



SKETS HOPE CENTRE



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ABOUT

Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation (the "Trust")

Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation was formed by Suresh Mittal in the name of his mother, Smt. Shanti Devi Mittal, in 2017.

The trustees include Sh. Suresh Mittal, who is the Settlor of the Trust. CA Nitin Mittal is a mentor to the Foundation and assists in various activities of the Foundation.

The organization is a registered trust and is duly approved by the Income Tax Department vide registration number CIT (EXEMPTION), DELHI/12AA/2019-20/A/10289 dated 30th August 2019. The Trust has a full-fledged centre for free vocational training and student education, apart from general public welfare activities.



SKETS Hope Centre

SKETS Hope Centre is a 100% charitable initiative dedicated to supporting underprivileged children, women, and youth by providing free education and employable skills training. Founded in 2019 with a vision to remove financial barriers to learning, the Centre operates from a 3,500-sq. ft. facility in East Delhi, with the capacity to accommodate 500+ students at a time. To date, more than 1,000 students have benefited from these free education and skill-development programs.

The Centre offers the following free programs and facilities:

- Computer Lab:- Free computer education with dedicated systems for each learner.
- Free Coaching Classes:- Daily academic support for students from Class 3rd to 10th.
- Sewing & Tailoring Centre:- Free vocational training for women to build practical livelihood skills.
- Beautician Centre:- Free beauty and makeup training for women.
- Self-Defence Training – Self-defence sessions for women and children to boost confidence and safety.



WHAT WE DO

1. Computer Education

Today, computers are used in various fields such as business, pharmacy, music, education, engineering, management, defense, and transportation, as they help ease tasks and improve overall efficiency. Our Centre promotes computer literacy and skill development in line with modern digital standards. It is equipped with modern infrastructure and also conducts awareness sessions to enhance digital understanding. The objective of our Centre is to reach out to the weaker sections of society from disadvantaged backgrounds who lack exposure to Information Technology. To ensure effective learning, computers are provided in a ratio of 10:1 (10 students per computer) for better understanding and hands-on experience. The student-teacher ratio is maintained at 15:1 to ensure proper attention is given to each student.



Our Success Stories

Alisha is a 19-year-old girl from the bylanes of the Mandawali area in East Delhi. Her father is a carpenter, and her family comprises five members. There are hardly any educational or healthcare facilities available in the slum where she lives. After living for years in these dismal surroundings that lacked basic amenities, she decided to educate herself and contacted us through one of our promotional programs. Our Centre provides remedial education to children residing in nearby slums, as well as vocational training to people, especially women and girls within the community. After completing our course, Alisha secured a typing job at a nearby company. She believes that her social and economic life has significantly improved.



Simran is an 18-year-old girl from the Mandawali area of East Delhi. Her father works in a garment shop. She belongs to a joint family comprising five members. Earlier, she had to depend on others' recommendations to secure a job, which was a tough situation for her. Determined to become independent, she began educating herself by attending our computer classes, which provide young women like her with the opportunity to gain employment in the field. She shared that after receiving computer skills training, her self-confidence has significantly increased. She has also overcome her shyness and embarrassment. She is now working as an on-the-job trainee at a computer training centre.



Ankit is an 18-year-old boy from East Delhi. His father works as a driver, and his family comprises five members. After completing school, Ankit had no clear direction or future plans and spent most of his time roaming around with friends.



One day, he came into contact with us through one of our other social initiatives. Our Centre aims to identify and bridge existing learning gaps, which have further widened due to the growing digital divide. We strive to provide affordable technological knowledge to students from low-income communities. Ankit benefited from the training at our Centre and is now working as a helper at a nearby cyber café, earning to support his future studies.



Amreen, a 20-year-old daughter of a motor mechanic from East Delhi, belongs to a family of seven members. She learned about our Centre through various sources, as our learning centre continues to provide value-based education to children from non-formal backgrounds. Here, children are not only taught various skills but, in today's tech-savvy world, are also introduced to the world of computers. With the support and training received at our Centre, Amreen is now working as a computer teacher at a private institute. The teachers at our Centre also use the platform to inculcate values, educate students about health and hygiene, good manners, and the importance of punctuality, helping them secure better job opportunities.



2. Tailoring and Stitching

People often do not consider it necessary to provide women and adolescent girls with opportunities for modern education and vocational skills in India. SKETS Hope Centre has established a dedicated facility to impart tailoring and stitching skills to women.

The Trust runs morning and evening batches of classes that help learners begin their journey into the world of sewing.

The classes are designed to help beginners comfortably start stitching clothes. There are tremendous opportunities for women to secure suitable employment in the fashion and related industries.

Additionally, this training enhances their entrepreneurial and employment

skills and empowers them to make independent decisions. The programme aims to make them self-reliant, enabling them to start small, self-sustaining businesses and improve their employability.



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Kumkum, a 22-year-old girl, comes from a slum area in East Delhi. In slum communities, girls are often treated with a discriminatory and hostile attitude. Kumkum faced opposition from those who controlled the allocation of resources within her family. She has completed her education up to Class 10 and was doing small stitching jobs at home. When asked about her aspirations, she shared that it was her desire to learn professional tailoring and secure decent employment. She joined our tailoring and stitching classes, which helped her earn a respectable income and prepare for future placement in small-scale units or to start her own self-employment venture using local resources.



Seema is a 35-year-old woman whose family members worked as labourers in the Mandawali area of East Delhi. She had studied up to Class VII. Seema felt that, in her 35 years of life under such conditions, she had not been able to earn sufficient income. During the pandemic, their financial situation worsened further. The family lived in an atmosphere of fear, stress, and uncertainty. With limited mobility and opportunities, their voices often went unheard as daily wage labourers from a low-income background.



She contacted our NGO, and with basic training and support, she began making masks from home during the pandemic. This initiative helped her earn a decent income and manage her financial challenges.

Sana, an 18-year-old girl from East Delhi, lives in a family of six members with limited sources of income. She initially found work as a housemaid but was unhappy with the job and gradually lost confidence in herself. Determined to change her circumstances, she decided to join the evening tailoring and stitching classes at our Centre. The training not only helped her develop practical skills but also restored her confidence. She is now more open, confident, and fearless. The encouraging part is that she has developed clear aspirations for herself and a better understanding of how to overcome life's obstacles. Today, she earns by doing stitching work from home. She lives with renewed hope, for herself and for her community.



Geeta, aged 32, lives with her husband in a family of five members in the Mandawali area of East Delhi. Her husband works as a stitching machine mechanic. With a large family, it was difficult to survive in a city like Delhi

with only one earning member. Concepts like social and financial empowerment were unfamiliar to her. Despite many hurdles in her path, she remained determined and motivated to move forward in life. She came to our Centre through her husband. With the help of the tailoring and stitching skills she acquired, she is now earning a good income. The economic condition of her family is gradually becoming stable.

3. Coaching classes

People living in slums often struggle with poverty and limited hope for a better tomorrow. SKETS Hope Centre runs free coaching classes for underprivileged children to support their academic growth. Currently, the Centre conducts classes from 3rd to 10th standard, benefiting more than 300 students. The teacher-student ratio is maintained at 1:20 to ensure individual attention. Under this programme, trained and experienced teachers conduct daily classes and mentor children facing difficult circumstances, including child labourers, children from extremely poor families, street and runaway children, children with rare disabilities, and those living in slum areas.

We also provide help, advice, and guidance to families so that children remain focused on their studies. Our Centre responds to students' immediate needs and addresses the challenges posed by socio-economic disparities at the community level. We follow a holistic approach to child development and have created a learning culture that encourages students to inquire, explore, solve, evaluate, and think independently.

The four core subjects taught daily for two hours are Hindi, English, Mathematics, and Science. To support their overall well-being, healthy snacks such as fruits (during summers) and gajak or groundnuts (during winters) are provided after class. Regular activities, such as painting competitions, fancy dress competitions, Republic Day and Independence Day celebrations are also organized to encourage students and boost their confidence.



4. Beauty Parlour Centre

India has a large young population, yet only a small percentage of the labour force in the age group of 20–24 years has obtained vocational skills through formal means. A majority of women in the Indian workforce do not possess marketable skills, which becomes an impediment to securing decent employment and improving their economic condition. To bridge this gap, our Trust has started a vocational skill centre to train women as beauticians. Through this initiative, the Centre is making them self-reliant, restore their dignity, and empower them. The centre is helping the enrolled women support their families and generate sustainable livelihood opportunities. The trainees are equipped with makeup, hairstyling, and mehendi skills through structured, hands-on training.



5. SKETS Hope Centre Corona Relief Efforts

SKETS Hope Centre undertook multiple campaigns with the support of its trustees to help people during the pandemic. In addition, the Centre contributed to the PM CARES Fund and made several other charitable donations. To support children in continuing their education, multiple laptops were donated to facilitate online learning. Our organisation carried out large-scale awareness and distribution programmes to combat COVID-19. During the pandemic, we distributed over 50,000 masks, health kits, and oxygen concentrators to support communities in need.



During the lockdown, when there was a severe shortage of masks, we began preparing reusable cloth masks after obtaining special permissions to operate. These masks were distributed at Delhi Government food centres, NGOs, through door-to-door campaigns, local MCD councillors, vegetable markets, weekly markets, and local police stations. It was an uphill task to arrange raw materials such as cloth, thread, and elastic due to lockdown restrictions. However, we successfully managed to procure the materials and support the community. This initiative also generated employment, as women were paid for stitching masks, providing crucial financial support at a time when daily income had become unstable during the pandemic.

संकट की घड़ी में महिलाओं को मिल रहा रोजगार

जागरण संवाददाता, पुरी दिल्ली: संकट की घड़ी में कोरोना वायरस से बचाव के लिए मास्क की मांग काफी बढ़ गई है। ऐसे में इसकी आपूर्ति में थोड़ी कमी आ गई है। आपूर्ति में कमी आने और सरकार की ओर से अब घर से बाहर निकलने पर मास्क पहनना अनिवार्य किए जाने के बाद इसकी कीमत भी बढ़ गई है। कई लोग इसे तय रेट से ज्यादा कीमत पर भी बेच रहे हैं। वहीं प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी की घर पर बना हुआ कपड़े का मास्क इस्तेमाल करने की बात भी लोगों को खूब पसंद आई है। इससे प्रेरित होकर कई समाजसेवी संस्थाओं ने महिलाओं से मास्क तैयार करने का काम शुरू कर दिया है।

- महिलाओं से मास्क तैयार करवा रही सामाजिक संस्था शान्ति देवी मित्तल फाउंडेशन
- दो से दस हजार मास्क तैयार होने के बाद होगा निर्यात किरण



SKETS Hope Centre played its part during the pandemic by distributing 2,000 bottles of hand sanitiser and free food rations to socially and economically backward sections of society. Sanitisation machines along with disinfectant chemicals were also distributed to carry out neighbourhood sanitisation drives. There were regular visits to our Centre by local NGOs, Delhi Police, media representatives, and beneficiaries seeking support, and we consistently extended help in the best possible way.

Awareness programmes related to pandemic safety were conducted through door-to-door campaigns. Daily wage labourers and thousands of others were at high risk of contracting COVID-19, with potentially serious consequences. Our team proactively educated them about preventive measures, social distancing, and safety protocols. We remained actively involved in the fight against COVID-19 by spreading awareness about disease transmission and necessary preventive measures.



6. Self-Defense Classes

SKETS Hope Centre not only focuses on the academic well-being of children but also advocates for their overall development, both mental and physical. In line with this vision, we have introduced Self-Defense classes for young girls and boys. The children are trained in martial arts such as Karate, Judo, and Kickboxing to build confidence and empower them further. This initiative also ensures that young girls feel safer and more secure.



As a result of these continued efforts, children at the Hope Centre have won several national-level championships and received accolades from state governments.



Vision & Mission

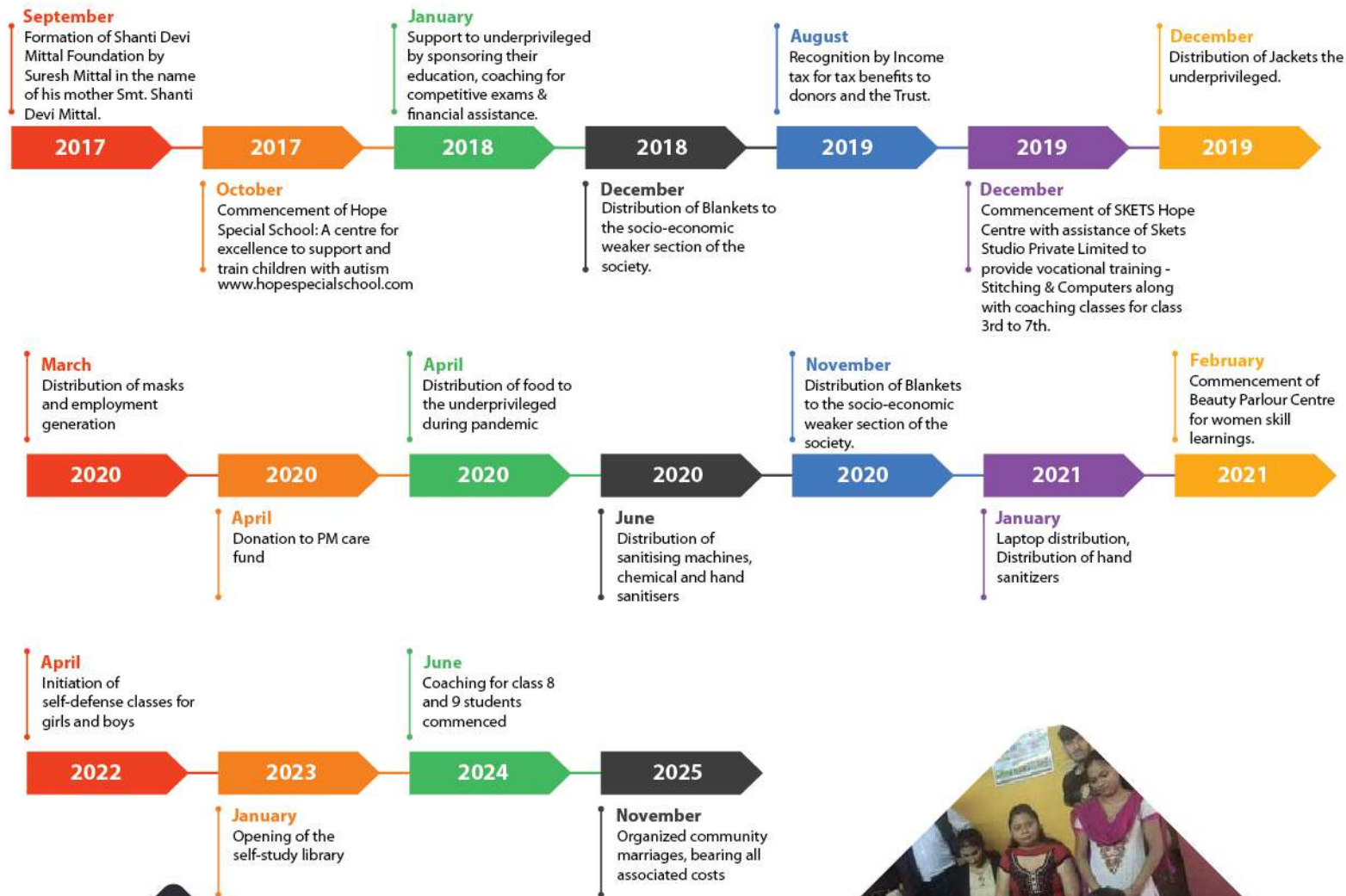
We envision a society of hope and opportunity, where the challenges faced by socio-economically weaker sections are overcome, and people live with dignity and economic security.

Our mission is to ensure the social and economic development of the underprivileged through our policies, programmes, and practices, enabling them to become self-reliant.

“We hope! We educate! We teach! We train! We support!”



Our Journey So Far



TRUSTEE AND SUPPORTERS

Suresh Mittal (Founder Trustee)

Our Founder, Shri Suresh Mittal, is an individual who, by his very nature, has always carried compassion and empathy in his heart for the underprivileged. It is because of this innate quality that he has supported various causes and people in need throughout his working life. He is a pharmacist by education, an entrepreneur and businessman by profession, and a philanthropist by heart. He is a former Director of a bank and has also headed several trade associations at the State and National levels.



Setting up this organisation was a natural progression for him, with the aim of bringing together many like-minded individuals towards a noble goal. He firmly believes in the combined strength of a group, which catalyses and multiplies the impact of individual efforts. With this vision, he founded the Shanti Devi Mittal Foundation as the Settlor of the Trust. He believes that Education and Vocational Training are the cornerstones of bringing lasting change in the lives of underprivileged youth, enabling them to become independent and Atmanirbhar.

CA Nitin Mittal (Mentor)

CA Nitin Mittal is a Chartered Accountant by profession and a law graduate by education. He has been running a thriving Chartered Accountancy firm with a sizeable team for over two decades. He has a keen interest in participating in activities that benefit society and contribute to the well-being of people beyond himself. He is also an active Mason and leads several social initiatives. He serves as a Mentor to the Foundation.

He has been instrumental in identifying the needs of the Foundation and ensuring their effective execution. He is extensively involved in fundraising activities and manages the Foundation's social media presence, along with overseeing all accounting and legal matters. His contribution to the successful execution of the Foundation's projects cannot be overstated. During the COVID-19 pandemic, when everything was under lockdown, Nitin made exemplary and selfless efforts in serving society. He took commendable initiatives such as getting cloth masks stitched and distributed, organising sanitiser distribution drives, generating employment opportunities, and conducting public awareness campaigns, along with several other relief activities.



Skets Studio Private Limited (Patron in Chief)

Ms. Nimisha Bansal, Mr. Neeraj Bansal, and Mr. Shamit Bansal are the board of directors of Skets Studio Private Limited, a leading AEC organization in Interior Design Documentation. They are kind-hearted technology professionals and committed philanthropists. They have wholeheartedly supported our belief in the importance of education and vocational training for the underprivileged and have extended financial support to our Foundation through their company's CSR fund. The SKETS team is also actively involved as volunteers, supporting various social causes such as public awareness campaigns on safety measures, distribution of masks, sanitizers, and dry rations during the COVID-19 pandemic. They encourage beneficiaries to enrol in vocational courses (stitching and computer training) and motivate students in coaching classes to make maximum use of the opportunities available, while also inspiring their families and friends to enrol. The SKETS team has proved to be a strong pillar of support for our organisation.

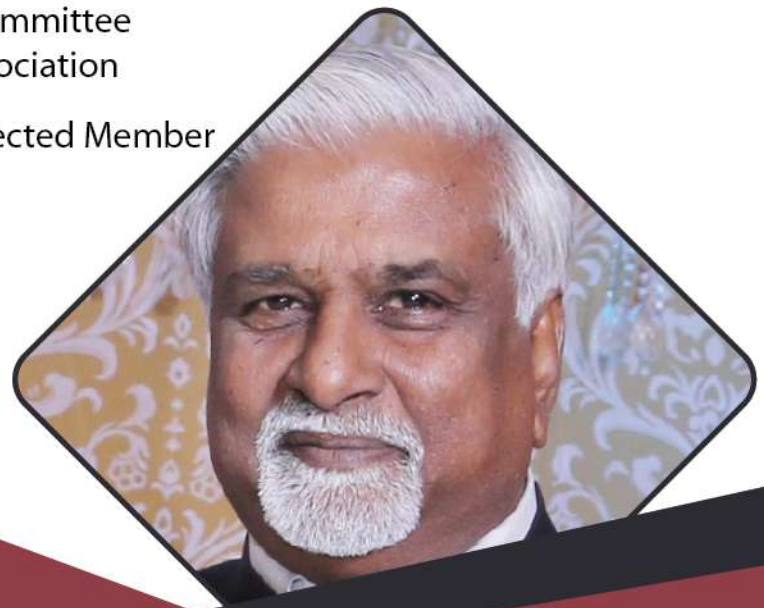


Suresh Bindal (Patron)

Shri Suresh Bindal is an important Patron of the Trust and has played a vital role in providing direction to our efforts. The Trust has benefitted immensely from his vast experience in public service and philanthropic activities. His constant guidance and encouragement, along with his support in overcoming various challenges during the execution of our projects, have played a pivotal role in our success so far. He is a well-known personality in East Delhi due to his affiliation with and active participation in various organisations. He holds the following august offices:

- National Vice President - Sanskar Bharti
- Founder - Indraprastha Aggarwal Samaj
- President - Indraprastha Societies Mahasangh
- General Secretary - Ipex Bhawan
- President - Indraprastha Ramlila Committee
- Past President - National Mercantile Association

He is also a prestigious Agraranta Awardee and Elected Member of Delhi Sehkari Awas Vit Nigam Limited.



An Appeal

It all began with Hope Special School in 2017, established to educate and support children affected by autism and other developmental challenges. Parents of special children have many dreams and aspirations for their child's future and wish to provide them with everything necessary during childhood. However, due to limited resources, they are sometimes unable to provide the required facilities and support. SKETS Hope Centre was founded in 2019 with a vision to impart knowledge, education, and vocational skills to the underprivileged sections of society. Our goal is to remove financial barriers and provide free education to children, while ensuring that women receive skill-based training to become self-reliant.

During the COVID-19 crisis in 2020, our Centre supported communities by providing food, hand sanitizers, blankets, jackets, and masks, while also generating employment opportunities for women. We have now relocated to a larger and improved 3,500-square-foot facility that accommodates coaching classes for students as well as vocational courses in computers, stitching, self-defense, and beautician training. We also plan to introduce additional vocational programmes such as dhoop/agarbatti making and candle making in the near future. Our Centre needs your continued support to keep these initiatives operational. Any contribution, small or large, will go a long way in ensuring that we can reach every person in need and distress. We humbly request you to donate and support our noble cause.

You are most welcome to visit the Centre and see the impact firsthand. We eagerly look forward to your positive response. Donations are eligible for tax exemption under Section 80G of the Income Tax Act.

We thank you in advance for your generous support.

You can make donations as follows:

1. Make an online donation : <https://eazypay.icicibank.com/eazypayLink?P1=AYTtQYEmobcEJV8iheQJzQ==>
2. Call us @ 98101 47514
3. Email to shantidmittalfoundation@gmail.com
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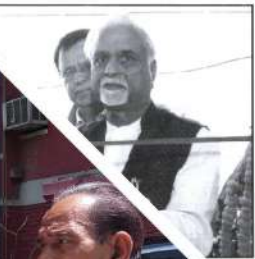




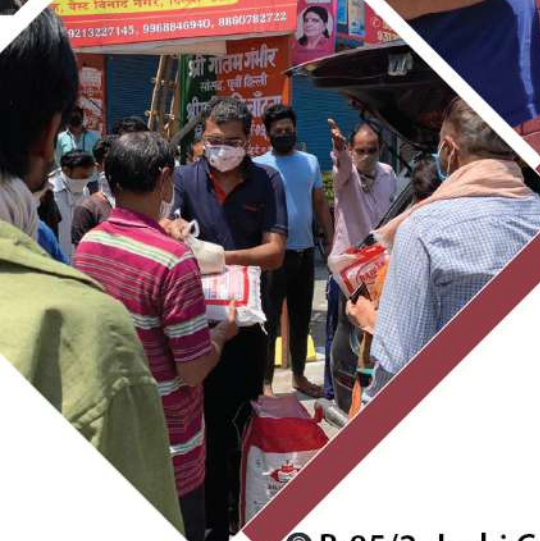
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सद्व्यवहान समारोह की अध्यक्षता श्री नीरज बंसल, एम. डी., स्टूडियो ने की। इस अवसर पर पूर्व उपमहापौर श्री महेंद्र सिंह शशि चांदना, गीता रावल, अपर्णा गोयल, पूर्व सिंह, मंजू गुप्ता, समाज सेवी बलदेव गुप्ता, आ संचालन प्रमोद अग्रवाल ने किया।



निर्माण किया गया है बच्चों के बैठने गए हैं। दो शिपट में बच्चों को लिए प्रशिक्षित शिक्षकों को शांति देवी मित्तल फाउंडेशन विशेष बच्चों व उनकी मुख्य अतिथि प्रोजेक्ट को बसल का है।



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