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since 1995

Tollygunge Women In Need



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About Us

Introduction

Tollygunge Women In Need (TWIN) was founded in 1995 by a Belgian couple, Dr.(Mrs.) Marie Paule Baudot, formerly professor of Leuven University and Late Josef (Tor) Mutton, formerly a reputed IT Professional. The NGO is engaged in rendering benevolent services amongst others, on education that includes alphabetical, vocational and healthcare, to its targeted underprivileged communities in and around Kolkata. The objectives of TWIN are:

- To empower deprived women through social and economic development
- To mainstream underprivileged children into formal education
- To protect children from child labour and trafficking

Over the last 27 years, the NGO has been continuing its charitable services under the able leadership of a duly constituted Governing Body and financial support from Belgium.

Mission

With a passion of Will to Win, we are continuously working on the sustainable development of our beneficiaries and the underprivileged neighbourhood by ensuring quality education, quality healthcare and building community awareness.



Important information on TWIN

Name of the Organization : Tollygunge Women In Need

Nature of Organization : Not for Profit & Non-Government Organization

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Registration:

- a. Under the West Bengal Societies Act:1961: Registration No. S/90114
- b. Under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act: Registration No. 147110720
- c. Under Section 12AB of the Income Tax Act
- d. Under Section 80G(5) of the Income Tax Act

Chief Functionary : Mr. A.K. Basu

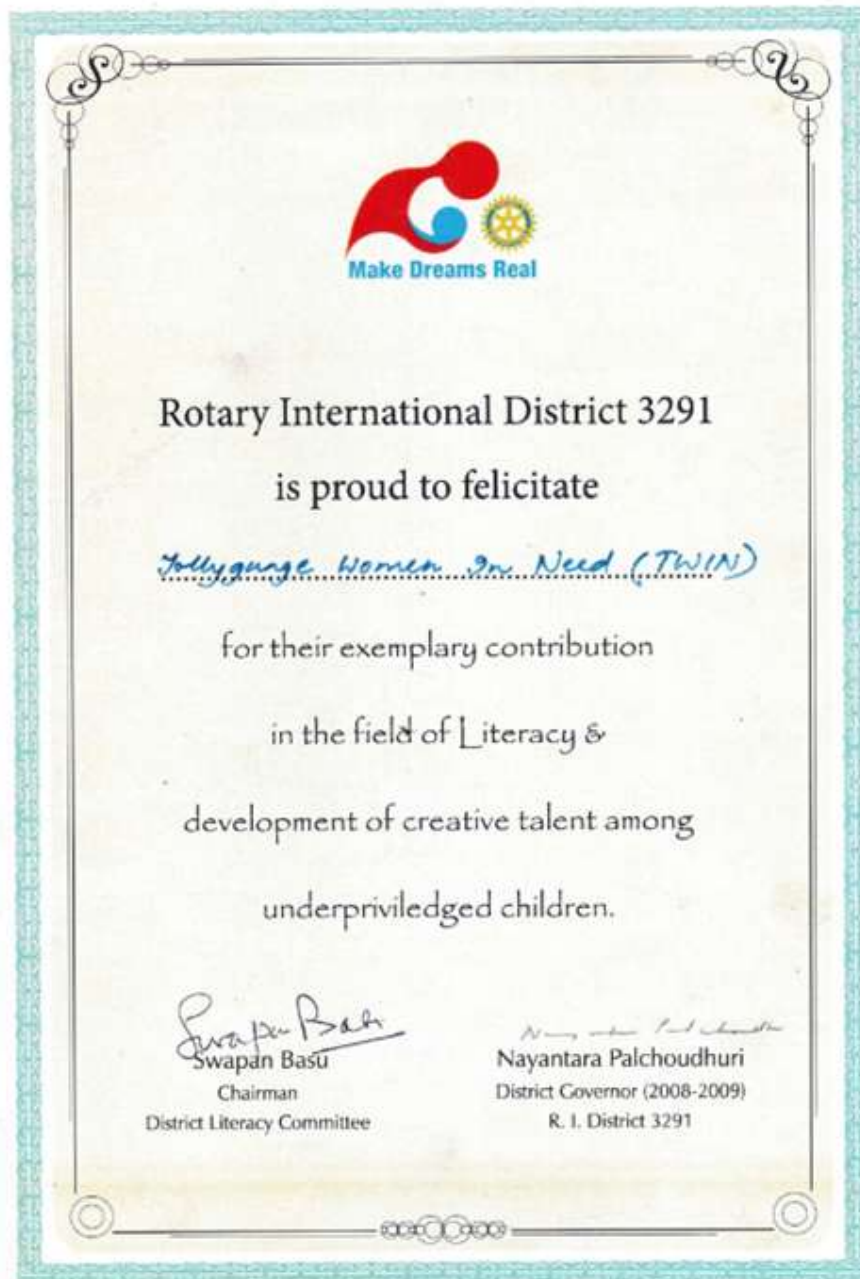
Parent Organization : TWIN – Satyagraha, Belgium

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Awards & Recognition

Tollygunge Women In Need was recognized by Rotary International District 3291 for exemplary contribution in the field of literacy and development of creative talent among underprivileged children in the year 2008-2009.



Projects, Centers and Target Groups:

TWIN has three projects located in Tollygunge, Diamond Harbour and Dhobiatala. The details are as follows:

1. Tollygunge Project:

There are numerous slums in Tollygunge under the Kolkata Municipal Corporation (KMC) Ward nos. 93 & 94. TWIN Projects cover 6 slums viz. Biswas Para, Hoglapara, Jhoro Basti, Masjid Para, Mothertala & Mollahati, under KMC Ward Nos 93 & 94, inhabited by 2500 families. The number of families actively accessed by TWIN is about 600. There are now 110 children in the project.

2. Diamond Harbour Project:

There are Red-light areas in Diamond Harbour in the District of South 24- Parganas under Diamond Harbour Municipal Ward nos. 9 & 10. In 1998, TWIN started a trial project in Kalibazar, the red - light area of Diamond Harbour in South 24- Parganas, with a group of 50 sex- workers and 70 of their children, between the age of 5- 11 years. On the request of the community, the project was later extended in 1999 to cover all the sex workers and their children. There are now 87 children in the project.

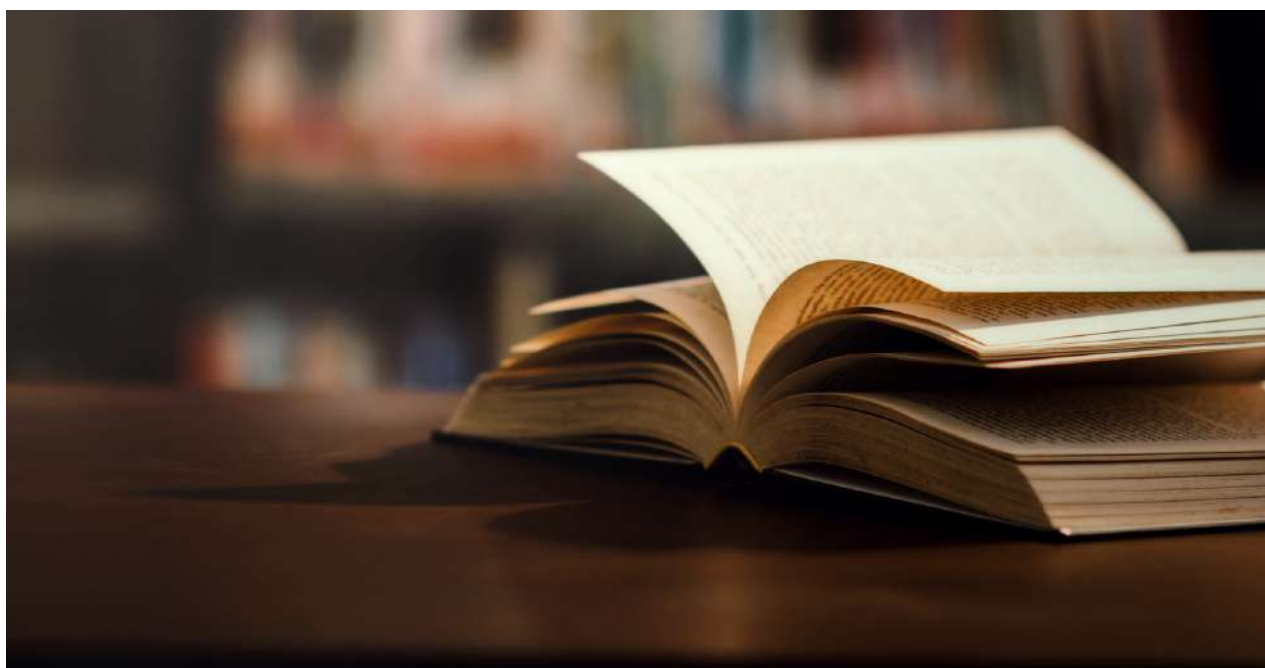
3. Dhobiatala Project:

Dhobiatala is situated in New Tangra in KMC Ward No. 58. This area is a recycling ground of hazardous wastes where children and women are engaged in battery breaking, sorting metal, rubber and plastic wastes as well as reclaiming lubricants & oil from wastes. Apart from the child labour aspect, the environment of the locality is highly polluted and pose great health hazard. In 1999, TWIN, in association with a reputed NGO, already active in the area, started a child centre for the children engaged in hazardous recycling work in the locality. A group of 50 children in the age group of 5-11 years were taken in the programme. To compensate for the loss of earnings from the children, the mothers were paid Rs.100 per month as compensation-cum-incentive for them to agree to remove their children from child-labour. However, the mothers have now realized the benefit of their children regaining their childhood and growing in tension free environment. As a result, the incentive payment of Rs. 100 is now no more needed. There are 53 children in the project now.

Programmes conducted at TWIN

TWIN has always given preference to girl children while selecting beneficiaries for its programmes. The welfare services of TWIN are executed mainly through its programmes on Education, Health Care & Awareness, details of which are given below.

Education



The programme was started with children who are first generation learners. Education is modern India's greatest leveller. It is the tide that lifts every boat. We are all prisoners of birth but education has the power to snap the meanest bonds of economic and social enslavement. It is the route out of the caste ghetto, the path out of the slum and the road to high table. Of these, those who do manage to study, many struggle due to poor facilities and poor teaching and end up remaining unemployable. Initially, in the programme, the mothers and adolescent girls, who had to work, were educated with the basic knowledge of reading and writing, through adult literacy classes and vocational training. The objective was to improve the quality of life through persuasion, counseling and support and by imparting knowledge of basic healthcare to prevent diseases and malnutrition, thus enabling them to acquire personal hygiene, family planning and social awareness, culminating in self confidence.

The programme for children was designed in such a way that they could go on living with their families and at the same time got a chance to pursue their education. The programme also centres on those children who have to work from a very young age, due to poverty. These children otherwise would not have health and mental care or any surveillance during day time. At the same time they would have suffered malnutrition owing to availability of insufficient food.

Pre-school Day Centre - The education programme for children is carried out through day care centers and kindergarten in Montessori method, for children of age group between 3 and 6 years. The programme also takes care of their mid-day meal and nutrition. Mainstreaming these children into formal education is also done by providing school fees, books, stationary and uniform, etc.

Coaching Classes - Since these children come from families with no educational background, they need monitoring and hand-holding at every step. Therefore, once the children get admitted to regular schools (mostly in Govt. schools), we support them with Coaching Classes throughout the week on regular academic subjects such as Maths, Science, Bengali, Social Studies, to supplement their learning processes at schools.

Skill Development Classes - In addition, the programme includes skill development classes such as Spoken English, Computer, Dance & Drawing. These classes are aimed at helping these children develop their communication abilities, IT skills and grow a sensibility of pursuing meaningful careers.

Education Projects in the country faces the challenge of universal admission to schools, drop outs in primary and secondary stages and deficiency in learning and attaining employability. TWIN, in its humble way, has been able to ensure that all the children under its care, go to school and complete their Higher Secondary (Class XII) education and learn their lessons fairly. However, on the issue of employability, TWIN needs to pursue more students to pursue skill development training to improve their employability. TWIN has facilitated many skill development courses for its beneficiaries under the National Skill Development Council like Peerless, RamKrishna Math and Mission (R.K.M.M.) Training Institute.



Healthcare



In Healthcare, in addition to running regular medical clinics, initiatives are in place to promote the implementation of the following medical programmes among the beneficiaries across all three projects:

Free Medical Clinic - As a part of TWIN's community service, the Tollygunge centre facilitates a free for service weekly medical clinic for TWIN's beneficiaries, their families and the underprivileged community in the neighbourhood. They are offered free medical consultation and free essential medicines for diabetes, blood pressure, cold & cough, fever, etc.

Immunization – Immunization is a way of protecting against serious diseases. Once we have been immunized, our bodies are better able to fight those diseases if we come into contact with them. Initially, the NGO took initiative to vaccinate all its children with the WHO recommended vaccines as well as booster doses to protect the children from preventable diseases. Now, the universal vaccination is a Government programme. The NGO however, monitors that its children are indeed receiving the desired vaccinations, including the booster doses in time.

Pulse Polio – Pulse Polio Vaccination is a Government programme for the children up to the age of 5 years. In this programme, children are given polio vaccines periodically to eradicate polio and thereby achieve full eradication of the disease from our country. This spreads awareness among the families associated with us and encourages them to get their children's desired polio doses regularly.

Eye Check-up & provision for Spectacles – “Better Vision” programme of GKB Opticals, help TWIN in organizing eye check-up camps in its project areas. In these camps, men, women and children of all age groups undergo check-up of their vision for free. Those with impaired vision due to myopia, astigmatism or long sightedness are provided with free of cost spectacles by GKB Opticals. Those with clinical eye ailments are referred to an Eye Specialist.

Pre and Post Natal (PPN) Programme – The PPN programme of TWIN, started in 1998, is designed to improve the state of health of women and their children. The program is based on the fact that 'healthy mothers give birth to healthy children'. The programme follows two of the UN's Millennium Development Goals, viz. improve (i) Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) and (ii) Mother Mortality Rate (MMR).

The PPN programme has improved the health status of women and children and reduced IMR and MMR by addressing the main causes of morbidity & mortality. The safe motherhood component of the programme was implemented through regular gynecological check-up, vaccination, nutritional diet and medicine supplement during pregnancy and lactating period. In the 'child survival' component, breast feeding and immunization has been receiving the maximum attention.

Cervical Screening – Importance of Cervical Screening:

- Cervical cancer is the second most common cancer among women worldwide and is most common among women living in developing countries.
- The cancer of the uterine cervix is due to HPV (Human Papilloma Virus) infection and is compounded by other factors such as poor genital hygiene (among both women and their partners), frequent deliveries, use of tobacco etc.
- The cervical cells do not suddenly change into cancer. The normal cells of the cervix first develop pre-cancerous changes that gradually transform into invasive cancer. The pre-cancerous changes are called cervical intraepithelial neoplasia (CIN) or dysplasia.
- The transformation from pre-cancerous changes to invasive cancer takes several years and can be detected by the PAP test, the HPV DNA test and even a low cost test like VIA (Visual Inspection with Acetic Acid). All cervical pre-cancers do not transform into invasive cancer. Early detection and treatment of cervical pre-cancer can stop their progression into invasive cancer.
- Cervical screening camps help detecting signs of dysplasia and it is recommended that all women in the age group 20-65 undergo screening, every three to five years or as often as advised.

Tollygunge Women in Need in association with Rotary Club of South Calcutta and Service Beyond Borders, an NGO based in the USA, organises regular cervical screening camps at its project centers for the purpose.

Breast Cancer Screening – Breast cancer is the most common among women. The only way to check the spiralling of breast cancer cases is to spread awareness to help women identify the early symptoms and go for screening. WHO puts forward the strategy of population awareness as the model for low income countries.

TWIN is assisted by HITOISHINI to conduct its breast cancer screening & awareness programmes. HITOISHINI are a support network for breast cancer patients, run entirely by volunteers--many of them are cancer survivors themselves. HITOISHINI are affiliated to UICC, the Reach-to-Recovery International Breast Cancer Support Network based in Geneva, Switzerland.

Thalassaemia Screening – Thalassaemia is an inherited blood disease in which there is abnormality in the protein portion of the haemoglobin leading to severe anaemia. Screening for thalassaemia is important as it helps prevention of the occurrence of the incurable disease. If both the parents have abnormal HbAO in their analyses of hemoglobin, then it is likely that their child will be born with thalassaemia. However, if one of the parents has abnormal HbAO, then it is unlikely that their children will have thalassaemia. At TWIN, we have conducted thalassaemia screening test for our beneficiaries in association with Rotary Club of Sun City

Dental Screening & Check Up – At TWIN, we realise that a routine dental check-up allows to detect potential issues before they worsen. Oral hygiene among children is a growing concern. To address this, we at TWIN aim to conduct periodic dental checkup ups of our beneficiaries across all our centres from January 2023.



Community Awareness Programmes:



Community awareness programmes are held with the support of reputed institutions. Topics covered under these programmes include:

- Reproductive and sexual health
- Menstrual Hygiene & Use of Sanitary Napkins
- Family Planning
- Nutrition
- Maternal and Child Health
- Safe Motherhood
- Adolescent Health & Education
- HIV/AIDS
- Hygiene & Sanitation
- Trafficking
- Environment Issues
- Consumer Protection
- Domestic Violence
- Addiction and Alcoholism



Grant us a Helping Hand - Sponsor our Children in Education



TWIN has travelled a long way in its journey rendering benevolent services to underprivileged communities. It takes satisfaction from the fact that over the years, children under its care have completed their education and have become responsible citizens of this country. TWIN is also encouraged by the fact that the demand for its welfare services is very much in existence. With its team of highly committed individuals, TWIN, as an organization is determined to continue its journey and transform as many lives as it can.

The availability of adequate financial support for running the TWIN activities is a real concern. And it is important to focus on fund raising activities to continue with TWIN's mission of quality education and community healthcare. However, with its **Will to WIN**, TWIN is determined to continue with its services for the underprivileged communities for years to come.

Join us in our endeavour, become a Sponsor in transforming lives!

Self sufficient healthy educated children are the key community members and empowered women are the key instrument to uplift the family, society and further community. When you sponsor a child or donate for the welfare of a woman, you help in transforming their lives. You also become a part of the sustainable development process.

Scope of CSR Sponsorship

- **Child Education Sponsorship**

Number of children / students in the programme in FY 2023-24 : 250

Annual sponsorship amount per child / student : 7500/- (INR)

- **Grant us a Helping Hand to strengthen our Skill Development Programme**



Since it is our endeavour to bring these children into mainstream career, we at TWIN realize that Spoken English and Computer Literacy is critical. Our Tollygunge Centre comes with a dedicated Computer Lab with a capacity of 10 machines. For sustenance, we need funding to afford quality faculties for Spoken English and Computer Education.

Scope of Financial Support	Category	Annual Sponsorship Amount (INR)
Computer Literacy	Skill development	120000
Spoken English	Skill development	120000
Skill Development under National Skill Development Council	Professional training	Need based

Grant us a Helping Hand to strengthen our Medical Programme

Since we run Free Medical Clinic for our beneficiaries and the underprivileged neighbourhood at our Tollygunge Centre, we plea for financial support to help us fund the following requirements:

Scope of Financial Support	Category	Annual Sponsorship Amount (INR)
Doctor charges for free medical clinic (General Physician, Gyneacologist)	Healthcare	180000
Free Medicines for the community	Healthcare	120000

Scope of Individual Sponsorship

Scope of Financial Support	Category	Annual Sponsorship Amount (INR)
Sponsor a child's education	Education	7500
Contribution to Corpus Fund	Development	3000 - 5000

When you become a sponsor of a child at TWIN, you will receive a yearly progress report of the child with a picture. You will be able to keep in touch with your child through regular updates, letters and annual personal visits.

Snippets of our Success Stories

Name	M/F	Joining TWIN Programme		Leaving TWIN Programme		Academic Stream	Current Status
		Year	Status	Year	Year		
Amar Nath Jha	M	1997	IV	2009		B.COM/C.A final not completed	Working in a private automobile company in the Accounts Dept. since 2012
Jagannath Jha	M	1997	VI	2007		B.COM	Working in the Dept. of Animal and Fisheries of West Bengal Govt. since 2008
Suriya Khatun	F	1996	Win Crech	2019		B.COM	Working as an Accountant in Lake Graden Medi Care Diognastic Centre since 2019
Taslma Khatun	F	2003	VIII	2006		B.COM Honers	Working as a Teacher in an NGO since 2017
Lilima Khatun	F	1999	V	2013		B.COM	Working as a Computer Teacher since 2012 at Hamari Muskan, an NGO based in South Kolkata
Arjun Bairagi	M	1996	Win Crech	2012		B.COM	Working as a Salesman at the WEST BENGAL KHADI SANSTHA since 2012
Puspa Bairagi	F	1997	Win crech	2014		B.A	Working as a Faculty in the Institute of International Teachers Training since 2015
Jui Goswami	F	1999	Win Crech	2018		B.A	Working in the collection department of Bajaj Finance since 2022
Sonoka Halder	F	1998	Win crech	2014		B.A	Working as an Accountant at Emami Frank Ross Private Limited since 2016
Sonyashi Das	M	1996	Win crech	2012		B.A	Working as a Product Sales Personnel at Axis Bank since 2016
Reshma Khatun	F	1997	Win crech	2017		M.COM(1 st Class)	Working as a Private Tutor after her Masters
MD. Hamid	M	1999	V	2019		B.COM	Working as a Lower Division Clerk – Civic Volunteers in Kolkata Police since 2019
Salma Khatun	F	1997	Win Crech	2021		M.A, Completed a Beaution course(N.S.H.M)	Working as a Private Make Up Artist since 2021
Rani Naskar	F	1999	Win Crech	2019		B.A, Training of Peerlas Ramkrishna Mision Colaboration Banking Seals Exciquitive	Working in a salon as a Beautician since 2020
Tuktuki Naskar	F	1998	Win Crech	2019		B.S.C. Training of Bangalor underCornatok Board	Working as Nurse in AMRI Hospital Saltlake since 2020
Dilip Sarder	M	1999	Win Crech	2020		B.A	Working as an Assistant in Punjab National Bank since 2021
Sabina Khatun	F	1999	Win Crech	2021		M.COM	Working as a Private Tutor since 2021
Arif Hossin Gazi	M	2004	Win crech	2022		B.A	Pursuing Vocational Traning on appliance repairing at Ramkrishna Mission center since 2022

Tollygunge Centre

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Biswajit Jana	M	1999	VIII	2009	BPED	Working as a Physical Education Teacher in Barisha Charan Kabi Siksha Niketan
Kalyan Bar	M	1999	IX	2005 - 2008	Bio-Medical Engineering	Working as a Technical Support at Roche Diagnostic (India) Pvt. Ltd. for last 14 years
Krisnendu Bar	M	1999	VIII	2012	M.A (English)	Employed by School Service Commission in 2016 as a Support Staff in Thakur Anukul Chandra High School (West Bengal Govt. Sponsored)
Madhuri Bar	F	1999	X	2000 2009	Class XII (Higher Secondary) LLB (Bachelor of Law)	Lawyer in civil court of Diamond Harbour
Ram Paik	M	1999	II	2012	Class XII (Higher Secondary)	Working in Irrigation Dept. Of West Bengal
Prithi Mondal	F	2016	IX	2020 2021	Class XII (Higher Secondary) Air Hostess training, Aviation, Hospitality, Travel Management	Marketing Representative
Ranjit Naskar	M	1999	VI	2004	Motor vehicle vocational training (Driving License)	He drives four wheeler
Naren Paik	M	1999	V	2002	Motor vehicle vocational training (Driving License)	Working with Municipality as a VAT Driver
Puja Mondal	F	2006	IV	2017	Class XII (Higher Secondary)	Working as an assistant to a Doctor in a clinic
Puja Maity	F			2018	Vocational training in Tailoring from Peerless RKMN Institution	Running her own tailoring business
Sampa Chowrashi	F	1999	II	2015 2017	M.A. B.ED	Working as a contractual teacher at HORA SA Girls High School
Mongal Chowrashi	M	1999	IV	2015 2017	M.SC (Geo) B.ED	Self employed as a private tutor. Preparing for competitive examinations
Swarup Dey	M	1999	II	2009	Class X (Madhyamik)	Care taker of an administrative building
Uttam Bose	M	1999	VIII	2004	Class X (Madhyamik)	Working as a ward supervisor at the Diamond Harbour Municipality
Mollica Halder	F	2016	IX			Passed Higher Secondary in 2020. She is currently in her 5th Semester of B.C.A
Tapan Paria	M	2011	III			Passed Higher Secondary in 2021. He is currently in his 3rd Semester of Computer Science

Diamond Harbour Centre

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Name	M/F	Joining TWIN Programme		Leaving TWIN Programme		Academic Stream	Current Status
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Farida Khatun	F	2006	VI	2016		B.A	Working as a Teacher in a Coaching Centre
Abhijit Sribastav	M	2010	V	2021		B.COM (Hons.)	Pursuing Chartered Accountancy Exam
Md. Mustafa	M	2006	II	2017		Class XII (Higher Secondary)	Working as a Delivery Man in Zomato
Ali Ahmed	M	1999	IV	2008		Class XII (Higher Secondary)	Owens and runs a Glove Making Workshop
Raj Ali	M	1999	WIN Child Care Centre	2015		Class XII (Higher Secondary). He has taken motor driving lessons	Working as a Van Driver in Amazon
Mabaad Kalam Siddiqui	M	1999	VI	2006		Class XII (Higher Secondary)	Working as a Bank Agent
Sirajul Gazi	M	1999	WIN Child Care Centre	2010		Class X (Madhyamik)	Works in a Leather Factory
Abdul Khaleq	M	1999	WIN Child Care Centre	2009		Class X (Madhyamik)	Working as Moulabi (priest) in a Mosque
Khurshid Alam	M	1999	I	2011		Studied till Class X. Took vocational training in Welding & Fabrication from Don Bosco Technical Institute	Working as a Welder in Mughdha Company
Md. Sarfaraz	M	1999	IV	2011		Class X (Madhyamik). He has taken motor driving lessons	Working as a Mini-Truck Driver
Md. Sarawar	M	1999	IV	2005		Studied till Class VIII	Works as an Auto Driver
Md. Sabir	M	1999	II	2005		Studied till Class VII	Works as an Auto Driver
Rakesh Purokayet	M	2006	KG I	2014		Studies till Class VIII. He has taken motor driving lessons	Working as a Delivery Man in Amazon
Sanawar Hossain (Molla)	M	2006	I	2017		Class XII (Higher Secondary)	Employed with Business Solutions Ltd.

Dhobiatala Centre



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**Every child deserves a Life of Dignity.
Join us in our endeavour !**
