

# MUSKAN FOUNDATION FOR PEOPLE WITH MULTIPLE DISABILITIES



## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

December 2021 Edition

### Our Vision

Children with MDVI participate and are recognized in their families and communities, and realize their own unique abilities in life.

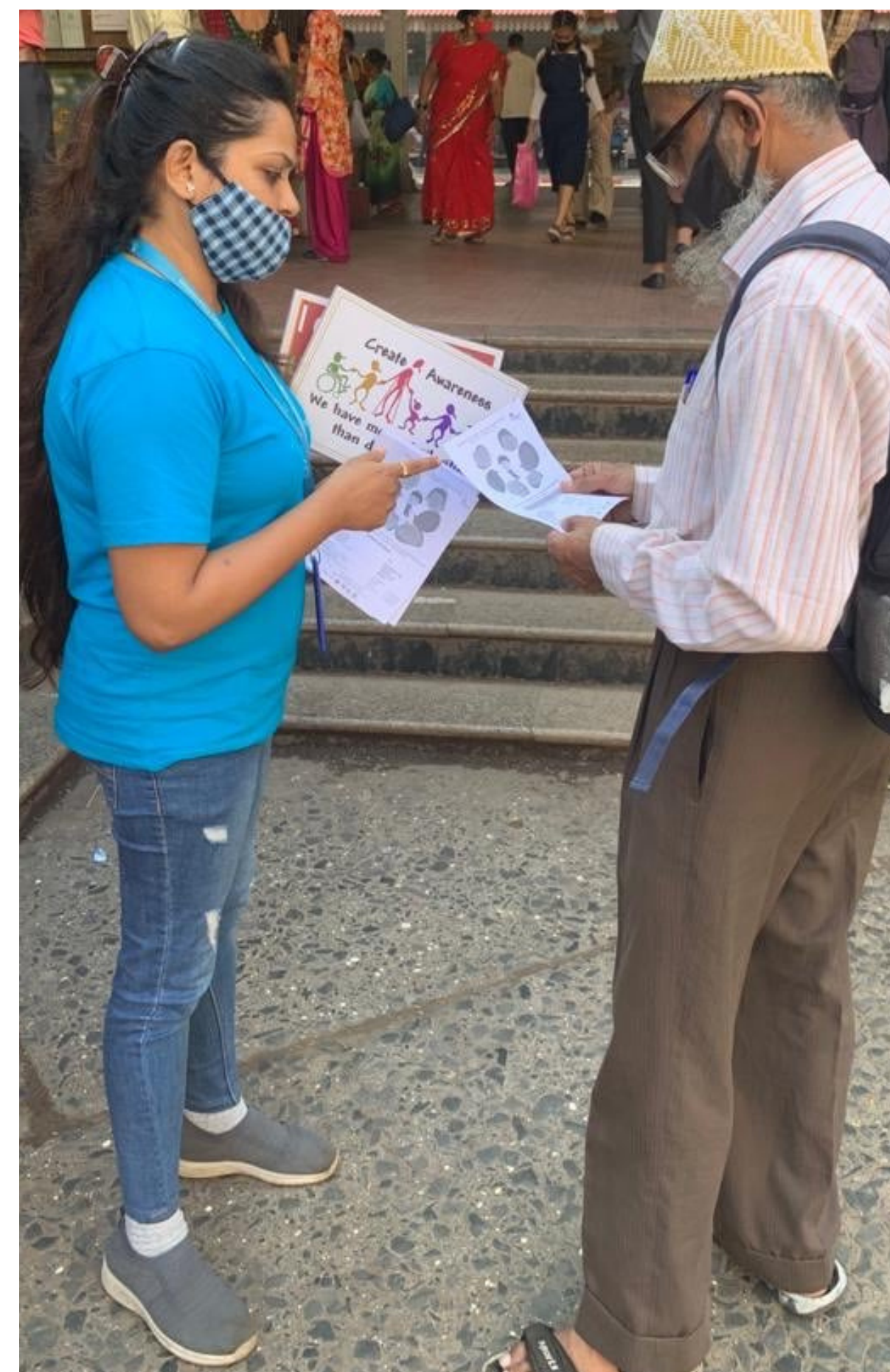
### Our Mission

Muskan maximizes the potential of MDVI children, by providing customized, low cost therapies and special education under one roof; and by empowering parents with the knowledge, skills and confidence to support their child's unique needs and development.

## NEWS & UPDATE

### WORLD DISABILITY DAY

Muskan initiated a campaign on importance of understanding multiple disabilities in children, on 3rd December 2021 on the occasion of World Disability Day at Bandra station. Our Special Educators Divya Kadam, Pranali Bore, Anshita Jirange and Program Officer Jitendra Paswan conducted the awareness session and educated the people about understanding and accepting children with multiple disabilities and how these children could enhance their lives from this approach of the elders of the family and society.





## SCREENING CAMP AT MASINA

On 11th December, Muskan held a screening campaign at Masina Hospital, Byculla. According to Census 2011 in India, more than 50% of the kids with disabilities never got a chance to be screened, hence this was a great opportunity for them. The event was inaugurated by Dr. Satyendra Nath Mehra (Medical director) and Dr. Vispi Jokhi (Chief executive officer). Muskan successfully conducted screening of 53 children and created UDID for 16 of them. UDID provides the children with disability, the benefits from the government and enable them to lead a better life.



## SPORTS DAY

Sports is an important aspect in a child's life. It has a lot of benefits and is the best way of recreation in the world. Muskan has always laid emphasis on sports, supporting and encouraging the children. On 17th December we organized a fun and frolic sports day in our four centers. Our special educators conducted special games for our kids in their respective centers. Special thanks to "SeaBuzz" and Trafalgar Tours who came in as Secret Santa, celebrating with the kids and having a wonderful time themselves.





## EDUCATIONAL VISIT



Children of Muskan Foudation's, Masina center visited a nearby Domino's Pizza outlet. At Muskan we not only focus on our children's theoretical growth but also on the practical development which enables them for the day to day activities. The kids had an exposure to the real world and they got a chance to improve their basic shopping skills and the concept of money, in a really fun and frolic manner.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS



Christmas is a season of joy and happiness across the world. The four centers of Muskan celebrated Christmas in the best manner possible, throwing small parties for the kids. The special educators did a wonderful job in managing and creating a merry filled atmosphere, wherein the whole Muskan team came in together, to spread love and joy with the kids and their families.



# PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

The Art of Communication is the language of leadership says James Humes. Muskan Foundation emphasizes the importance of right communication and in luck we came across with ATMA's online session on Communication skills and technique on Social Media on 9th December. Distinct strategies were discussed with respect to different platforms like Facebook, LinkedIn. The session empowered the staff to overcome various difficulties faced by organizations in this field and was attended by Mr. Tejas Supekar(C.O.O) of the organization and Ashaf Syed (Communication & HR Executive)

**Communications Strategy**

Objective/Aim

Platforms Platforms Platforms

Quantitative & Qualitative

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**JOIN US FOR A WEBINAR ON**  
*Communications Strategy - A Deep Dive*  
**9TH DECEMBER 2021**  
**3 PM(IST)**

**Shrikant Ayyangar,**  
*Communications Lead*

## HELP US CHANGE A STORY

Zaki Shaikh (name changed) is 6 years of age and has Low Vision & Autism spectrum disorder. His area of development is 'Activities of Daily living skill' and Cognition our goal of the month was for him to be able to hold a spoon to eat and to recognize body parts.

Session 1- At first Zaki was given "Sorting and Transfer of objects" activity. He started picking up chips and putting it in his mouth. Also Zaki was unable to recognize any of his body parts, so we started with "Hands".

Session 2- He started to hold a spoon with teacher's verbal prompt and minimal support on his wrist. He also started to recognize his hands and legs, after he was taught so with the help of songs, pictures and flash cards.

Session 3- After that with the teacher's help and oral instructions he is able to hold a spoon as well as identify his body parts correctly

Session 4- At the end of the month Zaki is able perform both the activities independently.

## **NEW ENDEAVOURS**

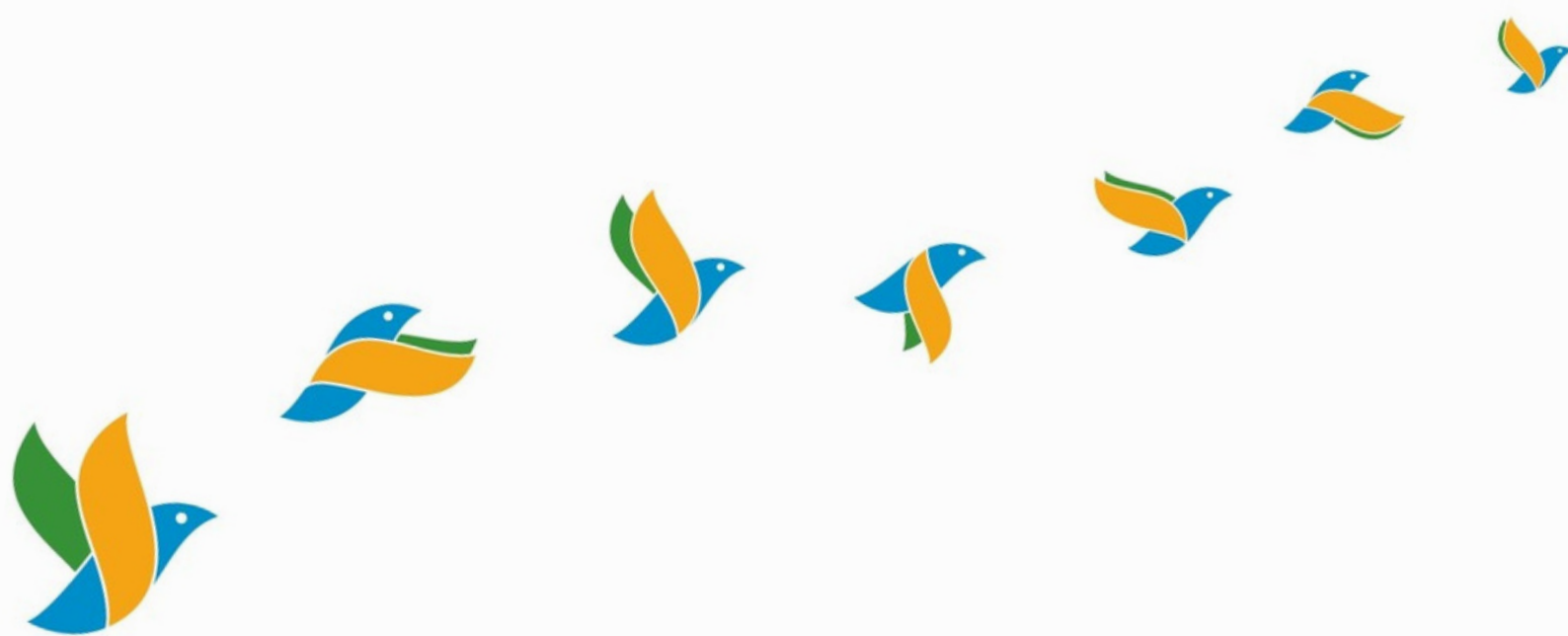
Muskan Foundation is growing by leaps and bounds. We are increasing our staff strength by creating new positions and getting in individuals with fresh perspectives to enhance our image.

New profiles created are Social Worker, HR and Resource Manager.

### **MUSKAN FOUNDATION NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT**

**Muskan Foundation needs your support to counter the impact of the pandemic on the low-income group families who have lost their source of livelihood and are struggling to support their children with multiple disabilities.**

- **You can support Special Education Program of 100 children with multiple disabilities by Sponsoring a Child's Monthly Education Program at Rs 5000 or Monthly Therapy Sponsorship at Rs 4500.**
- **You can help by Sponsoring the livelihood of below poverty line families at just Rs. 1000 per family. We provide a livelihood to 100 below poverty line families every month.**
- **You can sponsor a smartphone of a child with multiple disabilities at Rs. 5000 which will solely be dedicated for the child's special education and therapy program.**
- **You can also Sponsor Counselling session at Rs. 500 per session as these sessions provides emotional guidance to 116 parents in these difficult times.**
- **CLICK ON: <https://rzp.io/I/Vr7KhNQ>**
- **Help us to spread Muskan on our children's face. Donate Now**



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