

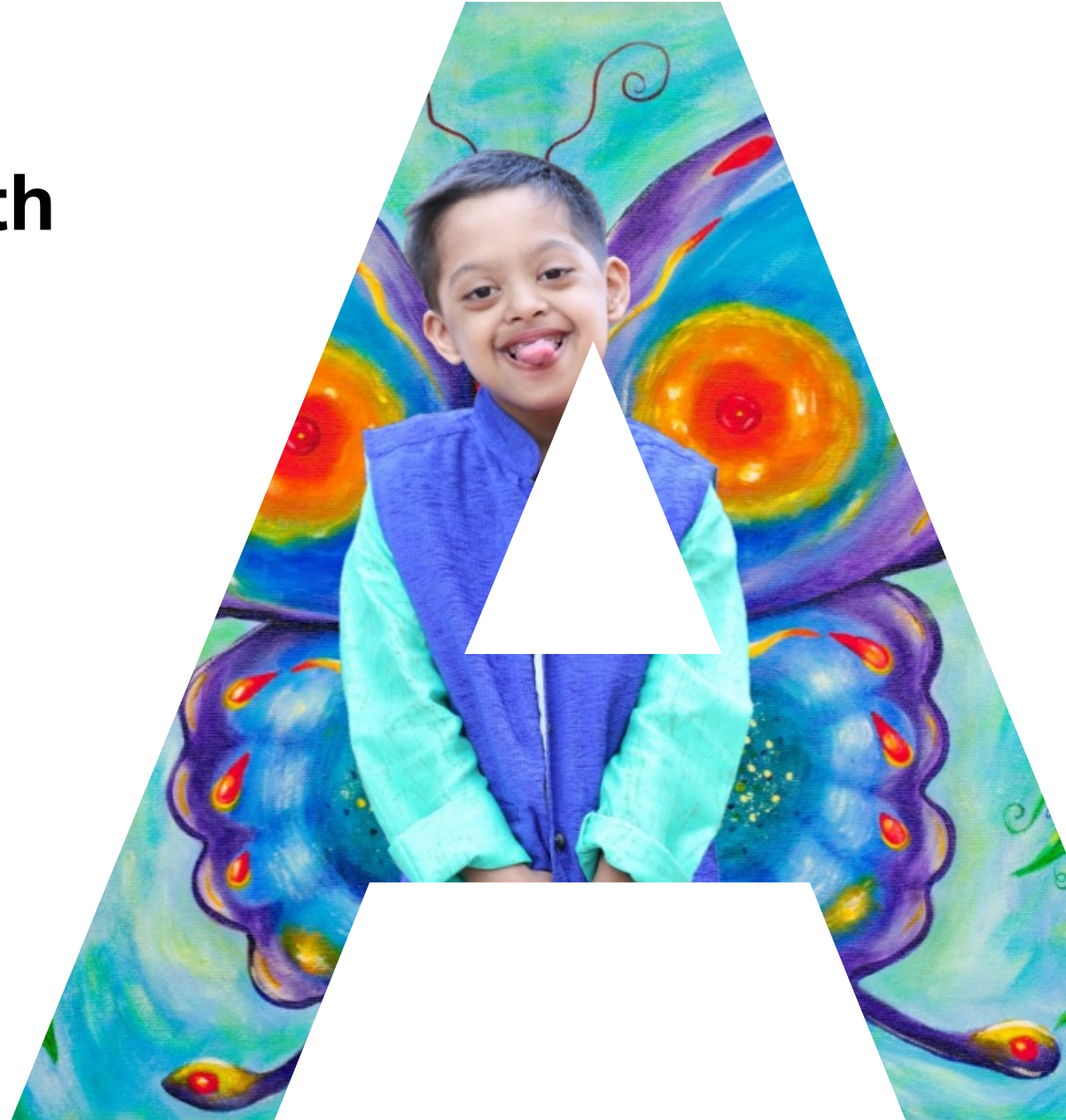
Rotary Riviera

**Empowers Children with
Disabilities**



Mapusa | Goa | India.

May 2024



Location: Aastha's Anand Niketan



Location: Mapusa, Goa, India

Population of India: 1.4 billion

Population of Goa: 1.5 million

About Aastha's Anand Niketan

Aastha is a Non-Profit voluntary organization registered in 2010.

Provides service to mentally challenged, disabled and autistic children



The school rapidly earned a reputation for delivering high-quality special education and rehabilitation support and was awarded as the **Best NGO** in this sector by **Govt of Goa** in the year 2017.

The acute need and strong desire of these children and their parents led to the establishment of Anand Niketan.



From 7 students in 2010 the school is currently home to 84 children and the need is ever growing.

Overall child development: Learning Life Skills



Overall child development: Bagless Day



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Overall child development: Exhibition and Industrial Visits



Overall child development: Observing significant days



World Environment Day

Holistic development: Understanding & celebrating various festivals



Raksha Bhandhan Celebration with the Chief Minister of Goa

Vocational Training to Children



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Our Strength



Qualified, Trained & Empathetic Teachers & Support Staff

**Need for a New School Building:
\$100,000 sustainable project to fund classroom equipment
and furniture for a school serving children with disabilities.**

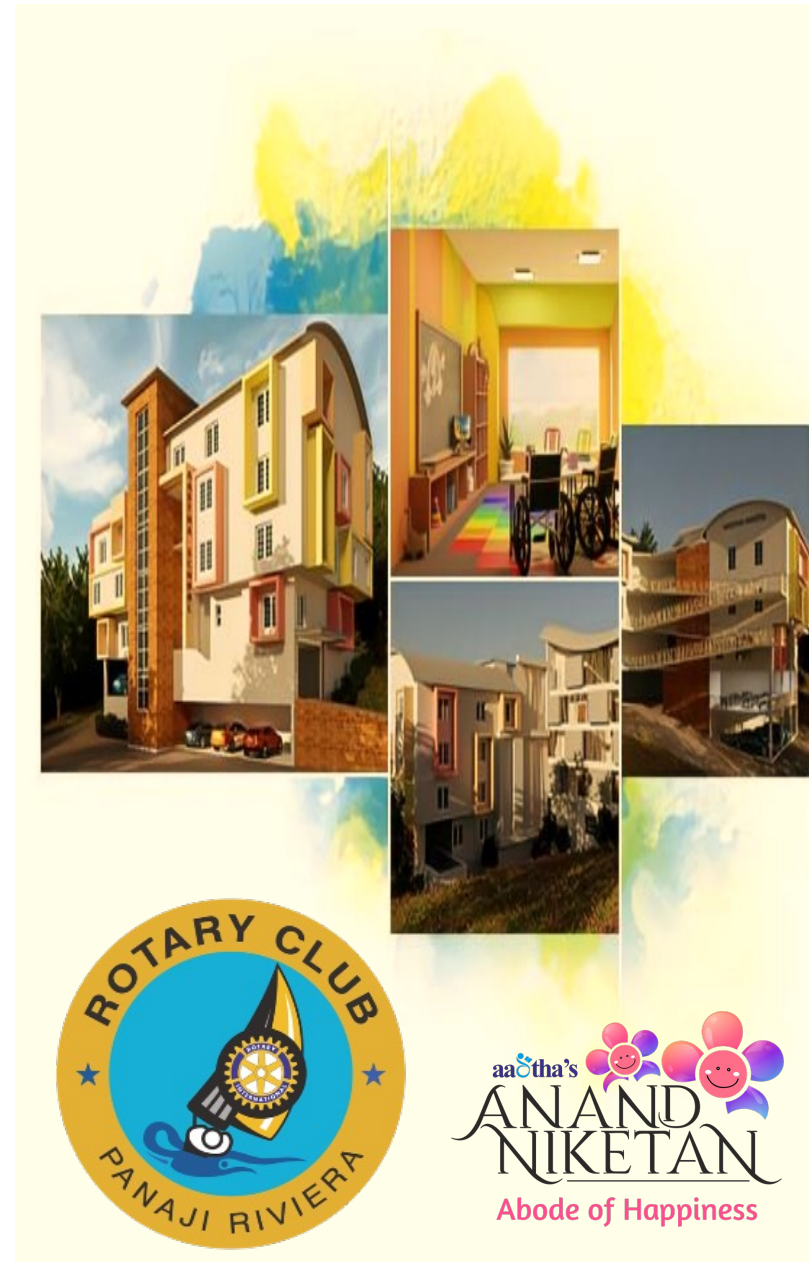
Over 5,000 children in Goa aged 5-19 have disabilities; 17% have never attended school.

Due to the **ever-growing number of children who need assistance** (~ 8000 cases detected annually by Govt Early Intervention Centers of which at least 200+ need higher level management) there is a **necessity to create new school infrastructure.**

The **state government** has endorsed the initiative by **allocating additional land** for an extended period. The **school has a good track record in sustainability** and can **meet its long-term operational needs through various avenues.**

This project is seeking \$100,000 funding specifically for ergonomic classroom equipment and furniture, **designed to the need of each child**

This funding will help **create disable friendly classrooms with modular area** for enhanced learning.



Proposed School Building:

The vision is to establish a forward-looking, state-of-the-art school block with a capacity for 200 students and 26 modern classrooms with the best possible pedagogic tools and therapies



- 26 Classrooms
- Early Intervention Center
- Five Therapy Rooms
 1. Physiotherapy
 2. Occupational Therapy
 3. Hydrotherapy
 4. Speech Therapy
 5. Music Therapy
- Sensory Park
- Play Zone
- State of Art and Latest Tools & Equipments

Sustainability in Action:

How We Ensure Long-Term Impact



Financial and Operational sustainability

- Land allocated by Government for an extended period of 30 years
- Operational expenses met through a mix of committed and new annual donations
- Salary requirements to be met fully through government grant
- Proportion of transport costs covered by special education grants from Government
- School corpus fund being created using CSR funds of various corporates and individuals



Community Engagement

- Aastha Society actively collaborates with local community leaders, NGOs, and government agencies to create a support network for children with disabilities and their families, fostering a sense of community involvement.
- Encourages and engages volunteers from the community who actively contribute their time and expertise to support special children in various programs, creating a strong sense of community engagement and shared responsibility.



Long-Term Vision & Accolades

- Vision 2025 is to become one of the top ten schools and the best Residential facility for children with disabilities in India and be an Organization of Choice for these children and their families in Goa
- Professionally run with qualified, trained and empathetic teachers and staff, proven track record and compliant with all necessary accreditations for such schools and contemporary admin standards like ISO 9001 etc.



Rendered image of a proposed classroom



Infra Boost Being Future Ready

Site pictures as on date – Land Leased by Govt. of Goa for 30 years



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WIP: Stilt+3, Completion: Stilt+4**





Securing A Bright Future



Join us in shaping a brighter, inclusive future for children with disabilities.