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Season's Greetings to All MESCO Newsletter Readers!

As we bid farewell to 2024, we reflect on an exceptional year at MESCO. Together, we've accomplished extraordinary things, and it's all thanks to your steady support. You are an integral part of the MESCO family, and we deeply appreciate your contributions to helping us make a meaningful impact on Society.

We welcome the New Year and wish you joy, success, and prosperity. Let's continue to make a difference together in 2025!

In this edition of our newsletter, we'll take you through the highlights and achievements of the past quarter. So, without further ado, let's dive in!

As part of the Charity Fest, MESCO and MESCO Education Society organized a Career Talk at Crescent English High School on 5th October 2024, engaging around 450 students from the Kausa Mumbra area.

Our Medical team organized a Breast Cancer Awareness talk by Dr. Almas Khan, and a Free Medical Check-Up Camp on 6th October 2024 under Charity Fest in Collaboration with Anjuman- I-Islam Saif Tyabji High School at the Anjuman School, Mumbai Central. Another Free Medical Check-up Camp was held at the Medical Aid Dispensary and Umair Khoekar Memorial Physiotherapy Centre in Mumbra. The medical camp was attended by 1022 patients.

To foster growth and empowerment among students, our Education team organized a residential Personality Development Camp for EAS & HCES graduating Girls & Boys in the month of December 2024.

On 29th October 2024, our Relief of Poverty department distributed 20 sewing machines to beneficiaries at Nadiadwala Villa, Versova. The event was graced by Ms. Warda Sajid Nadiadwala.

Under our School Adoption Program (SAP), the SAP team hosted the D.El.Ed. and SSC Felicitation Program on 9th October 2024 at R.C. Mahim Municipal Urdu School to motivate and appreciate the efforts of the students. In addition, to celebrate and preserve the essence of the Urdu language, an Urdu Day program was organized on 7th December 2024 at the same school.

To keep the donors informed and maintain transparency with our donors and well-wishers, the Donor's Milaap Program was organized on 10th November 2024 at Tendulkar Hall, Matunga, and on 24th November 2024 at Saraswati Mandir School Hall, Mahim.

To conclude the editorial, we are thrilled to share that on 16th December 2024, our sister concern, MESCO Education Society, was honored by Maharashtra Knowledge Corporation Limited at the regional meet for its outstanding performance in MS-CIT admissions under the School Students category.

Thanks to our donors, well-wishers, and volunteers for your support

Warm Regards,
MESCO

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As the holy month of Ramzan approaches, let us come together, as always, to fulfill our obligation of Zakat and bring hope to those in need. Your kindness can provide food, education, and medical care to the most vulnerable.

May your generosity be abundantly rewarded.

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EDUCATION

- Ms. Humera Shaikh conducted a session on 1st October 2024 on "Factors Affecting Child Development: Heredity and Environment" for ECCEd trainees at Crescent English High School and Junior College, Kausa, Mumbra.
- A "Career Talk" was organized at Crescent English High School, Kausa Mumbra, on Saturday, 5th October 2024, for the students of the Mumbra area. There were around 450 students who participated in the same.
- The educational program "How to Prepare for Examination and Documentation" was organized on Sunday, 27th October 2024, at Tendulkar Hall, Matunga, with around 230 participants.
- Aptitude test was conducted by Education Counsellor for EAS students residing at Mumbra and Thane area on Tuesday, 29th October 2024, at Radiant English School, Kausa.
- Aptitude test was conducted by Education Counsellor for EAS students on Tuesday, 5th November 2024, at Anjuman-I-Islam Girls High School, Bandra.
- Ms. Shabana Khan conducted a workshop on "Importance of Curriculum Planning" for ECCEd Batch at Radiant English School, Mumbra on 18th November 2024
- The Donor's Milaap Program was organized on Sunday, 10th November and 24th November 2024 at Tendulkar Hall, Matunga, and Saraswati Mandir School Hall, Mahim, respectively. Total of **41** donors attended and met **138** sponsored students on both the events.



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QUARTER FULL OF ACTIVITIES

- Training for competitive examination has been started by MESCO at Sayeed House, every Saturday from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- A residential Personality Development Camp was organized for EAS & HCES graduating girls from Sunday, 8th December 2024, to Tuesday, 10th December 2024, at the F.I.A.M.C. Bio-Medical Ethics Centre, Goregaon, and for graduating Boys from Tuesday, 31st December 2024, to Thursday, 2nd January 2025, at the Yusuf Meherally Centre, Panvel.



- On 6th October 2024, MESCO (under Charity Fest) in collaboration with Anjum-I-Islam organized a free medical check-up camp at Anjuman-I-Islam Saif Tyabji High School at the Anjuman School, Mumbai Central. A breast cancer awareness talk was conducted by Dr. Almas Khan focussing on educating people about the importance of early detection, prevention, and awareness regarding breast cancer.



- A total of **876** patients were benefitted from the services provided by the camp.

The camp provided a wide range of medical services, including basic health check-ups, blood sugar tests, dental, orthopedic, pediatric, gynecological, and ENT consultations, and dermatological consultations.

Overall, the event was a tremendous success, providing invaluable support and awareness to all participants. The collaboration between MESCO and Anjuman-I-Islam School showcased a commitment to community health and well-being.

SUCCESS STORY

Naveed Shahalam

Naveed's journey to success is truly inspiring. Coming from a humble background, he joined MESCO's Education Adoption Scheme (EAS) after completing his SSC. At the time, his father was a taxi driver, his mother a homemaker, and his younger brother still in school. Despite financial struggles, Naveed excelled in academics, completing his HSC in Commerce with distinction. However, life took an unexpected turn when he lost his father during the COVID-19 pandemic. Undeterred, Naveed persevered and earned his Bachelor's in Management Studies from Mulund College of Commerce and an MBA from Vivekanand Business School.



MESCO stood by him through thick and thin, supporting him from junior college to the completion of his MBA. Naveed began his professional journey as an Analyst at Nomura, where he worked for three years, and is now a Senior Associate at Morgan Stanley. Reflecting on his journey, Naveed says, "MESCO has been a guiding light and constant source of inspiration during my toughest times." Today, by the grace of Almighty, he is financially and emotionally stable, supports his family, and looks forward to a bright future.

GRATITUDE STORY

A Second Chance- Gausiya's battle with Renal failure and MESCO's Lifeline

A 26-year-old Gausiya had dreams of a joyful wedding, but life took an unexpected turn when she was diagnosed with renal failure just before her marriage. Her health deteriorated rapidly, forcing her to cancel the wedding. Gausiya's family of six was already struggling. Her father, once the family's strength, was bedridden due to a stroke. With two younger siblings in college, the financial burden fell on her elder brother, a private driver who earned just Rs. 18,000 a month. Along with household expenses, the growing medical costs of both Gausiya and her father seemed impossible. But thanks to MESCO, Gausiya received financial support for her regular dialysis, which helped her stay on track with her treatment. Without this support, she would often miss her dialysis sessions, worsening her condition. Now, with MESCO's aid, Gausiya's health has stabilized, and she is grateful for the life-saving support from MESCO.

MEDICAL

- During the quarter, the Medical department provided medical assistance to beneficiaries as under :
 - ▶ **230** Beneficiaries under the LSMA scheme for high-cost treatments and surgeries in govt. hospitals.
 - ▶ **46** patients under MA scheme were provided with monthly medicines.
 - ▶ **65** patients received assistance for minor surgeries and diagnostic tests.
 - ▶ **92** dialysis patients were assisted with their Dialysis expenses.

CLINICS

- In the last quarter, the Medical-Aid Dispensary in Mumbra, Amrut Nagar, provided primary medical care to **3984** patients.

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In addition, the Umair Khopekar Memorial Physiotherapy Centre provided physiotherapy services to **508** patients.

- On 17th November 2024, a Free Check-up Camp was held at the Medical Aid Dispensary and Umair Khopekar Memorial Physiotherapy Centre in Amrut Nagar, Mumbra. The camp offered FREE Thyroid (TSH) test, Bone Mineral Density (BMD) test, Random Blood Sugar (RBS) test, and Physiotherapy check-up. A total of **146** patients participated in the camp, comprising **20** men and **126** women.

We sincerely thank our donors and well-wishers for their unwavering support.

RELIEF OF POVERTY (ROP)

SEWING MACHINE DISTRIBUTION

The sewing machine distribution initiative has been a cornerstone of our efforts to empower individuals and families through skill development and economic support. This quarter, **255** beneficiaries were registered, out of which **75** were selected through a transparent lottery process.

- On 13th October 2024, at Bandra Boys Urdu School, **34** sewing machines were distributed. This event was graced by Ms. Rehana Dawood Vohra, donor and well-wisher; Dr. Afshan Laheji (president of IDA); and our esteemed MESCO trustees.

- **20** sewing machines were distributed on 29th October 2024, at Nadiadwala Villa, Versova. The event was attended by Ms. Warda Sajid Nadiadwala, Mr. Javed Khan, Ms. Arie Shaikh, and MESCO trustees.



These events were not just about distribution but also about celebrating the resilience and courage of the beneficiaries, who shared their challenges and expressed heartfelt gratitude to all donors.

RATION SUPPORT SCHEME

- The Ration Support Scheme continues to be a lifeline for many families facing economic hardship. This quarter, we continued to provide dry rations to individuals across **10** different areas, including the elderly residents of Kaynaat Old Age Home in Uttan.
- A total of **451** beneficiaries were supported, ensuring they had access to essential resources during these challenging times.

DISASTER RELIEF

Following the tragic BEST bus accident at Kurla Station, we have begun monthly ration support for two affected families one from Bandra and another from Ghatkopar starting January 2025. This initiative aims to provide essential food supplies and relief during their challenging times.

SCHOOL ADOPTION

- Students from IX and X standards performed a street play on the theme of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, along with speeches, songs, and other activities on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti at R.C. Mahim School.



- The D.El.Ed and SSC Felicitation Program was celebrated on 9th October 2024 at R.C. Mahim School hall. The chief guest for the event was Advocate Shafiq Kazi.
- Medals, college bags, certificates, and prizes were awarded to students who scored 70% and above in the D.El.Ed and SSC Board examinations.
- On 22nd October 2024, a parents' meeting was conducted at 10:00 a.m. for IX and X standard students at R.C. Mahim school hall.
- On 14th November 2024, Children's Day was celebrated with great zeal along with the IX and X standard students at R.C. Mahim School.
- A writing competition was conducted on 3rd December 2024 for IV standard students of the Extra Coaching Class in the subjects of Urdu and English at R.C. Mahim School.

MES, CRESCENT ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL

- On 1st, 3rd & 4th October 2024, an Eye Check-up Camp at MES' Crescent English High School & Jr. College was organized by the Giant Welfare Foundation. The camp served **1556** students and **50** staff members. Spectacles were provided at minimal rates to those in need.
- From 2nd February 2024 to 7th October 2024, a Free Dental Check-up Camp was held during Charity Fest. Thanks to Dr. Afshan Laheji and a dedicated team, around 90 beneficiaries received oral health services. Students also collected old clothes, newspapers, and scrap material throughout the week.
- On 10th October 2024, an online workshop on foundational literacy and phonics was conducted by Dr. Rajani Rao (Director, GFECER) and attended by four teachers from MES. The school also commemorated World Mental Health Day with a Poster-Making Competition for grades 6-10 and a mental health awareness session led by School Counsellor, Ms. Sadiya Qureshi.
- From 13th to 23rd October 2024, a 10-day CPD program by Edfam International Academy-UAE was led by Dr. Haleema Sadia for Principals and Teachers.

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- On 16th November 2024, Ms. Ansari Shehnaaz, assistant teacher, Primary Section conducted a CPD session for all teachers. On the same day, Aditya Birla organized a session on active teaching-learning strategies by Dr. Pooja Benjamin for Primary and Secondary teachers.


MES, RADIANT ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL & JR. COLLEGE

- On 2nd October 2024, a Blood Donation Camp at Radiant English High School & Jr. College collected 69 units of blood from 92 donors during Charity Fest. 
- On 5th October 2024, Crescent English High School hosted a Career Guidance Lecture featuring Mr. Mangesh Mohan, Mr. Shaikh Najmuddin, and Mr. Sandesh Lalde, attended by 105 students.
- On 15th October 2024, Vachan Prerna Divas was celebrated in honor of Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam's birthday.
- The Little Artistic Competition 2024 saw students from Radiant English High School excel:
 - ◆ Shaikh Umaiza Sarfaraz (1st, Category A).
 - ◆ Khan Aaliya Mohd. Azim (2nd, Category C).
- On 14th November 2024, Children's Day was celebrated with a "No Bag" theme, fun activities, and refreshments.
- Radiant students shone at the Interschool Deeniyyat Elocution Competition on 5th December 2024 with winners in various categories.

MES, ANGELS' PARADISE NURSERY SCHOOLS

- On 4th October 2024, Animals Day was celebrated in all nursery schools. Students dressed as animals participated in ramp walks and dramatizations of the bus song, creating a fun-filled atmosphere.
- On 24th October 2024, observation checking of students was conducted at Nursery School Dharavi.
- On 14th November 2024, Children's Day was celebrated with an art activity, Greeting Cards: Best Out of Waste. Students and their mothers worked together to create cards, fostering creativity and bonding.
- On 21st November 2024, a field trip was organized to make learning more practical. Visits to the railway station, bus depot, vegetable market, and fish market helped children experience real-world learning.
- On 19th December 2024, the winter season was celebrated with themed activities, songs, and games in all nursery schools.

MES, VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE

- On 16th December 2024, MESCO Education Society was honored by Maharashtra Knowledge Corporation Limited (MKCL) for excellent performance in the MS-CIT for School Students Category. 231 students were enrolled in 2024. 

HOW YOU CAN HELP US

- **INR 700/- Single Dialysis** cost for Kidney Failure patient.
- **INR 50,000/-** Sponsor a Dialysis patient for their 6 months dialysis cost (**6 months dialysis support scheme**).
- **INR 15,000/-** Enables us to support a patient for their diagnostic tests and monthly medicines for their chronic illness. (**MA**).
- **INR 30,000/-** Enables us to support a patient for their life saving high cost surgeries and treatments. (**LSMA**).
- **INR 8,000/-** a year will cover a child's School/College fees Educational Aid (**EA**).
- **INR 9,000/-** enable us to provide a **Sewing Machine** to a destitute women in order to make her self reliant.
- **INR 28,000/-** provides **dry Ration** to widow and her family for a whole year.
- **INR 25,000/-** per year helps a meritorious child to continue his/her education under Education Adoption Scheme (**EAS**).
- **INR 60,000/-** a year ensures professional education for a meritorious student under High Cost Education Scholarship (**HCES**).
- **INR 6,000/-** a year to sponsor a **Nursery Child**.
- **INR 1,60,000/-** a year, would sponsor a **Nursery School** in a poor locality.

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