

# संवाद

## Catalyst for Social Interconnection



### Spring Ora: Fostering Camaraderie and Creativity

As Hellen Keller rightly said, "Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much." "Spring Aura," an initiative by CSA's Education and Skills Development team, exemplified the organization's commitment to holistic student development and community engagement. Designed as an enthusiastic summer camp program, it provided students with a platform to discover their talents, build friendships, and embrace a sense of camaraderie.

The event featured a diverse range of activities, from classic favorites like musical chairs to exhilarating competitions like dog and the bone. Through these activities, students learned essential values such as teamwork, coordination, and quick thinking. Additionally, creative displays like singing and dancing allowed participants to express themselves and showcase their talents. Participants from across the university enthusiastically engaged in "Spring Aura," their enthusiasm and spirit illuminating CSA's dedication to nurturing talent, promoting community engagement, and fostering holistic student development.

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## BLOOD DONATION & HEALTH CHECK-UP CARNIVAL



The Health and Hygiene Cohort of the Center for Social Action (CSA) recently organized a successful blood donation and health check-up camp on campus. This event attracted enthusiastic participation from a diverse group of attendees, including staff, students, and local villagers. However, it was noted by the volunteers that the campus location did not draw as many participants as previous camps that were held directly in village localities. Despite this, the villagers who attended the camp expressed their appreciation for the students' dedicated efforts to promote health and wellness in the Lavasa community. The importance of such events cannot be overstated. Blood donation camps are vital in maintaining an adequate blood supply for emergencies and various medical procedures. Regular health check-ups are essential in early detection and prevention of diseases, ensuring a healthier population.

To create a more engaging and comprehensive experience, the event also featured a Health Carnival.

This carnival included interactive health education sessions, fun activities promoting healthy lifestyles, and stalls providing information on nutrition, exercise, and preventive healthcare. These activities aimed to raise awareness and educate the community about the importance of maintaining good health. The CSA remains committed to enhancing its community outreach programs and aims to ensure greater involvement in future initiatives. The organization is looking at various strategies to increase participation and make their health and wellness initiatives more accessible to a broader audience. Future plans include holding more events in village localities and incorporating feedback from participants to better meet their needs.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all the participants and volunteers whose contributions made this camp a success. Your involvement is crucial in supporting the CSA's mission to foster a healthier community.

## Reclaiming Lost treasures- Impact of Lost and Found Initiative

# DECK THE HAUL

In the bustling corridors, classrooms, and study halls, students often misplace valuable belongings. To address this, the Centre for Social Action (CSA) organizes monthly lost and found drives, offering a centralized location for reporting and retrieving lost items. This initiative not only serves a practical purpose but also fosters a spirit of community and care, encouraging discussions on accountability and community values.

CSA volunteers diligently manage the stall, ensuring lost items are safely returned and spreading awareness about the importance of reporting lost items promptly and taking preventative measures. Funds collected from these drives support the Child Sponsorship Programs and other CSA initiatives. The CSA lost and found kiosk exemplifies social responsibility, compassion, and community, strengthening the bonds within our university.



## STUDENT TESTIMONIES



~Ritika Mavi  
(Head, 2023-24)

"As Head of the Education and Skill Development cohort at CSA, Christ University - Pune Lavasa Campus, I led a dedicated team committed to making a positive impact on society. Our mission went beyond imparting knowledge; it was about igniting passion and fostering community growth. Despite the challenges, the rewards were immense, seen in the smiles of children during classes and the success of initiatives like the Pradhan donation drive. The cohort became my family, supported by coordinators and colleagues. My journey with CSA was both a professional milestone and a journey of personal growth. I am deeply thankful to CSA for enriching my experience, and proudly encourage others to join this transformative community."



~Muskan Manvi  
(Sub-Head, 2023-24)

"Being part of CSA's Educational and Skill Development Cohort at Christ Lavasa has been life-changing. With the guidance of coordinators and support from colleagues, I've unlocked my potential through engaging classes, community drives, and leadership roles. CSA's nurturing environment has not only enriched my skills in team building and leadership but has also made a profound impact on society. My journey with CSA has been a professional achievement and a journey of self-discovery. I'm immensely grateful for the enriching experience and invite every Christite to join our community of changemakers. Together, let's rewrite stories of hope, resilience, and limitless possibilities."



~Pragya Dadheech  
(Head, 2023-24)

"As the Head of the CSA Health, Hygiene, and Wellbeing Cohort, I am grateful to have a team who wanted to work with the same enthusiasm and care for the society. Working with a team of 8, to make a cohort of 80 dedicated volunteers was an intriguing experience. Despite many challenges and differences regarding the events and work. I used to make sure that everyone in the team felt a personal growth when they were part of this cohort. With the vision of prioritizing health and wellness, we have organized health camps, a population survey, sanitation pad donations and the list goes on. Leading this cohort has been like icing on the cake to my overall development."



~Shruti Yadav  
(Head, 2023-24)

"Working with CSA has been an enriching experience where dedication meets purpose. As a member, I've witnessed firsthand the transformative impact our initiatives have on communities. Volunteering in projects Pradhan and Bridge allowed me to navigate the daily challenges the people of Lavasa faced, finding solutions as they came. As the head, my team and I successfully launched a newsletter called SANVAAD, aiming to reach a wider audience and showcase our cohorts' outstanding work. From being a volunteer to becoming the head of media and advocacy, this journey has been etched in my memory."



~Shruti Kumar  
(Head, 2023-24)

"Leading the CSA Social Entrepreneurship Cohort has been deeply rewarding and impactful. Despite initial apprehensions, the support of my incredible team made all the difference. Professionally, it sharpened my leadership and team management skills. Personally, it was a journey of self-discovery and growth, allowing me to make a meaningful impact on society. I urge others to join this transformative experience, offering not only an opportunity for personal and professional development, but also a chance to contribute to society in a meaningful way. The nurturing environment and support from the CSA team makes it an invaluable opportunity for all."

## HOUSEHOLD TESTIMONIES

बचत गट: आर्थिक साक्षरतेद्वारे घरकाम करणाऱ्या महिलांचे सक्षमीकरण

सेल्फ हेल्प ग्रुप (SHG) किंवा "बचत गट" हा सेंटर फॉर सोशल अॅक्शन (CSA) अंतर्गत क्राईस्ट युनिवर्सिटीत काम करणाऱ्या महिलांना आर्थिक साक्षरता कौशल्ये प्रदान करण्याचा एक यशस्वी उपक्रम आहे. या कार्यक्रमांमुळे महिलांना बजेटिंग, बचत आणि आर्थिक नियोजन शिकून आर्थिक सुरक्षा मिळवता आली आहे. सीएसएने त्यांच्या बँक खाती उघडण्यास मदत केली आहे, ज्यामुळे त्यांच्या बचतीत वाढ झाली आहे. एका सहभागीने सांगितले की, "आम्हाला पगार मिळतो आणि तो ८ दिवसात संपतो. जर आम्ही तो तिथे ठेवला तर, तो आमच्या १००० रुपयांच्या बचतीत राहील." हा उपक्रम महिलांना आर्थिक स्थैर्य आणि मनःशांती प्रदान करतो, आणि वंचित समुदायांना सशक्त करण्याचे आमचे प्रयत्न यशस्वी ठरत आहेत. ताईस: तुम्ही ख्रिस्त विद्यापीठात किती वर्षे काम करत आहात?

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## CSP SCREENING



Through comparative narratives, visual effects and impactful dialogues a movie screening was organized by the Child Sponsorship Cohort in order to raise awareness on national integrity and collect funds to support children in need. The movie screening event organized by the Child Sponsorship Cohort was more than just entertainment; it was a platform for education, advocacy, and community engagement. The head of the Child Sponsorship Cohort demonstrated transparency and accountability in managing the funds raised from the movie screening event.



# VALEDICTORY'24



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