Celebrating Impact’s 32nd Anniversary
Service to the Disabled Poor

From the Desk of the Chief Executive Officer

Dear Friends and Well Wishers,

2nd October 2015 is a very special day as Impact India completes 32 years of so wonderful and satisfying a journey - a journey that has touched the lives of so many people in rural India.

Some of you have supported Impact for long, and have seen how from a small beginning it has become an institution admired all over the world. But your greatest joy must be for what you have done for those in need. To each one of you, I send my congratulations and warm wishes for continued success. You have my assurance of fullest support at all times.

WE ARE ALL IN IT TOGETHER

Zelma Lazarus
Chief Executive Officer

Padma Shri Yezdi H. Malegam bids farewell to Impact India Foundation

Impact India Foundation has been privileged to have had Padma Shri Yezdi H. Malegam on its Board of Trustees since its inception in October 1983. Mr. Malegam is an eminent Chartered Accountant of great reputation which is evident from his association with numerous prestigious Boards such as the Reserve Bank of India, Chairman of National Advisory Committee on Accounting Standards, and recipient of several awards and recognition such as the Hall of Fame Award conferred by the Outlook Money Awards Jury and the Padma Shri Award of the Republic of India. Mr. Malegam has been a strong supporter of Impact India’s work for the disabled poor of the country.

Impact India is grateful to Mr. Malegam for his kind advice and guidance as our Trustee and for the assurance of his continued support of our work. His appreciation and kindness inspired us and he will continue to be our pillar of strength.

We look forward to Mr. Malegam’s valuable advice at all times.

Impact India Foundation will miss Mr. Malegam.
16TH July 2015 - LIFELINE EXPRESS COMPLETES 24 SUCCESSFUL YEARS TREATING NEARLY ONE MILLION PATIENTS TOTALLY FREE OF COST

On 16th July 1991, Mr. A.N. Shukla, General Manager, Central Railway, flagged off the LIFELINE EXPRESS, the world’s first hospital train, at Bombay’s Victoria Terminus, holding aloft nine year old Sangeeta Pagdhare, who was crippled from childhood and was put on her feet by Impact’s Cure on Wheels project.

Congratulating Impact India, Mr. Shukla said: “This unique project is the first of its kind in the world. It will cover the expanse of the Indian Railways’ vast network penetrating remote areas where medical facilities are not available”

Today is yet another day of doing great things in Impact - a special day as the LLE completes 24 years of so wonderful and satisfying a journey to every part of our great country. The LLE has won so much recognition and praise to become an institution admired by so many the world over. Today our greatest joy is our service to the disabled poor of rural India.

At a typical LLE project approximaely three weeks, we perform the following:

**Surgeries:**

- Orthopaedic
- Cleft Lip
- Vision
- Dental
- Hearing

**Additional Services:**
- Epilepsy Treatment
- Health Education Programmes

The Indian Dental Association (IDA) has collaborated with the Lifeline Express (LLE). IDA will depute three dental surgeons to attend to the patients seeking dental treatment on the LLE and impart dental education and services to school children, teachers and parents in and around the LLE project location during the currency of the project.

**LLE EXPANSION:**
IIF has requested the Government for two additional coaches to attach to the existing five-coach hospital train to provide space for additional medical services such as Oral, Breast & Cervical Cancer Prevention & Control; Detection of Hypertension and Prevention of Stroke and for Detection of Hernia and Hydrocele. The additional coaches will accommodate units for Pathology, Pharmacy, Medical Consultations such as Gynaecology, Neurology, Mammography, X-Ray and Ultra Sound investigations.
LIFELINE EXPRESS 159th PROJECT AT PALGHAR RAILWAY STATION DURING JANUARY 2015

R.C. SARIN
CHAIRMAN

Message from Mr. R.C. Sarin, Chairman, Impact India Foundation, at the Closing Ceremony of the LIFELINE EXPRESS Project on 30th January 2015

Friends and Wellwishers,

Although not with you in person, I am truly present in spirit, to convey my thanks for your support of the Lifeline Express at Palghar. 4,758 disabled poor have been medically served at this project, bringing the total figure of those treated on the train to over one million.

Our mission of partnership with the Government and catalyzing the involvement of the corporate sector, the NGOs and others in our Heath projects, has been evident here. IDBI Capital have sponsored the project; the District Collector and the Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad have extended their full support, other NGOs and individuals including the local people have involvement themselves most effectively - all this for a most successful endeavour.

We look forward to your continued support of all that we are trying to do for the disabled poor of our country.

Thank you again,

R.C. Sarin
CHAIRMAN

Mrs. Zelma Lazarus
Founder Director &
CEO, Impact India

Mr. P.M.
Rajaseshwaran,
COO, Impact

Mr. Vijay
Suryawanshi,
CEO, Palghar
Zilla Parishad

Mr. Abhijit Bangar,
Collector, Palghar

Dr. J.K. Banthia
Trustee, Impact

Dr. D.C. Jain,
MD, IDBI Capital
Markets
(Sponsors of the project)

Mr. Mannmohan
Mehta, Lions Club,
Tarapur

Ms. Major Gen. Bhatia,
Principal, Sandra
Shroff Rofel College
of Nursing, Vapi

Amongst the various dignitaries present at the Closing Ceremony were Mr. Abhijit Bangar, Collector, Palghar, Mr. Vijay Suryawanshi, CEO, Palghar Zilla Parishad, Mr. D. C. Jain, Managing Director, IDBI Capital Markets (Sponsors of the project), Dr. Kelkar, Civil Surgeon, Rural Hospital, Palghar, Dr. Santosh Gaikwad, District Health Officer, Palghar; Mr. Mannmohan Mehta, Lions Club Member, Tarapur, Major Gen. Bhatia, Principal, Sandra Shroff Rofel College of Nursing, Vapi, Gujarat.

The participants were felicitated with the presentation of Mementos and Certificates by Impact’s Trustee, Mr. Jayant Kumar Banthia. Mrs. Zelma Lazarus, Impact’s Founder Director & CEO, thanked all present and acknowledged with gratitude Impact’s Medical Advisory Board Members - Dr. Mrs. Minnie Bodhanwala, Dr. Taral Nagda and D. Mansing Pawar, as also Major General T.K. Bhutia, Principal Sandra Shroff Rofel College of Nursing, Vapi, whose teams participated in the project and other District Health Administration officials.
INauguration of LIFELINE EXPRESS PROJECTS

Inauguration of the 157th LLE project at Gorakhpur, U.P. by the Member of Parliament, Shri Mahant Yogi Adityanath.

Dr. Raman Singh, Chief Minister of Chattisgarh inaugurated the 158th LLE project at Jagdalpur, M.P.

Mr. D.C. Jain, M.D., IDBI Capital at the Closing Ceremony of the 159th LLE project at Palghar, Maharashtra.

Dr. Sanjay Jaiswal, Member of Parliament, West Champaran, inaugurating the 160th LLE project at Motihari, Bihar, accompanied by Shri Pramod Kumar, MLA.

District Collector of Khandwa, Mr. M.K. Agarwal, Mr. M.S. Sikarwar, SP Khandwa and Mr. Anirban Ghosh, V.P., Mahindra & Mahindra inaugurating the 161st LLE Project at Khandwa.

162nd LLE project at Raichur inaugurated by Mr. S.K. Senthil, Dy. Commissioner, Raichur accompanied by CEO ZP Mrs. V. Vijaya Jyotsna & the DHO Dr. Naraynappa.
Our very important benefactor from U.K., CBE (Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire) Michael Chowen and his wife Mrs. Maureen Chowen visited the 160th Lifeline Express project during February 2015 at Motihari, Bihar.

CBE Chowen and Mrs. Chowen met the patients at the LLE project.

Dr. Rajnish Gour, Chief Executive, Lifeline Express, presented a memento to CBE Michael Chowen.

Mr. Kagodu Thimmappa, Speaker, Karnataka Legislative Assembly -
- Lifeline Express Hospital is unique in nature. Thanks to the Railway for organizing this mobile hospital

Mr. V.K. Ikkeri, IAS, DC, Shimoga -
- Good initiative. Let it be to cater to the needs of the poor needy

Mrs. Padmaker, Ex-MLC -
- I am very happy to see the Lifeline service. Really it is a great service to humanity. Very surprisingly thousands of operations done in this operation theatre. All facilities are like super speciality hospitals. Thank you doctors, staff and the Lifeline staff.

Mr. Anoop Kumar, DRM, Lucknow, N.E. Railway -
- It has been amazing to learn that Lifeline Express is providing medical facilities free of cost in the country to the poor patients. I feel honoured to be associated with this project from N.E. railway side and hosting it twice on NER, Lucknow Division, first at Gonda and now at Gorakhpur.

Bina Patel, Mira Deshmukh, Ami Mehta-Imperial College, London
- This has been an incredible experience. It has been wonderful to see the great work this organization does and the huge number of lives that have been changed.

Mr. Sujit Jha, a journalist, covered the LLE project and made a short trailer for his ambitious One Hour Documentary on the LLE services. Here is the online link on the short yet wonderful trailer he made on the LLE: https://vimeo.com/135979510

Ctrl-Click on the link : http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TNqjOTx6nRO to view BBC’s film “The Magic Train” on Impact India’s Lifeline Express, which will give you an idea of how one million lives have been transformed at the various projects
The CHI at Sakharshet Primary Health Centre area in Jawhar Block was inaugurated on May 7, 2015, by Mrs. Surekha Thetale, President of Zilha Parishad, Palghar, in the presence of a large number of District and Taluka level officials and health staff, indicating the Government’s ownership of the project.

Impact raised funds to equip 16 year old Shankar with myo-electric prosthesis. Shankar living in rural Palghar District was born with deformed legs and without arms in a poor family. Shankar was checked by Ottobock, Chembur, who recommended fitment of myo-electrically controlled prosthesis for one arm and an artificial limb for the other arm.

“Thank you Madam for making me complete”- Shankar Bhoir
Pooja Bhamra’s Tribute to Shankar:
“Who no longer writes with his toes
As he holds for the very first time
He is a new connection,
He is SHANKAR...”

A meeting of 43 Headmasters of Government ashramshala (Residential schools) was held at the Integrated Tribal Development Project Office at Jawhar.

Impact India was given time by the Dy. Project Director Rajaram Halape Saheb to explain its role and activities.

To prevent hypothermia in newborns, IIF has so far stitched 3,200 Baby Wraps and distributed them in the CHI at Parali. We have to mention here that our CEO, Mrs. Zelma Lazarus, has dedicated her time and energy to personally stitch about 1,000 baby wraps herself.

Impact India’s Baby Wrap Project has gone international.

An ortho measurement camp was arranged at Wada-1, Z.P. School in collaboration with Ratna NIDHI Charitable Trust, Mumbai, Education Dept (EED Section) Wada and IIF. 104 patients were screened and selected for callipers, Jaipur foot, wheel chairs, crutches and other treatment. Mrs. Nanda Thakkar, Dr. Rajesh Panchal and their teams together with the entire CHI Wada staff were involved in this successful camp.
Johnson & Johnson (J&J) have funded the support of one meal a day for 100 pregnant women and 100 lactating new mothers. The extra meal has been provided by ISKCON Mid-day Meal Programme. This has resulted in the birth of healthy babies and reduced anaemia condition in lactating mothers.

**Immunisation Programme**

Immunisation programmes are ongoing at the CHI

Dr. Rajesh M. Panchal conducted free of cost surgical camp for patients from Wada at Apex Hospital along with OrthoKid at Borivali, Mumbai. Services include follow-up at site with physiotherapy.

**Surgical Camp**

725 mothers participated in the breastfeeding programme conducted by the CHI staff during August 2015 which was observed as the breast feeding month

**CHI Staff at a Picnic**

Believing that 'All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy', CHI staff went to a picnic to Dadar Nagar Haveli, Silvasa, visiting Satmaliya Wild Safari, Tribal Museum and enjoyed a walk in the garden and boating.

IIF has introduced Toybank to 11 schools in Wada Block of Palghar District for donation of 599 sets of toys for the skill development of 2,409 students who learn to interact in teams.

For the kind donation of toys: IIF is thankful to:

Toybank
Vanita Khubchandani
Asha Turakhia
Shweta Chari
Amruta Shinde
Kamala Sarma
Kashmira Gamadia

Mrs. Zelma Lazarus, CEO, Impact India, was invited as a Keynote Speaker but was unable to attend. A recorded video carried her message to the Conference.

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We remain grateful to every one.

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