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**3rd Annual Report  
2010-2011**

# 3rd Anniversary Celebration of the Trust





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## BOARD OF TRUSTEES AS ON 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2011

Chairman	Shri. Gurunath Shankar Naik
Vice Chairman	Shri. Khemu Narayan Gouda
Managing Trustee(Secretary) and Treasurer	Shri. Sitaram Subray Gaonkar
Trustee	Shri. Shivaram Subray Gaonkar (Resigned on )
Trustee	Shri. Prakash Ganapati Gaonkar
Trustee	Shri. Dinesh Vithal Gaonkar
Trustee	Smt. Deepa Deepak Gaonkar
Trustee	Shri. Lesa Narayan Gouda
Trustee	Smt. Reshma Gurunath Naik
Auditors	Hegde G & Co Chartered Accountants Raikar Manor, Kaikini Road, Karwar.
Registered Office	Amadalli, Karwar-581324, Karnataka.
Bank	State Bank Of India, Pikle Road, Karwar.

## OBJECTIVES

The Prem Ashram Charitable Trust, Amadalli was registered on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2008 under No. KWR-4-00043/07-08. The **vision** of Prem Ashram Charitable Trust is to **decrease illiteracy, poverty, hunger, and disease** substantially among the underprivileged and socially disadvantaged citizens. The **mission** of Prem Ashram Charitable Trust is to create and support programs that will lead to sustainable changes aimed at upliftment of the lives of economically and socially disadvantaged youth, women, senior citizens, and disabled citizens irrespective of religion, cast, gender, colour, and creed.

### Education

The initial priority is to increase literacy among the youth in rural, remote villages. A decrease in illiteracy will lead to a decrease in poverty/hunger.

- Enable the economically and/or socially disadvantaged youth to obtain education and/or vocational training (such as sewing, computer education, small scale industry etc.) at an affordable cost or no cost, depending on the financial status of the youth, so that the youths can get a satisfying job, and support themselves and their families. Thus, the underprivileged youth will be self-reliant, responsible, and productive citizens. We will develop world class human resources by focusing on education of the underprivileged citizens, especially children and women.
- Participate in the social and cultural development of all youth regardless of economic and social status. This will involve increasing literacy and improving written and oral communication skills of youths from villages.

### Poverty/Hunger

Serve economically and/or socially disadvantage children, women, and senior citizens who are facing social isolation, neglect and physical or mental abuse. Provide support and services to empower them and enhance quality of their lives. Among the services provided may involve counseling, legal advocacy, vocational training, helping to be self reliant, health check ups etc.

### Health

Strive to decrease disease among the lesser privileged children, women, and senior citizens by instituting health programs such as medical, dental, and eye camps on an ongoing basis. Provide information on nutrition and good hygiene and financially help the underprivileged with medical expenses.

### Serve the Physically Challenged

Champion programs for the lesser privileged, physically challenged people with a commitment to make them productive citizens of our society. This may involve medical treatment if necessary, counseling, vocational training, and making them self reliant.

### Focus

Initially, Trustees will focus on education (increasing literacy) of the underprivileged children and women's empowerment. Other activities will be taken up concurrently or later as more financial support becomes available.

## AUDIT REPORT

I have audited the attached Receipts & Payments Account, Income & Expenditure Account & Balance Sheet of PREM ASH-RAM CHARITABLE TRUST, AMADALLI, KARWAR for the year ended 31-03-2011.

I report that:

- I have obtained all the information & explanation, which to the best of my knowledge & belief were necessary for the purpose of the audit.
- All the necessary Books of accounts & vouchers have been maintained by the trust.
- The Receipt & Payment Account dealt with by this report is in agreement with the books of accounts.

In my opinion and to the best of our knowledge and according to the explanation given to us the said accounts give a true and fair view.

i) In the case of the Income & Expenditure Account of the Excess of the Income over Expenditure for the year ended on that date.

Place: Karwar.

Date: 09-05-2011

Sd/-  
HEGDE G. & CO  
Chartered Accountants  
Kaikini Road, Karwar

# BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31-3-2011

Receipts & Payments Account for the period 1-4-2010 to 31-3-2011

## PREM ASHRAM CHARITABLE TRUST AMADALLI, KARWAR.

Receipts & Payments Account for the period 1-4-2010 to 31-03-2011

Receipts	Amount	Payment	Amount
<b>To Opening Balance</b>		By Education Program	229,250.00
Cash in Hand	NIL	By Education Program	
Cash at Bank		Hostel	132,191.00
SBI(98474)	167,510.00	By Health Program	134,648.00
SBI(91421)	1,000.00	By Printing & Stationery	5,984.00
To Donation	673,900.00	By Poverty Elimination	
To Interest From Bank	14,320.00	Program	30,500.00
		By Postages & Telephone	1,465.00
		By Bank Charges	1,254.00
		By Legal Expenses	1,000.00
		By Office Maintenance	385.00
		By Freight & Transport Exp	275.00
		By Furniture & Stores	10,485.00
		By Other Rent	5,775.00
		<b>By Closing Balance</b>	
		Cash in Hand	NIL
		Cash at Bank	
		SBI(98474)	302,483.00
		SBI(91421)	1,035.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>856,730.00</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>856,730.00</b>

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**Income & Expenditure Account for the period 1-4-2010 to 31-03-2011**

<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Amount</b>
To Education Program	229,250.00	By Donation	673,900.00
To Education Program Hostel	132,191.00	By Interest From Bank	14,320.00
To Health Program	134,648.00		
To Printing & Stationery	5,984.00		
To Poverty Elimination Program	30,500.00		
To Postages & Telephone	1,465.00		
To Bank Charges	1,254.00		
To Legal Expenses	1,000.00		
To Office Maintenance	385.00		
To Freight & Transport Exp	275.00		
To Other Rent	5,775.00		
To Excess Of Income Over Expenditure	145,493.00		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>688,220.00</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>688,220.00</b>

**BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31/03/2011**

<b>LIABILITIES</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
Corpus Fund	18,000.00	CURRENT ASSETS	
Income & Expenditure A/c		Furniture & Stores	10,485.00
Opening Balance 150510.00	296,003.00	Cash in Hand	NIL
<u>Add:-Addition</u> <u>145493.00</u>		Cash at Bank	
		SBI(98474)	302,483.00
		SBI(91421)	1,035.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>314,003.00</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>314,003.00</b>

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Chartered Accountants, Kaikini Road, Karwar.



## ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT BETWEEN 1/4/2010 – 31/3/2011

The Board of Trustees of the Prem Ashram tirelessly work to enhance education of rural youths and decrease poverty/hunger and disease among the lesser privileged citizens in our society.

### EDUCATION PROGRAM

#### 1. Started Girls' Hostel at Asnoti for the Underprivileged Girls from Rural Villages

Presently, many underprivileged students from the remote, rural villages of Uttar Kannada District discontinue their education after 7<sup>th</sup> standard because of lack of high schools within walking distance and lack of public transportation in these remote areas. Hence, illiteracy rate is very high among children from remote, rural villages.

Prem Ashram Charitable Trust started Girls' hostel in Asnoti for the underprivileged girls from remote, rural villages of Joida so that they can continue their education beyond 7<sup>th</sup> standard. Smt. Premalata Gaonkar and Smt. Suhasini Naik lit the lamps and officially opened the hostel in a rented house at Madewada, Asnoti on June 10, 2010. Ten female students have been accommodated and the trust is providing them with free lodging and boarding. A Care Taker (Warden) and a Cook were appointed to ensure well being of the hostel residents. Hostel is under the supervision of Sri. Dinesh V. Gaonkar, Head Master of Shivaji Vidya Mandir (and also the Trustee). Since the educational standard of the students coming from rural, remote villages is not in par with the students from Shivaji Vidya Mandir, the trust employed part time teachers to provide special coaching to the hostel residents in English, Maths, and Science. Special coaching boosted the confidence of the students and resulted in them scoring better in their examinations.



**Ten Girls from remote, rural villages of Joida with Mr. Dinesh Gaonkar (Head Master of Shivaji Vidya Mandir) and Care Takers of the Trust.**

Providing education would empower and enable these girls to find a decent job and support their families financially. Thus, the underprivileged girls will be self-reliant, responsible, and productive citizens. Funds will be sought from private and government agencies to build a permanent hostel for the rural, underprivileged girls.

## **2. Supported Boys' Hostel at Asnoti for Underprivileged Boys from Rural Villages**

Shivaji Vidya Mandir, Asnoti, Karwar brought 22 students from remote villages of Joida and housed them in school's multipurpose hall and providing them with lodging and boarding facilities free of cost. Since, decreasing illiteracy is a number one priority for the Prem Ashram Charitable Trust, it is bearing part of the cost. For the prior two years, our trust financially supported the Boys' Hostel of Shivaji Vidya Mandir, Asnoti. For the 2010-2011 academic year, our trust paid Rs. 30000 (Rs thirty thousand only) towards the expenditure of the hostel.. Getting education would empower and enable them to find a decent job and support their families financially. Thus, the underprivileged youth will be self-reliant and productive citizens and contribute to the prosperity of the community they live in.



**Boys shown above from remote, rural villages of Joida now stay in the hostel and study in Shivaji Vidya Mandir, Asnoti.**

## **3. Building Boys' Hostel for the Underprivileged Children from Rural Villages**

Prem Ashram Charitable Trust is striving hard to increase literacy and espouse to realize full potential among the lesser privileged children through a special focus on education. We want to produce doctors, engineers, and lawyers out of these underprivileged children. We hope to develop world class human resources by focusing on education.

The trust sought financial help to build a permanent hostel building for the underprivileged, rural children so that they can get both high school and college education. This is a noble project for increasing the literacy among the underdeveloped rural youth in India and for uplifting their lives. Prem Ashram Charitable Trust received a commitment from USA-based Global Organization of People of Indian Origin (**GOPIO Chicagoland NFP**) to partly fund the project for building a hostel for the underprivileged, rural students. GOPIO is a not-for-profit organization registered in Glenview, IL, USA and has been recognized by the United States Internal Revenue Service as a tax exempt organization under Section 501c(3) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code. GOPIO supports charitable, cultural, and educational activities for the people of Asian Indian origin.

Prior Permission application for receiving foreign contribution from GOPIO has been submitted to the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India in December 2009. Hostel building will have about 2700 sq ft area and will accommodate 20-40 students. Laying of foundation for the hostel will begin soon after we receive the Prior Permission from the Indian Govt.

#### 4. Helped Rural, Less-Privileged Students with Educational Needs

The trust distribution of Note Books, School Bags, Uniforms, and Compass to Poor Students



- Supplied notebooks and compass to the students of Higher Primary School in Chendia, Karwar during June 2010.
- Procured 100 School Bags and 100 Compass amounting to Rs. 17,500 to give to the Poor Students of various Schools in Karwar Taluka.
- Purchased Uniforms worth Rs.44,150 to give to the Poor Students of various Schools in Karwar Taluka.

#### 5. Financial Assistance for Some BPL Students of Schools, High Schools, and Colleges

Several students solicited financial help from our trust so that they can continue their education. Our trust provided financial assistance totaling Rs. 19000 to some students who are below poverty line (BPL) towards their bus pass, fees, and other school-related expenses:



- A) Rs. 3000 (Rs. Three thousand only) paid to Kumar Uday Ramesh Achari of Amadalli who passed P.U.C. and desires to join I.T.I to meet his educational fees and other required expenditure towards his education.
- B) Rs. 1000 (Rs. One thousand only) paid to Mr. Pramod Kumar Gauda of Amadalli studying in 1<sup>st</sup> Year B.Com. towards School related expenses.

- C) Rs. 1500 (Rs. One thousand five hundred only) paid to Mr. Shubham Pandurang Kolambkar of Hotegali studying in IX standard in Shivaji Vidya Mandir, High School, Asnoti towards school related expenses.
- D) Rs. 1500 (Rs. One thousand five hundred only) paid to Mr. Prajwal Pandurang Kolambkar of Hotegali studying in VIII standard in Shivaji Vidya Mandir, High School, Asnoti for school related expenses.
- E) Rs. 1000 (Rs. One thousand only) paid to Kumari Divya Ramesh Achari of Amadalli who passed S.S.L.C. and now studying in 1<sup>st</sup> year P.U.C. in Govt. Pre Degree College in Amadalli. She used this amount to cover educational fees and other required expenditure towards her education.
- F) Rs. 2500 (Rs. Two thousand five hundred only) paid to Miss. Tanvi Chandrakant Achari of Sadashivagad who is studying in B.Com.– I in Arts & Commerce College, Sadashivagad towards School related expenses.
- G) Rs. 2500 (Rs. Two thousand five hundred only) paid to Miss. Priyanka Rajendra Gaonkar of Sadashivagad who is studying in P.U.C.– II year in Divekar College of Commerce, Karwar towards School related expenses.
- H) Rs. 2000 (Rs. Two thousand only) paid to Miss. Meenakshi G Kolamkar of Hotegali studying in Pre-University College, Sadashivagad towards School related expenses.
- I) Rs. 1500 (Rs. One thousand five hundred only) paid to Kumar Sridhar Subramanya Bhat, Kumta studying in P.U.C.- I in Kumata College. Sridhar is also belongs to BPL category and was recommended by his Principal because he is brilliant and lacks financial resources.
- J) Rs. 2500 (Rs. Two thousand five hundred only) to Miss. Sonali Rajendra Gumaste, Solapur studying in 1<sup>st</sup> year Nursing in Solapur College. She also belongs to BPL category and deserves financial assistance and was recommended by her Principal.

## **6. Financial Assistance Provided to 202 Needy BPL Students**

Increasing literacy among the underprivileged students from rural, remote villages is the major focus of Prem Ashram Charitable Trust. That is why we are running the Girls' hostel and partially supporting the Boys' hostel. There are numerous students in Uttar Kannada district who are struggling to meet the financial needs to attend schools and colleges. The trustees visited primary & middle schools, high schools, and colleges and identified students from BPL category who really deserve financial help to attend school/college. Several trustees visited 45 schools and colleges in Karwar and Ankola talukas and collected data of several needy BPL students for financial assistance. A form was given to 45 schools, high schools, and colleges from Karwar and Ankola talukas. The completed forms were received from 24 schools, high schools, Pre-University college, and degree colleges. The Trust has decided to pay Rs.300 to students in V to VII standard in primary schools, Rs. 500 to the students in VIII to X standard students in high school, and Rs. 1000 to students in Pre-University, degree, and nursing colleges. Accordingly, Trust provided financial assistance amounting to **Rs. 1,08,800** to **202** needy BPL Students from Karwar and Ankola Talukas. Details are provided on the next page.

**Schools and No of Students who Received Financial Support  
from Prem Ashram Charitable Trust From 4/1/2010 to 3/31/2011**

No	Name of School/College	No of Students Supported	Total Amount (Rs.)
1	Shivaji Composite P U College, Chittakula	8	5600.00
2	Sadashivagad High School, Sadashivagad	6	2400.00
3	Govt. Model Higher Primary School, Sadashivagad	8	2400.00
4	Bapuji GVS Arts & Commerce College, Sadashivagad	11	11000.00
5	Govt. Composite P U College, Amadalli	12	7500.00
6	Govt. Higher Primary Kannada School, Majali	4	1200.00
7	Govt. Higher Primary Kannada School, Hosali	3	900.00
8	Adarsh Vidyalaya, Hotegali	12	6000.00
9	Dr. Durga Laxman Telang Girls High School, Baad	4	2000.00
10	Shivaji Vidya Mandir, Asnoti	10	5000.00
11	Union High School, Majali	17	8100.00
12	Shree Santeri Vidyalaya, Hankon	5	2500.00
13	Modern High School, Halaga	15	7500.00
14	Shri Shivaji Secondary School Ulga	10	5000.00
15	Government Higher Primary School, Ulga	10	3000.00
16	Mahasati English Medium Primary School Ghadsai, Ulga	3	900.00
17	Mahamaya High School, Balni	10	5000.00
18	New High School, Baad	17	6900.00
19	Shree Shivaji High School, Baad	18	7400.00
20	Gokhale Centenary Degree College, Ankola	3	3000.00
21	Mahasatee Pre University College, Ulga	5	5000.00
22	Mahasati Arts, Commerce & Science College, Ulga	5	5000.00
23	Shivaji Arts & Commerce College, Baad	5	5000.00
24	New High School, Kinner	1	500.00
	<b>TOTAL Number of BPL Students Financially Supported</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>Rs. 108800</b>







## HEALTH PROGRAM

### 1. Free Health Camp for Poor Women

International Women's Day was celebrated by organizing a Health Camp at Golden Jubilee Hall in Sadashivagad, Karwar on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2011 for poor women. Dr. Asha Kadam (ENT Specialist), Dr. Suhashini Desai (Mother and Child Care Specialist), and Dr. Poonam Phal Desai (Ayurvedic Doctor) volunteered their time and enthusiastically participated in the health camp. About 130 underprivileged women from the surrounding area took advantage of the camp. At the recommendation of doctors, blood samples of 92 patients were collected and got analyzed. Free Medicines were supplied to these poor patients. The expenditure incurred for providing medicines was Rs. 52705 (Rs. Fifty two thousand seven hundred five only).





## 2. Dental Camp at Ulga

Prem Ashram Charitable Trust co-sponsored a Dental Check-up Camp at Ulga on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2011 in conjunction with the Loins Club, Syndicate Bank, and Indian Dental Doctors Trusts. 168 people participated in this camp and took advantage of dental check up. Twenty people were able to get their teeth extracted, 25 people got their dental cavities filled, and 70 people got scaling of teeth. Prem Ashram Charitable Trust trust contributed Rs.6000 (Rs. Six thousand only) for this shared effort. Dental check up was very well received by the people as they seldom go to a dentist for a regular check up.



## 3. Hearing Aid to Poor and Needy BPL (Below Poverty Line) Persons.

With the consultation and guidance from Dr. Asha Kadam, ENT specialist, the trust provided Hearing Aid to the poor and needy BPL persons. 10 hearing aids have been purchased with a cost of Rs. 17500 (Rs. Seventeen thousand five hundred only).

## 4. Financial Help for Health

- 2 A) Sri. Nagesh Khema Naik, Mudageri is bed-ridden due to a head injury for the last one year and needs financial assistance for his day-to-day medical expenses. There are no other earning members in his family and his children are going to primary school and high school. A payment of Rs. 5000 (Rs. Five thousand only) was made to his wife Smt. Nisha Nagesh Naik.

- B) Sri. Babu Buddu Ager, Harawada is mentally retarded. He has no father and his mother is doing labour work. There are no other earning members in his family and he is in need of financial assistance. The trust paid Rs. 5000 (Rs. Five thousand only) to his mother Smt. Madi Buddu Ager.
- C) Sri. Shivaraj (Suraj) Timmappa Ager, Harawada is also mentally retarded. His father is paralyzed and needs financial assistance for day-to-day medical expenses. There are no other earning members in his family. A payment of Rs. 4500.00 (Rs. Four thousand five hundred only) was made to his mother Smt. Sharda Timmappa Ager.
- D) Sri. Santosh Ashok Ager, Harwada is suffering from brain damage. His father is working as cooli (laborer) and needs financial assistance. There are no other earning members in his family. Our trust paid Rs. 3500 (Rs. Three thousand five hundred only) to his mother Smt. Netra Ashok Ager.
- E) Sri. Rhratik Nagendra Ager, Harwada is suffering from Heart problem. His father is working as a cooli (laborer) and needs financial assistance for his day-to-day medical expenses. There are no other earning members in his family. A payment of Rs.5000.00 (Rs. Five thousand only) was made to his mother Smt. Geeta Nagendra Ager.



- F) Sri. Donga Khemu Ager, Aversa is paralyzed and needs financial assistance. There are no other earning members in his family. The trust paid Rs. 5000 (Rs. Five thousand only) to his wife Smt. Baby Donga Ager .
- G) Smt. Gulabi Toku Ager, Aversa is suffering from T.B. Her husband is working as a cooli (laborer). There are no other earning members in her family and she was in need of financial assistance. Trust paid Rs. 2500 (Rs. Two thousand five hundred only) to Gulabi.



- H) Smt. Lakshmi Ramachandra Ager, Aversa is suffering from Kidney problem. Her husband is working as a cooli (laborer) and she needs financial assistance for operation and medical expenses. There are no other earning members in her family. Rs. 5000.00 (Rs. five thousand only) was paid to Smt. Lakshmi Ramachandra Ager.
- I) Smt. Asha Ashok Gaonkar of Chendia who falls in BPL category sought financial help so that she can undergo much required heart valve operation at Kasturba Medical College in Manipal. The case has been verified and paid 10% of surgery cost (Rs. 9,000 (Rs. Nine thousand only)).
- J) Sri. Nagappa Pokka Ager, Aversa is paralyzed and he needs financial assistance for his day-to-day medical expenses. There are no other earning members in his family. A payment of Rs.3500 (Rs. Three thousand five hundred only) was made to Nagappa.
- K) Smt. Parvati Govind Ager, Amadalli is suffering from heart problem. She has no husband and needs financial assistance for her day-to-day medical expenses. There are no other earning members in her family. The trust paid her to Rs. 4000 (Rs. Four thousand only).



- L) Smt. Kalpana C. Naik, Amadalli is suffering from fibroid problem. She has no husband and needs financial assistance. There are no other earning members in her family. A payment of Rs.2500 (Rs. Two thousand five hundred only) was made to Kalpana.
- M) Kumari Aswini Shashikant Ager, Chendia is suffering from ill health and has no father. Her mother is working as cooli (laborer). She sought financial assistance for medical expenses as there are no other earning members in her family. We paid her Rs. 5000.00 (Rs. Five thousand only).
- N) Continued to pay financial assistance of Rs. 600 (Rs Six hundred only) per month to Smt. Godavari N. Naik to take care of her day-to-day activities as she is bed-ridden and unable to take care of herself due to long, ill health.



- O) Sri. Jayram Gopal Kanakonkar of Makeri is suffering from prolonged ill health and there are no other earning members in his family. Trust paid Rs. 1000 (Rs. One thousand only) to Sri. Jayram.

## PROGRAM TO ALLEVIATE POVERTY AND HUNGER

- A) Smt. Arati Kashinath Kankonkar's husband expired last year. She needs financial help as there are no other earning members in her family. We paid Rs. 1000 (Rs. One thousand only) to Arati.
- B) Smt. Kamakshi Ramachandra Bant, Bela Bandar Road, Ankola is suffering from ill health and hails from poor family. She needs financial assistance as there are no other earning members in her family. A payment of Rs.1500 (Rs. One thousand five hundred only) was made to her.
- C) Smt. Gouri Parsappa Bant, Kasabakeni, Ankola is suffering from ill health and hails from poor family. She needs financial assistance as there are no other earning members in her family. The trust paid her Rs.1500 (Rs. One thousand five hundred only)
- D) Sri. Huliyyappa Rama Gouda of Bhavikeri Road, Ankola is suffering from ill health and is handicapped. He needs financial assistance as there are no other earning members in his family. Rs. 1500.00 (Rs. One thousand five hundred only) was paid to him.



- E) Kumari Sahana Vaman Ager, Vandige, Ankola lost both her parents. She needs financial assistance to continue her education. There are no other earning members in her family. Payment of Rs.15000 (Rs. Fifteen thousand only) was made to Sahana towards her educational expenses through the interest earned.
- F) Smt. Neela Sukru Ager, Bhavikeri, Ankola lost her daughter during delivery of child. She sought financial assistance to take care of two of her grand children who now stay with her. There are no other earning members in her family. We paid Neela Rs.10000 (Rs. Ten thousand only).

## OTHER NEWS

### 1. Third Anniversary Celebration of the Trust

Third anniversary of Prem Ashram Charitable Trust was celebrated on January 2, 2011 in Venkatesh Hall, Karwar. About 220 people attended the ceremony. Mr. Arun Gaonkar was the Master of Ceremony (MC) of the event. Mr. G.S. Naik, President of the trust, reminded that the vision of Prem Ashram Charitable Trust is to decrease illiteracy, poverty, hunger, and disease substantially among the underprivileged and socially disadvantaged citizens and its mission is to create and support programs that will lead to sustainable changes aimed at upliftment of the lives of economically and socially disadvantaged youth, women, senior citizens, and

disabled citizens irrespective of religion, cast, gender, colour, and creed. Mr. S.S. Gaonkar, the Managing Trustee indicated that the trustees and volunteers are working hard to accomplish the vision and mission of the trust. He also thanked the donors for supporting the trust. Variety entertainment programs were performed by the girls of the Prem Ashram Girls' Hostel and boys of Shivaji Vidya Mandir's Hostel. Some local youths also participated in the program. Prizes were given to the some meritorious students from both the hostels. Mr. K.R. Naik and Smt. Sukanya Hegde also spoke about the trust. The news was covered in the local and national news papers.

## **2. Celebration of Dr. Baba Saheb Ambedkar Jayanti**

The 120<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Baba Saheb Ambedkar, the architect of the Indian constitution, was celebrated with great enthusiasm and honour at Puralakki Ben, Ankola on Thursday the 14<sup>th</sup> March 2011. The financial assistance was given to three SC/ST beneficiaries from the area in support of decreasing illiteracy and poverty/hunger. Mr. Ramu Argekar, former president of Navoday Youth Association, Mr. Yadav Lakshemeswar, and former secretary Mr. Ganapati Lekha Ager were present.

## **3. Opening of a New Hostel for Rural Boys in Conjunction with Sadashivgad High School**

It was brought to our attention that many rural boys would not be able to attend high school because there is no high school in the rural area they live in. Hence, we decided to open a boys' hostel in Sadashivgad in partnership with Sadashivgad High School so that the rural boys can attend that high school starting 2011 academic year. Ten to fifteen students are expected to be accommodated in June 2011.

## **4. Applied for 80GG Tax exempt Status for the trust**

The trust has applied for a Tax exempt Status from the Government of Karnataka so that the donors can avail of tax exemption on their donation. Final Approval is expected to come soon.

In addition to focusing on increasing literacy among the rural, underprivileged youth, we will continue to help other lesser privileged people of our society including women and older people.

It is our objective to provide "a fishing rod" rather than "the fish itself" as the availability of the funds is limited. By providing education, i.e., increasing literacy, we can tackle poverty and hunger. That is like killing two birds with one stone. It is our hope that these children that we help educate will in turn help other underprivileged children and such chain reaction will lead to sustainable upliftment of the less privileged and socially disadvantaged citizens of our society. Trustees and volunteers of Prem Ashram Charitable Trust are striving hard to bring a positive change in our society by serving the needy, lesser privileged with love.

**- The Trustees of Prem Ashram Charitable Trust, Amadalli, Karwar.**

## LIST OF DONORS

The Trust Received Donations from the Following Donors Between  
1/4/2010 to 31/3/2011

No	Date	Name of the Donor	Amount
1	12/08/2010	Mr. & Mrs. Kamalaksha R Naik, Mumbai	507,000.00
2	11/08/2010	Dr. & Mrs. Vinayak K Naik, Verna, Goa	100,000.00
3	10/04/2010	Dr. & Mrs. Dattatray Appajirao Rane, Halga	15,000.00
4	08/05/2010	Mrs. Nandini Ramachandra Pai, Belgaum	10,000.00
5	07/06/2010	Mrs. Suhasini Gurunath Naik, Majali	7,000.00
6	08/05/2010	Dr. P.G. Shukla, Pune	5,000.00
7	02/01/2011	Mr. Ramesh Pundlik Powar, Pune	5,000.00
8	08/05/2010	Mr. Shirishkumar Satish Naik, Belgaum	5,000.00
9	08/05/2010	Mrs. Sudha S. Naik, Belgaum	5,000.00
10	07/06/2010	Mr. Sameer Satish Naik, Belgaum	5,000.00
11	07/06/2010	Mr. Subhash P. Kadam, Goa	2,000.00
12	07/06/2010	Mr. Sakharam V. Naik Rane, Dharwad	2,000.00
13	07/06/2010	Mr. Satish B. Rane, Thane	1,000.00
14	07/06/2010	Mr. Tanaji Rane, Vasco	1,000.00
15	07/06/2010	Mr. Ravi S. Rane, Margoa	1,000.00
16	07/06/2010	Mrs. Archana Pratap Rane, Navi Mumbai	1,000.00
17	07/06/2010	Mr. Satish V. Naik, Belgaum	1,000.00
18	07/06/2010	Mrs. Geeta Gopalkrishna Powar, Dombivili	500.00
19	01/01/2011	Aashika Ameet Devasthali, Dombivili	200.00
20	01/01/2011	Mr. Anil Vishnu Devasthali, Dombivili	100.00
21	01/01/2011	Mr. Amogha Atul Devasthali, Dombivili	100.00
		<b>Total Rs.</b>	<b>6,73,900.00</b>