

Stree Mukti Sanghatana

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Appeal For Donations and Interest-Free Deposits

Dear Friends,

Stree Mukti Sanghatana was established in the year 1975. Since then you have been associated with the aims, objectives and activities of the SMS. You have been a valuable contributor in its development.

Stree Mukti Sanghatana has participated in several mass movements on women's issues keeping in mind the welfare of women. It has initiated several activities and projects. In the year 1975 when we started our activities we were a small group devoted to creating awareness on women's emancipation. In the last 30 years we have become an important contributor to last women's movement in India. We have been accredited by United Nations on the ECOSOC. All our activities, projects, campaigns and ideological formulations have been well received in state, national and international forums. Atrocities and violence against women, problems of working women, single women, rehabilitation of victims of violence and atrocities, economic activities for poverty eradication and organizing women at the grass root level have been our concerns. We have conducted various activities and campaigns, such as crèches, family counseling centers., life skills workshops for young girls and women, Jidnyasa: a project for adolescent boys and girls, leadership and vocational training for rag picker women, small saving groups, gender sensitization training for police constables, solid waste management in collaboration with Mumbai Mahanagarपालिका and CIDCO, participation in policy-making forums for women, participation in Education for All campaign of the State and Central government, Dattak - Palak Yojana for girls etc. The list is endless. We do not shy away from taking up new tasks in the interest of empowerment of women. We have acquired some spaces on rent to carry on those activities. The activities are on the rise not only in Mumbai but all over Maharashtra. SMS has its major centers of activities in Mumbai, Navi Mumbai, Thane, Pune, Buldana and Osmanabad districts.

One of the main objectives of SMS is creation of new institutional network commensurate with building modern India. In order to achieve this we required a place of our own wherein we could experiment, research, train, build and nurture new organizational patterns create new social structures for the development of culture and civilization. For the last 10 years we were trying to get a suitable plot in Navi Mumbai. CIDCO offered SMS such a plot admeasuring about 1400 sq. meters with equal FSI which we acquired with the support of our well wishers. Construction of our new building is underway and we propose to start following activities in this premises.

- Working women's hostel.
- Day care center
- Shelter for distressed women
- Adolescent Sensitization Program
- Premarital Counseling
- Family Counseling
- Vocational training for needy women
- Environmental Entrepreneurship training for waste picker women
- Library and documentation center

The entire building will be a green building with solar panels, rain water harvesting, water recycling and Nisarga Runa Bio gas plant with an attempt to create a sustainable environment.

The proposed building plan was approved by concerned authorities. The EPICONS CONSTRUCTIONS LIMITED is entrusted the execution of the work. The estimated costs of the construction is around Rs.2.5 cores. We propose to raise this amount from donations and interest -free term deposits. We need your help by way of fund raising, your own contribution as well as contributions from your friends. The donors will get tax benefit under section 80G of the Income Tax Act. We assure you that all term deposits will be returned within the stipulated time. The SMS is seeking donations for the construction of the building and we are prepared to display the names of the donors prominently at appropriate place.

I am submitting the appeal for donation for the construction of the proposed building as it has to be completed within 18 months from now. I hope you will consider our request at the earliest and help us in the matter. Donations given to SMS are exempted under section 80G of Income Tax Act.

Our well wishers in the United States of America can send donations through Maharashtra Foundation and make avail of the tax facilities.

Sincerely Yours

Sharada Sathe
Secretary

Donations can be directly sent to -

Stree Mukti Sanghatana
State Bank of India (Chembur branch)
Sun Beam, 18th Road, Chembur, Mumbai 400071 India

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