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VISION:-

To work with the socio-economically weaker sections of the society with special emphasis on women and children and to act as catalysts of change in the lives of economically underprivileged men, women and children to improve the quality of their lives and make it much more meaningful. Our slogan is “An organization with tribal, rural and urban initiative”.

MISSION:-

The establishment of Angaja Foundation dates back to 2000. It is registered as a trust. Through its formation, the founders aimed at improving the lives of underprivileged men, women and children. The organization believes in helping people to help themselves. Where ever we work, whether in slums or in rural areas the 'poorest of the poor' is our target group. The organization believes in acting as a flash point in solving critical problems like impoverishment in rural areas, environmental degradation and water pollution. It works under a proactive board but the daily activities are supervised by the General Secretary, Raka Sinha Bal.

Dear Friends,

With the turn of this year, it gives us immense pleasure to present the Angaja Foundation Annual Report for the year 2018, which provides a glimpse of what we did this year through our synergized efforts. Investing in children is an act of nation building. While we march ahead on the path of development, it is the responsibility of all of us to ensure that slum children are not left behind in the process. They must be provided with opportunities to grow in a stimulating environment. It is encouraging to note that this year we implemented a new project in a new area – Sewa Nagar by which we were able to extend our services to a new group of slum children.

The Organization runs its core activities through its three Centers located in Kalyanpuri in East Delhi, Mansarovar Park in North-East Delhi and Sewa Nagar in South Delhi. Our Slum Development Project, *Ek Nai Duniya* involves reaching out to the families, men, women, youth, children and discussing their problems and coming out with solutions.

Designing and incorporating creative project activities which includes tuition, creative games and sports, job opportunities and training, value education, family planning, awareness on ills of drug abuse and alcoholism, child sexual abuse, care for the family, love for animals, importance of girl child, respect for women are all integral to the project.

We provide free tuition to those students above 10 years who are weak in their studies. Through the education centers we conduct creative and sports activities to refresh their mind and daily update on general knowledge and current news for their growth and development. Young men and women are helped with their homework, general knowledge on environment, air, water, pollution, health education, value education is taught. Discussions on sex and sexuality, drug abuse, STDs and AIDS are also held with the youth group. They are involved in creative and sports activities so that their energies can be channelized in the right direction. Employment opportunities and career counseling are also discussed with the youth and the way forward is decided. Alcoholism, drug abuse and crimes both small and big are committed by the young men. Our activities focus on the youth group to motivate them to become responsible members of the society for the present

and for the future through Life Skill education and engaging their energy in productive activities and job oriented training.

Our slum project aims to improve the quality of the lives of the residents. These slums are characterized by inadequate provision of public services necessary to sustain life, such as water, sanitation, and drainage. The organization together with the 'Insaniyat Group' a community watch group takes care of problems such as drinking water, blockage of drains, disposal of garbage and toilet facilities. Meetings with the local political representatives like the MLA and councilor are regularly held to expedite the matter.



Due to our initiative, we have seen tremendous improvement in the slum dwellers health status. The locals are now accessing the public health care facilities and not visiting the local quack as they used to. Majority of the children are immunized. More women are opting for family planning methods. There is rise of deliveries in hospitals. But still more work is needed to be done on disseminating information on sanitation, water, disease prevention, health care, awareness on drug abuse, STDs, AIDS, child sexual abuse, violence against women and sex education to the youth group.

At the initial stage there was limited community participation in the project but through our continuous effort and dedication, we have succeeded in maintaining a desirable level of participation. Monitoring and evaluation of the project is done to provide necessary feedback for adjustments and to enhance the quality of the project.

Holistic Development of Youth:-

GROUP	AGE	ACTIVITIES	SCHEDULE
Adolescent Boys and male Children	8- 13 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tuition for the children going to school• Indoor and outdoor games / general knowledge / health education and sex education to youth and adolescents, News• Art and Craft, career counseling	9:30 to 10:30 am 10:30 to 12:30 pm
Adolescent s girls and female Children	14 years- above	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Health Education to the community• Lunch• Girls tuition• General knowledge/ Art and Craft/ News/ Indoor/ Outdoor games/Career Counseling /Sex Education and Health Education to youth and adolescents.• Health Education to the Community	12:30 to 01:30 pm 01:30 to 02:00 pm 02:00 to 03:00 pm 03:00 to 04:00 pm 04:00 to 06:00 pm

Sports Club:-

Denying access to sports and physical activity to a majority of the population means not only denying them the right to play but also forgoing a chance to enhance their life skills. We believe that sports play a vital role in shaping the mind, body and soul. With this in mind, we have formed a sports club at our centers. Children, youth and men are a part of this sports club and we make sure to organize several games with them every month. We organize several sports events to create a friendly and interactive environment between the youth and the men and also to tell the men that instead of playing cards during their free time, they can indulge their time in sports activities which is good for their mental and physical health. Sports teaches discipline, confidence, team-work, patience, tolerance, etc. which are essential components of life skills. Sports also prevent children from engaging in anti-social behavior by navigating their energy into activities which are fun and productive. At Angaja Foundation, we plan to have the whole slum become members of the sports club by involving them in various sports activities that we would organize in the future.

- Cricket Match



Sports activities are an essential component for a nation's holistic development. Once a fortnight, the youth and men teams play different Sports, it could be cricket, kabaddi, football, kho-kho etc. A friendly cricket match was organized between the men and the youth group. The match started with national anthem being sung, followed by a toss. The youth team won the toss and chose to bat first. It was a five overs game. They scored 72 runs and got all out. After a break of five minutes, the men's team came to the field for batting, scoring 48 runs in the same over. The youth group won the match by six wickets. The viewers cheered loudly for both the teams which motivated them to play well.

Kho Kho and kabaddi Match:-

We had organized a Kho Kho and Kabaddi match. It was played between boys versus youth group. They were divided in two groups consisting of two teams each. The Children were very happy and highly energetic for the game. We began with the Kho Kho Match. After the toss, the children's group decided to be the defenders .So, the youth group became the chasers. Both teams Played very well but he match was won by the youth group .The game of Kabaddi was won by the children's team. Kabaddi is a popular sport in the Indian subcontinent .Even Star Sports, broadcaster, is promoting Kabaddi.



Sex Education:-

Angaja Foundation is also involved in disseminating Sex Education which is an essential subject as adolescents comprise one-fifth of India's total population. There is widespread ignorance associated with unprotected sex and contraceptives among young people. We are providing sex education to the adolescent boys and girls in the community as parents are often reluctant to give accurate and relevant information about sex to adolescents because of the stigma associated with the topic. According to the project coordinator working in the slums, the youth group faces many challenges to cope with sexuality and sexual behavior. A well conducted sex education session helps in creating a positive impact on their minds. The decisions they make can affect their health and well-being. We talk to them about reproduction, puberty, friendships, romantic relationships and dating, sexually transmitted diseases, functions of reproductive parts where 40 boys and 40 girls in the age group of 12 to 16 years are involved in the session.

Parents Teacher Meeting:-

Regular parent – teacher meetings are organized at all three centers to motivate the parents of the children who are coming to our centre to take care of their children and their education. We talk to them about their children’s education and ask them to send their children to school regularly and attend PTM’s in school. They are told to keep the books and notebooks clean and covered, and clean the school bags regularly. They are also told about various health issues like viral fever, cough and cold, eye, ear, nail care and to make sure that the children are never barefoot, they should wear socks to save themselves from getting ill, and wash hands before meals and after using the toilet. They are told to teach the children basic civic sense like not throwing garbage in naalis, not urinating in open areas and not using plastic bags. We also talk about issues like respect for animals, child sexual abuse and issues like eve-teasing and stalking and tell them to never differentiate between a boy and a girl and to educate both. They are told to tell the boys to respect women, say no to alcohol, smoking and other substance abuse. The response from the parents is usually positive. They ask us about their children’s progress at the centre and are very happy to attend the meetings and want us to have regular meetings.

They promise us that they would take care of their children’s education and their health. The meeting helps to create a better understanding and a harmonious relationship between the parents and the staff working at the centres.

Sewa Nagar education Centre:-

Angaja Foundation began another non-formal education centre in South Delhi beneath the sewa Nagar Flyover, Near Dhobi Ghat in August this year.

The condition of the people living in the slum is terrible. They do not have access to basic needs like toilets and water. The inhabitants are uneducated and also lack basic civic sense. Also, there are a lot of social problems like alcoholism, child marriage and child labour, wherein the children accompany their parents for begging and selling pens and other small items at red lights.



The adults take up jobs in the informal sector, like cleaning houses and work as rickshaw pullers, housekeeping etc, to meet their financial needs and are mostly dependent on the food items donated to them by generous people. Despite some of the children attending government schools, the level of education is very poor. Therefore, we decided to start our centre and work towards the development of the underprivileged children and adults in the community. The main focus is educating the underprivileged children living there under difficult circumstances. There are a total of 39 children out of which only some attend school.

At the centre, we teach basic English, Hindi and Math to the children and also help the school going children with their homework. Apart from imparting education, care is taken to involve the children in prayer, national anthem, stories, games and other activities. We also focus on health education which is imparted to the women with the aim of improving the health of the community. The people are motivated towards keeping their environment clean, use clean drinking water and eat healthy food. They are also made aware about family planning, vaccination, pregnancy, personal hygiene and also about various diseases such as diarrhoea, malaria and dengue etc.

School Visit :-

Apart from providing education to the slum children, we motivate and encourage parents to send their children to school and make the slum communities aware of the value of education. Our coordinator started visiting the schools where children attend. The purpose behind this was that at our centre in Sewa Nagar, despite the effort by the coordinator, there was no improvement in the learning levels of the children. According to the teachers, the children are not attending school regularly and do not do the homework given to them. They are restless and do not pay much attention to what is being taught in the classrooms. These children when they enter the school have an inability to express themselves which affects their progress. Most slum children go to schools where teaching standards are low and classrooms are under-equipped. As the parents of these children were not taking any interest in their studies, they gradually stopped coming to the centre. We feel that that low family income is not the only factor against the success of slum children-their family background, parent's attitude towards education and the values and aspiration of their parents are the main influence affecting the child's life. In the Sewa Nagar, the ignorance of parents is causing a problem about getting the children educated. After checking the condition of the schools in Sewa Nagar, our coordinator visited the high schools which children attend from Kalyanpuri and Mansarovar Park. Parents from these two slums are regularly sending their children to school. They even want their children to study in private schools. They attend the parent teacher meetings in schools as well as at our centres.

WOMEN EMPOWERMENT:-

Women in our country face much discrimination that exacerbates their exclusion and vulnerability. This is particularly true for women from marginalized communities who bear the triple burden of poverty, gender, caste and class based discrimination. Recognizing this, we have begun a Mahila Panchayat Programme which focuses on improving the knowledge, skills, self-esteem and leadership of women from marginalized communities, as part of their economic empowerment. These meetings are held once every fortnight.

- **Mahila Panchayat**



Mahila Panchayat is an initiative taken for the empowerment of women. The Mahila Panchayats. Offer help at the community level and help tackle local disputes. Over dowry harassment, domestic violence, ill-treatment of the wife and children, eve-teasing, molestation and stalking. The women are explained how a problem can be solved within the community instead of going to the police station or the court. The panchayats offer legal aid at the community level, be it cases pertaining to domestic violence or any other issue. By using this approach, it does away with frequent visit to the courts and police station. The women were explained that Mahila Panchayats do not replace the judicial system. The difference is that the cases are resolved using conversations and social pressure, while in the court, procedural law is used.

- **Health Education to Women :-**



Health Education is imparted with the aim of improving people's health which empowers them to make healthy choices. At Angaja Foundation, we have a health awareness programme running at our centers with a hope that it would lead the slum dwellers towards better health conditions and a healthy living environment.

Communities in slums lack basic information to look into their health and that of their families. Women suffer from multiple pregnancies, anemia and reproductive tract infection (RTIs). They are made aware about immunization, birth control measures, pregnancy and personal hygiene. Men are prone to alcoholism and perhaps if they visit sex workers, will also suffer from sexually transmitted diseases and pass these on to their wives. Therefore, what they need is information and motivation to act on and this is what we provide. We also work towards implementing the Family Planning programme in the slum. The women are motivated towards keeping their environment clean, using clean drinking water and eating healthy food. Earlier, we had group meetings with the women but now the slum coordinator visits the houses individually to talk about health issues. This also gives us an opportunity to identify people who are ill. We help to get their treatment done in hospitals. The various topics covered under the health education programme include Malaria, Dengue, Diarrhoea, UTI, Anemia, Family Nutrition etc. Through our intervention, we have observed some change at the community level: people know about diabetes, they now boil water before consuming it, maintain proper hygiene, the number of children per family has decreased as compared to earlier and they now visit the doctor and not quacks as was the practice earlier. 12

- **International Women's Day:-**



International Women's Day is celebrated on March 8 every year. We celebrate this important day at our centers with a lot of joy and enthusiasm. The programme began with a short speech marking the importance of the day. The speech began with a belief that the life of Indian women has not changed much. The audience was told that Women's Day is all about celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. The speech was concluded by asking the audience, especially the men, if their attitude towards the women can ever change.

There was a dance presentation by a girl on the song '*Maiya Yashoda*', who danced very beautifully. Then we began with the play on Women Empowerment. It was titled '*Naari ka Shashaktikaran*'. The main purpose of the naatak was to create awareness among the people on the importance of the role of women in society. Through the naatak, the viewers were made aware on why women empowerment is necessary in the development of our nation. It also sent a message to end domestic violence that is so widespread in India.

Activities undertaken in the year 2018 in the Slum Centres:-

- Holi Mela



On 27th February, Bal Sahyog invited Angaja Foundation and other NGOs to participate in the .Holi Mela aimed to provide a platform for showing the NGOs' solidarity and exchanging ideas towards betterment and empowerment of the marginalized section of the society. It was also an opportunity to celebrate the festival of colors - Holi at Bal Sahyog. There were many colorful stalls, music and dance performances, plays and many more activities. adding color to the event. The children took a round of the mela, visiting different stalls and also playing games. We offered samosas, gol gappas and frooti to the children. They were very excited to be a part of the mela and thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

- Eid-ul-Zuha



On this day, the Muslims all over the world sacrifice goats and other animals and share the meat with family members, neighbors and the poor. Muslims around the world believe that Allah (God) commanded Ibrahim (Abraham) to sacrifice his son Ismail. Ibrahim followed God's orders, but his son got replaced by a sheep at the last moment. Being an animal welfare organization, Angaja Foundation observed the festival as a black day and launched a Black Ribbon tying campaign at the center. The children tied black ribbon on their arms as a protest to ban butchering of animals without showing pity for them. According to the organization, "We want to tell people that religious activities can be carried out without causing harm to animals."

- **Raksha Bandhan**



Angaja Foundation celebrated Raksha Bandhan at Mansarovar Park and Kalyanpuri with the tuition and general knowledge group. The tuition group girls tied the *Rakhi* to the tuition group boys and the general knowledge group girls tied the *Rakhi* to the general knowledge group boys. After tying the *Rakhi*, the boys offered sweets to the girls. This festival is important as the brothers promise to offer lifelong support to their sisters and the sisters pray for their brother's good health and long life.

Independence Day (August 15, 2018)



The 72nd Independence Day was celebrated by the teachers and children from Angaja Foundations with great fervor and enthusiasm. The children wrote beautiful poems and. Slogans for the occasion. Parents and local residents were part of the celebration and it was overwhelming to see their enthusiasm. The program began with briefing the audience about the importance of Independence Day, followed by the national song 'Vande Mataram'. A flag hoisting ceremony was done. All the people began singing "Vande Mataram", "Bharat Mata Ki Jai" and "Jai Hind". Most of the children were aware about the significance of "Independence Day" and knew about our great freedom fighters like Mahatma Gandhi and others.

- **Gandhi Jayanti – Swachh Bharat Abhiyan**



Gandhi Jayanti is celebrated to mark the occasion of the birthday of Mahatma Gandhi; The “Father of the Nation” who was born on 2nd October 1869, and this year marked the 150th birthday of Mahatma Gandhi. His life was focused on the principles of Truth and Non-violence. On Gandhi Jayanti, Angaja Foundation organized a cleanliness campaign ‘Swachh Bharat Abhiyan’ at our centres in Sewa Nagar, Kalyanpuri and Mansarover Park. Mahatma Gandhi said "Sanitation is more important than independence". He made cleanliness and sanitation an integral part of the Gandhian way of life. His dream was total sanitation for all. The cleanliness campaign was carried out in the communities with the team of local residents and the children of our centres. With brooms, they began cleaning the streets and *galis* of the slum. The purpose of this activity was to motivate people to not only clean their houses, but also care for the cleanliness of their surroundings.

- Diwali



Diwali, the festival of lights brings joy and happiness to everyone's life. With different styles of celebration, rituals and traditions in different parts of India, this festival is welcomed in every Indian home, But is more about the spirit of giving than receiving. To celebrate Diwali, Angaja Foundation decided to distribute sweets among the children at our centers in Kalyanpuri, Mansarovar Park and Sewa Nagar. The Sweets were distributed to around 250 children and they were also told about the importance of the festival. Afterwards, all of them lit divas and decorated the centre.

- **Yuva Utsav And NGO Mela**



The New Delhi YMCA holds its Annual 'Yuva Utsav and NGO Mela' for the promotion and holistic development of marginalized children and youth. The children and youth from Angaja Foundation actively participated in the event and took part in many activities including Rangoli, Poster Making, Mehndi, Folk and Bollywood Dance, Nukkad Naatak, Sports Activities like Sack Race, Hurdle Race, Lemon-Spoon Race and Tug of War. The theme of the mela was 'Social Media and Youth – Boon or Bane'. Four girls excelled in the folk dance performance and danced to the tunes of a Chattisgarh state song. They danced very gracefully and wore beautiful costumes and jewelry. Our children won prizes in sports events - one girl came second in the hurdle race and one boy came third in the sack race. Our children also won second prize in the bollywood dance. A group of eight enthusiastic girls from our centre in Kalyanpuri performed the nukkad naatak at the mela spreading the message of social awareness.

The first play showed the story of a boy who was rejected in a marriage proposal because he was not active on social media. In the second play, the actors portrayed the effects of spreading fake news on social media. The story went like this - false rumours of child-kidnapping gangs emerged on social media by sharing unauthenticated videos and photographs.

This led to mob attacks across the country which had caused at least 30 deaths in mob lynchings in different parts of the country. The idea was to make people aware not to get influenced by social media and spread violence in society.

Fake news on social media instigates people to spread hate and fear. Through the medium of the play, the youth were made aware to use social media wisely. The presentation was very much applauded by the judges and the viewers. It was a fun-filled event for all the participants.

Welfare of Animals



Angaja Foundation helps distressed animals and prevention of cruelty to animals. We have set up an animal shelter which is located in Jaunapur Village ahead of Mehrauli. There are 40 dogs in the shelter. We pick up stray dogs from the streets, send them for sterilization and the animals in need are taken to our shelter. They are taken care of in a good environment and proper food, water and medical care is provided to them. We are thankful to MCD for picking up the dogs for sterilization, without which too many unwanted puppies would be born. We are also feeding cows and keeping water troughs for cows and other animals in Kalyanpuri, Block 18, Kotla Mubarakpur and the industrial area, Udyog Vihar Phase I in Gurgaon and also in Jaunapur where the shelter is located. Our coordinator had also visited many dairy farms in Delhi and NCR during the year to analyze the conditions of the farms and the cattle. The dairy farms visited by us are Madanpur Khader, Zamrudpur, Ghazipur, Bhalaswa, Jharoda, Kondli and Gharoli and many others and observed that the dairy owners do not have free space for animals. They do not allow their cattle to move freely without being tethered. According to a dairy owner, the average lifespan of a buffalo is 15 - 25 years but dairy animals survive for only four to five years. Since there is shortage of space, they only keep 30-40 buffaloes which produce milk in large quantities. To keep the milk flowing, buffaloes are artificially inseminated within two months of giving birth. Once their milk production declines, they are sold to small farmers as they have their own land where the animal can graze. The buffaloes that permanently stop giving milk are probably being sent to their villages for grazing and few sold to slaughterhouses for meat. Male calves are considered a “waste” by the dairy

industry. They are sold for slaughter or to small farmers where they are probably used for grazing or pulling bullock carts. Female calves are brought up to join

their mothers as milk producers. Sale of milk directly to customers is the preferred choice for dairy owners over selling to dairy cooperatives and companies like Ananda, Gopala, Paras and others. The main reason for this is that the dairy cooperatives buy milk at a very low cost. Most of the dairies have weekly doctor visits to check up on the condition of the cattle. A few dairies were very dirty, although the animals are being given proper food and drinking water.

Angaja Foundation's initiative to visit Gaushalas is to check whether proper shelter, veterinary care, feed and water is provided for the thousands of cows living in these shelters. More than 50 gaushalas have been visited by the animal project coordinator. A few Gaushalas visited by our coordinator are located in Khanpur, Asaf Ali Road, G.T.B. Nagar, Ramesh Nagar and Najafgarh. Most of the Gaushalas in Delhi do not receive funds from the government and are being privately run with help from local people and temples and also by the sale of milk and cow dung. Space is a major issue for most of the private gaushalas. These gaushalas do not have proper infrastructure and land as per requirement for the animals. Shri Krishna Gaushala, Gopal Gausadan, Manav Gausadan and Dabar Hare Krishna Gaushala - only these four receive funds from the Delhi Government. Stray cows are sent only to these gaushalas by the MCD. Gaushalas get 40 rupees per animal per day by the MCD and Delhi Government. Three out of these four gaushalas are filled beyond their capacity.





1. Angaja Foundation's General Secretary Ms. Raka Sinha Bal rescued eight puppies from Safdarjung Development Area. Nine puppies were born. Out of which, one passed away due to the cold weather. The remaining eight were rescued and brought to Angaja

Foundation Animal Shelter in Jaunapur. The puppies were less than a month old. They were all very weak, in poor condition and were very thin. They were taken care of in a good environment, proper food and water was provided and their vaccination was taken care of by the shelter. The puppies would have otherwise died since they were rescued from a busy road and they might have come under passing traffic.

2. Our General Secretary, Ms. Raka Sinha Bal came across a stray cat outside her office in Defence Colony. The cat was in a miserable condition and was very thin. Ms. Raka fed her milk every morning and evening. She took care of her and it soon became healthy and strong. More people need to feed and look after these stray animals.

3. Ms. Raka Sinha Bal came across four puppies from the Aravalli Forest area outside DLF Golf Club in Gurgaon. Seven puppies were born. Out of which, two died because of the biting cold weather and one died after it met with an accident. The people at DLF Golf Club and one NGO told us that they will look after the puppies, but they did not. The remaining four were rescued and brought to the Angaja Foundation Animal Shelter. Unfortunately, three puppies again died after they got a fatal fever. Now, one puppy survived and is happily growing up. He has been vaccinated and taken care of in a good environment. With proper food and care, he is doing well and happily thriving. Therefore, the ABC (Animal Birth Control) programme is very important. This programme has been developed by WHO as the only practical solution to control the street

dog population and eradicate rabies. In Delhi, it is more successful but needs to spread to other areas too, especially in Delhi NCR because puppies born on roads are extremely vulnerable. 4

We rescued a bitch from Vasant Kunj near the Hawkers Van. We brought her to our shelter in Jaunapur. Her vaccinations were being taken care of by us at the shelter.

She was in a poor condition and was very thin. She recovered after she was provided with a good diet at the shelter. Our organization is also looking after the puppies and dogs sitting under the Hawkers Van in B-1 Vasant Kunj. There are eight puppies and dogs there. Some of them have been adopted by people and the remaining puppies are fed by several people who come there to take care of them. Out of these eight puppies, one of them got a Maggot Wound. We brought him to our shelter in Jaunapur. Our coordinator took him to a nearby government hospital for his treatment. He was recovering and later he ran away from the shelter.

5. In December, Ms Raka Sinha Bal came across two horses on the Gadaipur – Sultanpur Road ahead of Andheria Mode. They were being used for wedding ceremonies. They were in a very bad condition. One of them had terrible skin problem and the other horse had deformed hoof

Both of them were very weak. One could feel the extreme pain and suffering the horses were going through. According to PETA India CEO and equine expert Manilal Valliyate, “Horses used in wedding celebrations are commonly malnourished, sick, and wounded and horse providers often use spiked bits to keep these animals still, amidst the chaotic noise and crowd. The animals used for such purposes are often found to be “sick, injured, and lame and when they are not being forced to give rides or perform, they are typically kept in filthy conditions and tied up with ropes that are often so short that the animals cannot engage in normal movements”. Our General Secretary stopped her car and took down all the details of the baggi wala. The next day, our coordinator visited Trilokpuri to find out about these horses. On reaching there, our coordinator found out that Yaseen had brought the horses from Bulandshahr for a wedding. Meanwhile, the organisation contacted People For Animals, an animal welfare

organization to take their advice on how the horses could be rescued. Ms. Avantika, one of their coordinator got very angry with Yaseen about the condition of the horses.

We warned him of the dire consequences he would face if he again made the same mistake. Angaja Foundation sent its team to Bulandshahr to trace out these horses, but they could not be found. Bulandshahr is a centre for supplying horses for wedding celebrations in Delhi and other nearby areas.

In Bulandshahr, the coordinator found that the horses were being kept properly, all their vaccinations had been done and their grooming was done properly. They earned enough to feed them in the off-wedding season and therefore the horses looked healthy.



6. Zoobi - In 2015, a mixed breed Labrador 'Zoobi' was adopted by us when her owner called up and told us that he cannot keep her as he had no place for her and wanted us to keep her at our shelter in Jaunapur. She was adopted by Ms. Raka Sinha Bal and she took care of her food and got her sterilized. Unfortunately on December 6th, 2018, she passed away. She was in good health but suddenly her condition began to deteriorate as 80% of her kidneys had failed. Due to this, she was taken to the doctor for intravenous treatment every day.

She was in a bad and miserable condition. Despite a lot of expenditure on her tests and treatment, she could not be saved.

7. Julie – The team from Angaja Foundation found Julie in Safdarjung Development Area, ahead of Rajender Dhaba located in Delhi. After much effort by Dinesh, our animal welfare coordinator and Ms. Raka to catch her, she was caught and taken for sterilization. Earlier she had two litters of puppies and another litter of unwanted puppies would have been born. Mr. Tiwari of the South Zone MCD office also put in a lot of effort to catch her and he finally succeeded. One is eternally grateful to him for his efforts.

8. We came across another dog outside the Safdarjung Hospital Trauma Centre. He lost the use of his hind legs and was dragging himself in a really bad way. According to a nearby fruit seller, he had been hit by a car. Every day the fruit seller and other kind souls would feed this injured dog. Ms. Raka was very concerned and asked Dinesh to check on him regularly. One day a kind soul picked him up and he was rescued.

- **WATER TROUGHS**



Many animals die due to dehydration and diseases caused by polluted water that they drink from dirty sources. To help these animals , our general Secretary Ms.Raka Sinha Bal has put water troughs for the stray animals, in Kalyanpuri Block 18 in East Delhi,jaunapur,gwal Pahari and udyog Vihar Phase 1 in Gurugram. Water is regularly filled in the containers. It should be the responsibility of the residents living in different colonies to put water bowls near their house for cattle ,dogs and birds.

- **PETA's Fundraising Event 2018**

This years, the events was held at The Metropolitan Hotel & Spa in the Crest banquet hall. As always, PETA tried to end animal abuse and worked with authorities to ensure that laws were enforced and perpetrators were punished .PETA continues to promote compassionate living and campaigns against all forms of abuse and exploitation of animals. They awarded 'Hero to Animals' award to Delhi minister Imran Hussain for banning Chinese Manjra. He had called for a complete ban on the sale, production, storage, supply, import and use of the Chinese manjha, made of nylon, plastic or any other synthetic material saying that the sharp edged threads not only hurt birds and wildlife but also humans. The Same award was also given to three other individuals and companies that have pushed animal rights forward and to those who have introduced vegan food and vegan milk into the market. Our General Secretary Ms. Raka Sinha Bal met PETA Founder Ms. Ingrid Newkirk who travels to India once a year to participate in this event.

FARMERS EXPOSURE AT PUSA INSTITUTE



The Indian Agricultural Research Institute (IARI)/ Pusa Institute is India's premier national Institute for agricultural research, education and extension.

A group of farmers from Lalitpur in Madhya Pradesh had come for their exposure and training program to the Institute. Our General Secretary Ms Raka Sinha Bal also attended the training. The farmers were told about DD Kisan which is a 24-hour television channel aired by Doordarshan which has been dedicated to agriculture and related sectors.

They were also given information on the Pusa helpline number where the farmers could call toll-free to ask questions. They visited the field area where different types of crops are cultivated including some Ayurvedic crops. They saw a Biogas Plant and learned how it can be used to prepare food. The farmers were advised to use biogas plants as it is beneficial for their land because the residue which comes from it could be used as a fertilizer. Our General Secretary interacted with the farmers and asked them about their problems related to farming. They told us that in their area, there is shortage of water and so they wanted to learn the technique of farming using less water. They also learnt how to save the crops and grains in the storehouses by insects and rodents. The sessions were very informative and a good experience for the farmers



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