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PRESIDENT'S DESK

It gives me immense pride to share the progress and impact achieved from April to June 2025. This quarter has been marked by meaningful collaborations, strengthened partnerships, and impactful initiatives that have positively transformed the lives of children, youth, and communities we serve. With the continued support of our partners and well-wishers, Aarohan has advanced its efforts in education, skill development, and digital literacy, fostering sustainable growth, renewed hope, and expanded opportunities for those at the heart of our mission.

The Great support of **Indraprastha Gas Limited (IGL)** will play a pivotal role in advancing Aarohan's initiatives in **Skill Development and Digital Literacy**. Through their contribution, our reach has expanded significantly, empowering 280 women this year with essential digital knowledge and employable skills. These initiatives are equipping young learners to navigate an ever-evolving world with confidence and to prepare for sustainable livelihoods. IGL's continued partnership not only strengthens our mission but also transforms aspirations into tangible achievements, creating pathways of hope, dignity, and opportunity for women and youth alike.

We also extend our deepest gratitude to **Tenneco, ITCTC, and CDL**, whose extended support has allowed us to broaden the scope of our work and strengthen community-based interventions. Our long-standing partners, **Capgemini and Aide et Action**, remain pillars of encouragement, constantly motivating us to innovate, expand, and create sustainable models of education and empowerment.



Mrs. Rani Patel
Founder & President, Aarohan

Alongside, we acknowledge with heartfelt appreciation the role of several individual supporters, whose belief in Aarohan's mission adds depth and resilience to our efforts.

Together, these partnerships are more than financial support—they are a shared commitment to building dignity, equality, and opportunity. The impact is evident not only in enhanced skills and knowledge but also in the renewed confidence and hope reflected in every child and family we touch.

As we move forward, Aarohan remains dedicated to scaling its vision of empowering communities, fostering resilience, and shaping a brighter, inclusive future.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE QUARTERTES

IGL - Youth Resource Center

Aarohan is proud to establish the Youth Resource Center in Delhi with the generous support of IGL under its CSR initiative. The need for such a center arises from the pressing challenges faced by adolescent youth and women in marginalized communities, who often lack access to digital literacy and skill training of employment opportunities.



The Youth Resource Center is designed to bridge this gap by offering guidance, digital literacy, vocational training, career counseling, and life-skills development. Our aim is to empower young individuals—especially from the most disadvantaged sections of society—to build confidence, secure sustainable livelihoods, and contribute positively to society. Through this initiative, Aarohan and IGL reaffirm their commitment to inclusion, growth, and the holistic upliftment of youth for a brighter and more equitable future.



Vividha

Aarohan is proud to be a part of Vividha, advocating for transgender rights and promoting inclusive growth for all. This platform provides an opportunity to raise awareness, encourage dialogue, and strengthen collective efforts toward equality, dignity, and empowerment. Through our participation, Aarohan reaffirms its commitment to creating a society where every individual—regardless of gender identity—has access to opportunities, respect, and the freedom to thrive.

District Legal Services Authority (DLSA)- Meeting

Aarohan's Founder President, Ms. Rani Patel, along with the team, met Ms. Kanika Jain, Secretary of the District Legal Services Authority (DLSA), North West Delhi, at the District Court to explore avenues of collaboration for the empowerment of the transgender community. The meeting focused on plans for developmental programs, counseling support, and an awareness session on legal rights, marking a shared step toward inclusion, equality, and dignity for all.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

Board Members' Meeting: Shaping the Road Ahead

Aarohan is delighted to share the successful convening of its Board Members' Meeting, where leaders came together to chart the strategy for the organization's upcoming journey. The session was marked by thoughtful discussions, innovative ideas, and a shared vision to further strengthen Aarohan's mission of empowering communities.



The meeting placed strong emphasis on framing a comprehensive strategy for the next five years, while also reviewing and assessing the impact of Aarohan's work over the last three years. This reflective exercise provided valuable insights into achievements, challenges, and opportunities for scaling up impact in the coming years.

An important highlight of the meeting was the Board Member election for the Secretary position, where Mrs. Aarti Sud was warmly welcomed and elected as the new Secretary. Her vast experience, commitment, and vision will further strengthen Aarohan's governance and leadership.

With profound respect and gratitude, Aarohan acknowledges **the unwavering guidance, wisdom, and support of its Board Members.** Their dedication continues to fuel Aarohan's journey, inspiring the team to dream bigger, create greater impact, and build a brighter and more inclusive future for the communities we serve.

EDUCATION

In line with Aarohan's vision of nurturing informed and responsible citizens, the team organized a Legal Awareness Session for children. The session was designed to empower students with knowledge of their rights and fundamental duties as enshrined in the Constitution of India.

The session not only enhanced their legal awareness but also inspired them to contribute positively to society as future leaders.

By fostering awareness at a young age, Aarohan continues to strengthen its mission of creating socially responsible and empowered communities.



With the approach of **“Padhai Pahadon Par”**, Aarohan is nurturing the lives of children in hilly regions by creating opportunities for learning and growth. We are delighted to share that Aarohan has received **valuable support from IRCTC** for establishing a Digital Pathshala, aimed at promoting digital literacy among underprivileged children. By bringing education to the hills, Aarohan is not only transforming young lives but also contributing to building a more inclusive and empowered society.



From Bags Full of Rags to Sag Full of Dreams

Aarohan continues its journey of transforming lives by providing a safe and nurturing learning environment for children from ragpicker communities. What once were bags full of rags are now being replaced with sacks full of dreams, as these children are given the opportunity to learn, grow, and aspire for a better future.

By empowering ragpicker children with knowledge and skills, Aarohan is laying the foundation for a future society that values dignity, equality, and hope.



Women Empowerment

Extended support of Tenneco

Successful completion of the first year of Skill Training Sessions stands as a testament to the dedication. Recognizing the visible change and measurable Impacts, Tenneco has graciously extended its support for another year. This continued partnership reflects the transparency, accountability, and deep impact of the project—empowering women with skills, confidence, and hope for a brighter sustainability of their livelihood. Together, we are not just creating opportunities, but building pathways to transformation



Gurugram



Malviya Nagar

Financial literacy,

As part of its commitment to **promoting digital literacy**, Aarohan conducted a series of Digital Financial Literacy Sessions across its centers. The sessions focused on empowering community members—particularly women and youth—with practical knowledge on digital banking, UPI payments, budgeting, and financial safety.

Through these initiatives, 274 women were successfully trained, enabling them to adopt safe digital practices and gain confidence in managing their finances.

Aarohan remains dedicated to bridging the digital divide and fostering financial awareness among marginalized communities.

Aarohan, with its unwavering commitment to empowering community members, is dedicated to providing skills that open doors to livelihood opportunities. To achieve this, Aarohan has developed programs that move beyond traditional classroom learning and focus on practical, hands-on experience for its beneficiaries. This experiential approach not only strengthens employable skills but also instills confidence, nurtures independence, and creates clear pathways toward self-employment and sustainable livelihoods



TRANSGENDER COMMUNITY

As part of its mission for inclusive growth for all, Aarohan, in collaboration with HOWDEN, organized a special session with the transgender community. showcased their talents through a **makeup competition, ramp walk, and dance performances, reflecting their creativity, resilience, and individuality.** The session not only celebrated their abilities but also promoted a deeper understanding of the importance of inclusivity and equal opportunities in society.



To promote legal awareness and protect the rights of the transgender community, Aarohan organized a special awareness session. The session had focused on educating transgender individuals about their constitutional rights, entitlements, and **legal safeguards**, while also addressing the challenges they face in accessing justice and equal opportunities.

The session helped participants gain knowledge, confidence, and self-advocacy skills, empowering them to stand for their rights and build a more inclusive society. This session reflects Aarohan's strong commitment to **equality, dignity, and empowerment for all communities.**

Through a holistic approach, Aarohan has conducted Digital Literacy Sessions for the transgender community, enabling a better understanding of digital tools, online transactions, financial management, and safe internet practices.

These sessions not only enhanced their confidence in using technology but also promoted greater inclusion, self-reliance, and access to opportunities in today's digital world.



IMPACT

SHEELA - A JOURNEY FROM DEPENDENCE TO SELF-INDEPENDENCE

Sheela's life was once surrounded by struggles—financial hardship, social barriers, and a lack of opportunities. Coming from a backward society, she often felt her dreams were out of reach. “I used to think independence was not meant for women like me,” she recalls softly.

Her turning point came when she joined Aarohan's women empowerment program. Initially shy and hesitant, she gradually opened up during awareness sessions on women's rights, financial literacy, and skill development. These platforms gave her not just knowledge, but also courage. “The sessions made me believe that I can do something on my own,” Sheela shares with a smile.

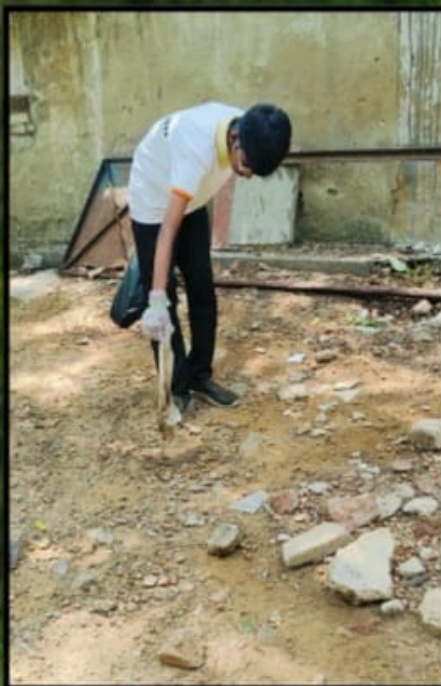


Inspired to take control of her future, she chose tailoring as her livelihood skill. With practice, patience, and guidance, she mastered the craft and started stitching clothes for her neighborhood. Her first earnings, though small, gave her a sense of pride she had never felt before. “When I earned my first income, I felt powerful. For the first time, I could buy things for my family without asking anyone,” she says proudly.

Today, Sheela is not only contributing financially to her household but also participating in decision-making. She is respected by her family and admired by her peers. “Now I feel proud when I support my family. My children see me as strong, and that makes me happy,” she adds.

With this confidence, Sheela is now preparing to start her journey as a self-entrepreneur, turning her skills and determination into a path of independence and empowerment. She stands as a beacon of hope, inspiring other women to rise and claim their rightful place in society.

JUNE 5TH ENVIRONMENT DAY



This Environment Day, Aarohan planted saplings with hope— for cleaner air, richer biodiversity, and a greener future. 🌱💚



EVENT CELEBRATION

Self-confidence and resilience among children, Aarohan organized a Self-Defence Session with the support of the Delhi Self Defence Team.

The session equipped children with basic techniques of self-protection while also encouraging them to develop courage, awareness, and presence of mind in challenging situations. More than just physical skills, the training empowered students to believe in themselves and face the world with confidence. Through such initiatives, Aarohan continues to nurture children not only academically but also emotionally and socially—preparing them to grow as confident, resilient, and responsible individuals.



On Anti-Child Labour Day, Aarohan children joined Bachpan students for play and interactive activities, celebrating childhood in a joyful atmosphere. The organizers also provided goodies, stationery, and lunch, with transportation arranged for the children's safe participation. The event spread awareness on ending child labour while promoting equality, joy, and shared learning.



With full energy and excitement, children across Aarohan centers actively participated in the Summer Camp activities. The sessions were designed to combine learning with fun, offering children opportunities to explore creativity, teamwork, and new skills in an engaging environment.

Aarohan is proud to see the enthusiastic participation of children and remains committed to creating such platforms that nurture their growth and happiness.



SHORT UPDATE



In collaboration with the Apollo Team, Aaroan organized a comprehensive health camp for the manual scavenger communities.

The health camp focused on preventive care, medical check-ups, consultations, awareness sessions on hygiene and nutrition,

This initiative reflects Aaroan's commitment to promoting health equity, awareness, and dignity for marginalized communities.

We are pleased to share that Aaroan was a part of the 77th Independence Day celebration, which was marked with flag hoisting, cultural performances, and inspiring speeches reflecting the spirit of freedom and unity.



Aaroan, in collaboration with Indira Gandhi Cancer Research Institute, successfully organized a Cancer Screening Health Camp for the community. The initiative focused on the importance of early detection, awareness on cancer prevention, and timely medical support. Participants underwent essential screenings and also received guidance on adopting healthier lifestyles.

Through continuous sensitization and orientation, Aaroan equips volunteers with the knowledge, skills, and perspective to effectively address community needs, understand social challenges, and drive meaningful and sustainable impact in the lives of children and families.



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