



# LE PASSAGE TO INDIA JOURNEYS 14TH FOUNDATION DAY INITIATIVES

## **52 UNITS OF BLOOD DONATED**

Our Le Passage to India Journeys (LPTIJ) colleagues were encouraged to donate blood to the Indian Red Cross Blood Bank team. With the valuable contribution of 100 volunteers, 52 units of blood were collected. This great initiative has taken place over the last six years, and as a result many colleagues have started regularly donating blood to hospitals individually throughout the whole year.





## **SPONSORING CHILD EDUCATION**

Children sponsored by Le Passage to India through Project Arman and Deepalaya Sanjay Colony School, visited the company's offices in Noida to attend a presentation of the annual sponsorships. The LPTIJ team donated INR 300000 (€4000) to Project Arman and INR 144000 (€1950) to Deepalaya. All the children were given individual goodie bags with soft toys, chocolates and snacks. Deepalaya is an NGO based in New Delhi that has been successfully running a school in the slums of Sanjay Colony in Okhla, transforming the lives of poor children through quality education.

#### **CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION**

Certificates were awarded to Foreign Tour Operators (FTOs), individuals and Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) which are affiliated with the Le Passage to India Foundation to recognise their contribution and support the less privileged. LPTIJ was also awarded the collective certificate for the colleague volunteering program launched this year that has already seen over 250 employees spending one afternoon, between April and August, doing community work.









## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Key senior management members visited the Gurukul learning centre to host their annual community lunch and inaugurate the school's new Computer Centre. LPTIJ has donated one of the computers to the Centre. The Gurukul has over 200 students, most of them coming from low-income families, and prepares them to become part of the Hindu clergy. The school's board and lodging are sustained via donations from well-wishers.

# **CLOTHES DONATIONS**

LPTIJ colleagues managed to collect and donate 9 cartons and two bundles of clothes for NGO Goonj, an Indian NGO that recycles discarded clothes and household goods into useful products for the poor.



## **OFFSHORE LOCATIONS:**

LPTIJ offices outside Noida and Delhi in Jaipur, Mumbai, Goa, and Chennai also organised their own charity initiatives. In particular:

**JAIPUR:** The team made their annual donation of INR 1,00,000 (€1350) to Jaipur Foot Organisation covering the cost of approximately 30 prosthetic limbs. The institution constitutes the largest organisation worldwide offering low-cost artificial limbs along with other mobility aids and appliances for disabled people, especially the poor.

**MUMBAI:** Members of the team participated in an LPTIJ sponsored day trip to Kanheri Caves for 35 children from marginalised communities who are part of Mumbai's Sports NGO Rahee Foundation. The trip included hiking, a train and boat ride, as well as a delicious lunch. The organisation is affiliated with Le Passage Travel Foundation. Its main purpose is to motivate and empower children between 10 and 18 years old to create social change by using sport as a vehicle to drive holistic, physical and emotional development.

**GOA:** LPTIJ colleagues in Goa spent a day with abandoned children from St. Anthony's Convent Home. The team sponsored their lunch and donated INR 20,000 (approx.  $\leq$ 270) on behalf of Le Passage Travel Foundation, for improving the Home's infrastructure and facilities. Most of the children living there come from single parents or underprivileged families who cannot afford to support them.

**CHENNAI:** As part of the brand's CSR activity, our LPTIJ team visited the Little Flower Convent, a school for hearing and visually impaired children, and donated INR 20,000 (approx. €270). This contribution helped the school to purchase a new high-speed tailoring machine that will help them tailor clothes for the children as well as teach them how to tailor.