

Harvest India UK Annual Report 2020 / 2021

Harvest India UK continues to raise funds for Harvest India, an NGO working primarily in the southern State of Andhra Pradesh. It's work revolves around bringing relief to the downtrodden and marginalised in Indian Society through education, orphan care, elderly homes, medical camps, disaster relief, provision of water wells, food distribution and more.

2020 / 2021 continued the atypical functioning of the UK Charity due to the Corona 19 virus pandemic. All board meeting were held remotely and our normal fundraising was severely curtailed, although regular giving rose slightly. We received a larger than expected donation following one of our supporters completing a sponsored head shave!

It should be noted that these accounts are presented on the receipts and payments process, which is a simplified format that ignores accruals. The accounts represent a snapshot of the balance at midnight on 30th September 2021; subsequent income/donations are not included.

There were no trips to India during this time and most communication with India was via email, Zoom, WhatsApp, Facebook, Facebook Messenger and SMS text messaging. We had several three way Zoom meetings for updates from India with our US counterparts and their supporters.

In India, Harvest India managed to get permits to travel during the Lock Dwn and was able to distribute food and essential hygiene items to those in need as well as families supporting those admitted to Hospital with Covid 19. Harvest India itself lost several key staff members to Covid 19 but continued to function working alongside the local police in food and medicine distribution, gaining local awards and plaudits on Indian State Media and local news outlets.

However, in late 2021, Harvest India's permission to receive foreign contributions under the Indian Financial Contributions Regulation Act (FCRA) were withdrawn for 160 days following allegations (as yet unfounded) of irregularities in compliance with its stated principles. We await the outcome of this investigation, but note that many other Christian and Muslim NGOs in India have had their FCRA permissions withdrawn for various, as yet unfounded, reasons.

It has been estimated¹ in May 2021 that an additional 230 million Indians were living in poverty due to the Corona virus pandemic and that rural poverty will increase by an additional 15%. Some estimates put the total as high as 400 million will be living in poverty - earning less than \$2 a day during 2022.

We have yet to establish a new fundraising platform, following the closure of Virgin Money Giving and are exploring the best value for money options. We have been able to transfer the majority of those who gave regularly through that platform to standing orders direct to the Harvest India UK bank account.

We continue to explore ways to raise the profile of the charity here in the UK, and acknowledge that we lack social media presence, a credible UK website (at present our website is administered by our sister charity in the USA) and that we require the introduction of new, younger media savvy people as Trustees to move the charity forwards.

We look forward to 2022 and the resolution of the FCRA problems, the ability to travel freely to India and see for ourselves the amazing work being carried out by our friends at Harvest India and the wise use of the contributions from Harvest India UK.

1 * Azim Premji University

Alun Davies
Chair Harvest India UK
January 2022.

Sheet1

Cashflow Harvest India UK

2020-2021 12th year as Charity

Income	Opening Balance	October	November	December	January	February
	£1,690.48					
CAF		£150.00	£150.00	£150.00	£150.00	£150.00
Personal Donations - General		£410.00	£410.00	£840.00	440	440
Small change donations		£47.50				
Church Donations- General				250		
Paypal Donations received						
Virgin Money Giving			30	420	15	300
Stewardship						
aAmazon Smile						
Gift aid reclaim						
Orphanage donation						
Well Donation						
Elderly care donation						
Project specific donation				1000		
Pastor conference						
Book/Video sales						
bags/Punjabmies		£126.00				
Jewellery sales						
card sales		£80.00		130		
Trip food/accommodation costs						
fundraiser/donations						
Sub Total		813.5	590	2790	605	890
Outgoings						
Transfer to Harvest India				£4,500.00		
Bank Charges				£15.00		
Agents Charges						
HI trip						
Domain set up						
Donation for examining accounts						
Books						
Printing costs						
Refund of donation						
Expenses						
Sub Total		£0.00	£0.00	£4,515.00	£0.00	£0.00
Difference		£813.50	£590.00	-£1,725.00	£605.00	£890.00
Monthly Balance	1690.48	£2,503.98	£3,093.98	£1,368.98	###	###

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March	April	May	June	July	August	September	Totals 2020-2021
£150.00	£150.00	£150.00	£250.00	£150.00	£150.00	£150.00	1900
1440	440	440	1440	440	440	440	7620
		131.46				55.65	234.61
			150			539	939
							0
68.75		571	1296.22	224.5	78.75	28.65	3032.87
							0
		9.48					9.48
2138.81							2138.81
							0
							0
							0
						2000	3000
							0
							0
		21					147
							0
				£51.00			261
							0
		4705.04	1085				5790.04
							0
							0
3797.56	590	6027.98	4221.22	865.5	668.75	3213.3	25072.81
							0
£5,000.00			£100.00	###		£4,000.00	25600
£15.00			£15.00	£15.00		£15.00	75
							0
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						£500.00	
							0
£5,015.00	£0.00	£0.00	£115.00	###	£0.00	£4,515.00	25675
-£1,217.44	£590.00	£6,027.98	£4,106.22	###	£668.75	-£1,301.70	
£1,646.54	£2,236.54	£8,264.52	£12,370.74	£1,221.24	###	£588.29	



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Harvest India UK

**On accounts for the year
ended**

30th Sept 2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

1132823

Set out on pages

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**Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent
examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

RM Brooks

Date:

25th Jan 2022

Name:

Richard Michael Brooks

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):

None

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15 Augustine Road, Drayton,

Portsmouth

PO6 1HY

Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

No items to disclose.

For the period 1/10/2020 to 30/09/2021

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Previous Year
Income	25,072.81	0	25,072.81	19,914.18
Expenditure	25,675.00	0	25,675.00	22,709.93