



Mango Tree Goa



2021/22 Annual Report & Accounts

Towards a brighter future

Legal and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Mango Tree Goa

Charity Registration Number: 1148049

Registered Office: 12 Black Horse Drive, Silkstone Common, Barnsley,
S75 4SD.

Trustees in office at date of approval: Gill Abdy
Annette Grace
Jane Grimshaw (Founding Trustee) - Chair
Alison McPhee

Trustee Selection Method: All trustees are selected and appointed by the Board of Trustees.

Type of Governing Document: Trust Deed

Trust Deed Signed: 9th June 2012

Independent Examiner: Margaret Jaworski (qualified by CIPFA)
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ORGANISATION AND STRUCTURE

Mango Tree Goa

Mango Tree Goa is a charitable trust registered with the Charity Commission, number 1148049. It was founded on 9th June 2012. The objects of the Charity as set out in the Governing Document are:-

The relief of poverty and sickness, the preservation of health, the advancement of the education of disadvantaged children and young people up to the age of 25 in India, primarily but not exclusively in the state of Goa, by providing grants, items and services to individuals in need and/or charities or other organisations with the same objects.

From the very start, the Charity operated without paid staff or an office and continues to do so. It is administered on an entirely voluntary basis by the Trustees. We are also fortunate that our accounts are maintained and drawn up on a voluntary basis and that our website is developed and maintained by a volunteer. The contribution of volunteers means that more of donors' money is available to fund projects on the ground in Goa.

We understand that the best way to deliver our objectives in Goa is through Indian Trusts made up of local people who understand cultural values, religious sensitivities, and official requirements better than we ever can. Consequently, we work with partner organisations. During 2021/22 our partners continued to be The Mango Tree Trust and the Grace Educational Trust. The UK charity and the Goan Trusts are separate legal bodies, and each must work to the legal requirements of their country. However, in practical terms, we work as one to achieve our shared objectives.

SUMMARY OF THE MAIN ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT IN RELATION TO OUR OBJECTIVES

In planning our activities for the year, we kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at our Trustee meetings. During 2021/22 the Charity met its objectives by supporting the following projects:-

- The Mango House project based at Mapusa. This project supports children living in slums and other poor-quality accommodation. In normal circumstances the project provides a registered pre-primary school and provides afternoon tuition classes. These activities help disadvantaged children access and remain in school thereby discouraging child labour and empowering children to break free from a life of poverty. Whilst the support given focuses heavily on education, a daily meal, medical care, and fun activities are also provided. As the project is properly registered with the authorities, it was not possible to have children on the premises for the first six months of 2021/22. The project instead provided online learning, support to children with online learning, food and health parcels, all the resources which children required and support from a dedicated social worker. From October 2021 we welcomed children back to the project in a limited way due to the requirement to social distance. In March 2022 we were finally able to operate at full capacity.
- The Mango Tree House project at Duler. This project runs side by side along with the Mango House project and shares the same staff team.
- The Chimbhel project which is based in Indira Nagar, Chimbhel - a slum of around 10,000 inhabitants. Ordinarily, the project provides a pre-primary school which helps disadvantaged children access and remain in Primary schools. This year the project provided online learning for pre-primary children for part of the year until reopening in March 2022.

SUMMARY OF THE MAIN ACHIEVEMENTS DURING THE YEAR

2021/22 was another extremely challenging year for children. As a result of the pandemic, a lockdown was imposed in March 2020 and schools were not permitted to reopen until March 2022. Having escaped the worst of Covid in the first year of the pandemic, Goa was badly hit by the second wave of Covid in the Spring of 2021 which meant that any hopes of reopening early in the new academic year were dashed and children faced a second year out of school.

Despite the challenges we were able to continue to support children in the following ways:-

- In response to the second lockdown, we launched a second Food for Thought Appeal. Once again parents, who mainly rely on daily labour for income struggled to make ends meet. They had neither funds nor stocks of food at home, nor could they return to their native villages where more support would be available. Despite the restrictions, we managed to provide substantial food parcels of dry provisions for every child, each designed to last around a month. When the situation was better and parents got back to work, the parcels compensated for the meals that children ordinarily would receive at Mango House and school each day. The provision of food parcels both ensured that children did not go hungry and that parents and children remained in constant touch with the project and children stayed in school attending online classes.
- the provision of masks and sanitisers with food parcels assisted in keeping children safe, as did the reinforcing of guidance on how to stay safe at every parcel collection.
- The provision of basic toiletries assisted in keeping children safe, healthy and maintained oral hygiene.
- the provision of online one to one pre-primary teaching and worksheets continued throughout, ensuring that upper kindergarten children were prepared for primary school when the call came.
- support and encouragement at home with online learning helped to ensure that children continued to attend online classes.
- assistance for children who could not access online learning directly ensured that all children could participate in classes.
- financial support for outside afternoon tuition classes ensured older children got help with subjects they were finding difficult.
- the provision of games to help combat the boredom at home.
- in response to children's growing disengagement with online learning, from October 2021 we reopened Mango House and the Mango Tree House and afternoon children came along all day, every other day. Not only did this mean that we could directly help children with online learning, but they could once again socialise and interact with their friends, enjoy a nutritious meal and have some fun too. In March 2022, we were finally permitted to open fully and had plans in place ready to do so. All children were able to return to a normal pattern of schooling.
- When schools reopened fully in March 2022, we were able to run our pre-primary school on a daily basis. The one month of in person schooling before children broke up for the long holidays proved invaluable to Upper kindergarten children who would join Primary schools in June - they had never experienced being at school and consequently lacked many of the social skills they needed to join and settle at their new school.

- Books, stationery, school bags and uniforms were provided which help to ensure that children can take an active part in lessons and have greater self-esteem at school.
- the payment of university fees for 5 young people to ensure that they can continue to study.
- continued support for rent of the school rooms at the Chimbhel project in order that the project could restart once Government permission to do so was given.
- the provision of a dedicated social worker to support both parents and children.

Despite the challenges caused by the pandemic, we were able to start work on the construction of the extension to Mango Tree House at Duler. By the end of the year around a half of the work was complete and we hope that it will be fully complete by the end of the next financial year. Work was carried out at a slower pace than we would ideally have liked, partly due to the lack of labourers in Goa in the early part of the year and partly due to the condition of the plot which led to more extensive footings being required.

We were also fortunate to purchase a small plot of land directly in front of Mango Tree House which will enable children to play out and for our vehicles to drop off children and park safely.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Income of £90,319 was significantly lower than the previous year (£152,478) but the latter contained some large one off donations relating to building and vehicles. Actual income in 2021/22 was higher than had been expected thanks to wonderful support from individuals, Trusts and other organisations keen to help the Charity and the children during a very difficult period. Our Food for Thought Appeal raised £8,354 and our Christmas Challenge £13,299. Other sources of income continued to include recurring donations, general donations, grants and fundraising. Gift Aid remains an important source of income and we claim it whenever possible.

In the same period expenditure totalled £86,149 of which £84,279 related to Grants and Charitable Activities in Goa. Expenditure was £91,716 less than the previous year and largely reflects the fact that income was £90,319 lower than the previous year.

The Charity had £10,585 in hand on 31st March, 2022.

RESERVES POLICY

As in previous years, Trustees reviewed the Charity's reserves at the year end. The Charity has an approved Reserves policy as follows:-

Mango Tree Goa requires reserves to protect against fluctuating income, falling exchange rates, contingencies, to start up new projects pending identifying income streams and to achieve its objective of ensuring its major projects in Goa have their own permanent accommodation.

As the Charity had £10,585 in unrestricted reserves at the end of the year; the level is considered justifiable in the circumstances.

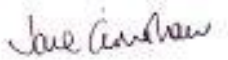
PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The trustees confirm that they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Commission in exercising their powers and duties.

FUTURE PLANS

At the end of March 2022 children were breaking up for the long summer holidays having spent one month back in school. We recognised the enormous difficulties which being out of school for two years would bring and, in addition to our staff team, planned to recruit additional teachers to help children relearn and catch up with their missed schooling. We also very much look forward to celebrating all the many festivals and joyful events that have been sadly missed over the last two years.

Work will continue on the building of the extension at the Mango Tree House and we very much hope that we will be in a position to occupy it following the end of the academic year in April 2023.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Jane Grimshaw', written in dark ink on a light background.

Jane Grimshaw
Trustee

MANGO TREE GOA RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
1ST APRIL 2021 TO 31ST MARCH 2022

ACCOUNTS - RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

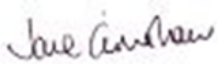
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total This Year	Total Last Year
RECEIPTS				
Donations & Fundraising	40,081	42,631	82,712	142,675
Gift Aid	7,482	0	7,482	9,802
Bank Interest	0	0	0	1
Miscellaneous	125	0	125	0
TOTAL RECEIPTS	47,688	42,631	90,319	152,478
PAYMENTS				
Charitable Activities in Goa/Grants	-41,648	-42,631	-84,279	-176,785
Fundraising Costs	0	0	0	0
Office Expenses - UK	-788	0	-788	-245
Bank Fees & Charges	-450	0	-450	-298
Professional Fees	0	0	0	0
Publicity	-382	0	-382	-295
Trustee Expenses	-250	0	-250	-48
Other	0	0	0	-194
SUB TOTAL	-43,518	-42,631	-86,149	-177,865
PURCHASE OF ASSETS > £1,000	0	0	0	0
TOTAL PAYMENTS	-43,518	-42,631	-86,149	-177,865
NET OF RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS	4,170	0	4,170	-25,387

CASH FUNDS 31ST MARCH 2022

ACCOUNTS - STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total This Year	Total Last Year
CASH FUNDS				
Cooperative Bank Current Account	7,561	0	7,561	2,518
Virgin Charity Savings	0	0	0	100
Just Giving	831	0	831	0
Donate	51	0	51	51
Virgin Money Giving	0	0	0	1,317
Cash in Hand	2,143	0	2,143	2,429
	10,585	0	10,585	6,415

ASSETS WITH A PURCHASE PRICE IN EXCESS OF £1,000

None				
Signed: 		Date:	21/01/2023	



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

Charity Name
MANGO TREE GOA

On accounts for the year
ended

31 MARCH 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1148049

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 03 / 2022**.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed:

Margaret Jaworski

Date:

21/1/23

Name:

MARGARET JAWORSKI

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(if any):

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Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.