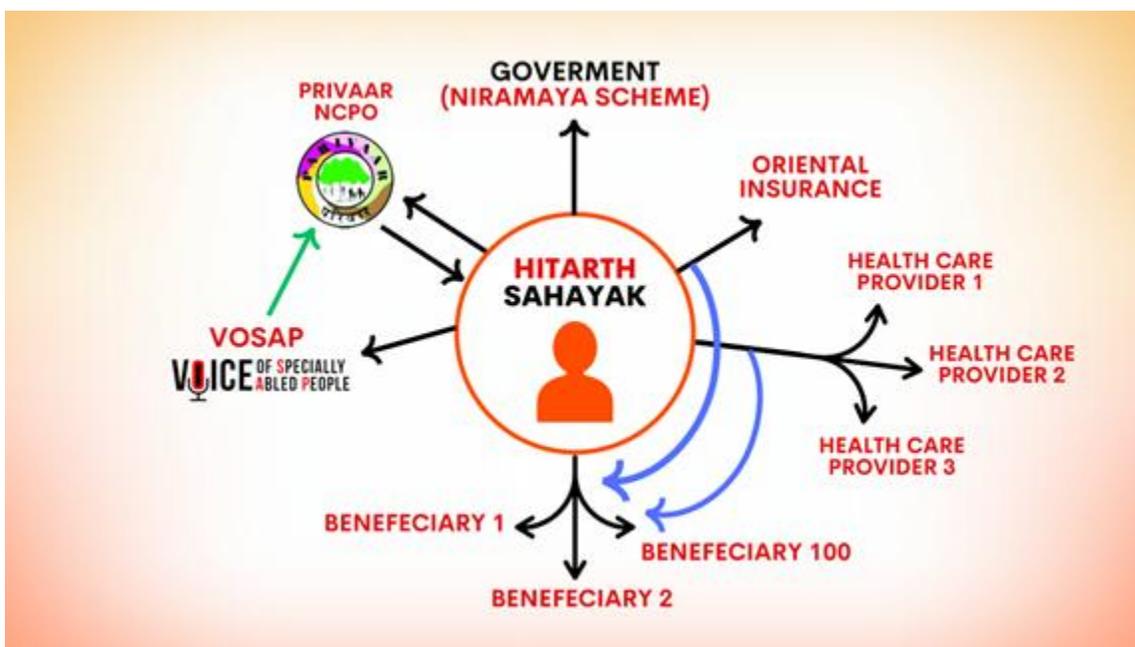
Through a combination of assistive technology access, vision restoration initiatives, educational advancement, financial independence programs, and strengthened healthcare support for persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD), the collaboration is creating meaningful and measurable change.



Highlight of the Month

In February 2026, VOSAP announced a groundbreaking partnership with Instalimb, a Japan-based global leader in AI-designed, 3D-printed prosthetics. Under Phase One of this collaboration, 1,000 amputees across India will receive precision-engineered, custom-fit prosthetic limbs powered by advanced AI scanning technology, which has achieved over 90% global adoption and comfort rates.

At the same time, Project HITARTH continues to drive national impact, with 87% of all new Niramaya beneficiaries in FY 2025–26 enrolled through VOSAP’s HITARTH Sahayaks as of February 2026.



Awards

In January 2025, Founder Pranav Desai presented the transformative Vision 2047 roadmap to the Hon'ble Prime Minister, outlining a strategic framework for advancing disability inclusion and building a \$1 trillion disability economy.

VOSAP also received a Certificate of Recognition from the City of Artesia, California, acknowledging its global advocacy efforts for accessibility and empowerment of Specially Abled People.

Further strengthening its national engagement, VOSAP was awarded a Certificate of Appreciation by the Disability Commissioner of Uttar Pradesh and formalized its collaboration through the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Government of Gujarat, reinforcing institutional partnerships for inclusive development.



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Washington, Feb 2 (SocialNews.XYZ) A US-based disability advocacy non-profit welcomed India's Union Budget 2026, saying new schemes focused on skills, jobs, and assistive support mark a major step toward empowering persons with disabilities.

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US-based NGO welcomes Budget boost for Divyangjan

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"Our long-term roadmap, 'Vision 2047 for Divyangjan,'" has received a strong boost with the launch of two new initiatives aimed at economic participation by persons with disabilities," VOSAP's founder, Pranav Desai, told IANS.

Vision 2047 of VOSAP aims to ensure that persons with disabilities are fully integrated into India's long-term growth story, with a focus on dignity, opportunity, and participation.

In her budget, Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman announced the Divyangjan Kaushal Yojana and the Divyang Sahara Yojana, which focus on skills, employment pathways, and assistive technology, the group said.

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टाइम्स ऑफ जनसत्ता

चंडीगढ़। वॉयस ऑफ स्पेशली एबल पीपल द्वारा गांधी स्मारक भवन सेक्टर 16 चंडीगढ़ में राज्य विकलांग जन सुरक्षा आयुक्त कार्यालय और रोटरी क्लब चंडीगढ़ सेंट्रल के सहयोग से विजन ड्राइव 2025 का कार्यक्रम आयोजित हुआ जिसमें 50 दृष्टिबाधित छात्रों को एआई-सक्षम स्मार्ट ग्लास और ऑर्बिट 20 डिवाइस प्रदान किये गए इस अवसर कार्यक्रम में मुख्य अतिथि राज्य विकलांग जन सुरक्षा आयुक्त आइएएस माधवी कटारिया ने अपने उद्बोधन में लाभार्थियों को इन उपकरणों का उपयोग करने के लिए प्रोत्साहित किया और उनके अभिभावकों से भी इनका अधिकतम उपयोग सुनिश्चित करने का आग्रह किया। उन्होंने वीओएसएपी के



संस्थापक को आश्वासन दिया कि भविष्य में वीओएसएपी के माध्यम से अधिक से अधिक लोगों को सशक्त बनाने और परियोजना का विस्तार करने पर संबोधित किया। वीओएसएपी के संस्थापक प्रणव देसाई ने वर्चुअल माध्यम से सभा को संबोधित किया लॉस एंजिल्स में उन्होंने वास्तविक जीवन के उदाहरणों के माध्यम से लाभार्थियों को प्रेरित किया कि कैसे सहायक उपकरण, प्रशिक्षण और सामुदायिक सहयोग के साथ मिलकर जीवन को



बदल देते हैं और शिक्षा, रोजगार और सामाजिक एकीकरण के मार्ग प्रशस्त कर कार्यक्रम की सफलता में योगदान देने के लिए मेजबान संगठन और चंडीगढ़ के अनिवासी दाता राज राणा, स्वयंसेवकों और भागीदारों के प्रति आभार व्यक्त किया। वीओएसएपी

के सलाहकार डॉ. उत्तम ओझा ने कार्यक्रम का समन्वय किया, जबकि वीओएसएपी के प्रतिनिधि फैज़ और दिव्यांश ने पंजीकरण, प्रशिक्षण और सहायक उपकरणों के वितरण करवाये। इस अवसर पर रोटरी क्लब चंडीगढ़ सेंट्रल के पीपी रोटेरियन आर एस चीमा, पीपी एस पी ओझा, अध्यक्ष रोटेरियन वेभु भटनागर, सचिव रोटेरियन राजीव अग्रवाल और रोटेरियन अशोक गुप्ता एवं गांधी स्मारक भवन सलाहकार रंजना उपस्थित रहे उपकरण वितरण के साथ ही विशेष प्रशिक्षण सत्र आयोजित किया गया ताकि यह सुनिश्चित किया जा सके कि प्रत्येक लाभार्थी अत्याधुनिक सहायक उपकरणों का प्रभावी ढंग से उपयोग कर सके वितरण कार्यक्रम उपरांत सभी को लंच भोजन वितरित किया गया।

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Name: Satyarth

Location: Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh

Project: Empowering SAP

Satyarth was born deaf-blind, a condition that left him completely dependent on others for even the most basic daily activities. Simple tasks such as communication, mobility, and self-care required constant assistance. For his family, the thought of him pursuing mainstream education or living independently seemed unimaginable. Limited access to specialized resources and assistive technology further compounded the challenges, reinforcing the belief that his opportunities would always be restricted.

VOSAP identified Satyarth's potential early on and intervened with a structured support plan focused on empowerment rather than limitation. He was provided with advanced assistive technology, including the Orbit 20 Braille display, enabling him to access educational content independently. Through consistent practice and mentorship, Satyarth gradually developed confidence in navigating digital tools, academic materials, and communication platforms.

Today, Satyarth lives independently and attends college on his own, something that once seemed impossible. He manages his coursework, travels independently, and actively participates in campus life.



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Name: Nandita Tripathi

Location: Nagpur, Maharashtra

Project: Empowering SAP

Born with complete visual impairment in Nagpur, Maharashtra, Advocate Nandita Tripathi has emerged as a powerful example of resilience, determination, and achievement. Despite being 100% visually impaired from birth, she refused to let societal or structural barriers define her future. From learning through Braille to pursuing higher education in law, Nandita's journey reflects unwavering commitment and courage.

With the support of VOSAP and assistive technologies, including SmartOn glasses, the Kibo Reader, and AI-powered reading tools, Nandita gained independent access to legal texts, court records, and case material resources that are fundamental to legal practice. These tools significantly enhanced her efficiency, enabling her to manage documentation, conduct research, and prepare arguments independently.

Today, she practices as an advocate and handles over 30 cases per month, representing clients with confidence and competence. Her professional growth is reflected not only in her expanding legal responsibilities but also in her financial independence. Her annual income has increased from ₹4 lakh to ₹8.5 lakh, marking a significant step toward economic empowerment.



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