

# EKAL VIDYALAYA FOUNDATION OF AUSTRALIA

## ANNUAL REPORT 2020-2021



## President's Message & Activity Report

Dear Ekal Sponsors, Supporters, and Friends

On behalf of the EVF Australia Volunteers Team it is my absolute honour and privilege to present to you the Annual Report for 2020-2021 of Ekal Vidyalaya Foundation of Australia (EVFA). Although most of this year has seen restricted movements due to Covid-19; we have been very fortunate to continue our work via the virtual world. Ekal volunteers and schools have done remarkable work in villages by making masks and running awareness campaigns among villagers for Covid safe practices during strict lockdown in India.

EVF Australia volunteers at their personal levels liaised and supported various local and Indian organisations in raising funds for medical care and supplies, awareness, and organisation of oxygen cylinders for the patients. Ekal has been able to function as usual due to generosity of our donors and sponsors and commitment of our volunteers. We will continue to work on the following goals during 2022.

1. Raise awareness about Ekal among wider audiences in Australia
2. Expand Ekal beyond Sydney, Adelaide and Perth
3. Promote corporate sponsorships
4. Run volunteer drive
5. Strengthen our social media presence
6. Prepare local policies in accordance with ACNC requirements

I take this opportunity to acknowledge the great contribution of Jay Shah in the preparatory work of the policies and presenting them during the AGM and his work as the Public Officer. I cannot thank enough our treasurer Savita Gupta who has been doing this job selflessly for many years. I also acknowledge the distinguished participation of our Adelaide and Perth teams and hope that we will be able to spread Ekal in other metropolitan cities and mainstream Australian communities in future. We updated Ekal flyer and brochure this year and intend to formalise a promotion package which can be used when introducing Ekal to individual or corporate sponsors, new business, or organisations. I render special thanks to our existing corporate sponsors and hope to reach out to more in the forthcoming years.

I take great pride in mentioning that after a very successful Oceania 2020 concert in September 2020, when EVFA had the greatest exposure globally, and raised enormous funds, we have continued that legacy in 2021 with the help of Ekal global family.



Ekal volunteers enjoying the Oceania Concert 2020

On 27<sup>th</sup> June 2021 EVFA participated in a virtual bhajan Sandhya titled “Ekal Pranaam”, a fundraiser for schools and COVID-19 relief. Singers Manjor Mishra and Jaya Piyush were joined by young Hardik and Srusti who presented melodious bhajans in the company of live musicians. The program not only entertained the audience that was homebound during the lockdown, but also raised funds to educate more children and assist with covid relief efforts.



  
**Ekal Vidyalaya Foundation**  
 presents  
**EKAL PRANAM**  
 Bhajan Sandhya for COVID-19 Healing  
 A fundraiser for Schools and COVID-19 relief

Sunday  
**June 27, 2021**  
**10:30 AM AEST**

Live Stream & Donate on  
[www.ekal.org/EkalPranam-AU](http://www.ekal.org/EkalPranam-AU)





**EKAL IMPACT:**  **102,552** schools  
\*Updated as of April 2021

 **2,632,065** students  
 **1,316,106** boys enrolled  
 **1,315,959** girls enrolled

**REGIONAL CONTACTS:**

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On 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2021 EVFA was again very fortunate to join hands with Ekal US and Canada teams and participated in a very successful free virtual concert, 'Ekal Ki Shaam' featuring 1<sup>st</sup> Indian Idol winner Abhijeet Sawant, Indian Idol finalist Sagar Sawarkar, and Krisha Pandit along with emcee RJ Gaurav and live orchestra. The trio presented very popular and melodious songs from Bollywood and spell bounded audiences across the world for 3 hours. Overall, the program was extremely successful and globally raised more than one million US dollars to continue supporting Ekal Abhiyan projects.

  
**Ekal Vidyalaya Foundation**  
 presents  
***Ekal Ki Shaam***  
 FREE VIRTUAL MUSICAL CONCERT

Sunday  
**October 3, 2021**  
**11:30 AM AEDT**






**Live Stream & Donate on [www.ekal.org/EkalKiShaam-au](http://www.ekal.org/EkalKiShaam-au)**

**CONTACTS**

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<b>Devendra Gupta</b> 0411 597 949	<b>Vijayata Srivastava</b> 0444 518 831		

I would like to acknowledge great initiative of Ekal US and Canada and Net-Link India for their support. The program gave a wonderful opportunity to our team to showcase their dedication and joy of volunteering through radio talks and promoting Ekal on social media platforms. I would take this opportunity to congratulate all Ekal volunteers whose combined efforts made this possible, especially Deven Gupta, Sudesh Gupta, Arun, Shalini Singh and Vihaan and Aana from Ekal Youth Team. We are very grateful to the media personnel from SBS Hindi, Radio Darpan, Monica Geetmala, Radio Manpasand, and Indian Link Radio for the event promotion and expect their continued support in the future.

### **Ekal South Australia**

I am very pleased to present a report from our Ekal South Australia team, who for the first time organised a very successful event and demonstrated their dedication and commitment to the organisation. Vijayta Srivastava, Chirag Trivedi and Ashish Garg along with other volunteers worked very hard to make this happen.



Professor Nicola Spurrier, South Australia's Chief Public Health Officer with Ekal South Australia volunteers.

Ekal Vidyalaya (EVF Australia) Adelaide Chapter conducted its first fundraising event on 19 June 2021. EVF was chosen as the charity partner for the South Australia Indian Medical Association's (SAIMA) Gala Dinner 2021. With over 450 doctors and their families, the annual event was a success in every way. EVF raised funds by holding a raffle event and an auction which saw some healthy bidding competition between the fantastic attendees. The attendees opened their hearts to Ekal's cause and donated with gusto.



Ekal South Australia Volunteers

The highlight of the event was the keynote speaker – Professor Nicola Spurrier, South Australia’s Chief Public Health Officer who has accountability for public health and communicable disease issues. Prof. Spurrier is a dual qualified Medical Specialist, Public Health Physician and Paediatrician, with 29 years' experience who has played a key role in managing the pandemic in South Australia.

Prof. Spurrier greatly appreciated the work done by Ekal in providing a holistic education to children living in rural regions of India. She was impressed to hear about the support provided by Ekal during the pandemic including a 24/7 medical helpline and Corona Isolation Centres. EVF also shared a video during the event showcasing the aspects of the multi-pronged education program delivered by Ekal - functional, health-based, developmental, empowering, value-based and digital education.

### **Ekal Western Australia**

As mentioned before EVFA was very fortunate to have a great support in Western Australia as well first time this year.





Ekal Western Australia volunteers

On Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> July 2021 in Perth, Australia, a fundraising Garba event “Madi Tara Mandiriyama” was organised by the Sur Sargam team in support of Ekal Vidyalaya. More than 500 people, including children participated and enjoyed the garba, and received a very good response from local businesses who sponsored and supported the event. Yatin Panchal, Naitik Mehta, Rupal Maheta and the team of Sur Sargam was highly instrumental in putting a greatly successful program. Sur Sargam team played energetic Garba music. Naitik Mehta ji gave inaugural speech and Hardik Patel ji gave a presentation on Ekal. Keval ji and the team looked after the kitchen and helped prepare and distribute delicious food. The program not only raised great awareness in Perth region but also raised funds that helped us to sponsor more schools.



Currently EVF Australia is sponsoring 740 schools. I take the opportunity to sincerely thank all Ekal Volunteers, Ekal Sponsors and supporters for your ongoing support and good will. With your enthusiasm, hard work and commitment we can continue our Ekal journey of not only eradicating illiteracy from the rural and tribal India but also empowering the women and girls of these regions. We look forward to your continued support in the future.

Once again thank you, and kind regards

**Shobha Yadav**

President, EVF Australia  
6 October 2021



**EKAL VIDYALAYA FOUNDATION  
OF AUSTRALIA**

**Financial Statements  
For the year ended 30 June 2021**

**Tax Wealth Accountants**  
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**EKAL VIDYALAYA FOUNDATION OF AUSTRALIA**  
**Detailed Profit and Loss Statement**  
**For the year ended 30 June 2021**

	2021 \$	2020 \$
<b>Income</b>		
Income From Sponsorship	314,766.65	244,524.96
Donations	6,740.00	7,760.93
Total income	<u>321,506.65</u>	<u>252,285.89</u>
<b>Expenses</b>		
Insurance	1,075.00	989.29
Online event expenses (Netlink India)	2,080.00	
School Sponsorship	234,402.00	234,000.00
Total expenses	<u>237,557.00</u>	<u>234,989.29</u>
<b>Net Profit from Ordinary Activities before income tax</b>	<u><b>83,949.65</b></u>	<u><b>17,296.60</b></u>

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The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

**EKAL VIDYALAYA FOUNDATION OF AUSTRALIA**  
**Detailed Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2021**

	Note	2021 \$	2020 \$
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<b>Current Assets</b>			
<b>Cash Assets</b>			
EVF Australia Admin Account		5,190.24	5,287.24
EVF Relief Fund		272,816.25	204,526.68
Cash / cheque on hand		18,244.40	2,487.32
		<u>296,250.89</u>	<u>212,301.24</u>
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<u><b>296,250.89</b></u>	<u><b>212,301.24</b></u>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<u><b>296,250.89</b></u>	<u><b>212,301.24</b></u>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<u><b>296,250.89</b></u>	<u><b>212,301.24</b></u>
<b>Accumulated Fund</b>			
Balance at end of the year		<u>296,250.89</u>	<u>212,301.24</u>
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**EKAL VIDYALAYA FOUNDATION OF AUSTRALIA****Cash Flow Report****For the year ended 30 June 2021**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Cash Flows</b>		
<b>Receipts</b>		
Income From Sponsorship	314,766.65	244,524.96
Donations	<u>6,740.00</u>	<u>7,760.93</u>
Total revenue	<u>321,506.65</u>	<u>252,285.89</u>
<b>Payments</b>		
Previous Year Audit fees	0.00	550.00
Insurance	1,075.00	989.29
School Sponsorship	234,402.00	234,000.00
Online event charges for Netlink India	2,080.00	
Total expenditure	<u>237,557.00</u>	<u>235,539.29</u>
<b>Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<u>83,949.65</u>	<u>16,746.60</u>
Cash and bank balance at beginning of the year	212,301.24	195,554.64
Closing cash and bank balance	<u>296,250.89</u>	<u>212,301.24</u>

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# **EKAL VIDYALAYA FOUNDATION OF AUSTRALIA**

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

**For the year ended 30 June 2021**

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### **Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

#### **Basis of Preparation**

The committee prepared the financial statements of the foundation on the basis that the foundation is a non-reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial statements. The financial statements are therefore special purpose financial statements that have been prepared in order to meet the requirements of the Charitable Fundraising Act.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the significant accounting policies disclosed below, which the committee determined are appropriate to meet the purposes of preparation. Such accounting policies are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis and are based on historical costs unless otherwise stated in the notes. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with mandatory Accounting Standards applicable to entities reporting under Australian Charities and not-for-profit Commission Act 2012. The accounting policies that have been adopted in the preparation of the statements are as follows:

#### **(a) Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities on the balance sheet.

#### **(b) Revenue and Other Income**

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable after taking into account any trade discounts and volume rebates allowed. For this purpose, deferred consideration is not discounted to present values when recognising revenue.

Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest rate method, which, for floating rate financial assets, is the rate inherent in the instrument. Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established.

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## To members EKAL VIDHYALAYA FOUNDATION OF AUSTRALIA

### Financial audit

#### Opinion

I have audited the accompanying financial report of the **EKAL VIDHYALAYA FOUNDATION OF AUSTRALIA** comprising the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2021, statement of and the operating statement, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes.

In my opinion, the financial report presents fairly in all material respects, in accordance with the accounting policies described in the notes to the financial report, the financial position of the fund at 30 June 2021 and the results of its operations for the year then ended.

For purpose of Charitable Fundraising Act:

- (a) the financial statement shows a true and fair view of the financials results of fundraising appeals for which they relates;
- (b) the accounts and associates records have been properly kept in accordance with the legislation;
- (c) money received as a result of fundraising appeal conducted during the year has been properly accounted;
- (d) at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Foundation will be able to pay its debt as and when due.

#### Basis for Opinion

My audit has been conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards. I am independent of the Foundation in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards) (the Code) that are relevant to this audit. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

#### Responsibilities of committee for the financial report

The committee members are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations). The committee members are also responsible for such internal controls as they determine are necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

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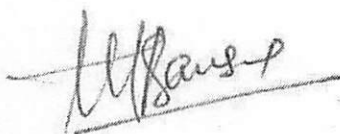
## Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

My objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes my opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of committee taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, I exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. I also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, 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 my 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 an internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal controls relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the fund's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the committee members.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

I have communicated with the committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that I may identify during the audit.



Mr. Vijay Bansal  
B. Com, FCA (I), FIPA, FIFA, FNTAA  
MEMBER NO 144530  
Date: 27/09/2021

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**EKAL VIDHYALAYA FOUNDATION OF AUSTRALIA**  
**Statement by the committee**

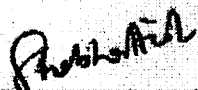
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In the opinion of the members of the committee:

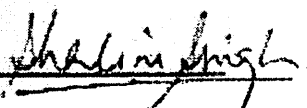
- (i) the accompanying statement of financial performance is drawn up as to give a true and fair view of all income and expenditures with respect to fundraising appeals and of surplus of the Foundation for the year ended 30 June 2021;
- (ii) the accompanying statement of financial position is drawn up as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs with respect to fundraising appeals and of the Foundation as at 30 June 2021.
- (iii) the provision of the Charitable Fundraising Act, the regulations under the Act and the conditions attached to the fundraising authority have been complied with by the Foundation;
- (iv) the internal control exercised by the Foundation are appropriate and effective in accounting for all income received and applied by the Foundation from any of its fundraising appeals; and
- (v) at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debt as and when due.
- (vi) the financial statements and notes to the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards
- (vii) the financial statements and notes satisfy the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.

Signed in accordance with subsection 60.15(2) of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission Regulation 2013* and in accordance with a resolution of the committee:

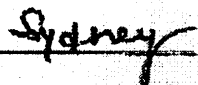
President



Secretary



Place



Date:

27/9/2021