

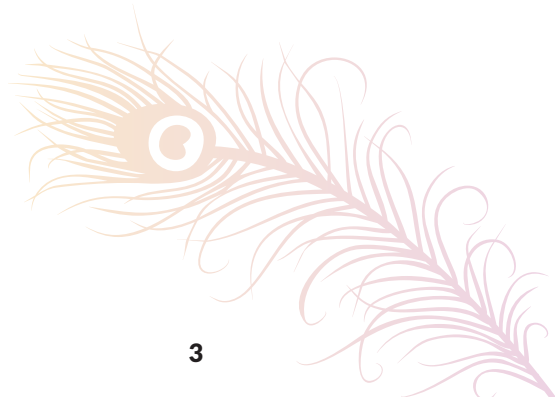




**Saraswati Maa,**  
goddess of knowledge, music, arts, wisdom, and learning

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# IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS 2025

## Education & Outreach

Reached over 50,000 children and teachers / across 194 schools /  
delivering 239 assemblies and workshops  
20 school visits to the Mandir  
Sanskrit and Hindi classes

## Community Seva

200+ Meals Monthly  
Homeless Outreach  
4 sessions of Dementia Café  
Wellbeing Activities  
Retreat for health to Atmaneem, Rajkot

## Spiritual Life

30+ Major Festivals Celebrated  
5 Weekly Satsangs  
Navratri (10 Nights)  
3 Murti Installations  
4 spiritual tours in Bharat and Tibet  
Annual spiritual trip to Skanda Vale, Wales

## Global Charitable Work

300+ Girls Supported (GIVE)  
50+ Children Supported (DIVE)  
Sri Lanka Relief  
Braja Water Pump Project

## Digital Learning

163 Online Satsangs  
Scripture Study Series  
Growing YouTube Lecture recordings

*Sharing the values of Sanatan Dharma  
through Education, Devotion, and Selfless Service*

# TRUSTEE'S REPORT FOR 2025

## Introduction:

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I am pleased to present the Trustees' Report of the London Institute of Vedic Education (LIVE) for the year ended 31 December 2025.

The year reflects continued growth, strong community engagement, and meaningful impact across the UK and internationally, in line with our mission to serve Sanatan Dharma through education, devotion, and selfless service.

## Mission

LIVE, together with its affiliated organisations (GIVE and DIVE), advances Sanatan Dharma through education, community engagement, and charitable service, promoting inclusivity, unity, and shared values.

## Activities and Achievements

### Mandir and Community

The Coulsdon Mandir remained a vibrant centre for worship and community life, hosting regular spiritual programmes and major festivals including Holi, Janmashtami, Diwali, and Rath Yatra. Participation continued to grow, reflecting an inclusive and welcoming environment.

### Education and Outreach

Educational outreach expanded through school visits, assemblies, and workshops, reaching thousands of students across South London. Mandir visits further supported cultural understanding and interfaith dialogue.

### Charitable Activities

LIVE delivered impactful charitable initiatives across multiple regions:

- Support for UK food banks
- Education for over 300 girls in India
- Sponsorship of children through DIVE
- Progress on rural water projects
- Ongoing welfare initiatives in Sri Lanka

These efforts combine immediate relief with long-term community development.

### Spiritual Yatras

Pilgrimages to sacred destinations including Kailash, Lake Mansarovar, Vrindavan, Kumbh Mela, Skanda Vale and seven Jyotirlingas strengthened spiritual connection and community bonds.

## Financial Position

The Trustees are satisfied that LIVE remains financially stable and well-managed. Financial oversight continues to ensure transparency and responsible use of funds. A detailed financial summary, including income, expenditure, and surplus, is included on pages 42 to 44 in this Annual Report.

## Governance

The Trustees confirm compliance with all legal and regulatory requirements. The Board continues to provide effective governance and strategic direction.

## Looking Ahead

In 2026, LIVE will focus on:

- Expanding Mandir and community programmes
- Strengthening educational outreach
- Increasing fundraising and sustainability
- Deepening engagement with supporters

## Acknowledgements

We extend our sincere gratitude to all trustees, volunteers, donors, and supporters.

We also thank Ashwin Soni for his past leadership and lasting contribution to the organisation's development.

LIVE continues to grow through collective effort, and we look ahead with confidence.

Nabhinandan Das

On behalf of the Board of Trustees  
20 March 2026

## New trustees



Dipti Mohanty is actively engaged in community service and public life in the United Kingdom. She serves as a Director of the Odisha Society

of UK, where she leads initiatives focused on supporting girls' education in underprivileged communities and promoting the construction of sanitation facilities in tribal regions of Odisha.

In recognition of her impactful community work and her efforts to highlight the contributions of Odia NRIs in the UK, she was invited by the Ministry of External Affairs to share these achievements. She also played a key role in organising a prestigious convention at the House of Lords on India's maritime history, attended by members of the royal family and other distinguished dignitaries.

Professionally, Dipti has worked with Croydon Council for the past 17 years as a consultant. She specialises in Early Years education, quality assurance, safeguarding, and special educational needs.





Bhavesh Jhaveri, aged 47, was born in Nagpur, Maharashtra, India. He holds an MBA in Finance from the University of Wales, Cardiff.

Mr. Jhaveri has played first-class cricket in India, competing in the Ranji Trophy, and has captained Vidarbha's Under-16 and Under-19 teams.

In addition to his sporting achievements, Mr. Jhaveri has owned and operated multiple businesses in London. He has also been actively involved in organising festivals for LIVE, contributing to large-scale cultural and community events.



### LIVE TRUSTEES' DETAILS

Nabhinandan Das  
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Kanu Priya  
Rajiv Dama  
Ghanashyam Master  
Ian Lynch  
Dipti Mohanty  
Bhavesh Jhaveri



### GIVE TRUSTEES' DETAILS

Trikalajna Das  
Nabhinandan & Jayanti  
Priyavrat Das  
Pundarik Das



### DIVE TRUSTEES' DETAILS

Sanjoy Roy  
Manideep Rana

# MANDIR 2025 YEAR IN REVIEW

By Sachin Bagla, Chairman

***This detailed report captures a landmark year for The Mandir. It reflects a period of significant spiritual growth, community integration, and the physical improvements of the sacred space.***

## Part 1: Chronological Review of 2025

### Quarter 1: Foundations of Faith and Learning

The year began with an open-door policy on New Year's Day, welcoming devotees from dawn until dusk. January saw the vibrant celebration of Makar Sankranti, featuring a Ganga Maa Aarti and a creative kite-making workshop for our youth. February focused on the arts and wisdom with Vasant Panchami (Saraswati Maa Pooja) and a soul-stirring Abhang Kirtan

session by Dr. Raghunath Ji Maharaja.

In March, the community gathered for a powerful Maha Shivratri featuring Rudrabhishek and sacred dance. We took our festivities outdoors for Holi in Beddington Park, while simultaneously launching our educational wing with free Hindi classes and a vital Financial Education session for the community.



*Holi celebration in Beddington Park*

## Quarter 2: Expansion and New Beginnings



*Ganga Mata installation*

April was a month of balance between devotion and duty; we celebrated Ram Navami with an Akhand Ramayan Paath and marked Akshaya Tritiya by launching a donation drive for the Purley and Sutton food banks. May was dedicated to global Seva, specifically fundraising for the Sarvamangala girls in Sikkim.

June proved to be one of our most historic months. We celebrated the Ganga Maa Praan Pratishtha, officially welcoming the deity into our Mandir. We also hosted the SACRE meeting with the Mayor of Croydon, positioning the Mandir as a hub for interfaith educational understanding. Health and wellness took center stage with International Day of Yoga, the launch of our Badminton and Walking groups, and a partnership with the Vegetarian Society for a community picnic.

## Quarter 3: Festivals and Pratisthas



*Rathayatra in Beddington Park*

The summer months were filled with movement. July featured the Jagannath Rath Yatra and a significant visit from the family of the revered Bayjama. In August, 50 devotees embarked on a spiritual Skanda Vale Yatra, departing at 4:30 AM for the morning Pooja. Back at the Mandir, we celebrated Radha Ashtami, Janmashtami (a two-day event reaching midnight), and Ganesh Chaturthi.



*The Shree Krishna Janmashtami in Mandir*

September marked a monumental shift in our worship schedule with our first-ever 10-night Navratri. This month also saw the Maa Durga Praan Pratishtha and the completion of major building improvements to the Mandir's facade. We also launched the Dementia Cafe, providing a supportive space for those living with dementia. The Puja for the ancestors on Pitru Paksh also took place, performed wonderfully by Dilipbhai Dave.

#### Quarter 4: Lights, Service, and Gratitude

October was headlined by our first-ever sold-out Diwali Mahotsav at Wilsons School and our partnership with the Mayor of Croydon for the Braithwaite Hall celebrations. November saw the completion of our Shiv Parivar with the Kartikeya Maharaj Praan Pratishtha, as well as participation in Remembrance Day and a Stroke Prevention Study.



*Kartikeya Maharaj*

The year concluded in December with a focus on global and local charity: raising flood relief for 264 families in Sri Lanka and distributing blankets in Vrindavan. We ended the year with an Abhar Sandhya, a special evening dedicated to expressing gratitude to our patrons.

## Part 2: Thematic Review

### I. Bhakti (Devotion)

**Deity Installations:** We significantly enriched our spiritual atmosphere with the Praan Pratishtha (consecration) of Ganga Maa (June), Maa Durga (September), and Kartikeya Maharaj (November), completing the Shivji Parivar.



*Durga Mata Praan Pratishtha*

**Festivals:** Our Navratri celebration was extended to 10 nights for the first time, seeing peak attendances of 600+ devotees. Janmashtami was a highlight of the year, featuring a special Bhajan Mandali and midnight Aarti both in the Mandir and the local park where Dahi Handi took place.



*Navratri celebrations*



*Dementia cafe*

**Regular Sadhana:** The heart of the Mandir remains our recurring sessions:

- Mondays: Maha Mrityunjay Jaap & Shivji Abhishek.
- Tuesdays: Sundar Kaand Path.
- Thursdays: Sai Baba Aarti.
- Saturdays: Hanuman Chalisa.
- Fortnightly: Bhajan & Bhojan Satsangs.
- Monthly - Ganesh Bhajans, Marathi Bhajans, Gujarati Bhajans

## II. Seva (Selfless Service)

**Food Distribution:** Through Food for Life and Annapoorna Seva, we distributed over 200 meals every month to the homeless in Croydon and Sutton in partnership with Night Watch.

**Compassionate Care:** The launch of the Dementia Cafe in September has become a beacon for the community, offering yoga, crafts, and Prasad to those in need of support.

**Global Outreach:** Beyond our local community, we supported the Sarvamangala girls in Sikkim, provided relief packs for 264 families in Sri Lanka, and sent blankets to Vrindavan.

**Civic Duty:** The Mandir hosted the Mayor of Croydon for SACRE meetings and participated in the Remembrance Day ceremony, honoring Hindu soldiers.

## III. Vidya (Pursuit of Knowledge)

**Language & Culture:** We maintained a robust schedule of Sanskrit classes every Sunday morning and introduced free Hindi classes in March.



*Sanskrit class*

**Spirituality & Philosophy:** We hosted world-renowned speaker Jaya Row for a talk on relationships and conducted deep-dive Bhagavad Gita Yagnas.

**Practical Wisdom:** Our community benefited from a Financial Education session and participated in a Stroke Prevention Study, bridging the gap between spiritual and physical well-being.

**Children's Learning:** Numerous workshops - from kite-making and Rangoli to lantern-making - ensured our traditions are passed to the next generation in an engaging way.

## Faiths Together in Croydon:



*Faiths Together in Croydon*

Faith Together in Croydon continues to be a vibrant and inclusive initiative, wonderfully organised and coordinated by Penny Smith. The Mandir was honoured to host the interfaith walk on Saturday, 5 July, during the afternoon, welcoming participants from a wide range of faith traditions. The event provided a valuable opportunity for meaningful dialogue and mutual learning, with warm and respectful interactions taking place throughout. The Mandir was able to share and explain the principles and practices of Sanatan Dharma, helping to deepen understanding and appreciation among those from other faith communities. The afternoon

was further enriched by the provision of delicious Indian snacks, which created a relaxed and hospitable atmosphere and encouraged informal conversation and connection. Overall, the event fostered a strong spirit of unity, cooperation, and shared values, reinforcing the importance of interfaith engagement within Croydon.

## SACRE



*SACRE meeting in the Mandir*

The Mandir has been an active member of Croydon SACRE (Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education) since mid-2024, playing a significant and constructive role in its work. In particular, the Mandir was instrumental in supporting and shaping amendments to the Hinduism component of the Religious Education (RE) curriculum, ensuring that it is accurate, inclusive, and reflective of lived Hindu traditions. In addition to its advisory contribution, the Mandir further demonstrated its commitment to partnership and engagement by hosting a Croydon SACRE meeting on 19th June 2025, providing a welcoming setting that enabled productive dialogue and collaboration among members.

## Tulsi Vivah

Tulsi Vivah was celebrated on Sunday, 2 November, in a wonderful and serene setting at the Mandir, beautifully prepared for this auspicious occasion. The ceremony symbolised the sacred marriage of Tulsi Mata and Lord Vishnu and was conducted with great devotion and traditional observance.

The bride's parents were Raj and Kusum Goel, and the groom's parents were Lata and Pradeep Agrawal, whose families and guests came together in a spirit of joy, reverence, and community. The occasion was officiated by the respected priest Jagdish Bhai, who led the rituals with clarity and devotion, explaining their spiritual significance and ensuring that the ceremony was both meaningful and uplifting.

Following the ceremony, a wonderful feast was organised for all attendees. The beautifully prepared meal was enjoyed by the community and added to the celebratory atmosphere, providing an opportunity for fellowship, sharing, and togetherness as devotees marked this auspicious festival.



*Tulsi Vivah*

### Financial Overview

The Mandir has delivered a strong financial performance this year, reflecting both increased community engagement and continued financial discipline.

- **Total Receipts increased by approximately 24%**, rising from £84,802 in 2024 to £105,509 in 2025.
- **Total Expenses increased only by 5%**, from £48,536 to £50,963, despite a hugely expanded programme of activities.
- This resulted in an **operating surplus of £54,546**, up from £36,266 in the previous year.

## Mandir Committee Changes

**In 2025 mandir management committee saw a few members added across different roles.**

Sri Joshi Prashant Sharma joined in Bhakti, Anita Kanoo and Ashok Mirpuri for Mandir Seva management, Neelam Kumar and Alekh Jain for festivals celebrations, Ritu Khare and Ashish Pawargi for performing arts. Shilpi Chaturvedi for Annapoorna Seva.

Additionally Anil Idnani stepped down as head of finance and he is now supporting the strategy team and Suraj Kanoo took over the head of finance role. Kanchan Sharma stepped down from her role and Henna Idnani is now responsible for Health and Wellness initiatives. We are grateful to Kanchan and Anil for their Seva in their respective roles.



*Sri Joshi Prashant Sharma - Bhakti*



*Neelam Kumar - Festivals*



*Ashish Pawargi  
Performing Arts*



*Ritu Khare  
Performing Arts*



*Alekh Jain - Festivals*



*Ashok Mirpuri - Seva*



*Anita Kanoo - Seva*



*Shilpi Chaturvedi - Seva*



*Swapna Erukulla - Seva*

# SCHOOLS OUTREACH IN 2025

During 2025, LIVE continued its extensive schools outreach programme, delivering engaging presentations on Sanatan Dharma to schools across South London and the surrounding areas. This work remains central to LIVE's educational mission, promoting understanding, inclusivity, and lived Sanatan Dharma values through direct engagement with young people and educators.

## Overview of Outreach Activity

In 2025, LIVE worked with 194 schools, delivering a wide range of assemblies, workshops, and interactive learning experiences. While there was a slight reduction in the overall number of schools compared to the previous year, the programme expanded in depth, with a significant increase in workshops and experiential activities.

- 176 school assemblies and 63 workshops were delivered, allowing for more focused and interactive engagement with pupils
- 20 schools visited the Mandir, providing students with an immersive cultural and spiritual experience
- A total of 47,829 children and 2,344 teachers were reached
- 167 hours of presentations were delivered throughout the year
- £8,132 was received in donations, reflecting continued appreciation and support from participating schools

A summary comparison between 2025 and 2024 is shown below:

School Presentations	2024	2025
Number of schools	198	194
Assemblies in schools	192	176
Workshops in schools	27	63
School visits to the Mandir	18	20
Number of children	50,390	47,829
Number of teachers	2,524	2,344
Ram Lila dramas performed	73	76
Number of hours of presentations	184	167
Donations received	£6,474	£8,132

## School Programmes at the Mandir

The Mandir continues to warmly welcome schools from the local area to visit and learn about Sanatan Dharma. In 2025, twenty schools visited the Mandir and took part in an educational presentation on Sanatana Dharma. The programme included:

- Guidance on how to enter the Mandir respectfully, including the removal of shoes
- An introduction to the Deities
- A demonstration of Aarti and an explanation of its significance
- Yoga and pranayama exercises,

including chanting Aum ॐ

- Chanting the Hare Krishna Maha-Mantra accompanied by music and dancing

Each child was offered Prasad, a blessed piece of fruit, generously donated by members of the local community.



In addition, with a couple of schools, we also visited the Lewisham Sivan Temple, where a presentation was delivered as part of the learning experience.



## Educational Impact

A key highlight of the 2025 programme was the continued popularity of the Ram Lila and Ramayana-based presentations. LIVE delivered 76 Ram Lila dramas, giving children the opportunity to actively participate by dressing in traditional costumes and enacting the stories of central figures such as Lord Rama, Sitadevi, and Hanuman. These performances helped pupils connect with the values of courage, devotion, and righteousness in a memorable and creative way.



Another major focus during the year was the presentation of Holi, particularly during the Spring term. These sessions emphasised the festival's messages of joy, renewal, and harmony, while also demonstrating how spiritual traditions can be both meaningful and accessible. The colourful and interactive nature of the presentations consistently captured pupils' interest and encouraged thoughtful discussion.



## Reflection

The 2025 schools outreach programme demonstrated a strong shift towards deeper engagement rather than volume, with more workshops and hands-on learning opportunities. Feedback from schools continued to be very positive, with teachers highlighting the educational value, cultural insight, and inclusive approach of LIVE's presentations.

Overall, the programme remains a highly effective way of sharing Sanatan Dharma with the wider community and continues to be a rewarding and impactful part of LIVE's work.



## Some of the feedback we have received from schools:

Dear Nabhi

Thanks for yesterday's Diwali assembly, the children loved it. I will forward you the video. The children really do look forward to your visits. Also I think your name is mentioned by someone every time we have an RE network meeting. So always be sure to keep slots for us you have become part of our annual traditions at Fairchildes. I just need to try to persuade the head to let us do a whole school colour throw for Holi Spring because so many children ask me all the time if they can do it.

Claire Lindo  
Fairchildes Primary School  
17/10/25

Dear Nabhi,

Thank you very much for your time today. The children really enjoyed the assemblies and your talk and storytelling embedded the themes so well. I was pleased to hear that the questions were so thoughtful and thank you for answering each one in such an encouraging way.

Best wishes

Angela Dumont  
Wimbledon Chase Primary School  
24/10/25

Good afternoon Nabhi,

Thank you ever so much for the assembly, the children really enjoyed it. I have also had a lot of staff mention to me how much they enjoyed it and how they learnt a lot too! Please find attached our newsletter, if you look at the 2nd page you'll find an entry about your visit.

Mrs H. Haris  
Westbourne Primary School  
03/10/25

Hi Nabhi,

I hope you are well. I just wanted to say a HUGE thank you for the Holi assemblies yesterday. The boys and staff thoroughly enjoyed learning more about the story behind Holi and why we celebrate it. We also loved the colour demonstration at the end! We shared lots of the photos from yesterday in our whole school assembly today and the boys/staff definitely will remember your assemblies! I would love to get in touch with you in future for whole school assemblies relating to Hindu festivals.

Mrs Bernadette Johnson  
Homefield Preparatory School  
14/03/25

### Aspirations for 2026:

- LIVE aims to visit and make presentations to 200 schools this year.
- LIVE to set up a network of presenters of Sanatan Dharma to schools.

# ONLINE SEMINARS IN 2025

In 2025 LIVE hosted 163 online sessions on Zoom. The table below shows the various subjects of the seminars in 2025 and 2024:

Online Satsangs in 2025		2024	2025	
1	Srimad Bhagavatam	0	141	87%
2	Holy places	5	10	6%
3	Ekadasi	10	6	4%
4	Appearance days of Lord	14	6	4%
5	Sanatan Dharma Course	83	0	0%
6	Bhagavad Gita	21	0	0%
7	Gopis/ Manjaris	21	0	0%
8	Damodara Satsangs	14	0	0%
		168	163	100%

In 2025 the main focus of the online seminars was on the ancient scripture, Srimad Bhagavatam.

Studying the Śrīmad Bhāgavatam is important because it is considered the ripened fruit of Vedic wisdom, presenting spiritual truth in a clear and accessible way. It emphasises bhakti (loving devotion) as the highest path, showing that lasting happiness comes from a personal, loving relationship with the Supreme. Through philosophical discussions, historical narratives, and divine pastimes, it explains the nature of the soul, karma, time, and the ultimate goal of life.

The Bhāgavatam also serves as a guide for ethical and meaningful living, illustrating how saints, kings, householders and renunciants faced life's challenges while remaining spiritually focused. Regular study helps purify the heart, awaken spiritual awareness, reduce

attachment to temporary material pleasures, and cultivate virtues such as compassion, humility, detachment, and wisdom. Ultimately, it inspires inner transformation and steady progress toward self-realization and liberation.

All seminars have been uploaded to YouTube together with the related seminar notes, we aim to develop a Vedic library on LIVE's website ([liveveda.org.uk](http://liveveda.org.uk)) by the end of 2026.



# HOMELESS SEVA REPORT 2025

Seva is the Sanskrit word for Selfless Service and Homeless Seva refers to the Mandir's project in providing food to the homeless and needy in Croydon.

2025 marked another successful year of uninterrupted seva to the homeless and needy in Croydon. The Mandir volunteers have now been doing this seva for 5 years.

The Mandir teamed with Nightwatch Croydon served a hot meal to the needy and homeless in Croydon once a month for all of 2025. There was not a single month missed and the Seva flowed in a seamless manner.

The meals served are carefully planned and prepared by the Mandir's volunteers who range in age from 18 to 95 years. Our usual menu includes a hot nutritious meal consisting of items such as rice/sabji/roti/puri/pasta/cous cous etc combined with many healthy and some not so healthy snacks - because let's be honest, everyone needs some treats! Our snack menu includes fruits, energy bars, granola bars, crisps, chocolates, cereal bars, freshly baked cakes, samosas, biscuits etc. We also provide juice and mineral water; both of these are always very appreciated by the clients. The food we provide is all Sattvik - pure and fully in keeping with Hindu tradition, meaning it is pure vegetarian, eggless and contains no onion and no garlic. We also encourage our volunteers to say a prayer and offer their food donations to God so that the food becomes Prashad - blessed by God.

The process of the seva works via a WhatsApp group where our monthly seva date is shared and then volunteers offer to either cook, provide snacks, pack the food bags with Nightwatch Croydon at Quaker Hall or serve the food in Central Croydon. We also have volunteers who offer to pick up food and deliver it to Quaker Hall on our seva day. Our seva operates on a cashless system whereby no one is ever asked to donate money, they are simply asked to donate and/or cook food, donate food containers or offer their time to the Seva. This is deliberate to avoid any pressure on people to donate money and also to ensure that we do not have to worry about accounting/financial oversight for this project. It is a simple seva project based on the concept of sharing food and time with others without financial pressure.

It is amazing to see how Homeless Seva inspires all age groups to come together and truly enjoy spending time serving others. I have witnessed how every age group truly enjoys this seva and for 2026 we plan to have some initiatives to help children get involved in our project as well by writing Christmas Cards for the needy and homeless and also invite children to understand Shradh by volunteering with our seva by wrapping and preparing some biscuits and small chocolate gifts for those in needs. We hope to plan these children's activities at the Mandir in a welcoming environment where children

can be exposed to Homeless Seva in a safe environment and at a time suitable for them as otherwise our regular seva takes place at night when many children are unable to join due to bedtimes and activities. We encourage parents from The Mandir to bring their children to these initiatives to expose them to Seva from a young age as our children are our future and early exposure to seva creates a wish and love for helping others as children grow into adults.

We would like to thank all of our volunteers who make this seva possible and it is only possible to keep this seva going due to the love and helpful nature of the volunteers. We would also like to thank all the volunteers at Nightwatch Croydon who themselves arrange for daily meals for the needy and homeless in Croydon with their passionate army of volunteers.

## Summary of ways to get involved with the Croydon Homeless Seva

- Join our WhatsApp Group
- Offer to cook/donate food for the needy. Alternatively, you can offer to order/donate food containers for packaging our hot meals.
- Offer to volunteer on our seva days by packaging meals, serving meals or picking up food and delivering it to Quaker Hall in Croydon.
- Watch out for our special Children's Homeless Seva events at the Mandir launching in 2026.





# GIVE

## Govardhan Institute for Vedic Education

### Gopika Project

#### Breaking Barriers, Building Futures

**Empowering young women through higher education success in Medicine, Pharmacy, Law, and the Arts.**

### Our Reach Since 2021

Since launching this project in 2021, we have processed 470 Gopikas through our sponsorship program. These students come from underprivileged homes and deserve access to basic education.

**The Challenge:** Most students are expected to marry after the 12th grade. Only a small fraction (approx. 10%) are allowed to pursue further education.

**A Better Path:** Even completing basic schooling is a vast improvement over being forced into marriage at age 12.

**The Result:** GIVE has successfully helped hundreds of girls acquire an education and build an independent life.

### Education & Intervention

We currently support 23 Gopikas studying at higher levels in professions

including Radiology, Teacher Training, IT, Business, and Fine Arts.

Our CEO, Sri Trikalajna Das, personally counsels parents to prevent forced marriages, ensuring determined students have the opportunity to build a career. We have successfully resolved cases where community leaders intervened to support the girls' education.

### Exemplary Students

#### Pooja Rao, Aspiring Teacher

Orphaned at 13, Pooja (now 18) cares for her two younger siblings. GIVE provides for their education, groceries, and medical needs. She is currently pursuing a BSc and is determined to become a teacher to inspire others.

#### Drashti Sharma, Medical Student

Coming from an underprivileged family where her father works as a security guard, Drashti has been supported by GIVE for 3 years. A strong-headed and determined student, she is now pursuing a medical career at Sanskriti University.

### Rising Stars

#### Anamika Tiwari, Aspiring IAS Officer

Despite living in challenging conditions in tin hutments without electricity or water, Anamika is a brilliant student. With GIVE's

full support, she is excelling in her studies and aims to serve the community as an Indian Administrative Services officer.

### **Radhika Pandey, B.Com Student**

Radhika, a bright student from a single-parent family and survivor of domestic abuse, has been with GIVE since 2021. She and her siblings are sponsored, receiving personal guidance from our team to ensure their success.

### **Academic Excellence**

#### **Ankita Tiwari, Pharmacy (B.Pharma)**

Living in humble conditions, Ankita scored an impressive 78% in her UP board exams. She is now studying at Rajiv Academy in Mathura, expected to graduate with Honors in 2028 as a Pharmacist.

#### **Namita Vishwas, Bachelor of Fine Arts**

A hardworking student at Manglayatan University, Namita balances an amazing academic record with her passion for the arts. She recently proved her multifaceted talent by winning a singing competition.

### **Nurturing Young Talent**

#### **Manisha**

Grade 11. Aspiring Doctor and Kathak dancer. Supports her handicapped father.

#### **Khusbu**

Grade 9. A multi-talented aspiring singer. GIVE also engages her mother in book distribution.

### **Sonakshi**

Grade 3. A loving child from a homeless family, thriving in her new educational environment.

### **Pallavi**

Class 7. Adored by teachers, she loves studying and discovering new things.

## **Water Pumps Project**

### **Bringing Water to Braja**

Since 2021, GIVE has been dedicated to installing water pumps to relieve the burden of daily water collection for villagers and pilgrims. In many Braja villages, there is no direct water supply. Mothers often walk 15 minutes to an hour just to fetch water for daily cooking and cleaning. Adding to this challenge is the reliance on distant ponds or wells. Our mission is to install hand pumps efficiently to serve as many villages, pilgrims, and animals as possible.



### **Our Impact So Far**

# 108

Sankalp Goal Pumps on Parikrama Marg

# 84

Installed on Parikrama Route

# 71

Village Pumps Installed in Communities

# Holistic Community Care

## Beyond Education & Water



### Gaumata Seva

Dedicated service and protection for sacred cows

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### Nourishment

Distribution of Food and Rations to the needy

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### Clothing Relief

Saree distribution to uphold dignity

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### Winter Care

Blanket distribution for protection from cold

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### Spiritual Wisdom

Distribution of the Bhagavad Gita

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### Medical Help

Providing essential healthcare assistance



**Help Us Build Futures**  
**"All these students deserve to get educated,**  
**and every village**  
**deserves clean water."**

*Trikalajna Das*

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# DIVE

## Dwipa Institute for Vedic Education

During our two-week visit to Mayapur, my wife, Jayanti, and I had the opportunity to stay at the DIVE Mayapur Education & Activity Centre, which also includes residential facilities. This stay enabled us to experience the centre both as a functional workspace and as a place for reflection, discussion, and planning.

During this visit, we daily met Sanjoy, Director of the Dwipa Institute for Vedic Education (DIVE). His wonderful mother and Aunt cooked delicious prasad every day for us. Sanjoy, aged 37, brings significant experience and commitment to his role. He is a qualified lawyer, a former student of the ISKCON Gurukul system, and is currently overseeing both the operational activities of DIVE and the construction and development of first class Mayapur buildings called Nitai Vastu Vidya Bhavan. His strong inclination towards service is particularly reflected in his dedication to providing quality education for young children.

We also had the opportunity to meet Diya, aged 23, who is currently pursuing her studies in law with the support of DIVE and is expected to qualify as a lawyer next year. Despite her young age, Diya has come through very challenging personal circumstances, yet has shown extraordinary resilience and determination in her academic journey. She emerged as a top-performing student in her university law programme and was awarded by Tata a 100%

scholarship in recognition of her academic excellence. Alongside her studies, she has demonstrated a deep commitment to social service, with a particular focus on supporting the education of homeless and underprivileged girls, recognising education as a foundation for long-term security and dignity.

Meeting both Sanjoy and Diya during our stay provided a clear sense of continuity, shared values, and long-term vision within DIVE. The combination of experienced direction and emerging leadership grounded in perseverance, education, compassion, and service reflects a strong and hopeful future for the organisation.

### DIVE premises

The DIVE Mayapur Education and Activity Centre is situated on the 9th floor of the Nitai Building provides a calm, inspiring, and well-designed environment for the organisation's educational and charitable activities. With open, light-filled spaces and expansive views of the surrounding greenery and sacred landscape of Mayapur, the centre supports a wide range of functions including learning sessions, meetings, planning activities, and community engagement. The thoughtful design and peaceful setting make it an ideal space for reflection, collaboration, and service in alignment with DIVE's mission.



*Open terrace area of the DIVE Mayapur Education and Activity Centre, offering panoramic views of the surrounding greenery and Ganga Mata.*



*Spacious interior halls of the DIVE Mayapur Education and Activity Centre with wonderful views of the TOVP, designed for flexible use including bhajans, kirtans, classes, meetings, workshops, and educational events.*



*Well-lit interior space with large windows and balcony access, highlighting the openness and adaptability of the DIVE Mayapur Education and Activity Centre.*

## 2025 at a Glance

In 2025, DIVE continued its mission of education, nourishment, and spiritual upliftment, supporting underprivileged children and promoting values-based learning.

### Key Highlights

- 53 students supported through the traditional education system in Mayapur
- Fortnightly online Vedic classes conducted for children
- School and spiritual books distributed in collaboration with ISKCON Mayapur and local villages
- Regular prasadam distribution and basic educational support provided to street children at Krishna Nagar Railway Station

## Looking Ahead to 2026

DIVE will focus on strengthening and expanding its impact through the following priorities:

- Review and enhance educational support for students in Mayapur
- Ongoing care for street children in Krishnagar, including regular prasadam, basic education, and volunteer engagement
- Basic medical assistance for children living in shanty towns near railway tracks
- Support for a small tribal school in Nagaland, helping a dedicated teacher sustain and expand educational access

**Donations are gratefully received for our important charity work at the following account:**

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# ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT IN NORTHERN SRI LANKA 2025

by Selvan

## Executive Summary

During 2025, we implemented a range of humanitarian, educational, and sustainable development initiatives across Northern Sri Lanka, focusing on vulnerable families and children affected by economic hardship and severe flooding.

Through emergency relief assistance, educational support programs, sustainable livelihood initiatives, and community development activities, we positively impacted children, families, and the wider community.

This report outlines the activities conducted during 2025, the financial assistance provided, and the measurable community impact achieved through the generous support and partnership with LIVE.

## Emergency Relief Support – Flood Response (2025)

In 2025, severe rainfall and flooding caused widespread damage across Northern Sri Lanka. Many families lost homes, essential belongings, and children lost vital school materials.

In response, we provided emergency assistance with a total support value of LKR 1,200,000 (£3,000)

### Support Provided:

- Essential food items
- Clothing

- Sanitary and hygiene products
- Replacement of school bags, books, and stationery



Special attention was given to school children who had lost educational materials. Prompt replacement ensured minimal disruption to their education and enabled them to return to school quickly.

## On-Ground Distribution and Transparency

Relief items were personally distributed to affected families to ensure transparency and fair allocation.

The following individuals were present during distribution:

- Mr Nithiyananthan
- Mr Ravindran (visiting from Germany)
- Mrs Ravindran
- Mr Mano (visiting from Germany)

They actively participated in identifying the most affected families and personally distributed the assistance. Their direct involvement ensured accountability,

accurate needs assessment, and timely support for vulnerable families.

## Educational Support Programme – Poonakary

In 2025, we supported 60 students from underprivileged families in Poonakary.



### Educational Materials Provided:

- School bags
- Essential stationery items
- Basic educational supplies

### Daily Afternoon Academic Support

Structured afternoon classes were organized to strengthen students' academic performance and subject understanding.

During these sessions, students were also provided with:

- Snacks
- Drinking water
- Refreshments

This initiative created a safe, supportive learning environment and contributed to improved attendance, engagement, and academic focus.

## Bicycle Support for Students

We identified three students who faced significant barriers in attending school due to long travel distances and lack of public transportation.

To address this challenge, we provided three bicycles.

### Impact:

- Reduced travel time
- Improved punctuality and attendance
- Reduced physical strain
- Increased safety and independence

This support enabled equal access to education for these students.



## Beneficiary Quotes

From: K. Saranika (Mother of K. Mathusa)

Location: 4th Ward, Pooneryn

Date: 13/02/2026

The bicycle provided through LIVE and the Sinnathurai Children Foundation (SCF) in Pooneryn, Thampirai, is of great help for my daughter to travel for her education. We wish to express our most sincere and heartfelt gratitude to you for providing this assistance, and to the Sinnathurai Children Foundation for making this possible. Sincerely, K. Saranika Mother of K. Mathusa

## Sustainable Livelihood Initiative – Small Farm Project

In 2025, we launched a small-scale sustainable farm project to support a vulnerable family while also improving nutrition for children attending the afternoon classes.

### Objectives:

1. Create a stable income source for the beneficiary family
2. Improve nutritional support for local children

We provided essential resources and support to establish and operate the farm.

### Impact:

- Improved financial stability for the family
- Regular supply of fresh milk for children
- Enhanced child nutrition
- Promotion of long-term self-reliance
- Strengthening of local community sustainability

This initiative reflects our commitment to long-term, sustainable solutions rather than short-term assistance.

## Educational Exposure Visit – Farm Learning Experience

As part of our educational and community development efforts, visitors from Germany organized and supported a one-day educational exposure visit.

### Participants:

- 40 local children
- Teachers from the afternoon education programme

Students visited a large-scale farm and learned about:

- Sustainable farming practices
- Livestock management
- Food production systems
- Environmental responsibility
- Community cooperation

This experience broadened students' knowledge, inspired interest in agriculture, and reinforced values of sustainability and teamwork.

## Overall Community Impact –

Through combined initiatives in 2025, we achieved:

- Emergency relief support for flood-affected families
- Educational assistance for 60 students
- Daily structured academic support
- Improved nutrition through milk distribution
- Improved school attendance through bicycle support
- Educational exposure to sustainable farming

- Direct emergency relief valued at LKR 1,200,000

These interventions addressed both immediate humanitarian needs and long-term community resilience.

## Transparency and Community Engagement

All activities and distributions were conducted with direct supervision to ensure transparency, accountability, and fair distribution of resources.

Community leaders and local representatives were actively involved in identifying beneficiaries and supporting implementation.

## Conclusion and Appreciation

We sincerely thank LIVE for its continued trust, support, and partnership in enabling these impactful initiatives across Northern Sri Lanka.

Your support has:

- Provided critical assistance during emergencies
- Strengthened access to education
- Improved child nutrition
- Supported sustainable livelihoods
- Empowered vulnerable families

Together, we are not only addressing immediate needs but building a stronger, more resilient, and self-reliant community.

### Annapoorna Seva in Sutton, UK: Serving with Compassion and Dignity

In May 2025, the Coulsdon. Sanatan Mandir launched Annapoorna Seva to support individuals experiencing homelessness and food insecurity, in partnership with Sutton Nightwatch. This initiative provides nutritious, home-cooked meals on the second Monday of each month, prepared with devotion by Shilpi, our dedicated home chef and an integral member of the Mandir community, using ingredients generously donated by our Mandir devotees.

In response to growing need, additional soup support was introduced in September 2025, helping ensure continuity of service on days of high demand. Over 8 months in the past year, a total of 765 meals were served, reflecting the generosity and commitment of our Mandir community. The impact of this Seva was warmly acknowledged by Sutton Nightwatch leadership team during our Aabhaar Sandhya event in December.

Building on this effort, we are pleased to launch a new partnership with Sutton Community Food Shop in January 2026. This initiative supports individuals transitioning out of hardship by providing essential groceries at highly subsidised prices, encouraging independence and dignity.

We extend our sincere gratitude to all devotees who make this Seva possible and look forward to expanding our support to serve more members of our community in the year ahead.

We warmly welcome everyone who wish to join this initiative of making a meaningful difference. So, please do get in touch with us.

# BHARAT YATRA

## A Pilgrimage of Grace, Intensity, and Renewal

*(A Personal and Collective Account)*

This December 2025 journey was far more than a physical yatra - it became a moving meditation that touched every layer of our being. Traveling together across sacred lands, guided by devotion, grace, and selfless seva, we experienced moments of deep faith, physical strain, healing, and inner stillness that will remain with us always.

This sacred pilgrimage was organized by the London Institute of Vedic Education, whose vision and coordination brought together seekers into a shared spiritual journey across India's most revered holy sites.

### Vrindavan - Walking the Land of Divine Love

Our pilgrimage began in Vrindavan, the eternal abode of Shri Radha-Krishna. Over seven deeply immersive days, we completed the Chaurasi (84-Kosh) Parikrama of Braj Bhoomi by car. Though undertaken by vehicle, every halt felt sacred - each forest, village, kund, and temple echoing Krishna's divine pastimes.



*Sankalpa by the Yatrīs at the Yamuna in Mathura)*

The parikrama was lovingly led by Madhav Kirti Prabhu, whose tireless seva ensured that all travel arrangements and prasad were seamlessly provided. His thoughtful guidance allowed us to focus fully on devotion. Though we had early starts and late nights, it was well worth it.



*Madhva Kirti prabhu*



*Radhakund arati*



*Radha Damodar Temple*



*Varsana- the birth place of Radharani*

## **From Mathura to Ujjain – Standing Before Mahakaleshwar**

From Mathura, we travelled to Ujjain by train (1st class).



The visit to Mahakaleshwar Jyotirlinga was powerful, crowded, and physically taxing. While the experience was not quiet or contemplative, even brief moments before Mahakal carried a lasting impact. We also had the opportunity to have darshan of Harsiddhi Devi, one of the 51 Shaktipeeth, where thousands of lamps are lit every evening.



*lighting of lamps*

Ujjain is where Krishna and Balaram came and stayed in the Gurukul of Sandipani Muni, which has been very nicely preserved and a visit there was very fruitful.



*Sandipani Muni Gurukuli*

## Omkareshwar & Mamleshwar - Devotion Amid Movement

Our journey continued to Omkareshwar Jyotirlinga, set on the banks of the Narmada River. Darshan here involved constant motion and queues but again very fulfilling. We were also blessed to visit Mamleshwar (Amareshwar) on the opposite bank. Visiting both shrines brought a sense of completeness, as if worship unfolded on both sides of the sacred river.



*view of Omkareshwar Temple*



*Omkareshwar Mahadeva*

Passing through Maheshwar, Indore, and onward to Pune, the body felt tired, yet the journey continued with quiet resolve.

## Maharashtra Jyotirlingas - Endurance Supported by Grace

From Pune, we travelled to Bhimashankar Jyotirlinga, surrounded by forested hills. Even in nature, darshan required patience and stamina, though VIP arrangements helped streamline the process.



*Bhimashankar*

We then proceeded to Grishneshwar Jyotirlinga, where observing Ekadashi once again reinforced discipline and continuity in our sadhana.



*Ellora Caves*

We also had an opportunity to visit the ancient Ellora caves, which showed how Vedic culture was portrayed centuries ago



*Grihaneshwar Mahadeva*

## Nashik & Trimbakeshwar – Crowds Made Manageable

At Trimbakeshwar Jyotirlinga, the source of the Godavari River, the crowds were heavy and the pace relentless. Yet here too, VIP darshan made the experience manageable, reminding us that pilgrimage often requires steadiness rather than serenity.



*Rudraksh seed*

## Dwarka & Somnath – A Sacred Milestone

Arriving in Dwarka, the divine city of Lord Krishna, the energy softened. Visiting Dwarkadhish Temple, Bet Dwarka, and the Rukmini Temple offered a gentler devotional rhythm. Crossing the waters to Bet Dwarka felt symbolic—a collective slowing down after weeks of constant movement.

During our stay, we were also blessed with darshan of Nageshwar Jyotirlinga, located near Dwarka and close to the seashore. With this darshan, a deep realization arose. We recognized with gratitude that this pilgrimage had granted us the vision of seven Jyotirlingas - not through serenity or ease, but through perseverance, discipline, and collective resolve.



*Sivalinga on the ocean front*



*Nageshwar Mahadeva*

From Dwarka, we travelled onward to Somnath Jyotirlinga, the first among the twelve. Though darshan here was structured and busy, VIP access allowed an orderly experience, and the resilience and sanctity of Somnath left a deep and lasting impression. The journey continued through Junagadh, adding historical depth to the pilgrimage.



*Somnath Mahadeva*

In summary, the seven Jyotirlingas we were blessed to visit on this journey were:

- Mahakaleshwar
- Omkareshwar
- Bhimashankar
- Grishneshwar
- Trimbakeshwar
- Nageshwar
- Somnath

This milestone marked a powerful inner turning point - where effort transformed into gratitude and movement into meaning.

## **Junagadh – a test of endurance**

We also were able to visit Junagadh, which is set against the forested Girnar hills in Gujarat, and is a place where

history, devotion, and physical effort come together. The climb up Mount Girnar to Ambaji Mata and Shri Dattatreya is both demanding and deeply rewarding, involving thousands of stone steps that wind through ancient temples, cool shaded stretches, and panoramic viewpoints. A safari visit was also undertaken into the Girnar forest.



*Junagadh*

Throughout the yatra we often had opportunity to feed gaumata which was very auspicious.



*Feeding Gaumata*



*Atmaneem*

## **Atmaneem, Rajkot – Healing and Integration**

After weeks of constant travel and demanding schedules, our stay at Atmaneem in Rajkot became a turning point. Atmaneem is a naturopathy health farm, where we received Ayurvedic treatments, therapeutic massages, acupuncture, and other natural healing therapies together with sattvic food..

This phase allowed the body to recover and the mind to settle. Observing Ekadashi at Atmaneem felt grounding and restorative, helping us integrate the many experiences of the journey.

## **Completion and Return**

From Rajkot, we travelled to Ahmedabad, and from there returned to London (LHR) - physically tired, yet inwardly enriched.

## **Closing Reflection**

Bharti: “We were fortune enough to take part in main Aratis and performed Pooja for blessings from our ancestors. We had a great group who all got on well and became like a family looking after each other. That was very comforting for the

lone travellers.

The trip was definitely memorable, comfortable and for sure enjoyable. Even the two dreaded overnight train journeys were very good!”

This pilgrimage taught us that spiritual journeys are not always peaceful or effortless. Visiting the Jyotirlingas was often busy, intense, and physically demanding, yet the availability of VIP darshans made the journey manageable, allowing devotion and sincerity to remain central.

From the dust of Braj to the intensity of Shiva’s shrines, and finally to the healing stillness of Atmaneem, the journey reshaped our understanding of faith - not as comfort, but as commitment.

We remain deeply grateful to Madhav Kirti Prabhu for his selfless leadership and meticulous arrangements for travel, prasad, and darshan, and to the London Institute of Vedic Education for organizing a pilgrimage that balanced devotion, discipline, and care.

The journey has ended, but its lessons continue - quietly guiding our lives with greater patience, humility, and resilience.

# BHARAT YATRA MOUNT KAILASH & LAKE MANSAROVAR – SEPTEMBER 2025

By Taruna Sharma



The London Institute of Vedic Education organised its first Kailash Yatra in collaboration with Alpine Eco in September 2025. Our group of 40 Yatris came from across the world, representing a beautiful tapestry of cultures, backgrounds, and spiritual paths.

What can truly be said about Kailash that has not already been spoken by saints, sages, and seekers through the ages? And yet, every pilgrimage to this sacred abode remains deeply personal and profoundly transformative.

Our divine journey began in Kathmandu, Nepal, where we spent two days preparing ourselves—both physically and spiritually—for the sacred path ahead. During this time, we visited six holy temples, offering prayers and seeking blessings for a safe and meaningful yatra.

Our first visit was to the revered

Pashupatinath Temple, one of the most sacred abodes of Lord Shiva. From there, we proceeded to Guhyeshwari Shakti Peeth and Budhanilkantha Temple, each radiating a powerful spiritual energy that left us deeply moved.



Before dawn the next morning, we boarded a sacred Himalayan flight - an experience beyond words. As the aircraft rose above the clouds, the majestic Himalayan range unfolded before us,

and we were blessed with a breathtaking glimpse of Mount Everest, standing in silent magnificence.



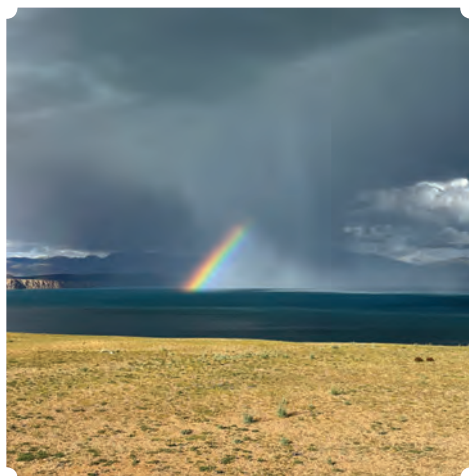
Later that day, we visited Swayambhu Mahachaitya, Doleshwar Mahadev, and Dakshin Kali Temple, each adding depth to our spiritual journey. With every step, our devotion deepened and our hearts felt lighter.

On the third day, we began our journey toward Kailash, stopping overnight at Dhulikhel Mountain Lodge before continuing by road to Kodari, at the Tibet border. Crossing into Tibet felt like stepping into another realm—vast, serene, and untouched by time.

We travelled onward to Nyalam, where we spent the night acclimatising at an altitude of 3,750 metres. By now, excitement filled the air as we sensed ourselves drawing ever closer to the sacred mountain. From Nyalam, we continued to Saga, reaching nearly 4,500 metres above sea level. Spending two days there allowed our bodies to adjust while our souls absorbed the profound stillness of the Tibetan plateau. The soft chanting of “Om Mani Padme Hum” echoed gently through the air, creating an atmosphere of

deep peace and contemplation.

From Saga, we journeyed toward Lake Mansarovar (witnessing a wonderful rainbow), where we stayed in simple mud houses under a sky illuminated by a full moon and a rare lunar eclipse. Many of yattris remained awake all night, chanting and absorbing the divine energy that surrounded us. It was cloudy and therefore we could not see the eclipse of the moon (which is actually a blessing because to directly see the eclipse is considered inauspicious). However at 2am suddenly 1000s of stars appeared (bright and some not so bright) and many yattris observed 2 prominent shooting stars, which was truly mystical and magical. And after around 10 minutes later, even though there were not many clouds in the sky, suddenly all of the stars vanished. It was as if the demigods had come to witness the pastimes of Shiv Parvati at that time - because it is said that around 2am daily they come and enjoy pastimes in lake Mansarovar. The next morning many of the yattris did the pitru puja, as it was the first day of Sraddha.





In the afternoon, we travelled to Darchen, our final stop before beginning the sacred circumambulation of Mount Kailash. In Darchen, we visited Ashtapad, the revered Jain pilgrimage site also honoured by Hindus and Buddhists alike. Standing before the magnificent south face of Kailash filled our hearts with awe and reverence.



The long-awaited day arrived as we began our Kailash Parikrama from Yam Dwar. The first leg - from Darchen to Diraphuk - was a 12-13 km trek taking 6-8 hours. As we walked, the sound of jingling horse bells, flowing glacial streams, and the rhythmic chants of "Om Namah Shivaya" filled the air, while fellow pilgrims greeted one another with heartfelt cries of

"Har Har Mahadev."

At Diraphuk, we stood before the majestic north face of Kailash, and at dawn we witnessed the unforgettable sight of Golden Kailash, glowing in the first light of the sun.



The following day marked the most challenging part of the journey - the trek from Diraphuk to Zuthulpuk via Dolma La Pass, rising to 18,500 feet. Covering nearly 22 km, this demanding stretch tested our physical endurance and inner strength, taking us past the sacred Gauri Kund and through deeply spiritual terrain. Those of us who were using a horse had to walk down the pass (some 5-6km) as the terrain was too tough for the horses to carry us.



The final day's walk from Zuthulpuk back to Darchen was gentler - about 12-13 km - and allowed time for reflection. As the Parikrama came to an end, a profound sense of fulfilment and gratitude filled our hearts. It felt as though Kailash itself had bestowed its blessings upon us, leaving us with clarity, peace, and spiritual renewal.

Throughout the journey, the Alpine Eco support team was exceptional - attentive, caring, and ever-present. We were well looked after, with nourishing food and clean water provided at every stage, allowing us to focus fully on the sacred experience. Above all the sun shone on us throughout the 3 days of the parikrama as if Lord Siva was himself blessing us.

As we concluded this extraordinary pilgrimage, our hearts overflowed with gratitude. Humbled, transformed, and uplifted, we carried home not just memories, but a deep inner awakening - an eternal connection to the divine presence of Mount Kailash.

### Om Namah Shivaya



# FINANCIAL REPORT

London Institute of Vedic Education, Year ended 31 December 2025

	£ As at 31.12.24	£ As at 31.12.25
<b>Assets</b>		
Loan to LIVE Temple Estates CIC	209,472	209,472
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash	40,893	110,739
<b>Current liabilities</b>		
Loan payable within 2 years	(45,110)	-
	<hr/> 205,255	<hr/> 320,210
<b>Capital</b>		
Surplus income b/f	143,838	205,255
Surplus income in the year	61,417	114,955
	<hr/> 205,255	<hr/> 320,210

## Note to the accounts

The Loan of £209,472 to LIVE Temple Estates CIC is made in order to acquire the building at 108-112 Chipstead Valley Road, Croydon CR5 3BA, which is the place of worship known as Sanatan Centre Coulsdon.

## Income & Expenditure

	£ Year ended 31.12.2024	£ Year ended 31.12.2025
Health/Goshala	-	16,673
Donations towards Bharat property	46,845	152,690
The Mandir	84,802	105,509
UK Tours	2,800	-
Tax rebate from HMRC	78,573	137,235
Bharat projects	137,573	157,215
Sri Lanka	29,329	112,647
International tours	77,305	157,004
Schools/Courses	6,474	8,132
Total Income	<u>463,702</u>	<u>847,105</u>
Stationary, school, DBS	1,714	2,304
Bharat property projects	46,845	166,191
Advertising/Communication	4,166	
Bharat projects	193,775	221,095
Sri Lanka	29,209	129,915
Sanatan Centre Expenses	48,536	50,963
Health/Goshala	-	10,963
International tours	77,305	149,810
Legal & compliance fees	15	-
Accountancy fees	720	910
Other	-	-
Total Expenses	<u>402,285</u>	<u>732,150</u>
Surplus for the year	<u>61,417</u>	<u>114,955</u>

# ACCOUNTANTS REPORT

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011, and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011
- Follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011, and State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

My examination was conducted in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement to the right.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention.

1. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the 1993 Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act have not been met; or
2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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## A Year of Divine Yatras



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(Exclude the international flight & visa costs.)

### Northern Bharat



28 Mar until 12 Apr 2026

Haridwar, Vrindavan,  
Rishikesh, Kurukshetra  
& NaimiSharanya

**£1200**

### Jaganath Puri Rathyatra



11 Jul to 22 Jul 2026

Witness the  
extraordinary Rathyatra  
Procession & Ganga Sagar

**£1000**

### Kailash Mansarovar Yatra



23 Jul to 06 Aug 2026

Parikrama around Mount  
Kailash and Guru Poornima  
at Lake Mansarovar

**£2800**

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### Nepal Yatra

(Muktinath & Gandaki river etc)



7 Aug to 21 Aug 2026

Sita Places, Muktinath and Gandaki river

**£1200**

### Kailash Mansarovar Yatra



22 Aug to 6 Sep 2026

Parikrama around Mount Kailash and Balam Jayanti at Lake Mansarovar

**£2800**

### Eastern & Northern Bharat & Vrindavan - Vraja Mandal Parikram

(Eastern & Northern Bharat)

**£1000**

(Vraja Mandal Parikram)

**£800**



28 Nov to 18 Dec 2026

Mayapur, Puri, Varansi, Gaya, Ayodhya, Haridwar, & Parikrama of Krishna's land



### Sri Lanka Yatra

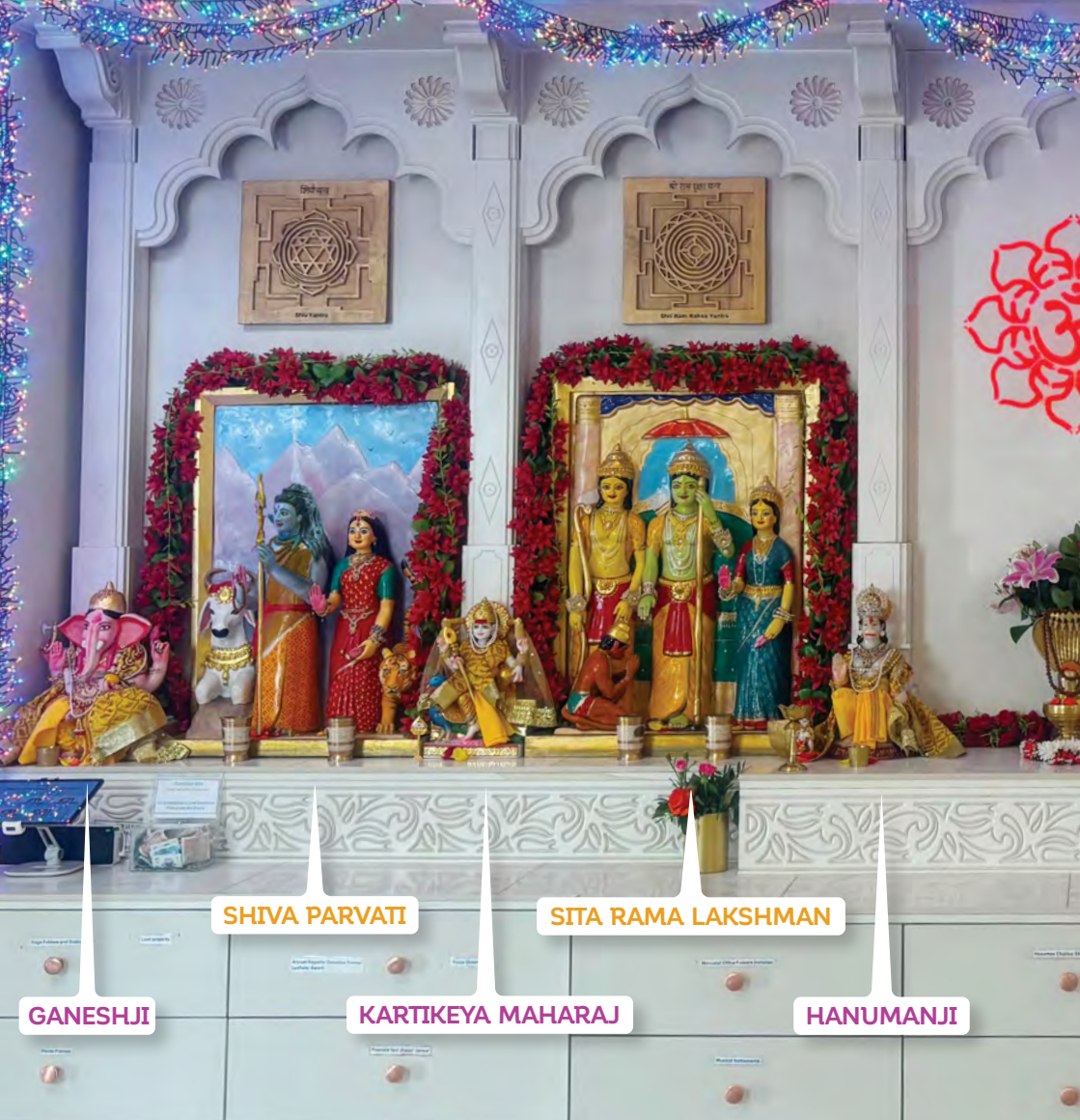


19 Dec 2026 to 31 Dec 2026

Already in the notes above (focus will be on the Ramayan Trail)

**£1000**

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