

# Monthly Newsletter



**In this newsletter you can expect:**

<b>Launch of “Four Hours Away from Home” Project</b>	<b>Training of Trainers (TOT) on Civic Education</b>	<b>Children’s Day Celebration – Bal Melava</b>
<b>Constitution Month Awareness Sessions</b>	<b>Field Visit by PGD-CSR Students (Nirmala Niketan College)</b>	<b>Upcoming Programs</b>

## INTRODUCTION

As autumn sets in, nature offers a gentle lesson in the beauty of change. Trees release their leaves not as a symbol of loss, but as a promise of renewal. The season carries a quiet hope—reminding us that letting go, pausing to reflect, and finding rest are vital steps before new growth can flourish.

In the same spirit, this month at Snehavardhini Social Trust became a season of reflection, learning, and renewed purpose. Despite the challenges faced by children, teachers and communities, every initiative emerged as a seed of hope—nurturing confidence, compassion, and resilience.

Through teacher formation, children’s activities, sustainable livelihood programs, dialogues on inclusivity, interfaith harmony, and joyful celebrations, the Trust continued its journey of accompaniment and holistic development.

Just as autumn prepares the earth for spring, these collective efforts deepened roots, uplifted spirits, and opened space for transformation—especially among children, women, and educators—guiding communities toward dignity, unity, and a brighter tomorrow.

## 1. Teachers' Training: The Role of a Teacher as a Counsellor (1st December)

On December 1st, Snehavardhini Social Trust conducted a training program for teachers, highlighting the evolving role of educators as counsellors. During the sharing session, teachers candidly spoke about the growing challenges they encounter with children. Many students migrate with their families in search of livelihood, and upon returning to the village, they struggle to re-engage with their studies. Even those who remain often display low concentration, lack of discipline, and emotional detachment.

Acknowledging these realities, the training was designed to provide teachers with both emotional and professional support, equipping them to respond to children with greater patience, sensitivity, and compassion. The session emphasized the importance of self-reflection and kindness towards oneself, reinforcing the idea that teachers can nurture children effectively only when they are emotionally centered.

Experiential approaches such as Mirror Therapy, picture observation, and listening circles were introduced to encourage deep reflection and empathetic listening—helping teachers engage without judgment and with renewed understanding.

A key message that concluded the session was:

“Each child and each one of you is precious. Every person carries unique qualities. Our role is to discover these qualities and help them grow through continuous effort and understanding.”



## 2. Installation of Honey Bee Boxes – Sustainable Livelihood Initiative (13th)

On the 13th of the month, ten honey bee boxes were set up in Khargaon village as part of a sustainable livelihood program for Self-Help Group (SHG) women. This initiative was designed to encourage eco-friendly income generation and foster long-term self-reliance.

Three SHG women voluntarily stepped forward to take charge of the project. Before installation, they underwent practical training with Mr. Gajanan from Nashik, who guided them on bee management, honey extraction, safety practices, and box upkeep.

The women engaged wholeheartedly, expressing joy and confidence as they committed to regular care and shared responsibility. For them, the initiative symbolized not just an income source, but a dignified and stable path toward empowerment.



## i3. EDU@EL Quiz Competition and Talent Fest for Students (21st)

On the 21st, an EDU@EL Quiz Competition and Talent Fest was organized for students. The event included multiple competitions that allowed children to showcase their knowledge, creativity, and talents.

The program created a joyful and engaging learning environment, fostering confidence, healthy competition, teamwork, and enthusiasm among the students.



#### 4. Christmas Celebration with Play School Children (22nd)

On the 22nd, Christmas was joyfully celebrated with the play school children. They staged a short play that beautifully conveyed the message of love, peace, and joy. The celebration filled the surroundings with innocence, happiness, and festive cheer, while gently reinforcing the values of sharing, kindness, and togetherness.



#### 5. Sarva Dharma Samelan with Teachers (27th)

On the 27th, a Sarva Dharma Samelan was held with teachers from Roha Taluka. The gathering highlighted the values of unity, mutual respect, and harmony across all faiths. It proved to be a deeply enriching experience, fostering interfaith understanding and encouraging the spirit of peaceful coexistence.



## 6. Ex-Students Felicitation and Motivation Programme (28th)

On the 28th, an Ex-Students Felicitation and Motivation Programme was held for hostel children. Former students were honoured and invited to share their life journeys, educational experiences, and the challenges they had overcome. Through their sincere reflections, the alumni encouraged the current hostel children to dream boldly, stay committed to their studies, and trust in their own potential. As a gesture of appreciation and motivation, gifts were also distributed.

The programme fostered a deep emotional connection, reminding the children that with perseverance, guidance, and support, success is achievable even in the face of obstacles.



## 7. Teachers' Meeting with Chairperson Ms. Sangita Dabre (29th)

On the 29th, a meeting was held with the Chairperson of Snehavardhini Social Trust, Ms. Sangita Dabre. She shared valuable insights on the critical role teachers play in shaping children's lives and strengthening the future of the community. Her guidance deeply motivated and encouraged the teachers in their educational mission.



## 8. Session on Inclusivity – Pilgrims of Hope (6th)

On the 6th, Pilgrims of Hope conducted a session on inclusivity and LGBTQ awareness. The programme was facilitated by Mrs. Daniella Mendonca, accompanied by her husband, and provided a safe space for dialogue, learning, and mutual understanding—encouraging acceptance and respect for diversity.

After the session, Mrs. Daniella visited Nivi village, where she engaged with women from the community. Through open conversations and heartfelt sharing, initial hesitation and fear gradually transformed into confidence, openness, and acceptance.



## 9. Ration for the women:

Every month, we provide nutritious food to children and women. The women 28 women who receive these ration kits are those who do not have proper documents and have no one to look after them. Without this support, they would have to struggle daily for food and basic survival. For these women and children, Snehavardhini Social Trust has become a source of hope, and they eagerly wait each month for the nutrition kit that supports their well-being and dignity.

## Conclusion

The month stood as a powerful reflection of Snehavardhini Social Trust's dedication to holistic development—embracing education, emotional well-being, sustainable livelihoods, inclusivity, interfaith harmony, and community empowerment. Each initiative deepened relationships, nurtured confidence, and inspired hope, especially among children, women, and teachers.

By weaving learning with compassion, livelihood with dignity, and diversity with unity, Snehavardhini Social Trust continues to journey alongside communities, guiding them steadily toward self-reliance, harmony, and a dignified future.

## Upcoming Events in January 2026

- Teachers Training
- 26<sup>th</sup> January celebration
- Pen Adivasi office visit by women
- Cake making training and govt certificate distribute
- Haldi Kumkum in the village.
- Many more

**SUPLIMENTRY CLASS:**



**PHOTO'S OF THE MONTH**





**CELEBRATION: ALONG WITH CHAIR PERSON**



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**GAVKI AND GOVERNMENT**



**HOSTEL AND EX HOSTEL STUDENTS:**



**PHOTO'S OF THE MONTH**

**SHG LIVELIHOOD FOR THE WOMEN**



**ELDERLY PEOPLE AND NUTRITION FOOD FOR THE CHILDREN AND WOMEN:**



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