

Background:

The AIWC Public Charitable Education Trust was one of the 3 Trusts set up by the AIWC in February 2011 with a view to providing financial support to the meritorious girl students belonging to the economically challenged section of the society who were aspiring for higher education so that they could get pursue their goals and get over the financial hardships and become economically self-reliant besides lending support to their families. Promotion of literacy and thrust on empowerment of women were the basic objectives of the Trust.

Performance:

1180 students have benefited from the Trust till date. Till March'23 the Trust has disbursed a total grant of 220.50 Lacs to the girl students pursuing professional courses at the graduation and post-graduation level.

A few names of our financial grantees are listed below, who despite all constraints have excelled in their field of education and have been our star achievers.

- 1) **Ms. Sindusha.M (Hyderabad Secunderabad Branch):** A recipient of our grant pursuing M.Sc in Food Sciences & Nutrition topped the University and won a Gold Medal in the Year 2019. She later qualified NET Examination and bagged a job as Asstt. Professor in the UGC on a salary of Rs. 1 Lac per month. She has now received further Scholarship from the Purdue University in USA to do her PhD while retaining her job with the UGC. Her parents had a very meagre source of income.
- 2) **Ms. Kadambri (AIWC Bijnor Branch, UP):** A recipient of our grant completed her B.Sc (Hons) in Computer Science in the Year 2017-18. She now works for an American Company, DIVERSELYNX, LLC in Noida on a monthly salary of Rs.60,000/-.
- 3) **Ms. Madhuri (AIWC Bangalore Branch):** She was our financial grantee and completed her BE Electronic & Communication in the Year 2019-20 and now she works for Accenture company -Assistant software engineer in 'Salesforce domain' on an annual package of Rs.4.5 Lacs. Her father is a tailor and Mother is a Home Maker. She received Scholarship for 4 years.
- 4) **Ms. Margi Kamlesh Shah (AIWC Bardoli Branch, Gujarat):** A recipient of our grant, completed her MBA and is presently working as Asstt. Professor in Vidyabharti Trust College, Bardoli on a package of Rs.2.4 Lacs per annum.
- 5) **Ms. Anishma (Bhadra Mahila Samajam, Kozhicode Branch):** She was our financial grantee in the year 2019-20. She completed her B.Sc (Radiotherapy) and was working as a Radiotherapist in Ernakulam. She cleared the Medical Radio Technology Entrance Examination by getting 1st rank. A daughter of a daily wages auto driver and her mother a

housewife, the family struggled to make both ends meet. She worked very hard and completed her 4-year degree course as a rank holder in the year 2020. Initially she got her appointment as a Junior Radio Therapy Technologist in Kochi. She has now been selected as a Radiotherapist in UK and got a job offer from the Southampton General Hospital, Hampshire, UK. We are proud of her achievement.

6) **Ms. Chadalavada Dasharna (Mahila Sangham Gudivada, AP):** A recipient of grant from our Trust, she completed her B.Tech (CSE) in the year 2020-21 . She is a daughter of a single parent; her father having expired in 2007.Her mother is a small-time tailor. Except for a small earning from the tailoring work, the family had no other source of income. She studied hard to complete her degree. Being a very bright and meritorious student. she got the job offer from TCS and is presently working as a Software Engineer on an annual package of Rs.7 Lacs.

7) **Anneri Mukeshbhai Mistry, Bardoli, Gujarat:** I am Anneri Mukeshbhai Mistry. I have received financial aid from A.I.W.C. Trust for Education through Shree Sarvajanic Mahila Mandal Bardoli Branch A.I.W.C. At present I am at Auckland New Zealand and working as compounding Pharmacy Technician at Optimus Health Care Ltd, Aukland New Zealand.



8) **Margi Kamleshbhai Shah, Gujarat:** Working as Assistant professor at Vidyabharti Trust college of Master in Computer application-MBA Affiliated with Gujarat Technological University. Joined the institution on 15-01-2021 and currently working with the same institute. And I am still doing the higher studies called philosophy of Doctorate in Financial Management from Gujarat Technological University. I have received financial aid from A.I.W.C. Trust through Shree Sarvajanic Mahila Mandal Bardoli Branch A.I.W.C. I lost my father in childhood. My mother is providing tiffin service and preparing snacks and selling it.



ALL INDIA WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Nanthencode Vanitha Smaithi, Kerala

In the last few years of AIWC interventions there are a few impact stories which often stand out, one such story is of a fellow sister whose life got impacted on multiple levels.

Smt. Bindhu, aged 40 years is a resident of Nemom village. She is from a low socio-economic class and her educational level is also low. Married at an early age she is a home maker and a mother of two. The Branch had organized Cervical cancer and inflammatory diseases awareness programme on 7th October 2021 under the AIWC Part Time Dispensary project. Bindhu attended the awareness programme and was identified with symptoms – breast abscess, nipple discharge and lump in the breast. She was sent for further investigation to the Regional Cancer Centre where it was confirmed that Bindhu was suffering with CA Breast stage 1. Dr. Hanudha's careful counseling and guidance played key role in negating the mental stress impact of such a news to an educationally backward family. The experts from the branch attended to both the economic impact and the psychological impact Bindhu and her family faced. An early diagnosis led to her immediate treatment, limiting only to chemotherapy. Furthermore, after going through the treatment successfully, she took advantage of various other interventions of AIWC New Delhi and has now been able to break her shell of a home maker to a bread winner for her family.



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Behala Utsab Foundation, West Bengal (Constituent Branch)

In order to bring awareness among the population, the Branch came up with the idea of organizing Thalassemia screening and Awareness camps. On 18 August, 2022, one camp was held at Gournagar Higher secondary school, wherein a total 89 samples were taken, out of which 05 children turned out to be Thalassemia carriers. A second camp was held at Thakurpukur Brahmachari P.K



Vidyamandir school for Girls on 21 September, 2022. Total 79 samples were taken, out of which a large number turned out Thalassemia carriers.

The students who were thalassemia carriers, along with their parents were called for counselling at the school premises in the presence of their teachers. The Counsellor assured them that thalassemia carriers never experienced any health problem. Parents and guardians were told about the difference between Thalassemia patient and Thalassemia carrier. The families belongs to low-income groups and their education and awareness are very poor. They were also made aware of the fact that communities with practices of marriage within the close families are more prone to thalassemia. It was felt that more awareness and tests are required in society to break the taboo and detection of thalassemia, and Students are the best medium to convey the messages to their parents, family members, friends, relatives and acquaintances.

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Sahaspur, Dehradun branch

Digital Literacy Case Study success story:

Nusart is the daughter of a farmer, who was extremely protective of her. Since he did not want his daughter to be influenced in any "bad environment," he made her quit school after class VIII. AIWC volunteers persuaded Nusrat to not give up her studies. Fortunately, her mother had different approach and understood the value of education and empowerment. Together Nusrat and her mother were able to convince the father to allow her complete Class XII.

Information technology has revolutionized the world as never before. Technology, being a tool for empowerment and a bridge between hope and opportunity, is one of the crucial pillars through which one can successfully build personal confidence & self-esteem.

Digital Literacy Program supported by All India Women's Conference Delhi and run by AIWC Sahaspur Rural Branch equipped Nusrat with skills for employment. She began her career in 'Smile Stores' chain as counter sales girl. Due to her exposure to digital learning and e-marketing, within 6 months was handling their web orders and supply chain management of Dehradun. After 2 years' experience, she is now successfully working with a top chain of cosmetic stores and handling their supply chain management portal. She aspires to have her own supply chain stores and online sales portal. Nusrat is now the main bread earner in her family and being the eldest daughter is supporting her siblings - 3 sisters and 1 brothers in their education.



Nusrat is now perusing her higher studies in Bachelor of Arts through Uttarakhand University.