



# REACHING NEWS

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Quarterly Newsletter January to March 2023

Greetings from all of us at RSM

We once again bring to you the Quarterly updates on the activities of the ministry.

The many activities were made possible because of the generosity of all our donors and sponsors. We expressed our gratitude to all our sponsors for the continuous support.

The quarter has been an interesting one, as we are able to start the new academic session for the school. However, we started with a challenge as we will no longer be able to provide mid day meal to the students. As per Government norms, we are no longer entitled for the Mid-day meal programme. Another interesting initiative taken during the quarter is presenting of the memorial award to deserving underprivileged students who have excelled in their academic. The award was constituted by the family of late Braja Gopal Sharma.

In the coming months, we look forward to be able to complete the following activities-Shifting the boys home to Nongrah, opening of an ODS at Laitkor, reviving the work of the Grace drop in centre for women.

Once again on behalf of all of us, we expressed our gratitude for your prayers and support . God Bless.

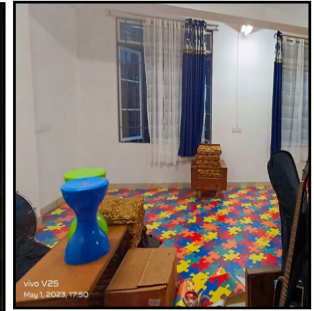
## OUR IMPACT

1. 3 Open Day Shelters: 176
2. RSM School: 155
3. Children Home for Boys: 16
4. Children Home for Girls: 11
5. 24 Hours Crisis Centre: 10
6. Swadhar Greh: 14
7. Specialised Adoption Agency: 2
8. ESP: 38

**Total: 422**

## CONSTRUCTION OF THE BOYS HOME

- **COMPLETED:** Ready to move to the Children Home Block by May 2023.
- **WORK IN PROGRESS:** Construction of the Administrative block which include the reception, Office, class rooms, Hall, counsellors' room, etc
- **AMOUNT RAISED TILL MAY 2023:** Rs 1,59,33,370
- **AMOUNT REQUIRED FOR THE SECOND PHASE:** Rs. 35,00,000/-

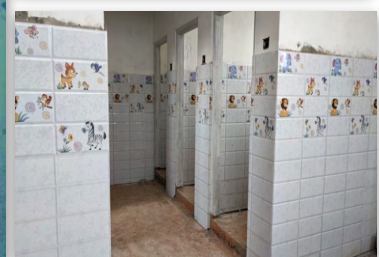
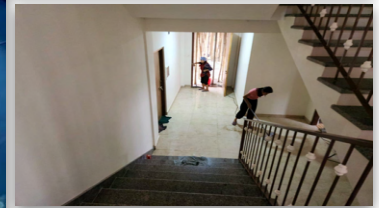




### REACH SHILLONG MINISTRIES

**AN APPEAL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE LAWEI BAPHYRNAI CHILDREN HOME FOR BOYS' NONGRAH**

WORK COMPLETED	ON GOING WORK
 	 
<p><b>HOW YOU CAN HELP US?</b> By contributing in any one of the following ways:</p>	
<p><b>1. ONE TIME:</b> This is a one-time gift with no pledge for giving frequency. Supporters may give as and when and as much as they feel led to.</p>	
<p><b>2. MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/ YEARLY:</b> The Ministries would appreciate the commitment to give regularly every month, every quarter, or once a year which the supporters would specify the amount to facilitate planning the expenses. However, supporters can withdraw their pledge after duly informing the Ministry.</p>	
<p><b>3. MEMORIAL GIFT:</b> This is an opportunity for individuals, families, and extended families to remember their loved ones by sponsoring a room or facility in the Home's building. Such sponsored room/ facility will be dedicated to the memory of such persons as desired by the sponsors and will be duly displayed. For details contact the office.</p>	
<p><b>4. MATERIAL DONATIONS:</b> Donating materials required for the construction such as bricks, cement, and many others. Donors who wish to sponsor by materials kindly contact the office for details.</p>	
<p><b>URGENTLY REQUIRED</b> TOTAL NO OF CEMENT REQUIRED: 540 BAGS TOTAL NO OF BRICKS: 8000</p> <p><small>For any other information please contact: Rev. R.D. Laloo, President, Reach Shillong Ministries 9436703760, reach.shillong.m@gmail.com</small></p>	



## EDUCATIONAL SPONSORSHIP PROGRAMME

- **Programme/Activities:**
- The first 'Braja Gopal Sharma Memorial Academic Excellence Award' was organised on the 25<sup>th</sup> March, at 24 Hours Crisis Management Centre.
- **Number of children receiving the award (Cash Prize of Rs 5000 and a certificate) – 4.**
- **Statistics:**
- **Total No. of Sponsored Children:** Boys - 23, Girls – 15 = Total- 38
- Total No. of Sponsors: 15 Appeared for SSLC examination 2023 – 4
- Appeared for HSSLC examination 2023 – 3 Promoted to class 12: 1



## OPEN DAY SHELTER IEW MAWLONG

- Pre- Republic Day Celebration on the 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2023. Total number of children – 20.
- Inter- Open Day Shelter Sports Meet 2023 was organised on the 30 & 31 Jan at Lumpyngnad Playground. Total number of children – 20.
- Winter Camp from the 20 to 24 February. Total number of children – 20.
- **Meetings/Training attended:**
- Regional Consultation on Quality Child Care and Learning at Shillong Club on the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> January 2023 organized by N.E.N and SEWA.
- Post Budget Webinar to be presided over by the Honorable Prime Minister of India on the issues of Empowerment of Women on the 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2023
- **Vocational Training:**
- Bamboo Stool. No of Children enrolled:- 5
- **Visitors:**
- Sunday School Police Line Section, Mawkhar Presbyterian Church on the 10 December 2022.
- **Statistics:** Total No. of Children: 39
- **Age Group:** 2-18 yrs.

## SWADHAR GREH- A HOME FOR DESTITUTE WOMEN

- Family counseling was conducted 2 times during the Quarter.
- Inmates are engaged in Group Session twice a week.
- Through the Vocational Training Centre - Inmates are daily engaged in Tailoring, cooking, pickle making and in Baking.
- Recreational activities twice in a week (indoor/outdoor games)
- During the quarter, legal aid has been done as and when needed.
- Republic Day Celebration on the 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2023.
- International Women's Day Programme celebrated on the 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2023.
- **Visitors:**
- Rev Dr R R Cunville and friends.
- **Statistics:**
- **No. of Sisters restored:** Women – 6. Children - 2
- **Total No. of Sisters at the Home till 31 March 2023:**
- Women – 14.
- **New Admission** - None

### UPCOMING PROGRAMME

- Opening of an Open Day Shelter at Laitkor.
- Reviving the Grace -Drop in centre for women.
- Providing School Uniform to Students.
- Shifting of the Boys Home to its New building.

### OUR NEEDS

- Mattress for the Boys Home.
- Brick and Cement for the ongoing construction work.
- Sanitary napkins.
- Weekend dinner Sponsorship for the homeless.

## OPEN DAY SHELTER MAWBLEI

- Pre- Republic Day Celebration with special guest from the Police Officials of Madanriting on the 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2023. Total number of children – 30.
- Inter - Open Day Shelter Sports Meets on the 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2023. Total number of children – 67.
- Distribution of umbrellas to the children attending centre on the 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023. Total number of children – 72.
- **Meetings/Training attended:**
- Post Budget Webinar to be presided over by the Honorable Prime Minister of India on the issues of Empowerment of Women on the 10 March, 2023.
- **Vocational Training:** Bamboo Cane – 13, Tailoring – 14
- **Statistics:**
- Total No. of Children: 72
- **Age Group:** 5-18 years
- **Inspection:** None
- **Meetings/Training attended:**
- Capacity building training at Nongmensong on the 10<sup>th</sup> October.
- **Vocational Training:** Bamboo Cane – 13, Tailoring – 14

## OPEN DAY SHELTER NONGMENSONG

- Pre - Republic Day Celebration on the 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2023. Total number of children – 62.
- Inter- Open Day Shelter Sport's Meet 2023 on the 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2023. Total number of children - 50.
- Distribution of Umbrella's to the children on the 24 March, 2023. **Total number of Children:** 65.
- Regular Home visit was conducted from the 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2023 to 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 to monitor the wellbeing of the children. Total number of families – 11.
- **Meetings/Training attended:**
- Attended the Regional Consultation on Quality Childcare organized by North East Network and Self Employed Women's Association (SEWA) from 28<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> March,
- **Statistics:**
- Total No. of Children: 65
- Age Group: 3-18 years
- **Vocational Training:** Bamboo Cane- 10 , Tailoring-10
- Two children who have dropped out from school through the intervention of the Centre have now been enrolled at the RSM school.

## LAWEI BAPHYRNAI SPECIALISED ADOPTION AGENCY

- **Statistics:** Total Number of infants as on 31 March: 2.

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## LAWEI BAPHYRNAI CHILDREN'S HOME FOR BOYS

- Participated in the inter-sports organized by the ODS, Nongmensong on the 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2023.
- Two days Educational cum outing trip to Guwahati on the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2023.
- **Birthday Celebration:** Sanlangki Nongpluh on the 18<sup>th</sup> March 2023, Wansuklang Khylllep on the 18<sup>th</sup> March 2023, Bankitlang Nongpluh on the 25<sup>th</sup> March 2023.
- **Meetings/Training attended:**
- Post Budget Webinar to be presided over by the Honorable Prime Minister of India on the issues of Empowerment of Women on the 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2023. Total number of beneficiaries – 4 Staff
- Monthly review meeting on the 16<sup>th</sup> January and 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2023.
- **Visitors: Groups** – NARi, Mawiong on the 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023, Bank of Baroda on the 25<sup>th</sup> January 2023, PMBJK NEIGHRIMS HOSPITAL on the 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2023, RDKK on the 11<sup>th</sup> March 2023.
- **Individuals** – S. K. Choudhary, Amit Kr. Sinha.
- **Statistics:**
- Total No. of Children till March, 2023: 16
- No. of children restored: NIL
- No. of new admissions: NIL
- Age Group: 4-16 years

## 24 HOURS CRISIS MANAGEMENT CENTRE

- A Trekking to Umsawli was organised on 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2023. Total number of children: 9
- Participated in the Inter-sports organized by the Open Day Shelter Nongmensong on the 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2023. Total number of children - 8
- A two days Retreat was organised at Pine Brook Centre, Umiam on the 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2023. Total number of children - 8
- Birthday celebration of Vikram Magar and Shiv Thapa on the 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2023. Total number of children – 10
- Participated in the 'Braja Gopal Sharma Memorial Academic Excellence Award' on the 25<sup>th</sup> March, 2023. Total number of children - 10
- **Meetings/Training attended:**
- Post Budget Webinar to be presided over by the Honorable Prime Minister of India on the issues of Empowerment of Women on the 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2023. Total number of beneficiaries – 4 Staff.
- **Visitors: Nil**
- **Statistics:**
- Total No. of Children: 10
- No. of children restored: NIL
- No. of new admissions: NIL
- Total No. of children till 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023: 10
- Age Group: 11-20 years

## LAWEI BAPHYRNAI FOSTER HOME FOR GIRLS

- Received food packets from Shri Yule Kharपुरi, Chateau Bakes as referred by the Office of the Deputy Commissioner, EKHD, on the 26<sup>th</sup> January, 2023.
- Participated in the singing festival organized by the Jingiaseng Khyannah Balang Presbyterian Laitumkrah on the 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2023.
- The girls during holidays were engaged in knitting.
- A Retreat at Arcadia Resort was organised on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2023.
- Attended a football match organized by the Hynniewtrep Achik National Movement at Madan lingsyiem, Myllem on the 4<sup>th</sup> February 2023.
- Attended a Birthday dinner on the invitation of a family at Jaiaw on the 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2023.
- Attended a wedding invitation at Mawklot on the 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2023.
- Two of the girls celebrated their Birthday on the 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2023.
- The girls participated in the Annual school sports meet at Dr. Homiwell Memorial Secondary School on the 27<sup>th</sup> to March, 2023.
- **Meetings/Training attended:**
- Online training on Post Budget Webinar on the issue of Empowerment of women presided over by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India on the 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2023.
- **Visitors:** Fancon Family , Feli Saiborne, C. Langbnang, R. Manju, Dr. K Sohmat & family, Kong M. Lyttan.
- **Statistics:**
- Total No. of Children till March, 2023: 11
- Age Group: 7-17 years

## RSM- SCHOOL FOR THE UNDERPRIVELEGED

- **Programmes and activities:**
- Date of Opening: 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2023
- **Activities completed:**
- Parent's meeting was conducted on the 1 March, 2023.
- A Women's Day Celebration was organised for mothers of the student in collaboration with Swadhar Greh on the 8 March. Total number women – 46.
- **Visitors:**
- Mr Aiban S Mawkhroh -16<sup>th</sup> March, 2023
- **Statistics: Total No. of Students: 155**

## MINISTRY TO THE HOMELESS

**Total no of Homeless: 25 New comers: 3 Visitors: 1**  
**Programmes:** Listening Ears, Food & Clothes Distribution, Counselling.  
Distribution of Personal use items like toothpaste, tooth brush, comb, soap .



REACH SHILLONG MINISTRIES  
**MINISTRY TO THE HOMELESS**

We meet every Friday at the basement Marba Hub, Police Bazar @8 p.m.

You can be part of the programme by:

- Donating the following
  - Clothing (Adult both Male and Female)
  - Toiletries Items (Toothbrush/ Face Towel/ Soap/ Toothpaste/ Nail Cutter/ Face cream/totion)
- Celebrate your birthday by Sponsoring a Dinner

Contact: Coordinator Homeless Ministry : 8415021105

\*Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me'. Jesus



# PHOTOS GALLERY



PARENTS MEETING



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY



DISTRIBUTION OF UMBRELLA AT NONGMENSING



VISITS - BANK OF BARODA



RETREAT AT PINE BROOK



INTER ODS SPORTS MEET



INTER ODS SPORTS MEET



GUWAHATI AND ACCOLAND TRIP



AWARD CEREMONY



RETREAT TO ACADIA RESORT



INTER ODS SPORTS MEET



PRE REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION AT BOMFYLE ROAD



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