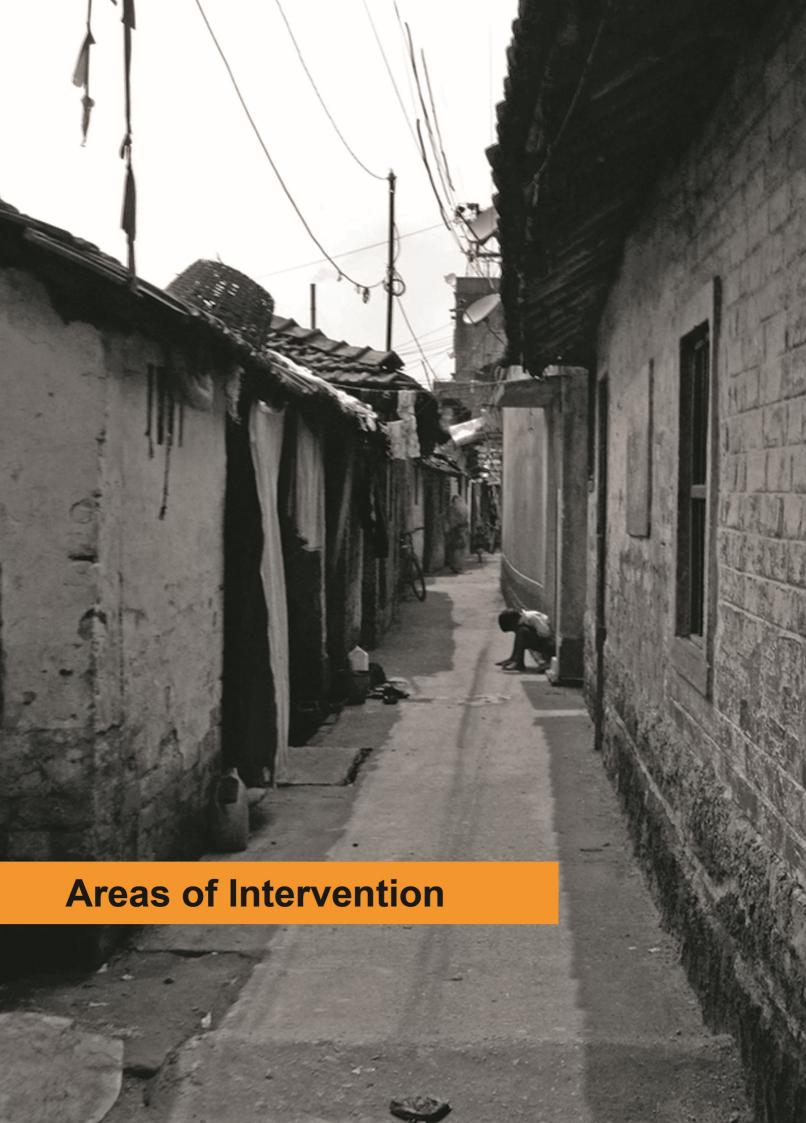




## Samaritan Help Mission A Visual Journey

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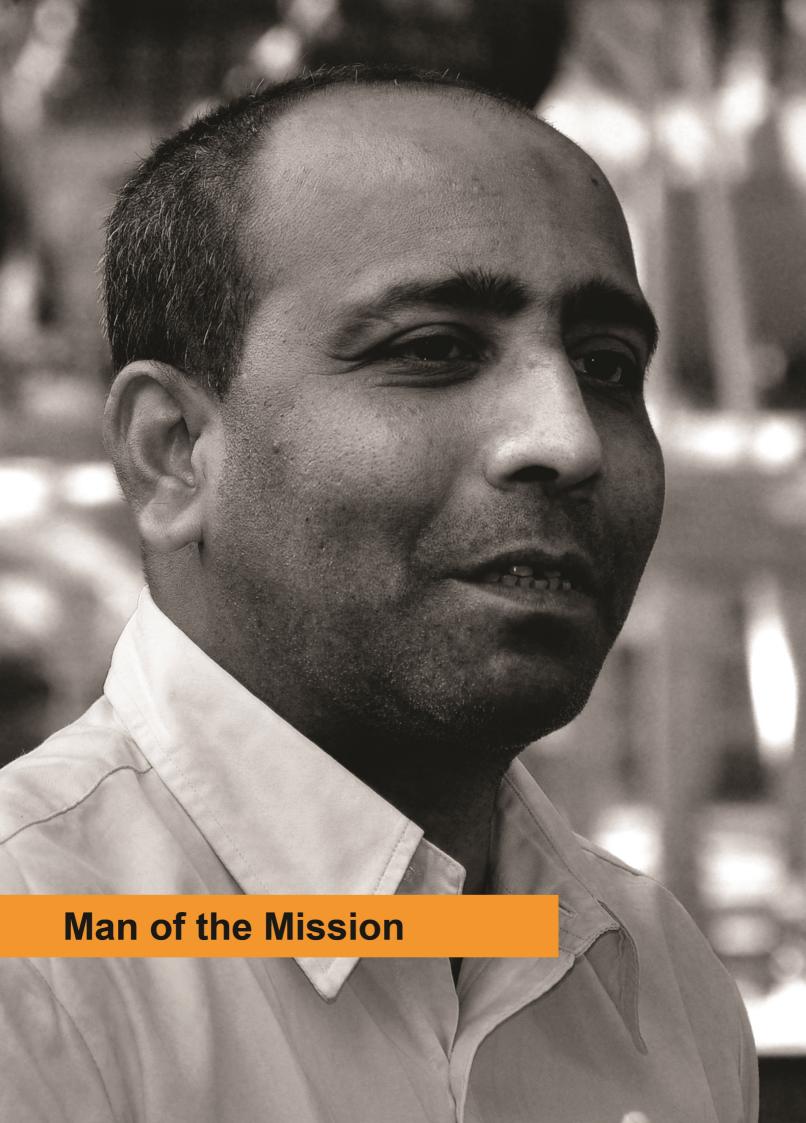
- Tikiapara and Bankra slums of Howrah district in West Bengal.
- 80% residents are migrant Muslims.
- Most of the inhabitants are migrant daily wage labourers, van-pullers, rag-pickers, hawkers and jail victims.

- High illiteracy rate is resulting in anti-social activities like drug peddling and other criminal offences
- The women and the adolescent group faces gender discrimination and domestic violences.





- Due to utmost poverty, parents are not able to provide quality education to their children.
- Government infrastructure are not sufficient.
- These underprivileged children becomes dropout resulting in increase of child labourers and juvenile crime rate of these areas.





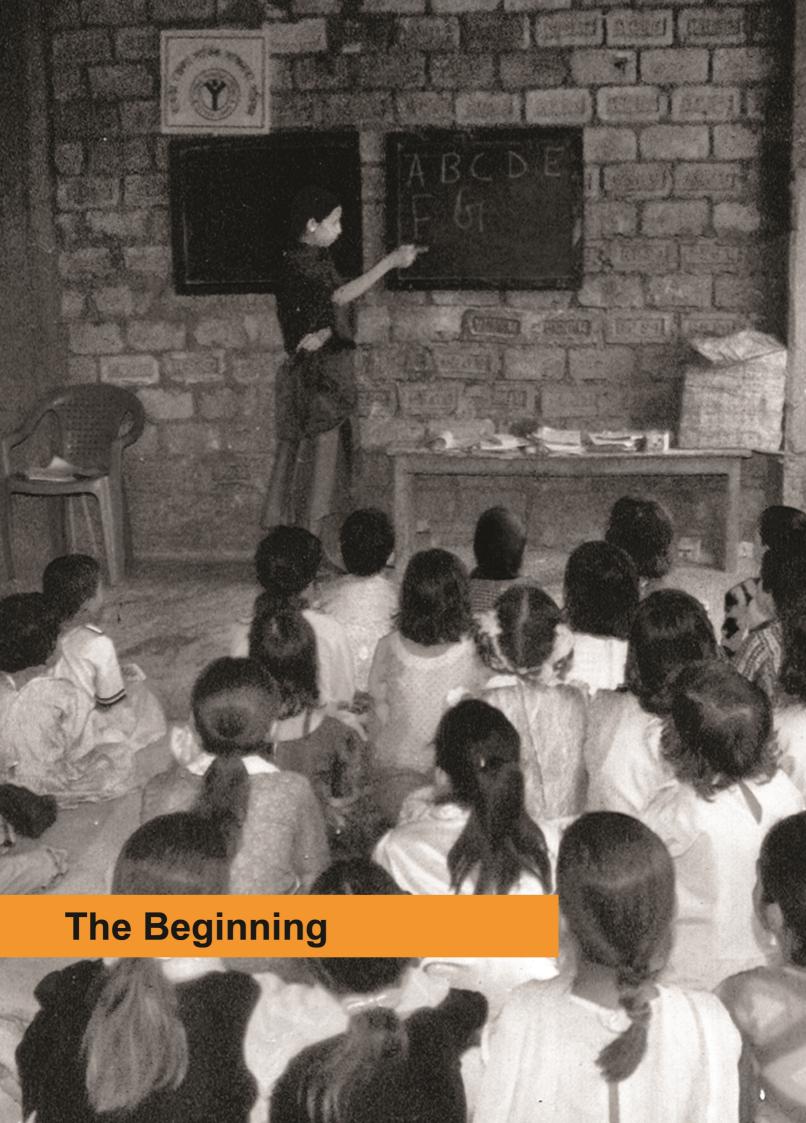
- Mamoon Akhtar was born in a poor family in the slums of Tikiapara.
- He became a dropout in Class-VII as his father was not able to pay his school fees.
- Later he completed his studies upto Class-XII as an external candidate.

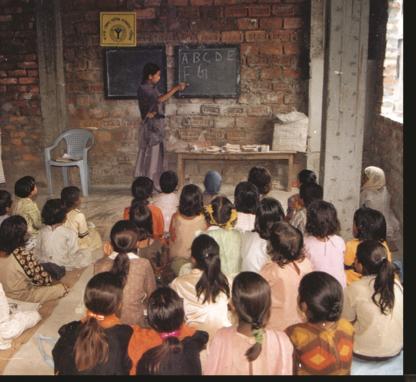
- He was moved by the pathetic condition of the underprivileged children of Tikiapara slums.
- He was aware of the pain of being a dropout and decided to use Education as a tool for development of the community.



- He dreamt to establish an English medium school for these underprivileged children where they will get free education.
- He started a small nonformal school in his own 600 sq.ft. room with only 6 children in 1999 which has created an educational movement among the community.



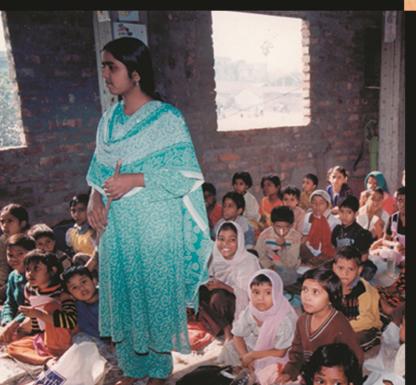




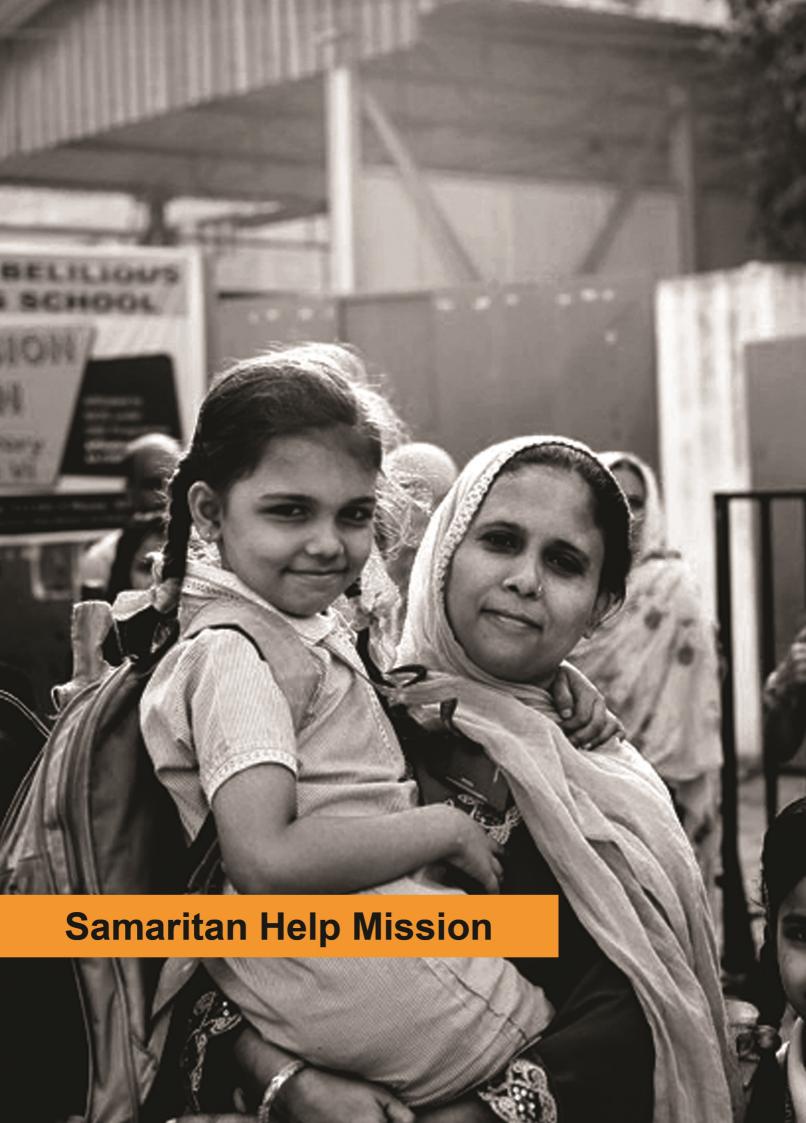
- The news of the school of Mamoon spread like forest fire.
- Within a few days, more and more children of Tikiapara slums started coming to his school.

 Soon, the school gained popularity within the slums of Tikiapara which prompted Mamoon to think something bigger for development of these underprivileged children.





 In 2001, Mamoon has given a name to his initiative, "Samaritan Help Mission, and registered it as a non-profit organization under the Societies Registration Act XXVI of 1961 to serve the community in a much better way.





#### Who we are ...

Samaritan Help Mission is a non-profit organization working for the upliftment of the underprivileged community populace of Tikiapara and Bankra slums of Howrah district through quality English education, primary and specialty healthcare facilities and skill-based vocational training so that they can become self-reliant.

#### **Our Vision ...**

To prevent exploitation and empower the underprivileged and disadvantaged children, youth and women through quality education, vocational training and generating employment opportunities to eliminate poverty. SHM strives to provide better healthcare services to the community.



### Our Mission ...

Education, health and overall development of young destitute children, especially adolescent girls, and also to provide vocational training and job opportunities to local community, mainly girls, youth and women, irrespective of caste, creed, religion or sects.

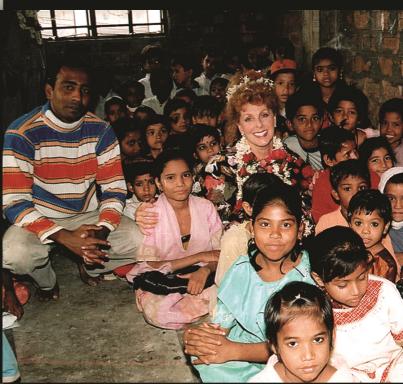






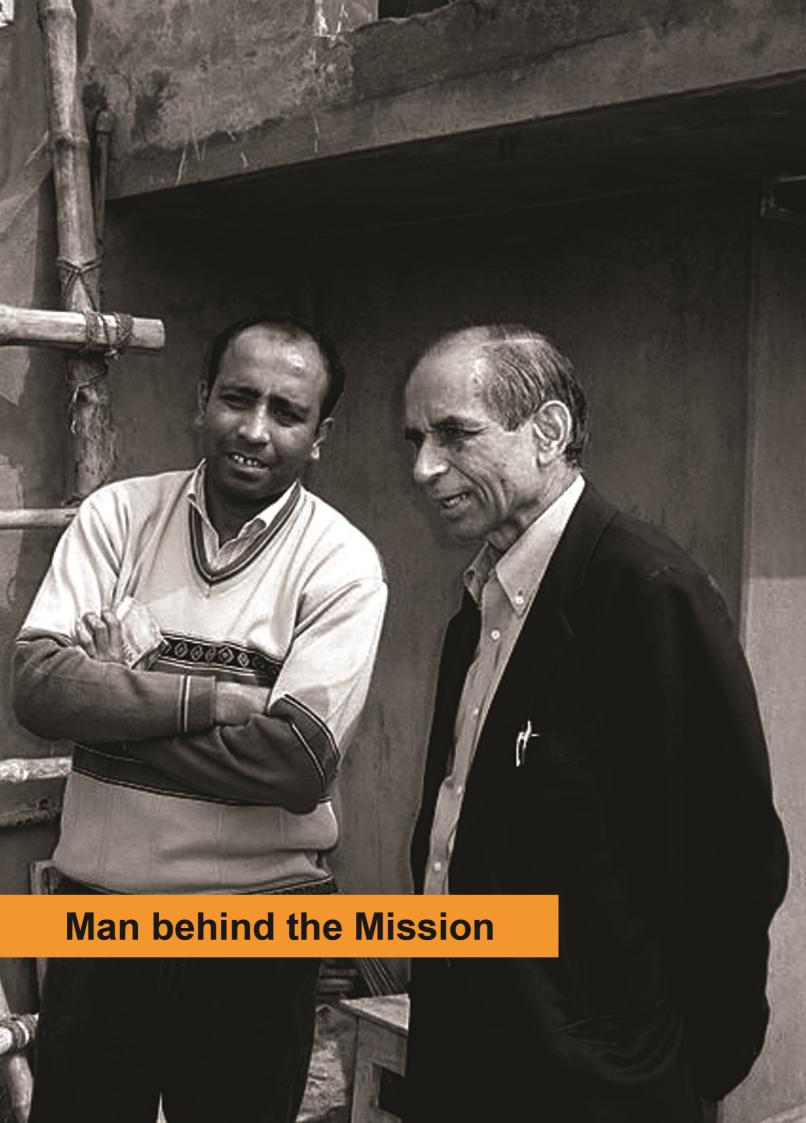
- Mamoon saw the name and picture of Lee Alison Sibley, a Jewish lady and wife of the then US Consul General of Kolkata, in a newspaper.
- Mamoon wrote a letter to her seeking support for his small school.

To his utter surprise,
 Mamoon received a reply
 from the US Consulate of
 Kolkata stating the visit of
 Sister Lee Alison Sibley to
 his school.





Lee Alison Silbley
 visited Samaritan Help
 Mission and supported
 the school of Mamoon
 in 2003. Till date, she is
 one of the Well wishers
 of Samaritan Help
 Mission.



A Report on Samaritan Help Mission, An NGO working for the slum children of Tikiapara, Howrah.

## THE VALUES AGE

## OUR SERVICES ARE BASED ON NEED, NOT CREED

BY DIPANITA
NATH

Though situated cheek by jowl against similar uppainted büildings, it is difficult to miss the Samaritan Help Mission at Noor Md Munshi Lane, Tiklapar, Howrah. A line of tiny tots, neatly attired albeit in clothe that have seen better days, intevitably signals the landmark building flanking a bylane. This is where Mamoon Akhtar, Mr Shah Alam and three others invested all their savings to chase a dream.

Their mission was rescuing the people of neighbouring localities from the clutches of drug traffickers and crime lords, increasing health awareness and civic responsi-

says Mr Akhtar.

All this in three shifts extending from the morning till late in the evening in a classroom that measures less than 600 sq ft with no shutters in the windows. The open windows will pose a big problem when the morsoon arrives," he says.

His concern about the rainy season temporarily replaces an equally disturbing problem shout the school having no toliets.

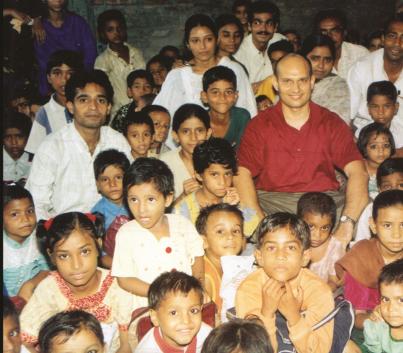
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- On 21st June 2003, The Asian Age published an article about the activities of SHM.
- The article was read by a man in Mumbai, Ramesh Kacholia, who is driven by an inner calling to help fellow human beings and has helped transforming the lives of thousands of underprivileged.





- His son, Ashish Kacholia visited SHM to check and support the noble works and since then, there was no looking back.
- He connected Vidya Shah of Edelweiss Capital.
- It was the continuous support and guidance of both of them and their network associates that has enabled SHM to scale up at the present level.





#### Samaritan Mission School (High) - SMSH

- Located in Tikiapara slums.
- Established in 2007.
- English medium school.
- Running from Class-I to Class-XII.
- 3348 underprivileged children are getting quality English Education in digital environment and Smart Classrooms.

## Rebecca Belilious English Institution - RBEI

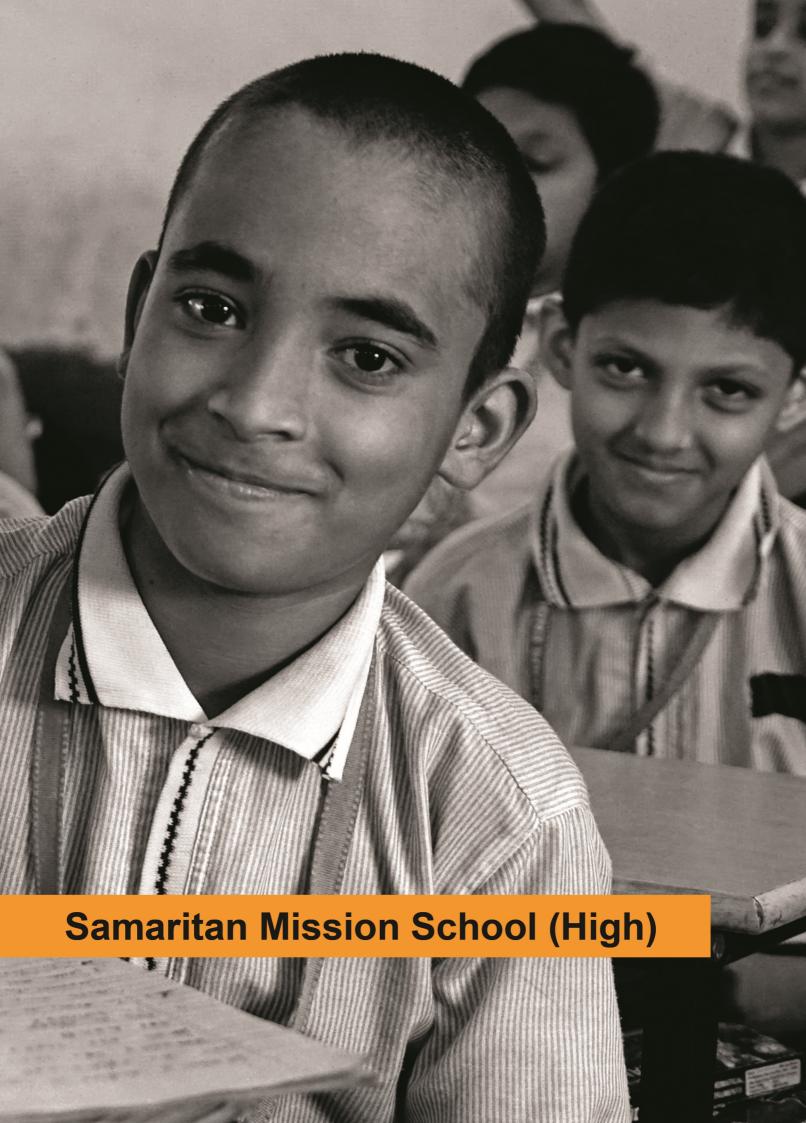
- Located in Tikiapara slums.
- Established in 2014.
- English medium school.
- Running from Nursery to Upper KG.
- 1023 underprivileged children are getting quality English Education in digital environment and Smart Classrooms.





#### Samaritan Public School - SPS

- Located in Bankra slums..
- Established in 2015.
- English medium school.
- Running from Nursery to Class-VIII.
- 1615 underprivileged children are getting quality English Education in digital environment





Classroom in 2005

- Samaritan Mission School (High) is affiliated with West Bengal Board of Secondary Education and West Bengal Council of Higher Secondary Education, Govt. of West Bengal; and running from Class-I to Class-XII.
- The first batch of Class-X passed the Secondary Exam in 2018 and till date, eight batches of Secondary and Higher Secondary passed the exams with flying colours.
- The school have Smart Classrooms and teaches the students in digital environment making education interesting to them.
- The school have Science Labs, Computer Labs and Library for the students to make them competent with the modern technologies.
- The school offers free training for NEET and JEE Exams to the senior students.
- The school offers sports and extracurriculur opportunities like Astro-turf Football pitch, Volleyball and Basketball courts; NCC and Archery Training for the students.
- The school has created an educational movement within the slums of Tikiapara and have also reduced the juvenile crime rate of the area.

Classroom in 2022

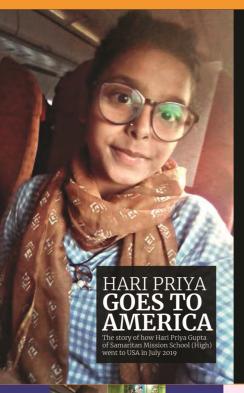


## English Access Micro-Scholarship Programme

**Duration: 2 Years** 

Supported by: US Department of States





- The programme provides a foundation of English language skills to talented 13-20 yearolds from the disadvantaged sectors through after-school classes and intensive sessions.
- It also seeks to prepare students for conversa tional English language skills through many experiential learning activities.
- The goal is to equip students with effective communication and critical thinking skills through interaction strategies.
- In 2019, US Consulate of Kolkata sponsored Haripriya to attend further courses in US for achieving the first position.



#### With thanks...

To my parents, Mamoon sir, the teachers, every single student of my school and all those who gave me things to use on the journey. THE STORY OF CHANGE - HARI PRIYA GUPTA Compiled by Shri Mudar Patherya



## Rebecca Belilious Institute of Competitive Studies (REBICS)

- Samaritan Help Mission have always tried to pave up the way to success in every way for those who aspires to be a successful person.
- REBICS helps the meritorious but poor students to avail free coaching for competitive exminations such as NEET, JEE, CLAT and other Civil Services Examinations.



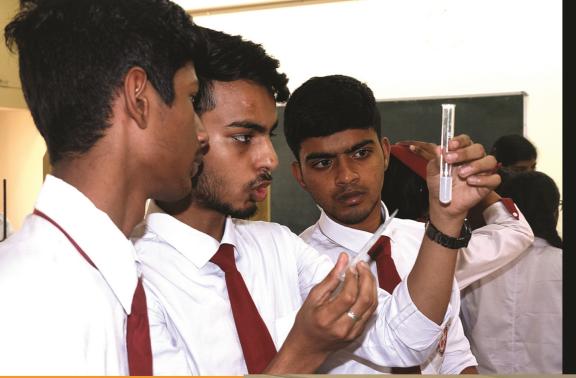


#### Md. Saif Ansari

Md. Farhan

## SUCCESS STORIES

- Md. Saif Ansari is the first student of Samaritan Mission School (High) to crack NEET Examination of 2022.
- Md. Farhan is the first student of Samaritan Mission School (High) to crack WBJEE Exam of 2022.



Chemistry Lab for the Students

Physics
Lab for the
Students



Biology Lab for the students

Computer Lab for the Students





**Library for** the Students

NCC training for the students



Samaritan Mission School (High) is an accreditated Study Center of National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS).



- At present, 382 dropouts of the community are completing their formal education of Class-X and preparing themselves to appear the Secondary Exam of 2023.
- The beneficiaries are of different age groups and divided into 2 batches.
- The school is accreditated upto Class-X and the the same for Class-XII is in the pipeline.



- In Tikiapara slums, there are many school dropouts who are aged but eager to study and forced to discontinue their studies due to poverty or any other reason.
- The program provides access to those dropouts to continue their studies once again so that they can join the mainstream of education.while completing Class-X.



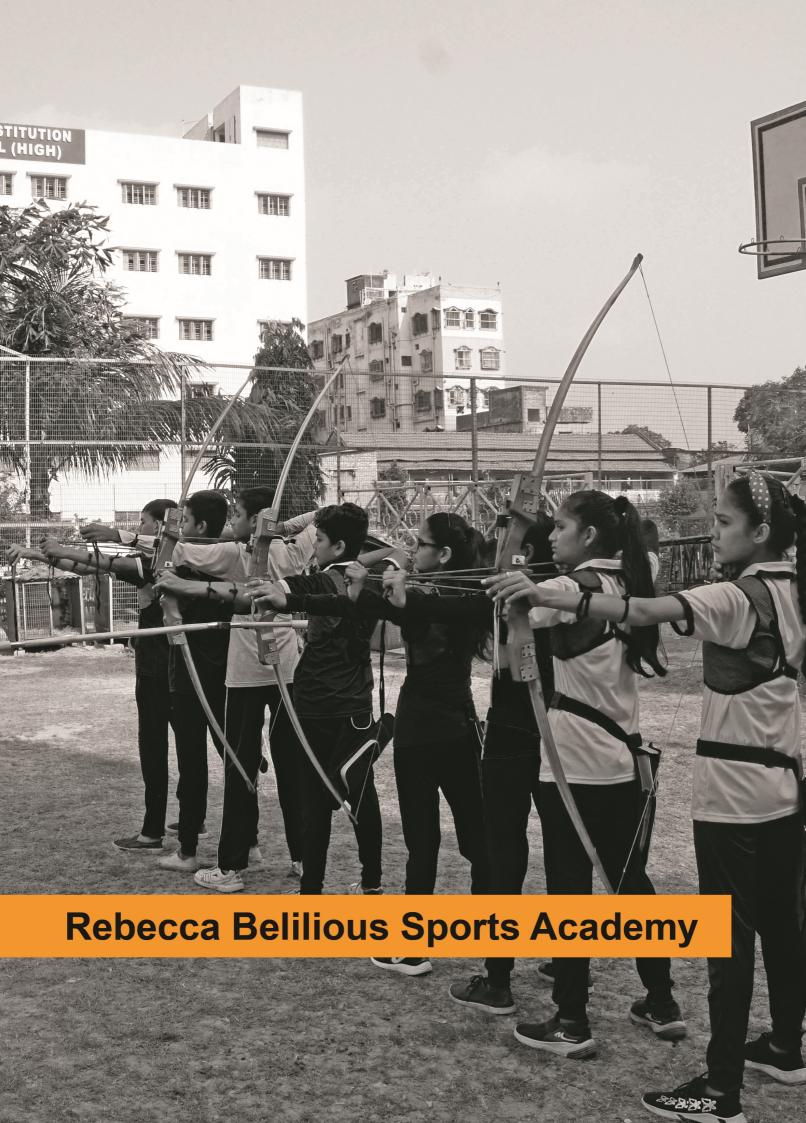


# DESH APNAYEN Activities to build RESPONSIBLE GLOBAL CITIZENS

The students of SMS (High) took part in the Desh Apnayen activities which energizes them to build a Better India and world as well.







SHM has established Rebecca
Belilious Sports
Academy for the students and local youths to reduce the juvenile crime rate of the area and chanelize them towards constructive work.





The lush green Astro-turf Playground supported by Chevrolet, General Motors

Coaching on Football, Hockey Volleyball, Basketball and Archery are organised on regular basis for the beneficiaries.



## World's Top 10 Inspirational Schools

for the Underprivileged Students





Kolkata





## Howrah school changes lives, wins international acclaim

Subhro.Niyogi @timesgroup.com

Kolkata: Samaritan Mission School (High) has been recognized among world's top 10 inspirational schools by a UK-based research organization in partnership with internationally acclaimed bodies. Started by a Class XII pass out in 2001 with just six students in a 400 sq ft room in a slum in Howrah's Tikiapara, it now has 3,500 students

"Happy to know and share that Samaritan Mission School of Howrah is amongst the top 10 inspirational schools all over the world... Kudos and best wishes," CM Mamata Banerjee tweeted on Friday.

The school was founded by Mamoon Akhtar, 51, who had to drop out of school when he was in Class VII due to financial difficulty and then did tuitions to fund

#### 6 STUDENTS IN 2001 TO 3.5K NOW



Students at Samaritan Mission School (High)

Happy to know and share that Samaritan Mission School of Howrah is amongst the top 10 inspirational schools all over the world... Kudos and best wishes **Chief minister Mamata Banerjee's** tweet on Friday

over to the police. It later be-some more and then on the

Not only has literacy in the Tikiapara slums shot up, it has also reduced crime and empowered women. Apart from the schools, Akhtar's NGO, Good Samaritans, also runs a vocational training institute for about 200 women and a health chamber where almost 300 patients are treated daily. Howrah city police, which has actively supported Akhtar's initiatives, said domestic violence has also reduced in the area.

Samaritan Mission School has won in the category of overcoming adversity by tackling deprivation in a slum community. The school has initiated community development programmes and worked to unite people of different socio-economic backgrounds and help slum residents realize the need for improvement in health, sanitation and communal harmony. The scho-

## **Among World's Top 10 Best Schools**

mically disadvantaged so that there would be no dropouts. The turning point was when I saw a man beating a woman on one of the streets of our slum. I intervened and with the help of a few neighbours handed him

sually asked her son who was standing alongside where he was studying; he mentioned something inconsequential. I told him to come to my place for tuition. He turned up the following day and then a day later, got

ging next to nothing and teaching well, I had a class of more than 70 students accommodated in a 400 sq ft annex of our humble residence," recounted Akhtar, who now runs three schools with 6,300 students.

success in the 10th and 12th grade examinations in re-

The other schools that feature on the list are from Kenya, Nigeria, Jamaica, South Africa, Uganda, Malaysia, Australia and Brazil.

Samaritan
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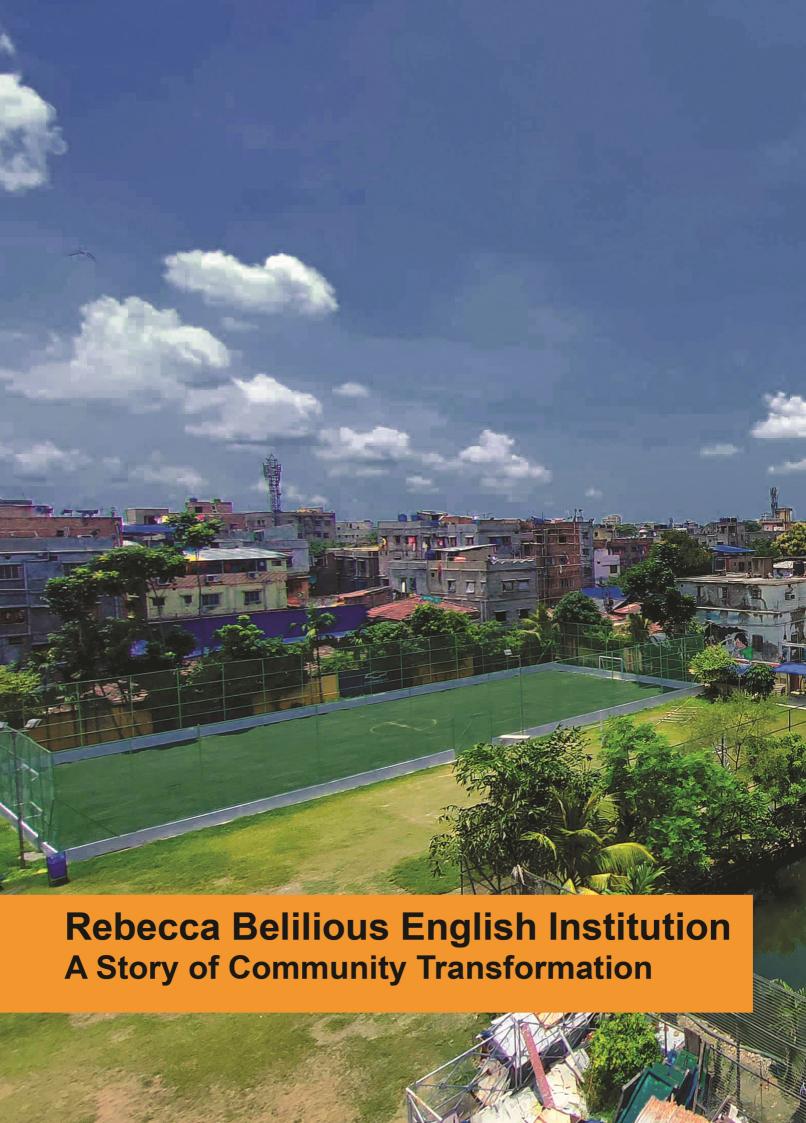




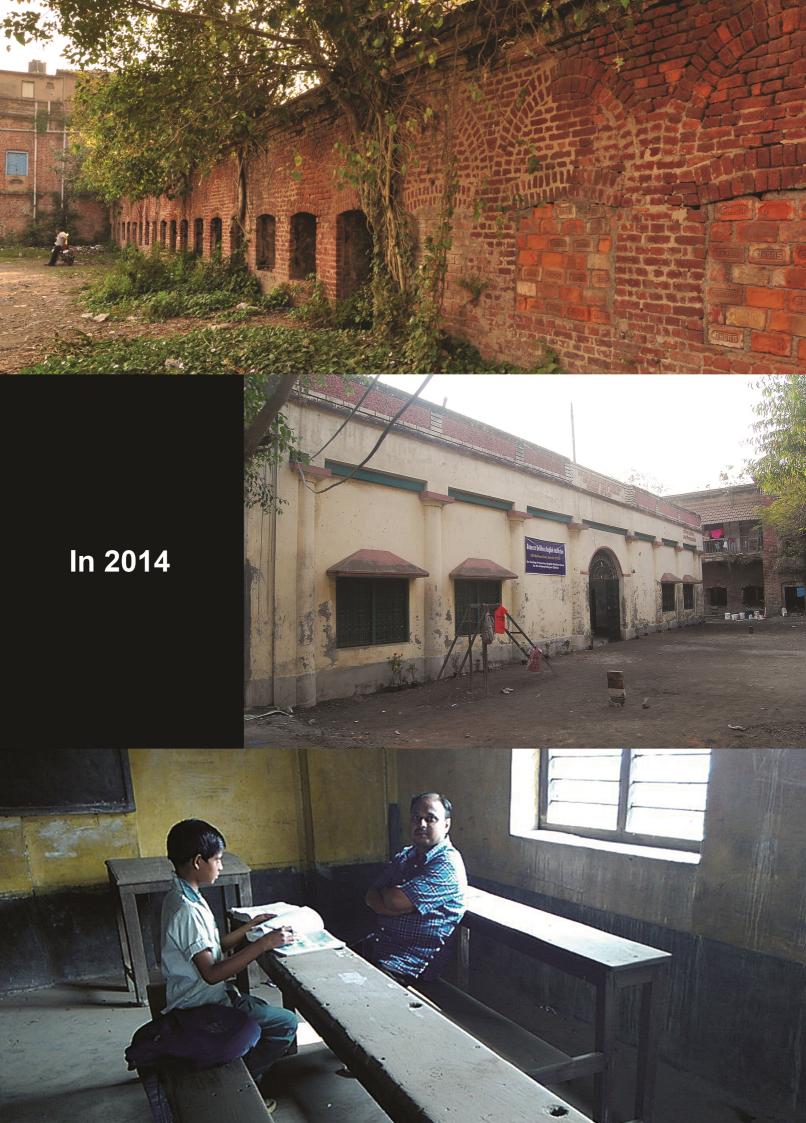
In the category of "Overcoming Adversity" for World's Best School Prizes.

The Chief Minister of West Bengal Smt. Mamata Banerjee appreciated the hard work of the school in a Tweet.











- On 14th November 2014, Howrah City Police, Belilious Trust Estate and the community of Tikiapara jointly handed over the 2 acre land of defunt I.R. Belilious Institution to Samaritan Help Mission to revive the century old glory of the institution which was established by Sir Isaac Raphael Belilious, a Jewish merchant, in 1862.
- I.R. Belilious Institution was a renowned school but was lying defunct with only 11 students and 16 teachers; and all the buildings were in dilapidated condition.
- The campus had become the den of the local gangsters and the antisocials. The pond and the ground within the campus was used as the dumping ground by the local people.





The revival work started under the kind supervision of Shri Ajey Mukund Ranade, IPS, the then Commissioner of Howrah Police Commissionerate.





The work went on war-footing starting from cleaning of the playground and the pond to construction of new school building of Rebecca Belilious English Institution





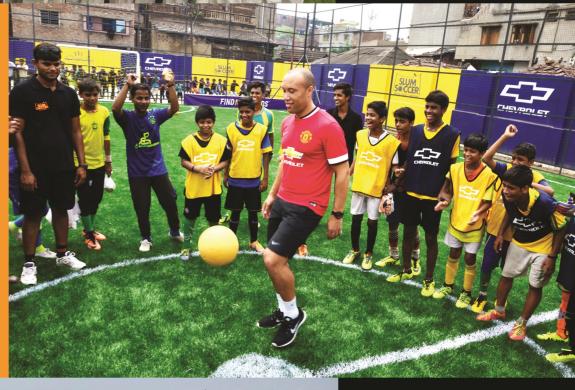
Shri D. P. Singh, IPS, the next Commissioner of Howrah City Police, guided and helped SHM to carry on the revival work and to continue the humanitarian works.





The new school building was supported by Caring Friends and GIC of India.

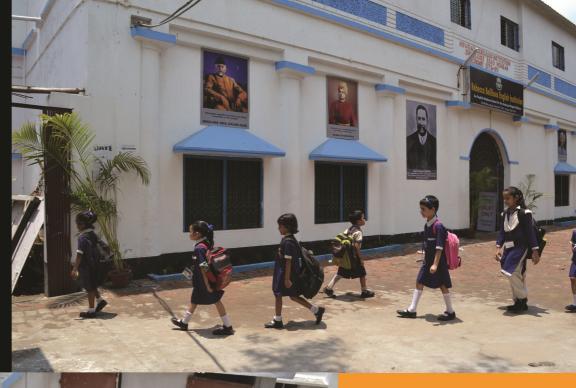
The astro-turf football ground was supported by Chevrolet, General Motors. Renowned footballer of Mikael Silvestre inaugurated the ground.





The fencing work of the pond was supported by GIC of India to ensure the safety of the students.

Rebecca Belilious English Institution started in a new form and glory.





A new batch of the underprivileged children of Tikiapara slums has been enrolled.

New classes have been started.

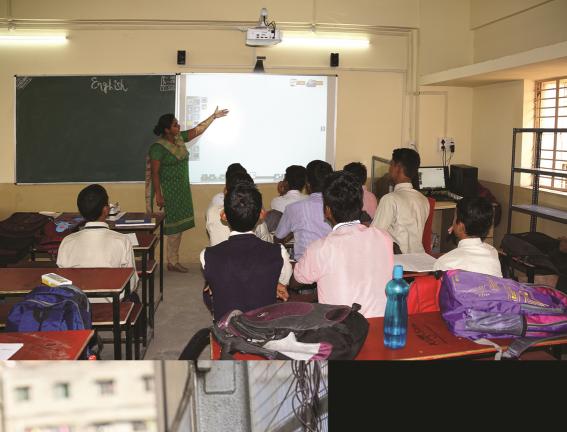




Later, the classes have been shifted to the new building.

Samaritan Mission School (High) has also been shifted to the new building.

The infrastructure of the classrooms has been supported by Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited.



A Dream came into Reality





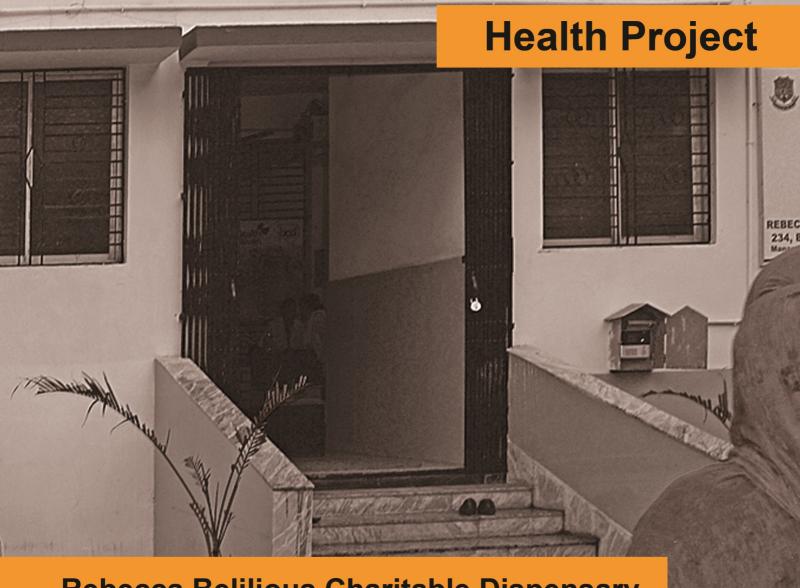


#### **REBECCA BELILIOUS** CHARITABLE DISPENSARY



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Rebecca Belilious Charitable Dispensary



RBCD was
established by
Sir Issac Raphael
Belilious, a Jewish
merchant, in
memory of his
beloved wife,
Rebecca Belilious,
in 1872. The
Charitable
Dispensary was
lying defunct in the
20s.

In 2014, Belilious Trust
Estate and Howrah City
Police handed over the
defunct Dispensary
to Samaritan Help Mission
to revive the lost glory.
Samaritan Help Mission
re-established Rebecca
Belilious Charitable
Dispensary in 2015
FOR THE POOR AND
UNDERPRIVILEGED
COMUNUNITY.





#### The facilities include

- General Medicine
- Indoor with ICU
- General Surgery
- Orthopedics
- Gynecology
- Ophthalmology
- Dental Unit
- Dialysis Unit
- USG and ECHO
- X-Ray and ECG
- Pathology
- Physiotherapy
- Free Sputum Test for Tuberculosis.
- Mobile Medical Camps for the farthest slums.

The Hospital provides low cost and high quality primary and specialty healthcare services to more than 250 poor and needy patients per day.





The Mobile
Medical Units
serve more
than 300 poor
and needy people
of the distant slums
of Howrah district.

The Radiology Unit is gearing up day by day. USG, ECHO and X-ray are the facilities available at present. CT-Scan, Color Doppler and other advanced technologies will be introduced very soon.

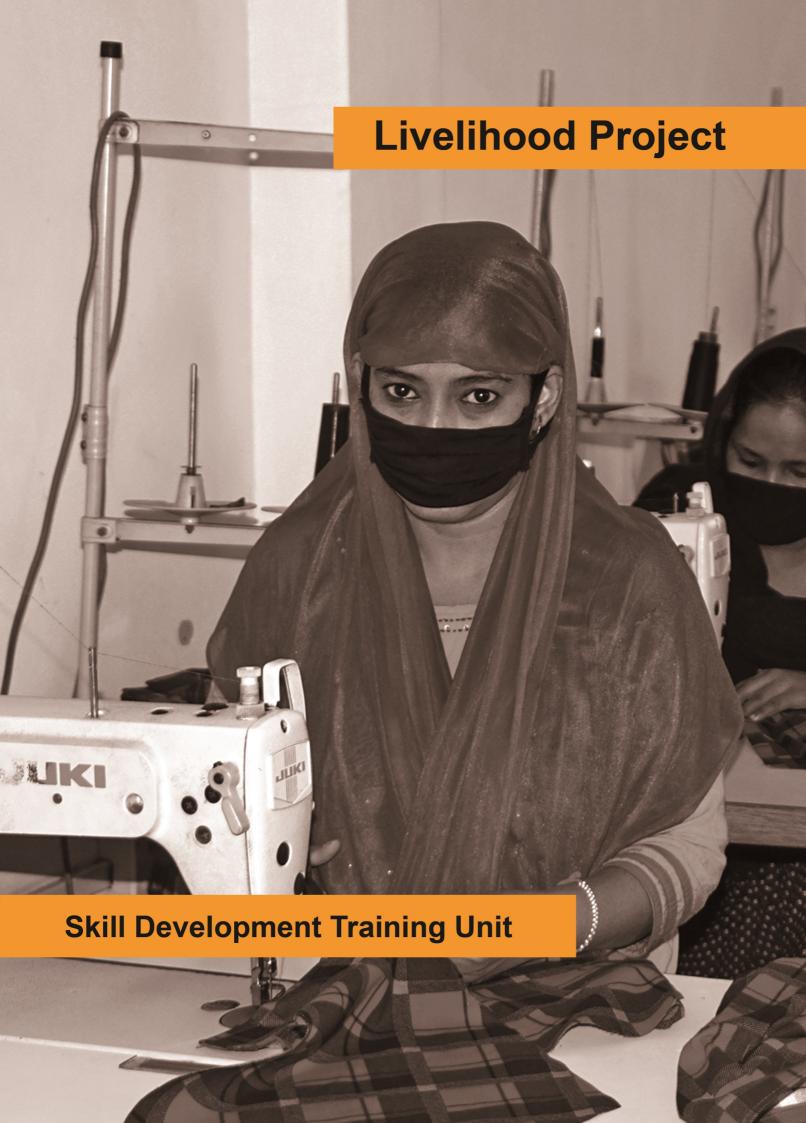




The Dialysis Unit and the Intensive Care Unit for the poor and underprivileged community has been set up.

Establishment of Operation Theatres for Eye and General Surgery for the underprivileged is in the pipeline.





In 2007, Mamoon
established
Vocational
Training Unit on
Conventional
Tailoring for the
impoverished
women of
Tikiapara slums to
make them selfsustained.





The training unit soon became popular in the community and more and more impoverished started coming to us. This has also minimized the rate of gender discrimination in the community.

In 2016, SHM upgraded the conventional tailoring training unit into Industrial Tailoring Training Unit which opened up more opportunities for the impoverished adolescent girls and women.





In 2021, SHM established Samaritan Vocational Training Center which is accreditated to the National Council for Vocational and Research Training (NCVRT), New Delhi to train the local youth in tarde-based skills to make them self-reliant.





The courses offered:

- Paramedics
- Nursing
- Cutting and Fashion Designing
- Ophthalmology
- Basic Computer
- Beautician.

A total number of 400 beneficiaries are benefitted till date.

The passed-out trainees receive Certificates from NCVRT which helps them to fina a job in the industry.





### FOOD SUPPORT

753 poor families are provided with free ration every month.

### FINANCIAL INCLUSION

Tikiapara and Bankra slums are marked as the non-banking zones. Lots of Chit funds were operational. SHM developed healthy saving habits within the community by establishing Banking Kiosks of SBI and IOB. 14783 beneficiaries opened their savings accounts and feeling safe and self-confident.



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## CLEAN & HYGIENIC WATER

4 lac community people are directly benefitted.

### **AWARDS**

Amazing Indian Award from Times NOW in 2009.





Social Entrepreneurship Award from SBI Foundation along with Adi Godrej in 2016.

With Sourav Ganguly at Dadagiri Ultimate in 2018.



### **Media Coverages**





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