

Annual Report 2022



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Gateway to Happiness

**“Restoring
Smiles”**

“We see, we care, we do something for humanity”

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“We are at the precipice of a paradigm shift where we will dedicate our ideas, invention, will, and spirit to excel in our service to humanity”



Message from The Founder

I feel blessed to have witnessed countless stories of hope and transformation over the past year. Our journey began with the Relief & Rehabilitation work in North-East Delhi and we have since completed 12 relief and rehabilitation actions.

As we continue to work on our commitment towards the upliftment of underprivileged and distressed communities, we also acknowledge the enormity and scope of work ahead of us and we will continue to strive vigorously towards the betterment of each & every individual through the power of 'smile'.

Since the inception of Miles2Smile foundation, we have evolved, adapted and overcome countless challenges that came our way and as an organisation that has maintained its trustworthiness throughout its journey, we are now taking pivotal steps in exploring new avenues and pathways. We are undertaking more initiatives that will further enrich our experience of serving humanity.

Miles2Smile foundation's objective is to devise a comprehensive strategy which not only addresses the immediate needs of the distressed communities during the times of crisis but also contributes to the overall holistic development of those communities.

With initiatives such as 'Taharat' and 'Shaagird', we are now expanding our latitude from only providing riot affected families with educational and livelihood assistance to creating platforms that will cater to the menstrual health & hygiene needs of all rural and urban poor women as well as the educational needs of underprivileged children from all across the nation.

As we prepare to do so, we also look forward to more cross-organizational collaborations with schools and knowledge sharing partnership that will maximize our collective efforts.

And, as we go ahead in this journey, we would like to acknowledge a lot of good hearts and hands who have assisted us in carrying out various activities over the last two years. We thank each and every one who helped us from Government, Bank, International organizations, National level organizations, educational institutions, NGOs, networks, friends, staff and different supporters who were with us in implementing different programmes to uplift the poor and distressed communities. On behalf of Miles2Smile team members, Executive Board members, I take this opportunity to say a big Thank you.

Today, our beneficiaries and their families stand as inspiring examples of remarkable transformation that Miles2Smile was capable of bringing in their lives. Miles2Smile is both humbled and proud, in being a part of their journey, seeing them spin the wheels of change, empowering themselves and the lives around them.

Aasif Mujtaba
CEO & Founder



About us

At the moment we are about 40 people who are not all dudes and a cat! These people work round the clock to restore smiles! We are smart, like really! We are hardworking!

We lose track of time, all the time, See the rhyme!
We are easy and fun to talk to. We don't know when to hang up the call!

Our Work

We do the serious work without taking ourselves too seriously.

Be it, the Oxygen crisis of Covid-19 pandemic, provision of medical aid during the North-East Delhi pogrom, establishment of a school for the Delhi pogrom affected kids, food delivery during Bihar floods; Relief & rehabilitation of communal violence victims of Rajasthan, Bihar, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Uttarakhand, and Delhi. We have done it all.

We work with the victims of mob-lynching too. We also run programs for women's emancipation aside from our pioneer educational sponsorship program 'Shaagird' for all communal violence victims' kids and the children of lower income groups.



WHAT WE DO

THAT'S HOW WE DO

We make it easy, we make it work

Our Strategy

Strategy is our compass not the map. Our vision is what drives us. As we work on some intractable challenges like communal violence, illiteracy, poverty & natural disasters, we maintain a positive attitude. We always see the glass half full.

Together with local groups, youths, women, and influencers, we work in tandem to achieve positive changes in the society. In working with these partners, every obstacle seems surmountable. As, in the end, if one person wins; WE ALL WIN!

**When we respond
to the loss;
We commit to a
long term recovery**



MISSION

To empower and sensitize communities and help them emerge from poverty and oppression through education, healthcare and skill development programmes.

To restore the livelihood and hopes of those individuals, families and communities who have been devastated by violence and disasters.



We adhere to the belief that everyone has a right to a quality life. We envision 'A World Where Everyone has a reason to Smile'.

VISION

OUR BELIEF

Smiles for all

Cute little smiles are the building blocks of positivity in society and we find no greater joy than doing just that.

At Miles2Smile, we make it our daily goal to restore smiles and find unique ways to do it. We believe everyone, especially those from the underprivileged strata of the society, deserve to live fulfilling and happy lives and to have someone on their side willing to fight for them and help to make their lives happier.

Opportunities for all

We are acutely aware of the problems plaguing marginalized communities and the lack of representation (or dare we say, misrepresentation) of those groups and their problems in the mainstream narrative. In order to bring marginalized communities from the periphery to the center of the narrative and social-economic standing, we seek out their own voices and unique perspective on their issues and constantly try to provide equal opportunities to them.

DELIVERING IMPACT

230 people resettled after a disastrous fire incident

206 people reached with healthcare assistance

690 children enrolled in learning programs

940 kids enrolled in Hifz Programs in our Madarsa

50 new small scale businesses were created

555 people served affected by communal violence



**TOGETHER,
WITH YOUR
HELP IN 2022**

Impact Snapshot 2022

1. Relief & Rehabilitation

	Smile Hours	Miles Covered	Smiles Restored
Ferozepur Namak Chandeni, Haryana Jan 2022	594	3400	320
Kraulii, Rajasthan April 2022	480	667	98
Khargone, Madhya Pradesh April 2022	576	3575	310
Sendhwa, Madhya Pradesh April 2022	192	3680	96
Jahangirpuri, North-West Delhi April 2022	120	208	132
Himmat Nagar, Gujarat 2022	40	1044	6
Dindoli, Madhya Pradesh 2022	10	0	5
DadaJalalpur, Roorkee, Uttarakhand April 2022	10	0	10
Darbhangha, Bihar April 2022	10	0	5
Barharia, Siwan, Bihar Sep 2022	24	2334	25

2. Healthcare

	Smile Hours	Miles Covered	Smiles Restored
Nangeli, Haryana Oct 2022	144	347	206

3. Education

Riot victims' children education	Smile Hours	Miles Covered	Smiles Restored
Sunrise Public School Loni Ghaziabad	6336	9660	1750
Smart India School Khargone, Madhya Pradesh	10	0	100

Madarsa education	Smile Hours	Miles Covered	Smiles Restored
Miftahul Quran Shiv Vihar, Delhi	400	186	350
Imam-ul-Bukhari Nuh, Haryana	42	525	225
Taleem-ul-Quran Nuh, Haryana	12	175	355

Rohingya education	Smile Hours	Miles Covered	Smiles Restored
Fatima-al-Fihri learning center	400	175	225
Fatima Sheikh learning center	32	175	205
Kulsum Sayani learning center	22	350	260

4. Livelihood Creation

- 100 + small scale businesses were created for victims of North-East Delhi riots.
- 50 + businesses were restored post communal violence in Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, and Bihar.

5. Empowering Women

- 150 + women beneficiaries directly impacted under the women focussed initiative Taharat.
- Over 2000 women in toto benefited across all programs.

Resettling Families

#sharing our experience

FIRE ACCIDENT NUH, HARYANA

On the night of 15th December 2021, a disastrous fire broke out at a Rohingya settlement in Chandeni-2 camp in Ferozepur Namak village, Nuh, Haryana. The incident was so grievous that it completely destroyed 32 out of 34 shanties and displaced around 106 people and people didn't even get the time to salvage anything.

The fire spread very fast as the shanties were made of bamboo and plastic material. As the fire went on, several gas cylinders also burst. People residing there lost everything including their belongings, savings, and documents. There were around 50 males and 56 females at the camp including infants, kids, adults, and old age people.

According to the officials, 1,695 Rohingya refugees (around 500 families) have been living in 10 refugee camps in Nuh since 2012. These camps are situated in Shahpur Nangli, Ferozepur Namak, Chandeni, Saddik Nagar, and Punhana.

Miles2smile Foundation was the first responder who came forward for help. We reached there at the earliest after hearing about the fire incident with all the relief materials required. The condition there was very desperate. People saw their homes turned into ashes in front of their eyes. Our team provided the inhabitants with warm clothes and blankets during our first visit. In our further visits, we provided the inhabitants with rations including rice, flour, oil, spices, baby food like cerelac, milk powder, clothes for

men, women, and kids, and utensils for each of the 32 families including plates, spoons, kadhai, and glasses along with drums for storing water. To ensure that each of the 106 residents get proper and timely food daily, the ration was being restored in the community hall from time to time.

The major assistance we provided to them was the construction work. We arranged bamboo, ropes, tins and wires for all the construction required there. We started with constructing 5 washrooms, a community kitchen and common hall. Then, within a month's time, we were able to build 7 housing units in the area. This time we also used asbestos sheets and fireproof material to better protect against the fire incidents. Along with the houses, we have also constructed 7 shops for the individuals who lost their sustainable source of livelihood during the fire incident.



Watch the full story by clicking the link

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EsW7Z4Dx0ls>





Devastated by FIRE, How Ebrahim rebuilt his life better

In August 2017, Ebrahim, with her wife Firdaus, and daughter Jannat Aara left Myanmar under the cover of darkness, around 3:30 a.m. and now live in one of the temporary Rohingya settlements in Ferozpur Namak Chandeni-2, Nuh, Haryana, where around 23 Rohingya refugee families live.

Ebrahim's eldest daughter Jannat was just 45 days old when he had to flee to India. "We were very scared." "There were many people that had been killed trying to escape the persecution," — Ebrahim recalls his journey.

As he started his journey to a safe land, he found many other Rohingyas fleeing Myanmar for the same reason — to find themselves alive. The journey was so long. They had packed some food such as dried fish, rice and bananas with them in the hope it would be enough to last them for ten days. But there were very big mountains on their way. They had to face many real difficulties to cross those mountains and had to spend 15 days on foot.

When they first arrived in India, they lived in makeshift tents for years. Many other families, including Ebrahim's, lived in these tents, in a state of limbo, not knowing what their future held for them.

Under these circumstances, one fateful night, a huge fire burned down their entire makeshift camp, turning all of their belongings into ashes. As soon as we heard about the tragic fire, we left for the location with all the supplies needed to help affected people. The condition of everyone out there was desperate including Ebrahim's. He felt helpless as he saw all of his possessions burn while he could do nothing. Our teams provided Ebrahim and other inhabitants with warm clothes, blankets, utensils and ration as immediate relief.

“MILES2SMILE DID EVERYTHING IT COULD TO MEET THEIR BASIC NEEDS AND PUT SMILES BACK ON THEIR FACES”.

“Now I’m living here happily and I am very thankful to Miles2Smile Foundation”

We could also construct a ‘smile-home’ for Ebrahim to live and a ‘smile-shop’ for making a living. “Now I’m living here happily and I am very pleased and thankful to Miles2Smile foundation and all the locals here for showing kindness and allowing me to live temporarily on their land. I also want to thank all of their team members for working tirelessly to restore our houses and bring back smiles on our faces in a time when we were all so discouraged by the circumstances,” says Ebrahim. We gave Ebrahim groceries also to kick-start his business to cre-

ate an economic equilibrium that could sustain the requirements of both Ebrahim and the other consumer residents of the camp. Today, he is earning a dignified income through this shop.

Both of his daughters are also attending classes regularly at ‘Fatima-al-Fihri’ learning center. It’s an early childhood development program by Miles2Smile, modeled on play based learning for primary education of the Rohingya kids.



Providing Relief and Rehabilitation to the families affected by demolition and communal violence

KARALI, RAJASTHAN #Understanding the context

On April 2nd, 2022, in the violence orchestrated by Vishwa Hindu Parishad, Bajrang Dal and RSS, unfathomable financial loss was incurred by Muslims of Karali in Rajasthan. The dance of arson and vendetta was deliberately hatched by the Hindutva activists.

Under the garb of celebrating Nav Samvatsar, or the Hindu New Year, Hindutva forces marched into Muslim localities accompanied by provocative slogans and blaring of objectionable songs which soon degenerated into full-fledged communal violence. Hindutva forces, ever jealous of the economic prosperity of Muslims in the region, unleashed calculated attacks on the financial sources of Muslims. This included garment shops, bangle shops, tailoring shops and a few wooden carts.

A fact-finding team reported 62 properties were destroyed in the April 2 violence, worth over 5 crore.

Miles2smile visited violence-hit areas on April 11 and meticulously documented the extensive financial loss after meeting the victims in person. We preceded others in visiting the area and were disheartened at the whopping loss incurred by the victims.

We started the relief work with total transparency and having collected 27 lakhs through a fundraiser, we immediately rushed to disburse the money to reclaim the lost happiness in the lives of people of Karali, Rajasthan. Miles2smile restored the smiles onto wilted faces after communal riots reduced their life-saving into rubble.



'My name is Najmuddin'

Watch the full story by clicking the link

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O_a_VOdi0pc

Inspiring stories of Resilience

1. From the Scratches

Khatoon Banu and Sitara have different harrowing stories to narrate. They believe they were the fifth generation to occupy and run bangle business in their ancestral property. Although short of luxuries of life, they were content with life as they met both ends of life from the bangle business they ran from their three storied ramshackle building.

The violent mob didn't spare them either. The fire that gutted their stock also took a heavy toll on the health of the building. After violence, municipal administration razed down their building citing threat the building posed to nearby structures. The whole structure collapsed to the ground when it was brought down by the administration. Staring at the remains, they cried their hearts out when the organization visited them. Troubled over the turn of events, the organization helped them with four lakhs. Now they are slowly forgetting the past and radiating smiles with difficulty.



2. New Dawn, Fresh Hopes

Irfan was famous in the area for his business acumen. In a short span, he expanded his business and was very hard working and sincere in his business. He merged four shops and made the largest garment shop in the area. The business was thriving and was having a good time. But the hate didn't take much delay to crush his hopes. The goods worth 20 Lakhs were plundered by the mob and set on fire. The bellowing fire decimated all his dreams. Only his shop being attacked in the vicinity burdened his family with mental trauma too. When the Miles2Smiles visited the area, he met them and recounted his harrowing experiences. The organization was quick to ameliorate his pain by giving 4 lakhs to rebuild his shop. Reeling under financial and mental duress, this was a heavenly gift to him. Today he is again working hard putting the baggage of hate behind.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f05X7-9IvPM>



3. Smiling in the face of adversity

Tarik Khan lost the semblance of mental balance, when he saw his pillaged garment shop. Lonely, he was cursing the tragedy befall on him. He suffered the loss of more than three lakhs when the miscreants looted and vandalized his shop.

He groped for words when the organization provided him the financial assistance of one and half lakhs. His extended family exuded confidence of reclaiming past smiles soon in the future. The help of the organization, along with financial assistance, also provided mental courage for the family to scurry ahead in life.



4. Stitching New Life Together

Shahid was fighting with deadlines to complete the stitching of the heaps of cotton sheets spread before, when he got the news of violence. He called it a day and took refuge in home to save his tailoring shop from wanton attack. He was a famous tailor in the area and was very busy in the festive season. But the violence doused his dreams as his shop was targeted and burned down. Without his equipment, he was suffering from deep sorrow. Nor did he have the savings to start everything afresh. Dejected, he was afraid of feeding his family of seven. Miles2Smiles visited his gutted shop and understood the ordeal he was going through. The organization helped him buy a new tailor machine and renovate his shop by providing two lakhs. His smile when he sat behind new tailoring machine to stitch new life afresh was a moving experience for the organization helped them with four lakhs. Now they are slowly forgetting the past and radiating smiles with difficulty.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qIxK5BKzR18>



5. With New Bangles, New Life

Jafar incurred the highest loss in the violence. His shop had a stock of fifteen lakhs and decorations of the same amount. He was broken after his shop was looted and targeted by the mob. As his business was largest in the area, he was apprehensive of targeted attack. Soon the violence spread, he tried to secure his shop by closing down, but the mob was hell-bent on destroying his economic means.

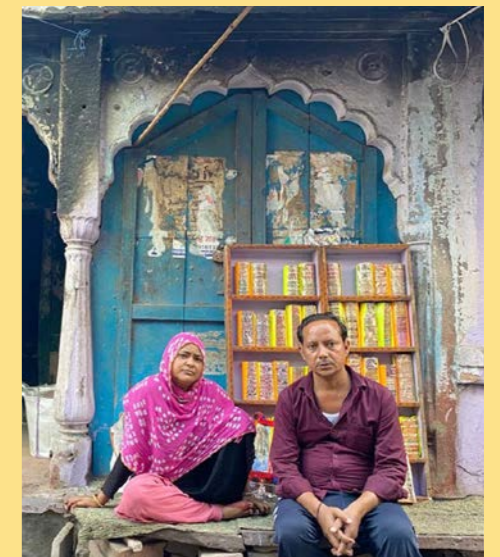
A day after, all his savings lay in soot and he was sobbing incessantly when the organization visited him. The organization was aghast at the immense financial loss. Organization offered the assistance of 1.5 Lakhs in addition to 4 Lakhs from other crowdfunding to mitigate his huge financial loss. He is trying to rebuild his life from scratch and hopes that soon he can reach the pre-violence prosperity.



6. Smiling Mother and Entrepreneur

Shahida Parveen used to perch on the front of her bangle shop before the crack of dawn. Hers was a very popular bangle shop in the area as she was ace match finder. She will find best bangles for various purposes ranging from marriage and religious ceremonies. But, her shop was also looted and put on fire. Her only source was smoldering when she darted in the morning. Weeping and blowing nose, she tried to hide her grief behind the hem of her Dupatta. But how could a mother compose while her children are clamoring for food?

Again the organization came to her help. Using one and half lakhs, donated by the organization, she is again trying to rebuild life with new stocks of bangles. The jingles of bangles add happiness to new chapters in her life.





RELIEF & REHABILITATION KHARGONE, MADHYA PRADESH
#Understanding the context

On April 10th, a frenzy of anti-muslim violence swept across the Khargone district in Madhya Pradesh, on the occasion of Ram Navami, which fell this year in the holy month of Ramadan.

It was during evening when a highly charged procession armed with sticks, knives, and swords reached near the Jama mosque at Talab Chowk area, playing provocative songs precisely at the time when Muslims were gathering for the Maghrib prayer. Who instigated whom and who first pelted the stones remained a matter of investigation but what unfolded later was a blind orgy of violence.

Over 250 houses, largely of Muslims, were rocked by brutal violence that day and a young Muslim man had lost his life. Under these circumstances, a heavily one-sided demolition drive was carried out under the "Madhya Pradesh Recovery of Damages to Public and Private Property Act, 2021", just a day after the violence, following the state chief minister Shiv Raj Singh Chauhan's comments. Bulldozers smashed indiscriminately through Muslim's houses and shops.

Miles2Smile was the first such organisation to visit the area to help those affected by the violence. We requested generous minds for donations to help the ones suffering

from its aftermath. Alhamdulillah, the organization raised Rs 70,50,000 in two weeks for demolition & violence victims. Miles2Smile transferred the money immediately to the needy to help them move through their difficulties so as to put 'smiles' back on their faces.

From rebuilding homes to replenishing businesses - we did everything possible with maximum transparency. We helped 44 families by providing immediate financial relief and helped another 22 with food and rations for a month.

Click on the link to watch the video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nnWCJoIK67A>

WHEN HATE TOOK AWAY KIDS' HOME

Salma Bi

"Mai toh ghar se be-ghar hogayi sir. Kahan jaungi mai baccho ko lekar chote chote." (I've become homeless sir. Where will I take my kids now?) This was Salma Bi telling Miles2Miles about the tragedy that had befallen over them. Salma Bi was sleeping, unable to control her tears, as life had tested her in the worst way possible by snatching the roof above her head. When we reached Salma's house, it was completely in shambles. The bricks were piling on top of each other and practically everything in the house was burnt. She had not only lost on the roof above her children's head but also her belongings. Being a widow, Salma Bi had no male member to support her financially to rebuild her house. She has two little kids and a mother-in-law to look after. She lives in Sanjay Nagar, in Khargone, Madhya Pradesh.

Salma Bi lost her house to a devastating fire that was started due to the communal clashes in Khargone during the month of April. As the two communities clashed and violence erupted in the district, numerous people like Salma suffered from the consequences of the incident. In a span of a few hours, life turned completely upside-down for Salma Bi. She could have never imagined a tragedy similar to this and found it difficult to hope that life would get better after this. For a mother, the comfort and safety of her children comes first. Salma too inconsolably sobbed at the thought of not being able to provide a house for her innocent kids. "Mere chote chote bacche hai sir, mere bacche kahan rahenge" (My kids are little sir, where will they live now?). She was worried about their studies and how they would attend school. Having no financial savings to meet her needs, it was natural that she couldn't talk without crying.

Communal clashes and hate crimes affect innocent people like Salma Bi and her children. It is hard to imagine the mental state of Salma Bi and her children when they must have found their home burnt to the ground. Miles2Miles tried to take away their misery and bring a smile to their face. With the help of the donations we received, we were able to assist Salma Bi with 5 lakh rupees to rebuild her house. Salma Bi



was smiling ear to ear when she said, "Unhone humare vaastey madad kari thi toh hum yeh makaan banwaliya hai" (Miles2Miles visited us. With their help, we are rebuilding our house). Her children have started going to school and everything is getting better in her life now. We hope no other people like Salma ever have to face a tragedy like this. But in case it happens, collective help to assist them and bring a smile on their face is the least we can do.

Watch the full story by clicking the link

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bRe5_hN6gtQ



BURNT DREAMS- SIRAJ BI LOST EVERYTHING IN JUST A FEW HOURS

Siraj Bi

With a husband who was taken away too soon and no other male to look after, Siraj Bi is a widowed mother of two daughters. On a frightful night, she lost everything she collected with her hard work. What was her mistake, you ask? She happens to live in the Talab Chowk Area of the Khargone district in Madhya Pradesh. This area was the place where violence erupted after a communal clash between Hindus and Muslims in the month of April. This was because the month of Ramadan, considered the most important holy month in Islam, and the 10-day Hindu Festival of Ramnavami coincided. This portrayed the great diversity of our country, however, the clash of dates soon turned hostile when a procession of Ram Navami collided with people coming back from evening prayers.

For Siraj Bi, she had nothing to do with the violent clashes. She was saving up money to marry off one of her daughters. As she was a widow, it was solely upon her shoulders to get the daughters settled in their houses. Siraj Bi had just finished her Maghrib prayers after Iftar when she heard loud noises outside. It sounded like boulders were falling from a height. Unable to comprehend the commotion, Siraj Bi went outside to check when she saw a mob of almost 300 people approaching her place. She could figure out with the expressions on their faces that they were coming to hurt them. She couldn't find any familiar face to call so she could save herself and her daughters. Siraj Bi ran and bolted the door shut. Initially, she tried to reason with the mob- "There are no male members in my family. I live here with my two daughters only, please leave us alone" she cried out desperately.

However, the anger of the mob won over reason and humanity. They were hell bent on "teaching the other community a lesson." The overwhelming fear that must have filled the hearts of a moth-



er and her helpless daughters is hard to imagine. The three women were able to escape from the backdoor. Due to the urgency of the situation, they could not take anything with them and left the house empty-handed. In that home, Siraj Bi had preserved her dreams. Her source of income was from selling the garlands she made. Penny by penny, she had patiently saved money to marry her daughter. After escaping, the three of them somehow passed the night. The next morning, when they returned, they saw their house burnt to the ground. Siraj Bi saw burnt currency notes. The suit that she had got stitched for her daughter's marriage was also charred in the belongings she lost. Within a matter of a few hours, Siraj Bi had lost everything.

Ramadan is a month that strives to extend the financial help to the lowest strata of the society. The concept of zakat reflects the importance of giving charity to those in need. Miles2miles contributed to its best potential to help Siraj Bi build her house back, to have a roof over her head, and get back on her feet to fulfill her basic requirements. With the help she received from Miles2Smile, Siraj Bi was able to repair her ceiling and is gradually striving to move past her difficulties. We are glad that our small assistance helped a person to have a roof above their head so that they could sleep peacefully at night.

Watch the full story by clicking the link

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nMZuuSVeZ7c>



RELIEF & REHABILITATION SENDHWA MADHYA PRADESH

#Understanding the context

Communal violence erupted in Sendhwa town of district Barwani in Madhya Pradesh on April 10th, 2022 during a Ram Navami procession.

Crowds of Hindutva extremists tried to deliberately create an atmosphere of hate and intolerance by marching through the Muslim neighbourhoods, playing provocative anti-Muslim songs and provoked sectarian tensions which led to a brutal violence between the two communities near Hussaini gate. With several vehicles getting torched and many

injured, the violence resulted in a gruesome loss to Muslims.

Those who remained without a roof over their heads during Ramadan couldn't have imagined what they'd face. Those who unexpectedly lost their homes shared their stories with us. The district administration razed 12 Muslim homes without due process under the pretense of engaging in violence.

Miles2Smile provided each victim family 3 to 5 lakhs from the fundraiser to replace their lost assets.

There was a palpable fear in the neighborhood. People were very cautious about talking to the team members for the fear of retribution. However, our volunteers were able to find support from the community and restore hope in the lives of people who lived through the trauma of losing their homes.

HOUSE BULLDOZED

Sakina

Sakina, in her forties, lived in a joint family of nine before her house was demolished on the accusation of her son Shahbaz being allegedly involved in the violence. It was terrifying as she saw a bulldozer rumbling nearby her house.

She was served a notice only 15 minutes before the cops and the bulldozers arrived. Sakina could not understand the reason for this wanton destruction. Her son has been in jail for the last 35 days. How can someone already in jail be accused of another crime? Why would authorities even allow her son to come out of jail? Sakina choked on tears recalling the day her house was mercilessly pulled down without a reason.

With her son in incarceration and a part of her house demolished, dejected she was as the other members of her family. Besides, the prospect of further police action also disturbed her peace. When the arms of injustice are agile and deft, how can one wink even for a moment?

Release of her son and a small help to reconstruct her house was the only thing she requested us with a trembling pulse. She had the appealing temerity to fight back and bring hues to her otherwise appalling hopes. With 3 lakhs provided by the organization she is slowly reclaiming what she once though lost.



Rashida

Rashida is an elderly woman who lived in a joint family with her husband and two married sons. One amongst her teenage grandsons had been allegedly implicated for his role in the violence. The guilt was yet to be proved, his entire family including his grandparents were subjected to a severe punishment.

The district administration demolished Rashida's house, giving all of them a collective penalty.

When we met Rashida, she was not fed. She had no extra pair of clothes except the one she had been wearing for many days now. All of her essentials, mattresses, and clothes were beneath the debris that she showed us profusely crying. They did not let her salvage any of the belongings. She was adrift in a sea of grief and winced at the unfairness of the situation when miles2smile offered her an assistance of 5 lakhs which was like an initial investment for the happiness and well-being of her family.



Rashida Bi's house was demolished in Sendhva violence || Madhya Pradesh || Miles2Smile Foundation

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ISS59vvrGTU>

RELIEF & REHABILITATION JAHANGIRPURI, NORTH-WEST DELHI

#Understanding the context

On April 16th, 2022, following a provocative Hanuman Jayanti procession, communal violence flared up in Jahangirpuri where many residents are Bengali-speaking Muslims.

Right wing organizations employed the violence to bluff about illegal Muslim migration from Bangladesh. They alleged that the Muslims of Jahangirpuri are as "illegal" as Rohingyas.

Earlier, there had never been a communal clash in the area. Hindus and Muslims have been living together for decades. The Bengali Muslims have been living in Jahangirpuri since the inception of this resettlement colony, meaning at least four decades ago. The mostly self-employed residents are involved in street vending, petty trade, fish selling and waste collection.

Jahangirpuri is not unauthorized. It is a resettlement colony – a space given by the state to resettle its residents. The women and their parents and grandparents who live in Jahangirpuri today were evicted from JJ colonies

like the Yamuna Pushta in the 1970s and settled here. They were always informal workers, many doing kabaddi work, and most of them still are.

NDMC, on April 20, launched a demolition drive against encroachment in Jahangirpuri's C, G, and H blocks and the demolition drive had followed just days after communal clashes erupted in the area. Hit by communal violence only 3 days ago, Jahangirpuri saw seven bulldozers roll into the neighborhood on the orders of BJP-led North Delhi Municipal Corporation, and the razing down of parts of several shops within hours, including the exterior gate of a mosque.

Many families lost their sole sources of income. We helped 23 such families by giving them financial assistance to resume their businesses soonest.

Watch the full story by clicking the link

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zfj2Me3jRgs>





RAHIMA BEGAM

Rahima lived in Jahangirpuri's C block, which was the center of the April 16 violence. On April 20, her shop was demolished as part of the demolition drive. She used to make Rs 300-500 per day selling water, chips, and biscuits. As a result of violence, shops in the area were forced to close for a few days. So, Rahima depleted all of her savings to purchase groceries for her family, not knowing that the following day, she was going to lose her sole source of income, the only way she could afford to feed her children two square meals a day. Even though she had a license which she showed us, the government still tore down her store. Aside from that, the electrical wiring of her house was also damaged.

On April 20, when the fleet of bulldozers arrived, desperate Rahima sought reassurance from the police and asked them repeatedly if her shop will be demolished? They reassured her again and again that bulldozers are only here to clear the waste in the area. But just hours later, shards of broken glass, an overturned fridge with its contents spilling out, and a mound of rubble was all that remained of Rahima's shop.

She has three children. Her 11-year-old son tearfully picking up stray soft-drink bottles that had been spared by the bulldozers can be seen in the pictures that went

viral on the internet post demolition.

"I urged them to at least let the fridge be, so we can rebuild our shop, but they left nothing," said Rahima.

The police latched her inside the house from outside. Her 'reri' [shop] was in front, and the house just a few feet behind. She kept pleading with them that she had all the documents, and permission to run this shop, but they did not listen to a word and just started breaking everything down.

Somebody has cursed us," Rahima sobbed when we first met her. "In our slum, when a Hindu living alone died, the whole locality cremated him. We are a peaceful and loving locality. I don't know why they are doing this to us," said Rahima.

Rahima dropped out of school after completing the sixth grade with the help of an NGO. Though, she enjoyed going to school but was forced to leave because her parents could not afford it. Since then, she has been out doing many odd jobs to support the family. Her husband too never went to a school. Their children, however, are now attending school with the help of miles2smile. We provided Rahima Rs 25,000 to get a new fridge so that her business could resume.

Stories of Change

RAMAN JHA

52-year-old Raman Jha has lived in Jahangirpuri's C-block since 1984. He ran a small paan shop (gumti) from which he used to bring in between Rs 5,000 and Rs 6,000 each month because the business had come to a halt during the lockdown. Besides, he also used to perform puja-recitation at people's homes.

Raman said he received a phone call from his brother who informed him about the demolition drive at about 11:30 am. He and his wife did not waste any time and hurriedly made their way to the shop. When the number of MCD staff and police force increased in the area, he asked them if their shop would also be demolished. MCD staff told him that his shop

was not in danger, but as soon as the bulldozer came, his shop was first demolished. Raman said he was running a licensed shop.

Raman was concerned that the shop from which he used to earn Rs 5,000 a month has now closed its source of income. The shop was completely broken. His goods had been damaged and the worry of how the shop will be set up again was bothering him when Miles2Smile learnt about his loss. We gave Raman Jha a sum of Rs 75,000 to rebuild his paan shop.

Click on the link to watch the video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W-4f2hOQIBs>



COMMUNAL VIOLENCE

HIMMAT NAGAR, GUJARAT

53-year-old Sartaz Bibi Khan who lived in the lane in Ashraf Nagar – a Muslim dominated area in Chhapariya in Gujarat's Himmatnagar – that is barely 80 km away from Ahmedabad – was one of the victims of 10 April's violence which was snowballed after an aggressive engaging of Hindus with Muslims over a minor brawl during the Ram Navami procession on April 10th, 2022.

The procession belligerently marched through the sensitive areas without the requisite permission from the authorities, wielding swords and blasting provocative music from DJs. The procession was being led by Ram Sena, Antar Rashtriya Hindu Parishad, Vishwa Hindu Parishad, Bajrang Dal and other fringe elements who enjoy an unfettered support at higher levels which emboldened them to unleash violence against Muslims without any fear of law. Sartaz Bibi's house was in shambles when Miles2Smile went to see it. There were exploded gas cylinders lying in it. The walls and ceilings had collapsed and the smoke stains were clearly visible on her walls.

The fate befallen on her was writ large on her face. Miles2Smile helped Sartaz Bibi with a sum of Rs 2 lakh and also supported her family in times of dire need.



ROORKEE, UTTARAKHAND

Two families were helped with Rs.4 lakh in Dada Jalalpur, Roorkee where on April 16th, a Shobha yatra had resulted in a violent escalation in the entire town. During the violence, a hindutva mob, incited by right wing politicians, surrounded a 17-year-old Muslim boy's house and several of them scaled to the rooftop. The hopeless teen boy having no option to save her mother & sisters from the mob held two of the rioters and jumped from the roof.

Seeing their friends gravely injured, the mob quickly ran away from the spot leaving the women safely. But the boy also sustained injuries. Miles2Smile helped the boy's family financially in his medical treatment.

DINDORI, MADHYA PRADESH

1 Family (of Shama Begam) was assisted with Rs.5 lakh in Dindori, MP where the house of a Muslim man, as well as his two shops, were demolished on false accusation of love jihad.

DARBHANGA, BIHAR

On the Ramnavmi eve in Bihar, a small bangle shop owned by a woman was vandalized by the Hindutva goons. She burst into tears as she recounted how all her savings and her only source of income was destroyed in the communal violence. When Miles2Smile heard of this horrible incident, we immediately offered her an assistance of Rs 30,000 for re-establishing her shop.



TRANSFORMING LIVES THROUGH EDUCATION

We are creating better opportunities for more than 2000 underprivileged children

Education is a powerful tool, it can open doors - mental and social for building a life for oneself and for others. Though it is the right of every child, yet millions of children are denied this right. Poverty, discrimination, violence, or lack of physical access or all these may prevent children to attend schools or pace up for learning. Miles2Smile stands committed to promote child - centered quality education suited to their unique talents, and capabilities through a variety of interventions.

SUNRISE PUBLIC SCHOOL LONI, GHAZIABAD

Under the 'Miles2Smile' & 'Shaagird' foundation, Sunrise Public School is a relief school based in Loni, Ghaziabad. It was established by Miles2Smile foundation primarily for the victims of the North-East Delhi Riots, 2020.

However, in the past one year, we have increased our capacity to include orphans, underprivileged, and other marginalized children as well.

"So far, the effort has enabled as many as 450+ disadvantaged students back to the classrooms"

We provide these students with access to Promethean programs that engage and tap into their specific interests and aspirations. Various activities and competitions are held in our school throughout the year to provide a platform to engage students by honing their true potential. Sports, cultural and literary activities hosted in the school encourage 100% participation of the students.

OUR PROGRAM COMMITMENTS

- Equipping young minds
- Mitigating learning gaps
- Inculcating good practices
- Character building
- Pertinent Social skills to navigate life
- Ensuring minimum higher secondary education
- Receiving academic inputs

In the last one year, we have developed a culture of excellence that now includes 16 teachers for our 450 + students and a robust instructional and educational program with a focus on reading and writing workshops, as well as by building competency across all subject areas which include science, social science and languages.



#SHAAGIRD

ABOUT SHAAGIRD

Shaagird is an initiative centered at educating and social upliftment of victims of communal violence & economically deprived kids. Under Shaagird, we are meeting the educational requirements of kids of different categories of the underprivileged, oppressed and marginalized groups up to primary & secondary levels. They are -

- Kids of the victims of 2020 North-East Delhi pogrom
- Kids of the victims of 2022 Khargone (Madhya Pradesh) riots
- Kids of the victims of mob-lynchings
- Other economically backward children

Victims of communal violence often have a terrible time providing for their families for years after, making it nearly hard for their children to receive a good education. M2S foundation has prepared a robust database of a large number of such kids who are either victims of the communal violence or they belong to other disadvantaged sections of the society. We enroll these kids either in our education center or at any nearby learning facility partnered with us in their geographical location. These kids are then raised in a nurturing, and caring atmosphere and are provided with free primary and secondary education. They are further encouraged to continue their higher studies in their field of interest. Meanwhile, the kids stay with their families but the foundation supervises them in their journey.

Miles2Smile foundation requests you to sign up for the mentorship program which allows you to adopt these kids for sponsoring their education.

Sponsor: <https://donate.miles2smile.org/education-of-victims-of-communal-violence.php>

Support Us: <https://donate.miles2smile.org/orphan-mentorship.php>



JOURNEY OF CHANGE

Khushi's father, Firoz Ahmed was among the 42 Muslims killed during the Northeast Delhi pogrom 2020. This left it on her mother to shoulder the responsibility of running the household and also caring for Khushi and her two siblings - Rihaan & Faiz. Had Miles2Smile not come to their lives, Khushi's family would have been beset by many difficulties.

Khushi is now a student at our Sunrise Public School and has been with us for more than two years. When she first came to the school, she was shy and introverted but gradually she became more confident and social and has turned out to be an amazing dancer and soulful singer, and also one of the most brilliant students at our school.



SMART INDIA SCHOOL

KHARGONE, MADHYA PRADESH

The impact of violence on children can be devastating and long-lasting. It has a direct influence on their psychological and social development, and has a far-reaching effect on how a child sees their future and their place in the world. This can lead to education barriers, a lack of hope, and poor self-confidence, among many other issues. The same occurred in the aftermath of communal clashes that took place in Khargone & Sendhwa on April 10, 2022.

Many of them had undergone major losses post-violence. Some had lost their sources of income, while others were left without a home. Realizing the need to address these issues, Miles2Smile came up with the idea to partner with Smart India School under its initiative 'Shaagird'. The initiative 'Shaagird' ensures free education to 30 children of communal violence victims of Khargone. Their educational expenses are borne by the Miles2Smile foundation.



“Thanks to Miles2Smile foundation for coming to our school and it is a great privilege to work alongside the foundation because it is working with such good objectives”

— Principal (Smart India School)

Smart India School is dedicated to providing access to quality education, essential resources, and caring adults in order to provide children with an uplifting support system, while helping them become empowered members of society. The safe and secure learning environment, coupled with highly trained faculty at Smart India School, allows these children to get the same educational opportunities as any other school-going youngster.

“Through this partnership, Miles2Smile seeks to provide children with a safe platform for learning and personal growth and to actively reduce the negative effects of violence on children”

These children will now be able to develop a feeling of self-efficacy, as well as take a more proactive stance towards their own life and career. Additionally, they will have the best possible chance of living a life free of the trauma, pain and distress caused.

JOURNEY OF CHANGE

Firdaus and her brother Lukman were forced to live in despair and difficulty after the district administration of Khargone, Madhya Pradesh, carried out an anti-encroachment and demolition drive in the aftermath of the Ram Navami violence of April 10, 2022. Her family was doomed to a life of hopelessness. They lived in Khaskhawadi slum, which was cleared out by the authorities in a demolition drive carried out post Ram Navami violence on April 12, 2022. An intervention by Miles2Smile foundation changed her life completely.

“My brother and I now go to school together and eat our meals together. I now have my own happy stories”.

FATIMA-AL-FIHRI LEARNING CENTER

GIVES CHILDREN A CHANCE TO ENJOY THEIR CHILDHOOD — WITH THE HELP OF PLAY BASED LEARNING

We made all the possible efforts to restore the lives of the distressed Rohingyas to normal. We provided them with all the essentials, built their houses and shops for them, and their lives started getting back to normal as well. But we felt that something was missing there, something was incomplete and needed to be addressed. And we found out - the thing was "education". There are more than 300 kids living in the 10 Rohingya Refugee Camps. These camps are situated in Shahpur Nangli, Ferozepur Namak, Chandeni, Saddik Nagar and Punhana.

By looking at those young, innocent and adorable kids we felt an urge to educate them and to enrich them with the same. Because good education is the greatest gift you can give yourself or anyone else. This gave us the bright idea of opening learning centers for the Rohingya kids to nurture them with quality education and to be a guiding step towards their brightening future.

We have now three portable learning centers running for all the Rohingya kids living in the Nuh settlement with a special emphasis on teaching them English language. Besides, we are also teaching them general knowledge, Mathematics, English, and Science.

- 1. Fatima-al-Fihri learning center**
- 2. Fatima Sheikh learning center**
- 3. Kulsum Sayani learning center**

Many of our teaching activities are focussed on play-based learning so that these children get a chance to forget the daily struggles they face in their lives while also ensuring that they do not fall behind in education.



Tasneem

**“EVERY CHILD
DESERVES
EDUCATION
NO MATTER
WHO THEY ARE
WHERE THEY
COME FROM”**

JOURNEY OF CHANGE :

Play is a huge part of the recovery for Rohingyas facing constant neglect & persecution, and for kids like Tasneem & Jannat Aara, it's been vital. Both of the girls are benefitting from attending Fatima-al-Fihri learning center. "At the beginning they were shy and wouldn't talk to anyone," Khushboo, our teacher at the children's learning center, explains. "Tasneem used to put her chair next to the door and wait there alone. It took a month, but they started to interact." Today the girls clap along to songs, and shout answers to teachers' questions and play with other children. You can watch them having fun and learning

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vfERlueYRGU>



Jannat Aara

Supporting Young Hafiz-al-Quran

Madarsa Miftahul Quran, Shiv Vihar

The first madrasa we took under our care, as part of Project Taleem, was Madarsa Miftahul Quran in Shiv Vihar, Delhi. When we first visited there, we found it in a very desolate condition. This Madarsa was attacked by a violent mob during the Northeast Delhi pogrom.

Miles2Smile Foundation rescued its resident students, housed them in safe locations, and covered their transportation costs back to their homes. During our intervention with the madarsa, we found that it lacked many infrastructural facilities for its resident students, even access to clean drinking water and quality educational & informative books. This had deterred students from reading and acquiring adequate knowledge on different subjects.

Miles2Smile Foundation donated several hundred textbooks of English, Hindi and math specifically curated for these students. We also provided the resident students with durable and comfortable beddings, long-lasting sets of kurta pajamas along with 25 high quality warm blankets to beat the cold in the chilly winters. We also handed 4 well-built wooden racks so that students can keep their belongings safely. Some sports equipment and utensils were also provided. And we also put a water purifier in the Madarsa for these young students.

In addition to spending 6 - 7 hours a day memorizing the Quran, these students now learn English, Mathematics, Urdu and Science as well.



Madarsa Imam-ul-Bukhari, Nuh Haryana

As part of our project "Taleem," Miles2Smile runs madarsa Imam-ul-Bukhari at the Rohingya settlement in Nuh, Haryana. This madrasa currently serves as an educational center for 45 Rohingya kids. We are providing these young kids textbooks, teachers for subjects of Science, Social Science, Mathematics, English and as well as computers.

We also gave them sports equipment like badminton, bat and ball for cricket and also set up an inverter for the madrasa so that the students don't have to face problems due to power outages. We want to illuminate the way for each student in all possible ways and brighten up their future.

Madarsa Taleem-ul-Quran, Nuh Haryana

Miles2Smile is proud to be inaugurating the third madarsa under the project 'Taleem'. With three madarsa teachers from among the community, this madarsa as of now fills in as a scholastic focus for 70 Rohingya kids in Chandeni 1 Rohingya settlement in Nuh, Haryana.

The young students dedicate a large portion of their day in memorizing the Quran. In the other hours of the day, students learn a variety of other core subjects, including English, Mathematics, Urdu, and Science, and equip themselves with the necessary skills and knowledge to succeed in their future endeavors. Our Hafiz Sponsorship Programme is your opportunity to transform the life of a vulnerable child forever and give them the gift of the Holy Qur'an "When you sponsor a Hifz child, You reap innumerable untold blessings as they learn"



Winter Distribution Drive

In December 2022, Miles2Smile foundation kickstarted a blanket & jacket distribution drive for the madarsa students at Delhi and Nuh, in order to protect them from the bitter cold.

M2S foundation believes such initiative encourages everyone to step ahead and share their part of happiness in the society. Alhamdulillah, this year, with your support, we distributed a set of 224 warm high quality jackets & blankets.

Riyaz, a madarsa student, showing the jacket was very happy and said, I thank the M2S foundation for providing us support in these difficult times. It gets extremely tough in winters especially at night as we sleep on the floor. These blankets & warm clothes will be of great help for us.

Success Story

10-year-old Obaid-ur-Rahman has two brothers. But Ubaid is special, as he has finished memorizing almost half of the Qur'an at such a tender age. Before enrolling into our program, Ubaid's father was struggling to meet the basic daily needs of the family and also give his sons a good education & upbringing. Selling fruit on a food cart is his father's only source of income, while his mother disappeared 2 years back never to be found.

Due to the poor circumstances, his father couldn't send his sons to school. Despite Obaid's talents, dreams, and his keen desire to learn. He says, "such situations make it difficult for me to dream, if reality is so horrible then how can one dream.

His father came to know about Miles2smile's Hafiz sponsorship programme through one of our program trainees. Obaid's father realized that it was a ray of hope for him. Obaid could never have imagined that he could get so much more than Qur'anic education through his sponsorship. In addition to doing free hifz and also completing his elementary education, he received a roof over his head, routine meals, clothing, psychosocial support and an opportunity to grow in a learning environment that would help him & his family gain a brighter future. "Miles2Smile's Hafiz sponsorship program is a glitter of hope that changed my life," says Ubaid.

Mohammad Obaid has memorized half of the Holy Quran while pursuing a primary school education. He is studious and never fails to demonstrate intelligence and a keen resolve. Inshallah, he will become Hafiz soon. By acquiring light and hope through Miles2smile's Hafiz Sponsorship Program, he challenged difficulty and is positive about the future. His dream is to "take care of his brothers and father and to protect their life and dignity.



"I'm grateful to my generous donors who helped me in doing hifz"
— Obaid

Making Healthcare Accessible for All

In October 2022, a Rohingya settlement in Nangeli, Haryana got completely submerged after days of incessant rain, leaving its 206 residents inundated and displaced for a month. Since the settlement was located in a low-lying muddy area, the water receded very slowly, making it a breeding ground for a variety of waterborne diseases.

The condition we discovered there was really abysmal. The water had risen to their beds. Even the stoves were put over the beds in order to cook meals. Women and children were forced to spend days and nights sitting over a chair, or huddled on the bed to save themselves from the foul water, while the men would drench and wade through it to run errands and arrange for at least one meal a day. It was after three days of incessant rain that water started sweeping into their rooms and kept rising to their beds. Most residents lost their clothes. Also their rations got washed away.

Miles2Smile is happy to share that we were the first team to visit the affected area with the organization's founder & director, who bravely walked through the muddy-water to see the situation himself. Miles2Smile quickly arranged for a free medical camp inside their settlement, with an aim to address their basic health needs.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uEf3jLzezFs>



Our Free Community Kitchen

We ran a free community Kitchen to provide food to all the inhabitants who were unable to access their kitchens because of water stagnancy. The kitchen ran for a week and provided for their nutritional needs until they were back on their feet again.

The organisation also assisted in getting the stagnant water drained out with the help of water pumping units and installed a few portable water purifiers for providing them with the safe drinking water. The gratitude and Smile on their faces was worth every effort.

“Miles2Smile sets up ‘free medical camp’ and a ‘community kitchen’ for the Rohingya refugees



“Most settlement-dwellers had no means to relocate, or rebuild their lives, therefore, no choice, than to adapt themselves to living in such adverse conditions”



“ THE HEALTH CAMP PROVIDED MEDICAL CARE, SCREENING AND FREE MEDICINES TO THE PATIENTS





“I feel sad because I have to struggle alone in my life. When I am sick, I have no one to support me. I can’t go to a private hospital because I can’t afford it”

We feel happy to provide healthcare to Sajeeda Begum

In August of 2012, when military and paramilitary forces in Myanmar began purging the Rohingya Muslim population from the country, motivated by anti-Muslim prejudice of the Buddhist political and social majority, 45-year-old Sajeeda Begum had to flee to neighbouring India. However, the non-recognition of refugee status of the Rohingyas in India kept her without documents which meant - without adequate protection and access to healthcare services, education or any employment opportunity.

Her husband divorced and left her a few years ago, adding to the stress of living in such conditions. She even felt suicidal at times. Her severe physical and mental health issues were exacerbated by the impermanence of the fragile bamboo structure and the unsanitary conditions in which she was living.

Rohingya women are particularly vulnerable due to a lack of proper nutritious food, menstrual health, and hygiene inside the camp. The prolonged camp life has had a significant impact on their mental and physical health. Furthermore, as a result of inadequate reproductive and maternal care, women are vulnerable to communicable diseases and infectious risks such as scabies and hepatitis.

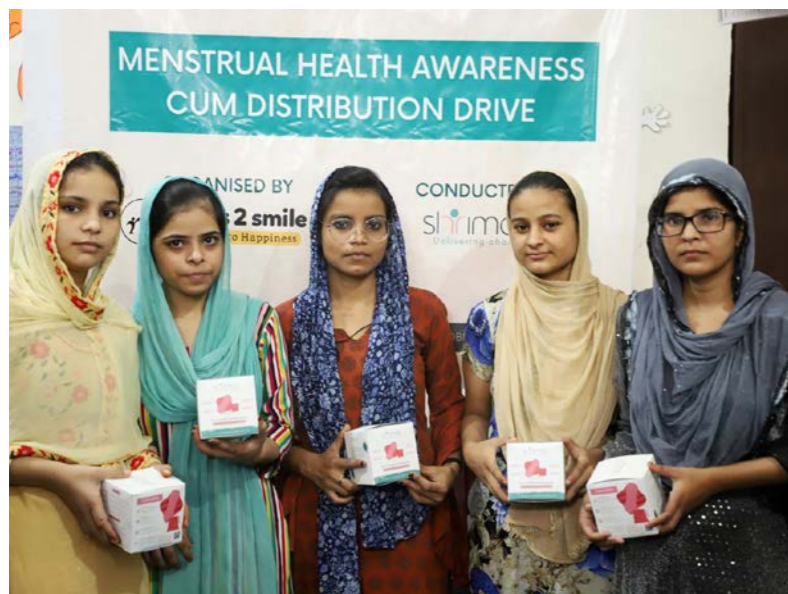
Sajeeda too suffered from similar health problems, including high blood sugar & blood pressure. Since the day her husband left, Sajeeda Begam’s day to day existence has been marked by fear, struggles to afford food, and a sense of hopelessness in her. She is a single mother with three children - two daughters and a son, who rely on humanitarian assistance.

As her days passed in worry, she visited Miles2Smile’s medical camp and received consultation from our doctors for her illness, which required immediate medical treatment. The foundation stepped in right away to help her with additional treatments that would otherwise be thwarted by the hospital’s high medical bills. We are delighted to assist Sajeeda, who believes that once her children succeed and prosper in life, all of her mental and physical sufferings will fade away.

Empowering Women

'Taharat' is our prospective project towards improving women's menstrual health & hygiene, primarily in rurals. Through awareness and distribution drives, it introduces women to an eco-friendly way of using sanitary pads.

In October this year, we started this project by conducting an awareness cum distribution drive at Shiv Vihar where around 50 women joined us in our efforts towards menstrual health & hygiene. We will soon open a sewing facility for these cloth-based sanitary pads and other essential items using textile waste and banana fiber, hiring women from the riot affected Shiv Vihar area. In the process, we hope that women will be able to revive their livelihoods, which is actively encouraged by 'ummeed'.



WITH OUR
INITIATIVE
'TAHARAT'

Reviving Calligraphy

Miles2Smile is proud to present its initiative Khattati – a program to train people in Urdu calligraphy & applied arts.

The Khattati program was officially launched on December 2nd, 2022. On this day, a stall of calligraphy was set up in the Rekhta Bazar in Delhi and eventually it turned out to be a great success. Since calligraphy is an international art, the stall was widely applauded by its visitors. We managed to generate good sale there. Under the program Khattati, in the upcoming years, we intend to provide quality classes and teaching materials for its attendees. During the course, participants will learn to make their own calligraphy materials and create one-of-a-kind artifacts. This program is intended to give our communities access to a creative and abundant means of livelihood.



WITH THE
INITIATIVE
'KHATTATI'

Celebrating Dignity Day'22

Nuh, Haryana, Dec 31, 2022

Reiterating its commitment to creating a change for the underprivileged & the oppressed communities, Miles2Smile foundation launched a two-day event from Dec 31, 2022 to January 1, 2023, coinciding with the new year eve' to celebrate it as a Dignity Day and acknowledge the incredible resilience of the Rohingya refugee community, who despite being displaced from their homeland had learnt not only to survive but to thrive. This was a time when team Miles2Smile came together to recognise the amazing things that they had accomplished in the face of adversity.

The event spanned across two days with the first day featuring various gaming competitions, Qirat (Recitation of Quran) competition and a week long tournament in their traditional game 'shoolon' (Chinlone). The finale of the tournament was played on the second day on January 1st, before the felicitation ceremony began. The gaming competitions were held with an aim to infuse young minds with an energy that would help them develop their character. The competitions held in the first day of the event included IQ games, rope-skipping, a 200 meter Spoon Race, Hula-Hoop Race, and a 100 m Stool Race, in which students from the Fatima-al-Fihri, Fatima-al-Sheikh, and Kulsum Sayani learning center participated with great enthusiasm.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jKY6QbgaSYM>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nstLoiw9g1M>



Miles2Smile welcomed esteemed guests

The following day began with the organisation of the weeklong tournament finale of 'Shoolon' (Chinlone), a sport that combines football and volleyball with the use of hand woven cane ball, in the first half of the day, and was blessed with the kind presence of Mr. Sameer Siddiqui as the Chief guest for the Dignity Day event and Mr. Farman (President , MEEM Foundation) , Mr. Azhar Ali (Co-Founder, Fatima Charitable Foundation) , Mr. Beg , Owner, Midland Books) & Mr. Sadiq Anjum (eminent Social Change-maker) as guests of honour.

As the day progressed, guests indulged in the stage performances of refugee kids reflecting their culture and memories from their homeland Arakan in Myanmar. The performances were in the form of singing, dancing and storytelling. A live Qirat (Quran recitation) competition was also organized the same day among the seven students of Madarsa Taleem-ul-Quran & the Madarsa Imam-ul-Bukhari. The winner of the Qirat competition was awarded a sum of Rs 5000.

We felicitated all the winners from the previous day's competitions, and the winning team of (Chinlone) tournament, as the event neared its end. We also felicitated all the community leaders, and our teachers from the five - learning centers located inside the settlement for their remarkable contribution in bringing about a significant change in the children's lives.

We could not believe our eyes when we saw our kids enthusiastically participating in games and performing on stage confidently. No-one expected this result in such a short span! We thank everyone for their continuous support & generosity.

"The final day of the event was a great proof that an initiative such as this has a lasting power to transform the way the world looks at the charity and its receivers".



Ongoing Programs

AASRA

'Aasra' is our relief & rehabilitation program that has assisted 1000+ individuals this year, in the need of shelter & emergency care. Life is not about what we achieve; it's more of what we have been able to share.



UMMEED

'Ummeed' focuses on creating sustainable livelihood opportunities for victims of communal violence and other disadvantaged groups.



TALEEM

'Taleem' aims to empower Madarsa students by going beyond mere Islamic learning. It assures provision of books, infrastructure & salary assistance to Madarsa teachers.



HUNAR

'Hunar' focuses on skill development among young girls and boys to bridge the gap between education and employment.



SHAAGIRD

'Shaagird' aims to provide educational opportunities to communal violence victims' kids, orphans, and other underprivileged kids so that they can be one step closer towards building a better future for themselves.



KHATTATI

'Khattati' is an initiative designed to "revive" Urdu calligraphy. Through this, we intend to teach calligraphy to hundreds of college/school students, and dropouts so they can use the skill as a sustainable source of livelihood too.



TAHARAT

'Taharat' is for empowering women from all backgrounds! With this comprehensive program, we are helping young girls and women develop skills, knowledge and confidence, necessary to unlock their potential and increase their economic independence.





Why trust us ?

Miles2Smile has a comprehensive audit and evaluation mechanism to ensure the judicious use of money and is registered under Section-8 of the Companies Act 2013.

The uniqueness of Miles2Smile lies in its working model which seeks sustainability, scalability, accountability, and transparency which means every single rupee that we put in, generates a big social return.

What sets us apart



Financial Report

Consolidated Statement of Activities

*Year ended March 31, 2022 and March 31, 2021

(Amounts in thousands)

Miles2Smile Foundation (A Company Licensed under Section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013) CIN: U80904DL2020NPL364414 B-99/A, 3rd Floor, Abul Fazal Enclave Extn. Shaheen Bagh, Behind Zaid School, New Delhi-110025		
Statement of Income & Expenses for the Year ended March 31, 2022		
Particulars	Year ended March 31, 2022	Year ended March 31, 2021
Donations Received	4497.631	615.157
Other Income	-	-
Total Revenue	4497.631	615.157
Expenses:		
Utilization On Project Activities	3123.111	568.807
Education	2 066.653	416.250
Healthcare	342.540	56.580
Skill Development	298.240	19.000
Livelihood Creation	415.678	76.977
Other Admin Expenses	734.217	118.357
Total expenses	3857.328	687.164
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the period	640.303	-(72.007)
Surplus/ (Deficit) Carried Forward	640.303	-(72.007)
BALANCE SHEET AS ON March 31, 2022		
Particulars	As on March 31, 2022	As on March 31, 2021
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Shareholders' funds		
Share capital	100.000	100.000
Reserves and surplus	830.998	-(72.007)
Non-current liabilities		
Long term borrowings	616.433	-
Other long term liabilities	-	-
Current liabilities		
Trade payables	-	-
Other current liabilities	78.300	-
Short term provisions	-	-
TOTAL	1625.731	27.993
ASSETS		
Non-current assets		
Fixed assets	-	-
Tangible assets	27.993	-
Other non-current assets	-	-
Current assets		
Trade receivables	-	-
Cash and Bank Balances	1284.729	27.993
Short term loans and advances	-	-
TOTAL	1625.731	27.993



THE M2S EFFICIENCY - 2022

- Program Services 81%
- Management and General 17%
- Fundairising 2%



PROGRAM SERVICES

- Relief & Rehabilitation 14%
- Education 66%
- Healthcare 10%
- Skill Development 10%



Achievement Highlights

Did you know?



This year, we took a journey of 26,501 miles to bring back 4,693 smiles !



This was 13.27 times the distance traveled from the Northmost point to the Southmost point of India !



Would you believe our team worked 9,454 hours this year to restore all the 4,693 lost smiles. That's an efficiency of 108% in just 365 days !

We've put our heart and soul into making a real impact on the lives of others, traveling 26,501 miles across India in just 365 days which equates to 5.64 miles per smile and the equivalent of 389 days' work in the same time frame - all to make someone else's day just a little bit brighter. Imagine how many lives we could transform with just a few more trips !

Donate now and help us make a difference. Every contribution counts !

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Miles2Smile directly contributed towards 9 of the 17 UN SDGs and remains committed towards creating a better world for the underprivileged and downtrodden.



2022 was the year of many highs and lows
It was a year that required collective action. Together, with
your help, we have restored
4693 Smiles !

SMILE COUNTER SO FAR

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SMILE PROJECTS

4693

SMILES RESTORED

26,501


MILES COVERED

9,454

SMILE HOURS



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