

# ANNUAL REPORT 2012-13



*"According to our thoughts,  
we can transform each  
anganwadi into a clean and  
beautiful temple with basic  
amenities at a minimum cost.  
There are two benefits of  
this idea: the children get a  
nurturing environment and  
the children's family and  
community get indirect  
inspiration and guidance."*

Jayesh Patel,  
founder Manav Sadhna





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# The Anganwadi Project



The Anganwadi Project is a grassroots project in Gujarat India. It was founded in Australia in 2007 by Jodie Fried of Bholu Pty. Ltd and Jane Rothschild, a Director of Architects Without Frontiers.

The project aims to rebuild and renovate 'anganwadi' (pre-schools) in the slum areas of Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India. The anganwadis currently consist of crude one room galvanised or brick lean-to's, which have little or no ventilation and light.

The Anganwadi Project recruits trained design professionals who volunteer their time and expertise to design, build and oversee the project in India. The project delivers not only buildings but also skills training to local builders and labourers.

The project trains Australian design professionals how to work collaboratively with other cultural communities and deliver low cost, and sustainable structures. The anganwadis are constructed by local labourers and use largely recycled materials.

The Anganwadi Project is a partnership with local Indian NGO Manav Sadhna (who are based in Mahatma Gandhi's Ashram) and who carry out the principles of Gandhi's work.

Since The Anganwadi Project commenced in 2007, 12 anganwadis (or pre-schools) have been built with the help of 19 volunteer architects from Australia, giving the community, particularly children, women and young girls, a space for their education needs. Simple, beautiful child friendly designs have been built in collaboration with the local communities.

Recent schools have included a permaculture vegetable garden, a street school, women's health centre and girl's empowerment classes.







## President's Message

Our 2012-13 season was one of consolidation. We decided to not take on any new constructions in order to consolidate our future season plans, fundraise and review the past season's builds.

We made great headway connecting with Inspired Adventures to create an exciting adventure, in which participants get to experience the 'road less travelled' in the Gujarat desert, get some hands on experience working on our anganwadi, all after having fund-raised to help us prepare for the 2014/15 building season.

We pre-empt that our upcoming 2013-14 season will be an exciting one with the build and design of Bholu 13 improving yet another community and the lives of young children and their families. We will also focus on continued fundraising campaigns, as well as repairs and restorations of the existing anganwadis.

Over \$33,000 was raised by our volunteers and donors for the 2012-13 season, whom we would like to thank. Without this support, this project would not be possible. Our primary sponsors include Armadillo&Co, ISL School, France and Total Balance. We would also like to thank our volunteers, the local communities both in India and Australia and our board members for their expertise, commitment and guidance to the project.

*Jodie Fried  
President*







# The Year in Review



No new construction was made during our 2012-13 season.

Two of our board members Jane Rothschild and Jane Johnson and their families volunteered on the project and gave Bholu 9 a fresh coat of paint.

Jane Rothschild also spent time with Manav Sadhna reviewing the previous season's builds as well as a meeting with the Anganwadi teachers to provide feedback on the schools and how we can help improve our contribution to them.

As an organisation we planned our future fundraising missions and plans for the coming seasons.



# The Anganwadi Project Board Members



Jodie Fried  
President



Jane Rothschild  
Vice-President



Warren Seeto  
Treasurer



Jane Johnson  
Architectural Advisor



Anne Skipper AOM  
Board Member/ Governance



Alice Skipper  
Secretary/ Legal Advisor

# Project Report 2012-13

BHOLU 9 - Repairs & Restoration

LOCATION Tekra Slums, Ahmedabad

REPAIRS/RESTORATION January 2013

VOLUNTEERS Jane Johnson & Family, Jane Rothschild, Komal Gopwani -CEPT Masters in Architecture student and volunteer, Benjamin Dickson- volunteer





# Bholu 9



## Volunteer Report

Ever since I first heard about the wonderful work Jodie and Jane were doing in Ahmedabad, and especially since they asked me to become a TAP Board member a few years ago, I have been keen to visit the project. As an architectural advisor to the Board, I felt it was very important for me to meet the people at Manav Sadhna, meet the people in the slum communities, and see first hand the beautiful Bholu being built.

In January 2013 I took my husband and 2 daughters, then aged 11 & 13 to Ahmedabad to do just that. When I told our daughters that we were going to India and we were going to visit the slums in Ahmedabad, they were understandably reticent as the word 'slum' conjures up images of such poverty and can be distressing for people who have spent their whole lives in a middle class society.

The experience itself, however, whilst confronting, was reassuring in a way, as it taught us that the people living in these conditions are still getting on with their lives, and often with a smile on their face. We saw first hand the resilience of the human spirit. The slum dwellers have no running water or sewerage to their homes, their meals are incredibly basic, if in fact they have enough money in their hand to feed themselves at all on a particular day, and their shelters are minimal and generally very dark as windows are a luxury they cannot afford.

Can you imagine the thrill little children who attend one of TAP's pre-schools get when they arrive? Here they have a beautifully designed, light and airy space with a courtyard or garden, and they can count on being served a decent meal, and lots of tender loving care being provided by the teachers.

Jane Johnson  
Board Member/ Volunteer





# Project Report 2012-13

## Meeting with Anganwadi Teachers







Meeting with Neeta Jadev, MS Anganwadi Coordinator, and the 12 Bholu Anganwadi Teachers  
January 2013 Manav Sadhna

In January 2012, I spent two weeks in Ahmedabad with Manav Sadhna on the The Anganwadi Project, (and was accompanied by my medical student son, Benjamin Dickson, who volunteered both with TAP painting Bholu 8 and with MS in their medical clinics)

During my time at MS, I was able to meet with all the 12 wonderful TAP anganwadi teachers and Neeta Jadev, the MS Anganwadi Coordinator. This meeting was the first time we have all been able to gather all the teachers together and share their experiences in the TAP schools.

The anganwadi teachers play such an important role in the slum communities, both nurturing and teaching the children but also acting as a liaison for MS visiting the children's families and looking after their health and well-being. The teacher's dedication to their work and their love and care for the children was truly inspiring.

The teachers discussed issues ranging from maintenance difficulties, security for the schools, storage issues, and design ideas for how to make the TAP schools even better in the future. We also shared a lot of laughter.

The teachers' feedback and perspective is a critical part TAP ; by understanding their challenges, we can understand, what works and what doesn't. This information is critical for the success of the project, and for present and future TAP volunteers to improve the designs for the teachers and children alike.

Jane Rothschild

# The Anganwadi Project

## Financials 2012-13

### THE ANGANWADI PROJECT INCORPORATED ABN 12 314 134 057

#### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2013

	Note	2013 \$	2012 \$
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	2	11,729.57	6,781.07
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>11,729.57</b>	<b>6,781.07</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>11,729.57</b>	<b>6,781.07</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Trade and Other Payables	3	-	5,010.00
Borrowings	4	2,856.00	61.91
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>2,856.00</b>	<b>5,071.91</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>2,856.00</b>	<b>5,071.91</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>8,873.57</b>	<b>1,709.16</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Retained earnings	5	8,873.57	1,709.16
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<b>8,873.57</b>	<b>1,709.16</b>



**THE ANGANWADI PROJECT INCORPORATED**  
**ABN 12 314 134 057**

**PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013**

	2013 \$	2012 \$
<b>SALES</b>		
Donation - General	2,661.80	4,636.32
Donation - Periodic	7,583.71	1,743.97
Donation - Volunteer Fundraising	2,623.61	7,183.21
Donation - Grant	-	5,000.00
Association Membership	175.00	420.00
Volunteer Insurance	-	1,440.00
Donation - India	21,700.67	-
	<u>34,744.79</u>	<u>20,423.50</u>
<b>LESS: COST OF GOODS SOLD</b>		
Project - Bholu11	10,179.33	10,500.95
Project - Bholu12	6,638.94	5,840.15
Project - Repairs and Maintenance	3,344.70	7,690.58
Project - Bholu 10	4,331.79	-
	<u>24,494.76</u>	<u>24,031.68</u>
<b>GROSS PROFIT (LOSS) FROM TRADING</b>	<u>10,250.03</u>	<u>(3,608.18)</u>
<b>OTHER INCOME</b>		
Interest Received	21.83	33.15
	<u>10,271.86</u>	<u>(3,575.03)</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Bank Charges	0.50	89.18
Insurance - Liability	1,586.75	1,586.75
Insurance - General Liability	1,266.65	1,266.65
Insurance - Corporate Travel	-	2,925.10
Travelling Expenses	-	117.45
Web Hosting	253.55	54.08
	<u>3,107.45</u>	<u>6,038.21</u>
<b>Profit (Loss) before income tax</b>	<u>7,164.41</u>	<u>(9,613.24)</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.  
These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation  
report of Clarity CA Pty Limited.

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## Treasurer's Summary

The results for the year saw an improvement with surplus funds from operations for 2013 coming in at \$7,164 (2012 (\$9,613)). The main improvement came from a donation of \$21,700, and it is anticipated that this new stream of funds can be established to ensure a more secure source of working capital. Expenditure on projects remained relatively constant at \$24,494 (2012 \$24,031). The surplus funds for the year, will enable the rebuilding of the working capital used up in 2012.

The development of working capital to fund future projects remains a challenge, and continual fundraising efforts should remain a key priority and focus for the Association.

The Association is heading in the right direction.

Well done for 2013!

*Warren Seeto*  
*Treasurer*





# Looking to the future



Our aim and plan for the next season is to build more preschools in order to create brighter futures.

In 2013-14 we will be designing a new anganwadi – Bholu 13. In addition to the new building, we will be doing maintenance to some of the earlier Bholu, to demonstrate our commitment to the long-term sustainability of these structures and the communities in which they are sited.

We urgently need monthly sponsorships. The Anganwadi Project's sustainability solely relies on donations from individuals and companies for funding. Our volunteers pay their own way and give their time to the project free of charge.

Do you want to join them with a small or generous donation? We thank you!

