

# Annual Report 2021-22



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## Letter from Managing Trustee Desk

Zindabad!

Greetings from Center for Promoting Democracy (CPD).

In the Annual Year 2021- 2022, CPD dedicated its energy in an engagement towards building an informed and active citizenry. **Lokshahi chya Goshti** (Tales of Democracy) for Marathi speaking youth and **LokTantra Ki kathaen** for Hindi speaking youth were means to engage and raise critical consciousness of the youth about democracy and the Constitutional value -ethos. Their thoughts featured in CPD's youth led newsletter, **Aisa Bharat Banayenge**.

Inspite of the restriction on mobility on account of the pandemic, we were able to engage with civil society organizations and bureaucrats to take forward the agenda of participatory governance through the 51 Mumbaikar campaign.

COVID 19 has disproportionately affected the urban poor. The cyclone Tauktae further aggravated the crisis of the People living in open and on pavements. We continued with our efforts of providing relief.

Pani Haq Samiti has been successful in getting formal water connections in many communities. We continued our efforts towards universal access to water. We trained community leaders towards accessing the right to water. We were able to create constructive dilouge for better "Water for All" policy with policy makers in Brihanmubai Municipal Corporation (BMC) and Maharashtra state government.

We have had collaborations with a number of esteemed academic insititutes with who we share a common cause to deepening and strengthening democracy in many aspects .

It has continued to be a challenging year with the pandemic and the cyclone ravaging parts of Maharashtra. Our engagement with people from the communities who continue to hope and struggle for justice gives us the strength to continue our work.

In Solidarity,

Sitaram Shelar  
For CPD

## **Introduction**

### **Vision**

CPD strives for the creation of a democratic humane society based on values of democracy, equity, affirmative discrimination, justice and secularism. It envisions promoting and strengthening everyday democracy as an integral value for daily living aimed towards building mutual respect and dignity for human beings and the environment.

To uphold universal human rights for all and to free the society from all forms of oppression and exploitation.

### **Mission**

CPD aims to engage with the citizenry (with special focus on oppressed sections), civil society groups and the government to promote the vision of effective and engaged everyday democracy. Developing a process of advocacy for democratisation of institutions of polity to facilitate participatory policy making, enriching democracy through capacity building for various groups and disseminating knowledge about importance and inter linkages between the constitution and democratic functioning.

### **Values**

The core values of CPD are Justice, Liberty, Equality and Democracy which guide our everyday work and interventions.

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

- **Dr Chayanika Shah, Chairperson**

Doctorate in Social Sciences, Working as visiting faculty at School of Women studies, TISS. Frontier in LGBTQI+ rights campaign.



- **Sitaram Shelar, Managing Trustee – Director**

MBA(HR), 25 years of experience in development sector, Working as OD consultant with NGOs. Visiting Faculty on Urban Governance to Kamala Raheja Vidyanidhi Institute of Architecture and D Y Patil University. Convener – PaniHaq Samiti (Right to Water Campaign).



- **Mr Manohar Rajguru, Treasurer**

B.COM, 30 years of experience in development sector. Working as Senior Project manager at Slum Rehabilitation Society (SRS). Expertise in Participatory Urban Governance, Housing Rights and Rehabilitation and Re-settlement.



- **Prof. Amita Bhide, Trustee**

Doctorate in Social Sciences, Working as Dean, School of Habitat Studies, TISS.



- **Adv. Mihir Desai, Trustee**

LLM, Senior council, Bombay High Court. Active supporter of Human rights campaigns.



## Our work

### **Building Active citizenry**



CPD strongly believes in the importance of an informed and active citizenry for enriching democracy. We work with people to develop their understanding on democratic values, constitutional rights and participatory governance through capacity building. We adopt an experiential and interactive approach and enable youth to develop key values, life skills and a commitment towards active citizenship.

CPD engages with youth through online and offline workshops to build an understanding on social issues and movements. Youth participate in sessions of **Lokshahi chya Goshti** (Tales of Democracy) which build an understanding of Democracy. For the hindi speaking youth, we similarly have **LokTantra Ki kathaen**. We have had activists from across Maharashtra facilitating these sessions for the youth.



Our volunteers have started the Samvidhan Gapshap (Talking about the Constitution) in the settlements of Kuala Bunder, Gautam Nagar, Siddharth Nagar and Ambedkar Nagar. Women's rights, Constitutional rights and responsibilities were discussed in this forum.

The understanding gained is then expressed in the newsletter, **Aisa Bharat Banayenge** which is the voice of youth, the first edition of which was released to mark Human Rights Day on the 10th of December 2019. The newsletter comprises of articles, stories and poems written by youth in local languages.



Five editions of **Aisa Bharat Banayenge** were released this year to mark

- 1<sup>st</sup> May Kamgaar Din “ International labour Day” and “Maharashtra Day”
- 1<sup>st</sup> August - 101 “Anna bhau Sathe Jayanti”
- 26<sup>th</sup> November “Indian Constitution Day”
- 26<sup>th</sup> January “Indian Republic Day”
- 8<sup>th</sup> March “International Women day”



More than 60 youth writers from across five districts of Maharashtra have contributed to the newsletter which reaches to nearly 500 youth across Maharashtra.

### Cross Learning Residential Workshops

Youth from CPD and youth from Parcham, an organization working on issues of informed citizenship came together in a residential workshop in Deolali. The purpose of the workshop was an interaction and exchange of ideas between youth from different communities, religious backgrounds and organizations. Current issues such as the raging hijab controversy, the increase in the age of marriage, the right to water and the Constitutional principle of Secularism were discussed through lively debates.



## Celebration of Democracy

Constitution Day was celebrated on 26<sup>th</sup> November in Kuala Bunder & Kokari Agar with children and youth to deepen their understanding of the Preamble, Constitution and its values.



6<sup>th</sup> December is observed as Mahaparinirvan Din to mark the death anniversary of Dr BR Ambedkar. Our Volunteers gathered at Shivaji Park and shed light on the work and the principles of Dr BR Ambedkar and the key role he played in shaping the country post

independence. The volunteers through songs spread the message of Dr. B.R Ambedkar to the masses. CPD volunteers put up a stall with Preamble table stands, copies of the newsletter, Aisa Bharat Banaenge, and a booklet on Constitutional values in Hindi, Urdu and Marathi which got overwhelming response.

In the month of January, a week-long campaign was organized from 19<sup>th</sup> January to 26<sup>th</sup> January at Jogeshwari Railway Station for celebrating Republic day. CPD volunteers



put up a stall with Preamble table stands, copies of the newsletter, Aisa Bharat Banaenge, and a booklet on Constitutional values in Hindi, Urdu and Marathi. Around 800 people visited the stall to gather information related to the Indian constitution. On 26<sup>th</sup> January the process culminated with Flag hoisting done by railway police and CPD volunteers together.

## Participatory urban governance

### ***“51 Mumbaikar Abhiyaan” - Negotiating for citizen participation in BMC's governance***

The enactment of the 74th **Constitutional Amendment** in 1992 provided the framework for establishing a process of democratic decentralisation of the planning and development of urban areas by creation of Ward committees. The Wards committees comprises of elected councillors representing the electoral ward, ward officers and 3 Non Government Organisation (NGO)/Community Based Organisation (CBO) nominated members.



Post the Municipal elections of BMC in February 2017; the selection process of NGO, CBO representatives was not done. Centre for Promoting Democracy initiated the **51 Mumbaikar campaign** (3 representatives for each of the 17 Wards Committee) to dilogue with the BMC to select NGO/CBO representatives. In January 2020, the BMC

issued a circular inviting nominations from NGOs/CBOs for the Wards Committee. But the process came to a standstill due to Pandemic and thereafter in the month of March 2022, BMC term ended. Hence, there has been no nomination of NGO/CBO in the ward committees in the entire term (2017-2022).

CPD simultaneously started organizing meetings and online sessions for capacitating representatives of NGO & CBO members of “51 Mumbaikar Abhiyaan” on the issues of urban governance and people's participation. In the month of February 2022 the state government through an ordinance had formally increased the number of electoral seats in the BMC by nine from 227 to 236. The BMC had put the draft notification of changed electoral ward boundaries in the public domain for seeking suggestions and objections from citizens. During this process “51 Mumbaikar Abhiyaan” contributed to the process and submitted suggestions.

Simultaneously an RTI was also filled to collect the information on suggestions and objections submitted during 2017 boundary delimitation. The same was analysed by the team to build the capacities of campaign members on the process.

To capacitate 51 Mumbaikar Abhiyaan a session on Annual Budget 2022 - 2023 was facilitated in a simplified manner. The various heads of the budget were explained and discussed. Also discussed the process of budget making and potential spaces and procedures to active participation of citizens

and NGO/CBOs. The collective process has helped to increase the understanding and ways through which citizens can contribute towards municipal corporations' effective functioning.

### ***Reshaping Urban Governance through People's Participation***



CPD consistently following up on implementation of Area Sabhas with Urban Development Department of Maharashtra Government and also with Bombay High Court. We applied for current status of Area Sabha enactment and implementation through RTI applications and found that State Government has already repealed the enactment of Area Sabha amendments. We are consistently enquiring about statement of reasons to repeal this mandatory reform under JnnURM. An online webinar was organized in the month of March 22 in collaboration with Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS) on “Reshaping Urban Governance through Citizens Participation”. The aim of the Webinar was to learn from the experience of Ward Committees and Citizen Participation in Karnataka's cities, and seek to shape ways for citizen participation in Maharashtra.

The webinar anchored by Sitaram Shelar, Founder Director of CPD had Ms. Kathyayini Chamaraj of CIVIC, Mr. Srinivas Alavilli of

Janaagraha and Prof. Amita Bhide of TISS as speakers. It was attended by academicians, researchers and activists from across Karnataka and Maharashtra. The discussion expressed the need of collective efforts for Accountable, Transparent and participatory urban governance in Maharashtra.

In the followup of this workshop many organisations from Maharashtra meet again and All participants come to conclusion to initiating a statewide forum in Maharashtra. This will be known as “Sahbhagi Maharashtra” (Participatory Maharashtra) and will be facilitated by CPD.

## **Democratising Urban Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)**

CPD is the secretariat of Pani Haq Samiti (PHS). Pani Haq Samiti has been advocating for amendments in “Water for All policy - 2017” to remove the hurdles in existing policy and facilitate easy access to water supply for every citizen. PHS through Right to Water Campaign trained 78 community leaders and youth across 13 Administrative wards of Mumbai city (A, B, E, F/N, F/S, G/S, H/W, K/W, K/E, P/N, R/S, M/E, P/S) in process of filing applications for water connections, filling in online applications, filing RTIs to check status on applications .

Apart from the technical training, training was conducted for the community leaders and youth to understand the politics of denial of water access, the existing “Water for All Policy - 2017” and its implications for access to water, procedures and regulations of water access. Various efforts were undertaken to highlight water issues and politics of water in Mumbai slums. Information on gaining legal access to water was advertised through videos, pamphlets and Banners in communities.



During the second lockdown, inspite of the offices functioning at minimum human resources and closed to public, new tap water connections have been installed in 4 communities, of which 198 are in Ambujwadi , 47 in BhimNagar, 7 in Chikhalwadi and 80 in Mandala benefitting 1660 families. While facilitating water applications, we continued dialogue with officials to help resolve the hurdles in processing applications. We had several meetings with the officials including the Hydraulic Engineer to iron out the issues towards providing people with formal access to water.

The regular follow up on water connections resulted in laying of new water pipelines in “Chikhalwadi in Govandi” and “Bhim Nagar in Mankurd” in M/E ward. The pipeline in Bhim nagar is of a diameter 6 inches which caters to 1500 households and pipeline in Chikhalwadi is of a diameter 6 inches and of the length 150 meters and this caters to 350 households.



In the month of July PHS initiated a postcard campaign, wherein water deprived citizens and various organizations from across Mumbai came together and wrote post card to Chief Minister Mr. Uddhav Thackeray, demanding legal water connections. Around 2000 postcards were sent.

The efforts of the Right to Water Campaign in advocating for universal water and sanitation access in Mumbai were covered by the news portal Scroll. The link of the same has been attached below.



Izzat ka Pani: The story of a Mumbai resident's long struggle for piped water based on the activism of our

volunteer and community leader Abrar Sulemani was produced by World Resources Institute. The link of the same has been attached below.

**IZZAT KA PANI**  
THE STRUGGLE FOR DIGNIFIED WATER

"Pani kissi ki factory mein banta nahin, kissi ki jagir ya zameen se nahin nikalta, kol paidavari nahin karta. Yeh toh uparwaale ki den hai, toh yeh hamaare haqq ka pani hai"

- Abrar Sulemani, PHS

Short Film Screening  
Ekta Welfare Society,  
Bhim Nagar, Mankhurd.  
8108967833 (Shakir)  
18th Feb (Fri), 7:30 pm

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In the communities of Kokari Agar, Gautam Nagar, Ambujwadi, Mandala, Bhim Nagar, PHS intervened to address issues of inadequate water pressure and discrepancy in water bills by filing RTIs (Right to Information) and filling complaints to water works engineers. PHS have raised the voice over this issue in Media. In March 22, Chairperson of Maharashtra State Human Rights Commission took cognisance and filled a Suo Moto case and summoned BMC officials for explanation.





## Facilitating entitlements and basic services

Labourer families living in open and pavement dwellers often find it challenging to access basic services and welfare schemes, due to lack of access to legal entitlements and needed documentation proof. Our work with migrant labourer communities has focused on addressing this gap.

During the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of the lockdown, the Maharashtra government had announced financial support packages to domestic workers, street vendors and rickshaw owners. CPD advocated for these packages to be extended to the migrant labour population through articles in various newspapers.

## Ensuring protection from evictions of Labourer families living in open and pavement dwellers:

The court on 16<sup>th</sup> April had passed an order that eviction, demolition, and dispossession should not be carried out during the pandemic but on 7<sup>th</sup> July homes of labourers were demolished in Chikuwadi, Borivali. CPD intervened and wrote letters to state NULM committee, BMC and Police station stating violation of Human Rights, pressure was also built through Marathi media and thereafter the process of legal intervention was initiated with HRLN. But due to lack of legal documents of labourers the case could not be filed.

Thereafter on 15<sup>th</sup> July a Morcha was organized at R/Central ward where people from Chikuwadi, Datani park, Poisar and representatives of other Civil Society Organisations and institutions came together for solidarity. A memorandum stating demand of labourer homeless communities in context to no demolition in pandemic was handed over to Assistant Engineer Maintenance R/Central ward and State NULM Committee.

On 9th October BMC conducted an eviction drive of Homeless in Chikuwadi, Borivali. CPD intervened and wrote a letter to state NULM and BMC.

**पुढारी**

# बोरिवलीत आर सेंट्रल विभाग कार्यालयाबाहेर बेघरांचा ठिय्या

**जोगेधरी : पुढारी वार्ताहर**  
कोरोनाच्या पावलेपुढींवर आणि पावसाळ्याच्या कालावधीत कोणतेही बांधकाम १३ ऑगस्टपर्यंत थांबू नये, असा आदेश मुंबई उच्च न्यायालयाने दिला आहे. त्याचप्रमाणे २९ जून २०२१ च्या शासन निर्णयाने पावसाळ्याच्या कालावधीत ३० सप्टेंबर पर्यंत अधिकृत व अनधिकृत बांधकामांना कारवाई पासून संरक्षण जाहीर केले आहे. परंतु, तरीही बोरिवलीत पालिकेच्या आर सेंट्रल विभागाने ७ जुलै रोजी चिकुवाडी नाल्याच्या बाजूच्या ४५ झोपडपट्टा पाडल्या. या कारवाईमुळे बेघर झालेल्या श्रमिकांनी पुढारी (दि.१५) आर सेंट्रल विभाग कार्यालयाबाहेर ठिय्या मांडला.

आर सेंट्रल महापालिका विभाग कार्यालयाने ७ जुलै रोजी बोरिवली चिकुवाडी नाल्याच्या बाजूला राणाच्या ४५ श्रमिक बेघरांच्या झोपडपट्टा जमीनदोस्त केल्या. या तोडक कारवाईमध्ये झोपडपट्टांनी काढवणे, प्लास्टिक, नेक्याचे सामान, साठवणी मूलांचे वाद्या, पुस्तके आणि महत्वाची कागदपत्रे, आधार कार्ड आदी सामानांचे नुकसान करण्यात आले आहे. महापालिकेने नाळे आणि रस्ते स्वच्छ करणाऱ्या विभागाने ही कारवाई करताना मुंबई उच्च न्यायालय तसेच राज्य सरकारच्या आदेशाचा अंमलन केला आहे. या कारवाईचा निषेध करण्यासह कारवाई करणाऱ्या पालिका अधिकाऱ्यांवर कायदेशीर कारवाई करण्याच्या मागणीसाठी आर सेंट्रल महापालिका विभाग कार्यालय बोरिवली येथे होमलेस कलेक्टिव्हच्या वतीने निदर्शने करण्यात आली.

आंदोलनात होमलेस कलेक्टिवचे जगदीश पाटाणकर, महाराष्ट्र राज्य बेघर निवास समितीचे सचिवीचे विवेक आर्य, योगेश बोले, लक्ष्मण काळे, गंगारबाई पवार, पूजा कांबळे, बिरसा मुंडा आदिवासी संघर्ष समितीचे प्रमोद फिरे आदींसह कार्यकर्ते तसेच बेघर नागरिक सहभागी झाले. आर सेंट्रल विभाग कार्यालयचे सहाय्यक महापालिकेच्या अग्रणी कापसे एका वेडकीत निघून गेल्याने मागण्यांचे विवेक सहाय्यक अधिपती परिषद विभाग असे यांच्याकडे सोपवण्यात आले आणि एन पावसाळ्यातील या कारवाई प्रश्न भविष्यात गाजण्याची चिन्हे दिशे लक्षणी आहेत.

जोगेधरी : बेघरांनी बोरिवलीत आर सेंट्रल विभाग कार्यालयाबाहेर ठिय्या मांडून कारवाईचा निषेध व्यक्त केला.

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### Shelter for Homeless labourers:

On 1<sup>st</sup> September BMC invited CPD to be a part of the meeting on formation of Shelter Monitoring Committee. CPD shared its opinion and suggestions pertaining to the condition of homeless across the city and suggested programs for their inclusivity. The Shelter Monitoring Committee was formalized in the month of January and CPD representative Jagdish Patankar was appointed as a member of the committee. In the month of March the first official meeting of the committee was held.



### Entitlements of Homeless labourers:

It was quite evident that the homeless population were not able to avail the benefits of the government schemes due to lack of legal documents and address proof. In the month of September Entitlement Rights Campaign was initiated in Chikuwadi & Dattani Park. Around 53 ration card forms were filled but all got cancelled as none of the homeless population had an Aadhar Card.



Thereafter a campaign on Voter Registration was organized in 2 labourer homeless communities and 7 informal communities. After various follow up 29 labourer homeless in Dattani park got voter ID cards but the voter ID cards of 5 homeless in Vile parle are still awaited. 317 Voter ID forms were filled in informal communities and are still in the process.

### World Homeless Day

On 10th October CPD marked the World Homeless Day with the homeless labourers of Dattani park and Chikuwadi. Sports activities and drawing activities were organized with children from both the communities. A photo exhibition was displayed showing hardships of the homeless. A Twitter campaign was also done on the homelessness and their issues.

### National Policy for the Urban Homeless (NPUH)

From 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> November a National Consultation was organized in Delhi. CPD, IGSSS and other civil society groups came together to draft a **National Policy for the Urban Homeless (NPUH)**. This was for the first time that the Policy was developed which addresses the holistic issues of homeless in the country. The draft policy was handed to the Central Govt's Ministry of Housing and Urban affairs. Simultaneously a signature campaign was initiated with homeless labourers in Mumbai's western suburbs by CPD and 250 signatures were collected and submitted.

## Humanitarian responses

### Relief for Tauktae Cyclone affected communities in Mumbai

The COVID pandemic had already affected people living in informal settlements adversely. The situation worsened as with the cyclone Tauktae damaged the meager shelters that the homeless were living in. Rain swept away their roofs, their belongings and their foodgrains.

CPD provided ration support and tarpaulin sheets to homeless labourers in Dattani Park, Chikuwadi, Poisar Gymkhana, Sitaram Mill Compound, Vileparle Station and families residing in Ambedkar Nagar. Tarpaulin was provided to 400 vulnerable families (homeless and informal communities) and dry ration was provided to 450 families.

### Collaborations & Networks

- TOSSIB - CPD collaborated with TISS for conducting a survey in Mumbai on sanitation in urban India. The project TOSSIB (Towards Sustainable Sanitation in India and Brazil) studies sustainability outcomes across different sanitation systems, geographical contexts (India, Brazil) and temporal scales using multiple analytical approaches and state-of-the-art modelling. Around 350 families have been surveyed for this process.
- Navigating the Grid –CPD collaborated with Kamla Raheja College of Architecture for the project Navigating the grid: poverty, gender, and access to services in India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka. This project is in collaboration with the University of Edinburgh.
- Jan Azadi 75 Campaign –CPD collaborated with NAPM for Jan Azadi 75 Campaign from 9<sup>th</sup> August to 15<sup>th</sup> August. The celebration was with youth and the homeless population.
- CPD collaborated with Jan Arogya Sangharsh Samiti to raise the health concerns of people in communities. We have created videos on the effect of COVID 19 in communities. This documentation was shared with the Minister for Health, Maharashtra.



# FINANCIAL STATEMENT : INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT



**S. Sahoo & Co.**  
Chartered Accountants

## Independent Auditor's Report

To,  
The Trustees  
CENTRE FOR PROMOTING DEMOCRACY  
F-1, Shiv Vaibhav Co-operative Housing Society Ltd, Jogeshwari, Vikroli Link Road, Majasgaon,  
Jogeshwari (East), Mumbai-400060

### Report on the Financial Statements

#### Opinion

1. We have audited the accompanying financial statements of CENTRE FOR PROMOTING DEMOCRACY (the "Trust"), which comprise the Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2022, the Income and Expenditure Account, Statement of Income liable to contribution as required by The Bombay Public Trusts Act, 1950 ("the Act") for the year then ended, and significant accounting policies and notes to the financial statements.
2. In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us and the aforesaid financial statements give the information required by the Act in the manner so required and comply, in all material respects, with the conditions laid down in the Scheme for the management and administration of the Trust and the rules made thereunder, to the extent relevant and applicable, and give a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, of the state of affairs of the Trust as at 31 March 2022, and its surplus and its income liable to contribution for the year ended on that date.

#### Basis of Opinion

3. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing (SAs). Our responsibilities under those Standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Trust in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India ("ICAI") and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.



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## Responsibilities of the Trustee for the Financial Statements

4. The Trustees ('management') are responsible for the preparation of these financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position and financial performance of the Trust in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India. This responsibility also includes maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act for safeguarding of the assets of the Trust and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities; selection and application of appropriate accounting policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.
5. In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Trust or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

## Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

6. Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Standards on Auditing will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.
7. As part of an audit in accordance with Standards on Auditing, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:
  - Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence, that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as, fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.



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to us, proper books of accounts are maintained by the Society and the same is maintained in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the rules made thereunder;

- b. Receipts and disbursements are properly and correctly shown in the accounts;
- c. The cash balance, vouchers, bank book etc. are in custody of Member and the same are in agreement with Books of account on the date of our audit;
- d. All books, deeds, accounts, vouchers or other documents or records required by us were produced for audit;
- e. Trust has maintained register of movable properties;
- f. The Chief Functionary and Accountant of the Trust appeared before us and furnished all information required for audit;
- g. In our opinion and according to the information provided to us, no property or funds of the Trust were applied for any object or purpose other than the object or purpose of the Trust;
- h. Tenders were invited involving expenditure exceeding expenditure ₹5,000/-;
- i. In our opinion and according to the information provided to us, in this year there is no alienation in the immovable property of the trust;
- j. There is no special matter which we may think fit or necessary to bring to the notice of the Deputy or Assistant Charity Commissioner;
- k. In our opinion and according to the information provided to us, no cases of irregular, illegal or improper expenditure or failure or omission to recover moneys or other property belonging to the public society or of loss, or waste of moneys or other property thereof, and whether such expenditure, failure, omission, loss or waste was caused in consequence of breach of society or misapplication or any other misconduct on the part of the member or any other person while in the management of the Trust were identified;
- l. As per the Scheme for the management and administration of the Trust, any time during the year minimum and maximum number of trust have been maintained. The same is in accordance to the Scheme for the management and administration of the Trust;



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- m. In our opinion and according to the information provided to us, Trustee is a debtor or creditor of the trust:
- n. In our opinion and according to the information provided to us, no irregularities were pointed out in the books of accounts of previous year.

For & on behalf of-  
S. Sahoo & Co.  
Chartered Accountants  
FRN: 322952E

  
CA (Dr.) Subhajit Sahoo, FCA, LLB  
Partner  
MM No. 057426

Place: New Delhi  
Date: 30.06.2022

UDIN: 22057426AMZPSM8311

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The Bombay Public Trust Act, 1950  
 SCHEDULE VIII[Vide Rule 17(1)]  
 Registration No. E-0033367(GBR) (MUMBAI)  
 Name of the Public Trust-CENTER FOR PROMOTING DEMOCRACY  
 1/2, Shiv Vaibhav Co-operative Housing Society, Jogeshwari - Vikroli Link Road, Majasgaon Tekadi, Jogeshwari (East), Mumbai-400060  
 Balance Sheet As At 31st March 2022

FUND & LIABILITIES	Amount in Rs.		PROPERTY AND ASSETS	Amount in Rs.	
<b>Trust Funds or Corpus:-</b>			<b>Immovable Properties:</b>		
Balance as per last Balance sheet	-	-	As per last Balance Sheet (Sch-1)	-	-
Adjustment during the year (Give details)	-	-	Additions during the year	-	-
			Less: Sales during the year	-	-
			Depreciation	-	-
<b>Other Earmarked Funds:-</b>			<b>Investment:-</b>		
(Created under the Provision of the Trust deed or scheme or out of the income)	-	-	Note: The market value of investment is Rs.	-	-
Depreciation Fund (Sch-1)	-	-	<b>Movable Properties:- (Sch-2)</b>		
Sinking Fund	-	-	As per last Balance sheet (Sch-D)	14,150.00	-
Reserve Fund	-	-	Addition during the year	28,000.00	-
Building (Sch-2)	-	-	Less: Sales During the Year	-	-
<b>Loans (Secured or Unsecured):-</b>			Dep Up to date	16,980.00	25,470.00
From Trustees	-	-	<b>Loan (Secured or Unsecured) Good/doubtful</b>		
From Others	-	-	Loan Scholarships	-	-
<b>Liabilities:-</b>			Other Loans	-	-
Audit Fees	17,700	-	<b>Advances:-</b>		
For Expenses	-	-	To Trustees	-	-
For Advances Member Deposits	-	-	TO Employees	-	-
Forundry Credit Balances	6,900	24,600	TO Contractors	-	-
For Tenant Deposit	-	-	To Lawyers	-	-
			TO Others	67,269.00	67,269.00
<b>Income and Expenditure Account:-</b>			<b>Income Outstanding:-</b>		
Balance as per last Balance sheet	75,371	-	Rent	-	-
Add: Transfer From depreciation Fund	-	-	Interest	-	-
ADD: Surplus as per I & E A/C	19,137	94,508	Other Income	-	-
			<b>Cash and Bank Balance :-</b>		
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1,19,108</b>	(a) In Saving Account with (Sch E)	26,193	-
			Cash in Hand with Trustees	-	-
			(b) With the Trustees	175	26,368.00
			(c) with the manager	-	-
			<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1,19,108</b>

For & on behalf:  
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 Chartered Accountants  
 TRN: 122952E

CA Subhajt Sahoo, FCA, LLB  
 Partner  
 M. No. 077426

Place: New Delhi  
 Date: 13/06/2022



For & on behalf:  
 Center for Promoting Democracy

Sitaram Shelar

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 Trustees

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The Bombay Public Trusts Act, 1950  
SCHEDULE-IX  
Vide Rule 17(1)

Registration No. E-0033367(GBR) (MUMBAI)  
Name of the Public Trust-CENTER FOR PROMOTING DEMOCRACY  
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Mumbai-400060

## INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING ON 31st MARCH 2022

EXPENDITURE	Amount	INCOME	Amount
To Expenditure In respect of Properties :-		By Rent	
Rates, Taxes, Cesses	-	Accrued	-
Repairs and Maintenance	-	Realised	-
Salaries	-	By Interest	
Insurance	-	Realised	-
Depreciation	-	On Securities	-
Other Expense	-	On Loans	-
To Establishment Expenses	-	On Bank Account	2,651
To Bank charges/commission	4,515	By Grant From	
Remuneration to Trustees	1,00,000	Various Institution	-
Legal Expenses	-	By Income From Other Sources	
To Audit Fees	17,700	By Donations	24,30,330
To Contribution and Fees	-	By Transfer to Depreciation Fund	-
TO Amount written off:-	-		
(b) Loan Scholarship	-		
To Miscellaneous Expenses	3,53,155		
To Depreciation	16,980		
To Amount transferred to Reserve or specific Funds	-		
To Expenditure on object of the Trust			
(a) Religious	-		
(b) Educational	-		
(c) Medical Relief	5,000		
(d) Relief Of Poverty	19,22,494		
(e) Other Charitable Object	-		
To Surplus Carried over to Balance Sheet	19,137		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24,38,981</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24,38,981</b>

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FRN: 322952E

CA Subhajit Sahoo, FCA, LLB  
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Place : New Delhi  
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(East), Mumbai-400060

Registration No. E-0033367(GBR) (MUMBAI)  
Name of the Public Trust-CENTER FOR PROMOTING DEMOCRACY

## RECEIPTS & PAYMENT ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2022

### RECEIPTS

<b>Opening Balance :</b>		
Cash in Hand		1,574.00
Cash at Bank		50,902.00
Donation		24,21,330.00
Bank Interest		2,651.00
Levies & Advances Received		1,000.00
<b>TOTAL Rs.</b>		<b>24,77,457.00</b>

### PAYMENT

Programme Expense		20,27,494.00
Administrative Expenses		3,57,069.81
Non-Recurring Expense		28,000.00
<b>Current Liabilities Paid</b>		<b>37,925.00</b>
<b>Closing Balance</b>		<b>175.00</b>
Cash in Hand		26,193.01
Cash at Bank		
<b>TOTAL Rs.</b>		<b>24,77,457.00</b>

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