

SOCIAL EDUCATION VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATION (SEVA) TRUST UK

England & Wales · Charity number 1172654

Details

Other names	SEVA TRUST UK
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2017-04-20
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE: EDUCATION - FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT TO PROMOTE THE EDUCATION OF STUDENTS FROM BLACK AND MINORITY ETHNIC (BAME) BACKGROUND IN BEDFORDSHIRE AND ELSEWHERE IN ENGLAND AND FOR UNDERPRIVILEGED COMMUNITIES IN NORTHERN INDIA AND ELSEWHERE IN INDIA IN SUCH WAYS AS THE CHARITY TRUSTEES THINK FIT, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: (1) AWARDING TO SUCH PERSONS SCHOLARSHIPS, MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCES OR GRANTS TENABLE AT ANY UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE, SCHOOL OR INSTITUTION OF HIGHER OR FURTHER EDUCATION; (2) PROVIDING COACHING, MENTORING TO FURTHERANCE OF THAT EDUCATION, GUIDANCE FOR HIGHER STUDIES, OVERSEES STUDIES OR FOR ENTRY TO ANY OCCUPATION, TRADE OR PROFESSION ON LEAVING ANY EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENT. HEALTH & WELLBEING - FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT TO PROMOTE HEALTH & WELLBEING AMONG BAME COMMUNITIES IN BEDFORDSHIRE AND ELSEWHERE IN ENGLAND AND UNDERPRIVILEGED COMMUNITIES IN NORTHERN INDIA AND ELSEWHERE IN INDIA INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: (3) COORDINATING HEALTH AWARENESS (INCLUDING MENTAL HEALTH) AND YOGA SESSIONS; (4) ARRANGING OR ASSISTING IN ORGANISING HEALTH CHECKS. ENVIRONMENT - TO PROMOTE FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC THE CONSERVATION, PROTECTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PHYSICAL AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT AMONG BAME COMMUNITIES IN BEDFORDSHIRE AND ELSEWHERE IN ENGLAND AND UNDERPRIVILEGED COMMUNITIES, FARMERS AND POLLUTION AFFECTED AREAS IN NORTHERN INDIA AND ELSEWHERE IN INDIA IN SUCH WAYS AS THE CHARITY TRUSTEES THINK FIT, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO: (5) COORDINATING SESSIONS TO RAISE AWARENESS OF ECOLOGICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY, LOCAL AND GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES AND CHALLENGES; (6) ARRANGING OR ASSISTING IN ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING AND SHARING THE FINDINGS WITH THE LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND THE APPROPRIATE BODIES; (7) PROMOTING ECO-FRIENDLY AND SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLES INCLUDING HELPING TO EXPLORE RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES SUCH AS SOLAR AND WIND POWER.

Activities: Working in the UK and India on Education, Health, Environment and Community Welfare.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Environment/conservation/heritage
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, People Of A Particular Ethnic Or Racial Origin, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- India
- Bedford

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£10,936	£26,809	-	-
2024-03-31	£7,802	£10,415	-	-
2023-03-31	£7,121	£6,948	-	-
2022-03-31	£18,091	£4,705	-	-
2021-03-31	£39,724	£15,998	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
CHARAN KANWAL SINGH SEKHON BSC MSC MS	Chair	2016-09-16
Dr BALJIT KAUR UPADHYAY MD MRCPSYC		2016-09-25
Kunwarjeet Kaur Pannu BSc MSc		2019-06-21
SATNAM SINGH GALSIN		2016-09-25
SHITAL SATISH KUMAR GANDHI		2016-09-25

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date			To			Period end date		
01	04	2024	31	03	2025			
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Section A Reference and administration details

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Other names charity is known by SEVA Trust UK

Registered charity number (if any) 1172654

Charity's principal address 44 Wood End Close

Sharnbrook

Bedford

Postcode

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Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

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Main Activities:

1.1 Continuation of Support Projects in East of England

Cost of living crisis brought challenging times for all. In addition to negative impacts on health (Post Covid19), high level of inflation hit all communities hard especially the most disadvantaged, Black, Asian & Minority Ethnic (BAME) communities, vulnerable and elderly, low-paid and part-time workers, the international students and people experiencing homelessness have been impacted severely.

We are a small but a dedicated charity which is run by all unpaid volunteers. We do not have any paid staff in our charity (more details in the next section, page 8). As listed in the objects section, we mainly focus on (but not limited to) Education, Health & Environment related projects in East of England (Bedfordshire and the surrounding counties). Following Corona pandemic in 2020, the Trustees decided to focus on social welfare and community support projects helping the elderly and vulnerable, people with special dietary needs and international students. We are also supporting education, health and welfare projects for disadvantaged children and communities in India.

During 2024-25, we continued our support projects for families and elderly facing hardships, international students (incl. advice and guidance re fee, accommodation and hardship matters), people experiencing homelessness or in temporary accommodation. Leading from the front and under the leadership of our Chair and Trustees, many new volunteers joined in to support the communities. We also worked closely with the other organisations and charities to ensure a best use of resources and manpower and we delivered 375+ food parcels and other daily use items. We continued our support for the most vulnerable and the elderly people.

From 01 April 2024 to 31 March 2025 we supported:

- 1. 30+ families and elderly facing hardships**
- 2. 25+ int. students (incl. fee & accommodation matters)**
- 3. 55+ people experiencing homelessness or hardships**

*Total: 375+ Food Parcels and 50+ Hot-meals

*Note: We receive a significant amounts of food donations and hot meals direct from our donors and volunteers and the supporting partners that helped to keep our charity spending low and allowing us to use funds towards the other core projects that were halted due to COVID19 (please refer to our previous reports). Though we closed our food support hub in April 2021 but our staple food and hot-melas support for the most vulnerable and exceptional cases continued throughout 2024-25. We would like to thank everyone who has sent us direct feedback and through social-media.

More details are on our social media handles (Facebook, Twitter & Instagram) @SEVATrustUK

1.2 Donation of funds and staple food to support people facing homelessness and rough-sleepers in Bedfordshire

Working with SMART CJS (a charity supporting homelessness), we continued our regular support for people experiencing homelessness. We provided many deliveries of staple food throughout the year.

1.3 Continuation of Support for International students and liaison with universities

Our team dealt with a wide range of students' issues including requests for advice and help about tuition fee, rent & accommodation, health, wellbeing and emotional support. We continued our support efforts and dealt with regular students queries for help who lost their part time jobs or unable to support themselves. .

We continue to receive positive feedback from students. Many left their feedback and comments on Google review and on our social media platforms @SEVATrustUK

1.4 Work with Bedford Borough, UNISON & other organisations

We worked closely with Bedford Borough Council lead community support and awareness campaigns and time to time promoted the key messages with the local communities. We continue to work with UNIOSN Welfare Officers and Reps of East of England who previously helped to identify people in need. We donated £110 for local charities helping elderly and families from diverse communities to meet their various needs. We continue to support various community initiatives and community cohesion (further details in section 3 below)

1.5 Volunteers network & working policies and procedures

In order to respond to emergency support situations, we need a strong network of volunteers. We are pleased to strengthen our volunteers and supporting partners' network. We have robust policies and procures in place to ensure we follow the latest guidelines and rules. We regularly review our policies and procedures to ensure we can provide a safe working environment to all our volunteers. We feel proud to complete another challenging year without a single H&S related incident or any other shortfall. This demonstrates our commitment, ability to plan, handle and deliver complex and emergency projects within tight deadlines.

Big Thanks to All our supporting partners and volunteers

The last few years have been very challenging years for all but we reached-out large number of people and students. It was only possible due to a collective effort and support by all. We received an amazing support from many local and national organisations who provided us significant amounts of the staple food we needed. Many individuals offered to help us with food shopping, door to door deliveries and other support. We would like to thank everyone who supported us in one way or another.

We feel proud to host 'SEVA Trust UK 7th Birthday and Community Awards Evening' held on 31st July 2024 in Bedford. The charitable event brought the diverse communities together and promoted volunteering and community support. SEVA Trust UK completed 7 Years, serving diverse communities & disadvantaged children & families in England & India.

Over 60 representatives & leaders of various charities, voluntary groups & organisations from East of England joined in for Charity Dinner & Awards Evening to celebrate successes & to honour exceptional individuals & community organisations who have given great community services in Bedfordshire and other part of East of England. The panel of special guests included MP for Bedford & Kempston Mohammad Yasin and the Mayor of Kempston Mohammad Nawaz. The event was attended by senior members of local communities, reps of leading charities & voluntary organisations of Bedfordshire involving Gurdwaras, Temples,

Sports Council, Youth Groups, UNISON and reps of local businesses, volunteers and the supporting partners of SEVA Trust. For further details please visit the following links:

<https://www.facebook.com/SEVATrustUK>

www.youtube.com/watch?v=bgtCHkqL1ro

Health and Wellbeing

2.1 Continuation of support for Yoga and Health sessions

We launched a new face to face health awareness, exercise and yoga classes in March 2023 that has been well used by BAME females. This is regarded as 'hard to reach' group. We also continue to promote International Yoga Day and other Health Awareness Days among diverse communities.

Education

3.1 Promoting job opportunities

Many public sectors are struggling to reflect the communities they serve. They are not able to attract enough candidates from diverse communities. Throughout the year, we promote local job opportunities with the Council, Fire & Rescue, Police, Schools, NHS, etc. among students and local diverse communities.

3.2 Promoting Community Cohesion

SEVA Trust team lead by our Chair Charan Sekhon, played an instrumental role in supporting Bedford Bandhan Group who organised Indian Independence Day celebrations in Bedford on 15/08/24. The Indian Independence Day event involved cultural program followed by unfurling of the Indian flag at the old Town Hall, Bedford. The event was attended by local dignitaries, leaders and reps of diverse communities and large number of attendees. Our team engaged with many community and youth groups and helped in sharing information with them. This was a great community and educational event that helped in promoting community cohesion and involved the youth and diverse community groups.

3.3 Community Support and Other Updates

We attended various other community meetings/events (for example our stand at Festival of Lights) and educational events throughout the year to promote diversity and community cohesion. Further details are available on our social media platforms.

3.4 Community support and educational projects in India*

SEVA Trust UK (India) Team lead many projects supporting disadvantaged families and children by providing immunity booster kits, daily use essentials, health awareness workshops, blood donation camps and many more. More details are available on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram: @SEVATrustIndia

*Note: All projects in India are led by SEVA Trust UK (India) which is a registered public trust in India. For further details please visit:

www.sevatrustuk.org

Environment

We supported a wide range of environmental projects in Bedfordshire including Litter pick days, Tree Plantation and prompting environmental awareness messages via our social media platforms reaching out to diverse communities' groups.

SEVA Trust UK (India) Team lead many tree planation projects in India. Further details are available at Facebook @SEVATrustIndia

Other Projects

We are pleased to support and be part of this landmark project lead SEVA Trust UK (India) to establish India's 1st free multifacility of this type. A comprehensive "Multi-Facility Centre" managed and operated by SEVA Trust UK (India) which is dedicated to education, healthcare, environmental sustainability, and social welfare. A proposed building covering 59,895 square feet area near Village Saha, District Ambala, Haryana (India), this state-of-the-art centre is designed to provide comprehensive care and support for disadvantaged and marginalised children and families, with a special focus on children suffering from Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy (DMD) and other rare diseases. It will include a Diagnostic Centre (a fully equipped facility providing diagnostic services to support the health and well-being of the community), a Computer Skill Development Centre for Girls (a training centre designed to empower young girls with vital computer skills to enhance their educational and career prospects), a Sewing Training & Production Centre for Women (a vocational training and production centre aimed at providing women, especially those from rural backgrounds, with sewing skills for employment and financial independence), a Senior Citizens Day Care Centre (a supportive environment for senior citizens, offering social interaction, activities, and care throughout the day). Further details are available at:

www.sevadhaam.org

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Our motto is 'True Service to Humanity'. All SEVA Trust UK team members (Trustees, Supporting Teams and Advisers) are fully committed volunteers. Any donations received go to fulfil the charitable aims and objectives, not to pay salaries to anyone or expensive overheads. Here is the approximate financial value of unpaid and voluntary work delivered by our teams to support local communities through Education, Health, Environmental work and Social Welfare (based on national minimal wage 2023 figures)

5 Trustees—36 hrs /week = £375/week= £19,500 per year (£10.42 per hr)

4 Youth volunteers (age 21 to 24) – 12 hrs /week = £122 = £6344 per year (10.18 per hr)

4 Youth volunteers (age 18 to 20) – 8 hrs /week = £3115 per year (£7.49 per hr)

12 Volunteers (age 25 & over) – 36 hrs/week = £342/week = £19,500 per year (£10.42 per hr)

Total contributions = £48, 460 per year

SEVA Trust UK Team has given voluntary input equivalent to 48.5k in 2024/25. This does not include the work and input given by SEVA volunteers in India.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Achievements, Awards and Media Coverage

www.iglobalnews.com/icomunity/charity-and-sewa/seva-trust-uk-marks-7-years-of-community-service-in-bedford

www.asian-voice.com/News/UK/Alarming-increase-in-student-homelessness?fbclid=IwY2xjawOol0tleHRuA2FlbQIxMABzcnRjBmFwcF9pZBAyMjlwMzkxNzg4MjAwODkyAAEenenDigB_Mn581MJm0Q_Rdy7gWxLYrbYxQhTP-T05K5i0LEMpoThVTIHfaAs_aem_D9QpmMv6yAco-gEQo9AKTw

www.bedfordtoday.co.uk/news/people/bedford-man-becomes-first-british-sikh-to-receive-top-level-award-from-cranfield-university-4779398

www.youtube.com/watch?v=bgtCHkgL1ro

www.youtube.com/watch?v=ze1ZLCUOr3k

Media updates, feedback from the beneficiaries and our supporting partners

We received an excellent feedback from many beneficiaries, community reps, charity groups and supporting partners. There has been many other updates. For further details please check out our Twitter, Facebook, Instagram or YouTube links: @SEVATrustUK & @SEVATrustIndia

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK>

<https://www.facebook.com/SEVATrustUK/>

<https://www.instagram.com/sevatrustuk/?hl=en>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4Ff7Wj-TIWmqUEFFEPdJJQ/videos>

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

All details covered in our financial statement (Ref - Receipts and payments accounts Report CC16a)

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

All details covered in our financial statement (Ref - Receipts and payments accounts Report CC16a)

Section F Other optional information

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Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	<i>CSekhon</i>	<i>S Galsin</i>
Full name(s)	Charan S Sekhon	Satnam S Galsin
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair & Trustee	Treasurer & Trustee
Date	07/12/2025	



CHARITY COMMISSION
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Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period from	01.04.2024	To	31.03.2025
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations & Gift Aid	10,449	-	-	10,449	7,301
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
Refunds	23	-	-	23	-
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-
Bank Interest	464	-	-	464	501
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	10,936	-	-	10,936	7,802
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	10,936	-	-	10,936	7,802
A3 Payments					
Charitable activities & projects (Education, Health, Community Welfare & Support)	5,360	-	-	5,360	2,070
Donations to other UK charities or groups	110	-	-	110	463
Hardship grants (Post-Covid) to students	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance	109	-	-	109	101
Other Expenditure (postage, stationary, publicity & printing)	483	-	-	483	156
Telephone, IT support & website costs	58	-	-	58	87
Charity events & meetings	665	-	-	665	599
Governance Costs	25	-	-	25	52
Staff salary - No paid staff	-	-	-	-	-
Education, Social-Welfare Projects - India	19,999	-	-	19,999	6,887
Sub total	26,809	-	-	26,809	10,415
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	26,809	-	-	26,809	10,415
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 15,873	-	-	- 15,873	- 2,613
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	41,660	-	-	41,660	44,273
Cash funds this year end	25,787	-	-	25,787	41,660

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Total Bank Accounts balance on 31/03/25	25,770	-	-
	Cash in hand	17	-	-
			-	-
	Total cash funds	25,787	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	NA	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	NA		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	NA		-	-
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			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	NA		-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	<i>S. Galsin</i>	Satnam Galsin	07.12.2025	
	<i>C. N. Sekhon</i>	Charan Sekhon	07.12.2025	

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Main Activities:

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Cost of living crisis brought challenging times for all. In addition to negative impacts on health (Post Covid19), record level of inflation hit all communities hard especially the most disadvantaged, Black, Asian & Minority Ethnic (BAME) communities, vulnerable and elderly, low-paid and part-time workers, the international students and people experiencing homelessness have been impacted severely.

We are a small but a dedicated charity which is run by all unpaid volunteers. We do not have any paid staff in our charity (more details in the next section, page 8). As listed in the objects section, we mainly focus on (but not limited to) Education, Health & Environment related projects in Bedfordshire and supporting education and welfare projects for disadvantaged children and communities in India. Following Corona pandemic in 2020, the Trustees decided to focus on social welfare and community support projects helping the elderly and vulnerable, people with special dietary needs and international students.

During 2023-24, we continued our support projects for families and elderly facing hardships, international students (incl. help with their fee & accommodation matters), people experiencing homelessness and migrants with small children who were housed at temporary accommodation. Leading from the front and under the leadership of our Chair and Trustees, many new volunteers joined in to support the communities. We also worked closely with the other organisations and charities to ensure a best use of resources and manpower and we delivered 350+ food parcels and other daily use items. We continued our support for the most vulnerable and the elderly people.

From 01 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 we supported:

- 1. 25+ families and elderly facing hardships**
- 2. 30+ int. students (incl. fee & accommodation matters)**
- 3. 50+ people experiencing homelessness or hardships**
- 4. 35+ migrants in temporary accommodation**

***Total: 350+ Food Parcels and 150+ Hot-meals**

***Note:** We receive a significant amounts of food donations and hot meals direct from our donors and volunteers and the supporting partners that helped to keep our charity spending low and allowing us to use funds towards the other core projects that were halted due to COVID19 (please refer to our previous reports). Though we closed our food support hub in April 2021, our staple food support and hot meals for the most vulnerable and exceptional cases is still continuing to-date. More details are on our social media handles (Facebook, Twitter & Instagram) @SEVATrustUK

We would like to thank everyone who has sent us direct feedback and through social-media.

1.2 Donation of funds and staple food to support people facing homelessness and rough-sleepers in Bedford

Working with SMART CJS (a charity supporting homelessness), we continued our regular support for people experiencing homelessness. We donated £250 and provided many deliveries of staple food.

1.3 Support for migrants facing hardships in Bedford

Working closely with St Peters Church, we supported 35 migrants who were forced to leave their own countries due to war/terrorism issues (Ukraine, Afghanistan and some African countries). They were housed in temporary accommodation and we helped them to meet their cultural and ethnic food needs.

1.4 Continuation of Support for International students and liaison with universities

Our team dealt with a wide range of students' issues including requests for advice and help about tuition fee, rent & accommodation, health, wellbeing and emotional support. We continued our support efforts and dealt with regular students queries for help who lost their part time jobs or unable to support themselves. .

We continue to receive positive feedback from students. Many left their feedback and comments on Google review and on our social media platforms @SEVATrustUK

1.5 Work with Bedford Borough, UNISON & other organisations

We worked closely with Bedford Borough Council lead community support and awareness campaigns and time to time promoted the key messages with the local communities. We continue to work with UNIOSN Welfare Officers and Reps of Bedford and Luton who previously helped to identify people in need. We donated £213 for equipment for local charity & community group helping elderly and families from diverse communities to meet their various needs.

1.6 Volunteers network & working policies and procedures

In order to respond to emergency support situations, we need a strong network of volunteers. We are pleased to strengthen our volunteers and supporting partners' network. We have robust policies and procures in place to ensure we follow the latest guidelines and rules. We regularly review our policies and procedures to ensure we can provide a safe working environment to all our volunteers. We feel proud to complete another challenging year without a single H&S related incident or any other shortfall. This demonstrates our commitment, ability to plan, handle and deliver complex and emergency projects within tight deadlines.

Big Thanks to All our supporting partners and volunteers

The last few years have been very challenging years for all but we reached-out large number of people and students. It was only possible due to a collective effort and support by all. We received an amazing support from many local and national organisations who provided us significant amounts of the staple food we needed. Many individuals offered to help us with food shopping, door to door deliveries and other support. We would like to thank everyone who supported us in one way or another.

We feel proud to host 'An Awards Evening and a Community Dinner' at Kempston Rovers Football Clubhouse in Sept 2023. The charitable event brought the diverse communities of Bedfordshire together and promoted volunteering and community support.

The panel of special guests included Baroness Young of Scone, MP Mohammad Yasin and Jagtar Singh Basi OBE. The event was attended by senior members of local communities, over 20 leading charities & voluntary organisations of Bedford involving Gurdwaras, Temples, Sports

Council, Youth Groups, UNISON East Anglia Branch, and representatives of local businesses, volunteers and the supporting partners of SEVA Trust.

For further details please visit the following links:

<https://www.bedfordindependent.co.uk/international-bedford-based-charity-celebrates-the-support-of-towns-communities/>

<https://www.bedfordtoday.co.uk/news/volunteering-efforts-and-diverse-community-support-recognised-by-seva-trust-uk-bedford-team-4347910>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=80FNiNRleNc>

Health and Wellbeing

2.1 Continuation of support for Yoga and Health sessions

We launched a new face to face health awareness, exercise and yoga classes in March 2023 that has been well used by BAME females. This is regarded as 'hard to reach' group. We also continue to promote International Yoga Day and other Health Awareness Days among diverse communities.

Education

3.1 Promoting job opportunities

Many public sectors are struggling to reflect the communities they serve. They are not able to attract enough candidates from diverse communities. Throughout the year, we promote local job opportunities with the Council, Fire & Rescue, Police, Schools, NHS, etc. among students and local diverse communities.

3.2 Promoting Community Cohesion

SEVA Trust team lead by our Chair Charan Sekhon, played an instrumental role in supporting Bedford Bandhan Group who organised Indian Independence Day celebrations in Bedford on 15/08/23. The Indian Independence Day event involved cultural program followed by unfurling of the Indian flag at the old Town Hall, Bedford. The event was attended by local dignitaries, leaders and reps of diverse communities and large number of attendees. Our team engaged with many community and youth groups and helped in sharing information with them. This was a great community and educational event that helped in promoting community cohesion and involved the youth and diverse community groups.

3.3 Community Support and Other Updates

We attended various other community meetings/events (for example our stand at Festival of Lights) and educational events throughout the year to promote diversity and community cohesion. Further details are available on our social media platforms.

3.4 Community support and educational projects in India*

SEVA Trust UK (India) Team lead many projects supporting disadvantaged families and children by providing immunity booster kits, daily use essentials, health awareness workshops, blood donation camps

and many more. More details are available on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram: @SEVATrustIndia

***Note:** All projects in India are led by SEVA Trust UK (India) which is a registered public trust in India. For further details please visit:

www.sevatrustuk.org

Environment

We supported a wide range of environmental projects in Bedfordshire including Rivercare Cleanup, Tree Plantation and prompting environmental awareness messages via our social media platforms. In April 2023 we held an online session on Environmental Awareness attended by 46 people and reps from various diverse communities groups.

SEVA Trust UK (India) Team lead many tree planation projects in India. Further details are available at Facebook @SEVATrustIndia

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Our motto is 'True Service to Humanity'. All SEVA Trust UK team members (Trustees, Supporting Teams and Advisers) are fully committed volunteers. Any donations received go to fulfil the charitable aims and objectives, not to pay salaries to anyone or expensive overheads. Here is the financial value of unpaid and voluntary work delivered by our teams to support local communities through Education, Health, Environmental work and Social Welfare (based on national minimal wage 2023 figures)

5 Trustees–36 hrs /week = £375/week= £19,500 per year (£10.42 per hr)

4 Youth volunteers (age 21 to 24) – 12 hrs /week = £122 = £6344 per year (10.18 per hr)

4 Youth volunteers (age 18 to 20) – 8 hrs /week = £3115 per year (£7.49 per hr)

12 Volunteers (age 25 & over) – 36 hrs/week = £342/week = £19,500 per year (£10.42 per hr)

Total contributions = £48, 460 per year

SEVA Trust UK Team has given voluntary input equivalent to 48.5k in 2023/24. This does not include the work and input given by SEVA volunteers in India.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Achievements, Awards and Media Coverage

<https://www.bedfordtoday.co.uk/news/charity-give-support-to-people-facing-homelessness-in-bedford-4248851>

<https://www.bedfordindependent.co.uk/international-bedford-based-charity-celebrates-the-support-of-towns-communities/>

<https://www.bedfordtoday.co.uk/news/volunteering-efforts-and-diverse-community-support-recognised-by-seva-trust-uk-bedford-team-4347910>

<https://despardesweekly.co.uk/support-for-people-facing-homelessness-in-bedford-by-seva-trust-uk/>

Media updates, feedback from the beneficiaries and our supporting partners

We received an excellent feedback from many beneficiaries, community reps, charity groups and supporting partners. There has been many other updates. For further details please check out our Twitter, Facebook, Instagram or YouTube links: @SEVATrustUK

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK>

<https://www.facebook.com/SEVATrustUK/>

<https://www.instagram.com/sevatrustuk/?hl=en>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4Ff7Wj-TIWmqUEFFEPdJJQ/videos>

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

All details covered in our financial statement (Ref - Receipts and payments accounts Report CC16a)

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

All details covered in our financial statement (Ref - Receipts and payments accounts Report CC16a)



Section F Other optional information

[Empty box for optional information]

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Charan Kanwal Singh Sekhon	Satnam Singh Galsin
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair & Trustee	Treasurer & Trustee
Date	10/11/2024	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Social Education Voluntary Association (SEVA) Trust UK 1172654
SEVA Trust UK

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period from	01.04.2023	To	31.03.2024
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations & Gift Aid	7,301	-	-	7,301	6,121
Grants	-	-	-	-	1,000
Refunds	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-
Bank Interest	501	-	-	501	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	7,802	-	-	7,802	7,121
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	7,802	-	-	7,802	7,121
A3 Payments					
Charitable activities & projects (Education, Food Support & Health)	2,070	-	-	2,070	5,406
Donations to other charities or groups	463	-	-	463	1,000
Hardship (COVID19) grant to students	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance	101	-	-	101	97
Other Expenditure (postage, stationary, publicity & printing)	156	-	-	156	50
Telephone, IT support & website costs	87	-	-	87	128
Charity events & meetings	599	-	-	599	167
Governance Costs	52	-	-	52	-
Staff salary - No paid staff	-	-	-	-	-
Educational support projects in India	6,887	-	-	6,887	100
Sub total	10,415	-	-	10,415	6,948
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	10,415	-	-	10,415	6,948
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 2,613	-	-	- 2,613	173
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	44,273	-	-	44,273	44,100
Cash funds this year end	41,660	-	-	41,660	44,273

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period



Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Total Bank Accounts balance on 31/03/24	41,648	-	-
	Cash in hand	13	-	-
			-	-
	Total cash funds	41,661	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	NA	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets	NA		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	NA		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	NA		-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Satnam Galsin	10.11.2024
		Charan Sekhon	10.11.2024

SOCIAL EDUCATION VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATION (SEVA) TRUST UK

England & Wales - Charity number 1172654

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		To		Period end date	
01	04	2022	31	03	2023
From					

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Social Education Voluntary Association (SEVA) Trust UK

Other names charity is known by SEVA Trust UK

Registered charity number (if any) 1172654

Charity's principal address 44 Wood End Close

Sharnbrook

Bedford

Postcode

MK44 1JY

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Charan Sekhon (Mr)	Chairman		Charity trustees (by resolution)
2	Dr Baljit Upadhyay (Mrs)	Vice-Chair		Charity trustees (by resolution)
3	Shital Gandhi (Mrs)	Community Engagement		Charity trustees (by resolution)
4	Kunwarjeet Pannu (Mrs)	Youth Group Coordinator		Charity trustees (by resolution)
5	Satnam Galsin (Mr)	Treasurer		Charity trustees (by resolution)
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted on 22/01/2017 (amended on 20/02/2019)
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by resolution by the charity trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees; • the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works; • relationship with any related parties; • trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them. 	<p>Policy & Procedures in place:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Guidance for Volunteers (including Covid19) 2. Risk Assessment (including Covid19) 3. Complaints Policy 4. Equality & Diversity Policy 5. Safeguarding Children Policy 6. Safeguarding Adult Policy 7. Data Protection Policy 8. Photography/Filming Consent Forms 9. Volunteer Recruitment/Application Form 10. Volunteer Induction Check List 11. Volunteer Code of Conduct 12. Volunteer Expenses Policy 13. Feedback Forms 14. GDPR Info & Notifications 15. International Projects (Risk Assessment Checklist & Matrix) 16. Students Covid19 hardship grant application form
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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Education – For the public benefit to promote the education of students from Black and Minority Ethnic (BAME) background in Bedfordshire and elsewhere in England and for underprivileged communities in northern India and elsewhere in India in such ways as the charity trustees think fit, including, but not limited to:

- (1) awarding to such persons scholarships, maintenance allowances or grants tenable at any university, college, school or institution of higher or further education;

- (2) providing coaching, mentoring to furtherance of that education, guidance for higher studies, oversees studies or for entry to any occupation, trade or profession on leaving any educational establishment.

Health & Wellbeing – For the public benefit to promote health & wellbeing among BAME communities in Bedfordshire and elsewhere in England and underprivileged communities in northern India and elsewhere in India including, but not limited to:

- (3) coordinating health awareness (including mental health) and yoga sessions;
- (4) arranging or assisting in organising health checks.

Environment - To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment among BAME communities in Bedfordshire and elsewhere in England and underprivileged communities, farmers and pollution affected areas in northern India and elsewhere in India in such ways as the charity trustees think fit, including, but not limited to:

- (5) coordinating sessions to raise awareness of ecological and environmental sustainability, local and global environmental issues and challenges;
- (6) arranging or assisting in environmental monitoring and sharing the findings with the local communities and the appropriate bodies;
- (7) promoting eco-friendly and sustainable lifestyles including helping to explore renewable energy sources such as solar and wind power.

Main Activities:

1. Continuation of post COVID19 Support in Bedfordshire

The Global Corona pandemic brought challenging times for all disrupting our day-to-day lives. In addition to the immediate impacts on health, jobs and income, the epidemic caused many medium to long term impacts. However, the most disadvantaged, Black, Asian & Minority Ethnic (BAME) communities, vulnerable and elderly, low-paid and part-time workers especially the international students and people experiencing homelessness have been impacted severely.

We are a small but a dedicated charity which is run by all unpaid volunteers. We do not have any paid staff in our charity (more details in the next section, page 10). As listed in the objects section, we mainly focus on (but not limited to) Education, Health & Environment related projects in Bedfordshire and supporting education for disadvantaged children in India. Following Corona pandemic in 2020, the Trustees decided to focus on social welfare and community support projects helping the elderly and vulnerable, people with special dietary needs and the international students (who were unable to travel back to their home countries or lost their jobs) were impacted badly.

We have robust policies and procedures in place to ensure we follow the latest guidelines and rules. We also kept update with the Charity Commission guidelines and constantly reviewed our post-COVID19 and other H&S processes.

Last year we supported 50+ families and elderly facing hardships, 50+ International Students (incl. help with their fee & accommodation matters), 50+ homeless, 1 women's refuge centre in Bedford (until early May 2021) housing most vulnerable women (domestic abuse & other hardships). Leading from the front and under the leadership of our Chair, all Trustees joined the volunteers to support the communities. We also worked closely with the other organisations and charities to ensure a best use of resources and manpower and we delivered 500+ food parcels and 450+ food parcels.

As the COVID19 situation improved, we scaled down our operation and closed our emergency support food hub on 19/04/21 after giving 390 days of continuous service of staple food and hot meals.

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1384267736327417859?cxt=HHwWhsCjnYGL9LUmAAAA>

We continued our support for the most vulnerable and the elderly people.

From 01 April 2022 to 31 March 2023 we supported:

- 1. 25+ families and elderly facing hardships**
- 2. 35+ int. students (incl. fee & accommodation matters)**
- 3. 50+ people experiencing homelessness or hardships**
- 4. Staple food donations to Emmaus Village Carlton**

***Total: 300+ Food Parcels and 200+ Hot-meals**

***Note:** We received a significant amounts of food donations and hot meals direct from our volunteers and the supporting partners that helped to keep our charity spending low for this year and the funds will be used towards the other core projects that were halted due to COVID19 (please refer to our previous report 2020-21). Though we closed our food support

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

hub in April 2021, our staple food support and hot meals for the most vulnerable and exceptional cases is still continuing to-date. More details are on our social media handles @SEVATrustUK

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1565766220225384454>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1567950558224580614>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1530597338842021888>

We received a lot of direct feedback and through social-media:

Feedback by Lord Lieutenant of Bedfordshire:

<https://twitter.com/LLieutenantBeds/status/1531161323643486208>

Feedback by a family who needed short-term help during self-isolation:

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1518435999923113985>

Feedback by Inter Faith Network:

<https://twitter.com/IFNetUK/status/1530928349706690561>

Feedback by SMART CJS:

https://twitter.com/SMART_CJS/status/1572534342353846272

A message from Bedford and Kempston MP Mohammad Yasin:

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1377651663511621638?cxt=HHwWjMCwvfG4s54mAAAA>

Feedback about UK Parliament Week 2022 input & support:

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1594843327094001664>

1.2 Donation of funds and staple food to Emmaus Village Carlton to support Ukrainian migrants and other vulnerable people:

We donated £1000 and significant amounts of stable food to Emmaus Village Carlton, a registered charity offering a wide range of support and temporary accommodation.

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1530597338842021888>

1.3 Support for homeless and rough-sleepers in Bedford

Working with SMART CJS (a charity supporting homeless), we continued our regular support (that we started after the COVID19) for over 50 people experiencing homelessness or other and provided many deliveries of staple food.

https://twitter.com/SMART_CJS/status/1572534342353846272

1.4 Support for Ethnic Food Bank. Bedford

We are Pleased to offer our support to Ethnic Food Bank, Bedford supporting ethnic communities of Bedfordshire.

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1637179787922796546>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1639028003668910080>

1.5 Continuation of Support for International students, liaison with universities, students unions and the Indian High Commission (HCI), London

During COVID19 crisis, we set up a dedicated students support team lead by our Chair Charan Sekhon and supported by our Vice-chair Dr Baljit Upadhyay. Our team dealt with a wide range of students' issues including requests and queries about fee support, rent & accommodation, health, wellbeing and emotional support we worked closely with the students support teams of Cranfield University, University of Bedfordshire and University of Hertfordshire to identify the students who needed urgent help and delivered a wide range of staple food and hot meals to their residence throughout the COVID19. We continued our support efforts and dealt with regular students queries for help who lost their part time jobs during the pandemic. In addition to our direct liaisons with the universities, we continued our work in collaboration with students unions.

We received positive feedback from a large number of students and the student unions. Many left their feedback and comment on Google review and on our social media platforms @SEVATrustUK

We also received an excellent feedback from many Community and Charitable Groups involved in this projects who had the full insight of our post-COVID19 efforts.

1.6 Work with Bedford Borough, UNISON & other organisations

We worked closely with Bedford Borough Council lead community support and awareness campaigns and time to time promoted the key messages with the local communities. We continue to work with UNIOSN Welfare Officers and Reps of Bedford and Luton who previously helped to identify people in need.

1.7 Volunteers network & working policies and procedures

In order to respond to emergency support situations, we need a strong network of volunteers. We are pleased to strengthen our volunteers and supporting partners' network. During the peak times of COVID19 crisis, we had over 25 volunteers covering the food hubs and doing daily home deliveries of food and essentials. Though COVID19 brought tough times for all but a big positive outcome was that large number of people from all communities came forward to help and support. We set up all the needed COVID19 related policies and procedures to ensure we can provide a safe working environment to all our volunteers and throughout the year we regularly reviewed it. We feel proud to complete an another challenging year without a single H&S related incident or any other shortfall. This demonstrates our commitment, ability to plan, handle and deliver complex and emergency projects within tight deadlines.

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support. We would like to thank the following and everyone else who supported us in one way or another.

UNISON East Anglia (Env. Agency) Branch
Sri Guru Ravidass Temple & Community Centre, Bedford
Guru Nanak Gurdwara, Bedford
Gurdwara Sahib, Ramgarhia Sikh Society, Bedford
Guru Gobind Singh Gurdwara, Kempston
Bandhan Bedford Group (Indian Women Group)

Jat Singh Patti (Senior Lawyer) - Stanmore Law Practice
Urvi Shah - Vision Solicitors
Arpan Kaur – NHS Pharmacist

John McMohan – Sharnbrook
Mr & Mrs Surinder Gupta – Bedford
Irina & Maria Ermakova – Bedford
Saurabh Sethi, Jatinder Singh, Jasjot Singh, Pallavi Sahonte – Bedford
Seema Grantham, Rishi Khera - Bedford
Manor Kumar and Shivani Sharma – Luton

2. Health and Wellbeing

2.1 COVID-19 Health and Vaccination Awareness

Supported by a grant of £2000 (£1000 received in 2021/22 & £1000 in 2022/23 financial year) by the Bedford Borough Council (Public Health), we lead this project to help addressing COVID-19 vaccine inequalities and to encourage further take-up across all age groups among the ethnic groups Led by Dr Baljit Upadhyay and supported by the Public Health, we arranged four awareness sessions at four different local places of worships and community centres in Bedford reaching out to over 500 people from all ages. We have already covered the key details in our 2021-22 report.

<https://www.bedfordindependent.co.uk/seva-trust-uk-hosting-vaccination-session-for-bedfords-sikh-communities/>

2.2 Continuation of Yoga Classes

As reported in our last report, we launched a new face to face health awareness, exercise and yoga classes in March 2023 that has been well used by BAME females. This is regarded as 'hard to reach' group. We also promoted Yoga Day to attract more people to start yoga.

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1539290980976758784>

3. Education

3.1 Donated 55 free laptop computers to help students to access digital

Under this unique project, we donated 55 free laptops to children studying additional Indian languages at Sunday schools run by local charities and community groups. The laptops were donated to students from different age groups who are studying additional languages in Bedfordshire in addition to their normal full time education. In line with our charity objectives to support educational initiatives and help students from diverse communities, we decided to work with all local Gurdwaras and Temples who are doing wonderful work to help children to teach

additional languages. This not only helps children to connect with their cultural roots but enable them to progress in their future careers with multilingual skills. We received an excellent feedback from children, teachers and the parents.

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1623752968829915136>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1623760504094064640>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1623772207288619008>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1627115193804242945>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1627414121074331651>

<https://www.asian-voice.com/Community/Free-laptops-distributed-by-SEVA-Trust-UK-to-help-students-to-access-d>

<https://samajweekly.com/free-laptops-computers-distributed-by-seva-trust-uk-to-help-students-to-access-digital-educational-services/>

3.2 Educational Exhibitions on the Teachings and Life of Guru Nanak

Working in coordination with Connect With Your Roots, we helped to bring a unique exhibition to Bedford and Milton Keynes. This exhibition covered details of the 'Universal Teachings and Life of Guru Nanak' the founder of the Sikh faith. Thousands of people from all diverse communities viewed the exhibition that has all the key details listed in English and Punjabi. This helped to promote community cohesion, strengthen diversity and sharing educational messages of oneness, peace, love and selfless service (Seva for all). Link to social media coverage below:

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1509955623945109504>

3.3 Promoting Community Cohesion and Raising awareness about Indian Independence (India at 75)

SEVA Trust team lead by our Chair Charan Sekhon, played an instrumental role in supporting Bedford Bandhan Group who organised Indian Independence Day celebrations in Bedford on 15/08/22 followed by Community Dinner by Bandhan on 09/09/22. The Indian Independence Day event involved cultural program followed by unfurling of the Indian flag at the old Town Hall, Bedford. The event was attended by local dignitaries, leaders and reps of diverse communities and large number of attendees. Our team engaged with many community and youth groups and helped in sharing information with them. This was a great community and educational event that helped in promoting community cohesion and involved the youth and diverse community groups.

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1559162298387791874>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1568595033951010816>

4. Community Support and Other Updates

4.1 We attended various other community meetings and educational events throughout the year to promote diversity and community cohesion

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1527325933602209793>

<https://twitter.com/SGRSBEDFORD/status/1623081925748334592>

4.2 In addition to all the above activities, on behalf of the UK Indian diaspora, we led a campaign for better direct air connectivity between London and Punjab. We have been interacting and working with many charitable organisations in the UK and Punjab. One of the most common issues faced by all charities supporting the youth development & educations projects in Punjab is the lack of direct connectivity leading to a long and stressful journey. Therefore, we decided to work on this issue in partnership with other NGOs and we were so pleased with a massive positive outcome as the direct flights finally commenced from London Stansted to Amritsar, Punjab.

<https://twitter.com/ckssekhon/status/1575979880789184512>

4.3 Community support and educational projects in India*

SEVA Trust UK (India) Team lead many projects supporting disadvantaged families and children by providing immunity booster kits, daily use essentials, health awareness workshops, blood donation camps and many more. More details are available on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram: @SEVATrustIndia

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustIndia/status/1666928418540208130>

***Note:** All projects in India are led by SEVA Trust UK (India) which is a registered public trust in India. For further details please visit:

www.sevatrustuk.org

5. Environment

We supported a wide range of environmental projects in Bedfordshire including Rivercare Cleanup, Tree Plantation and prompting environmental awareness messages via our social media platforms.

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1527962983640481793>

<https://twitter.com/gurchrandhawa/status/1647280800272883713>

<https://twitter.com/GngLuton/status/1638100925188300800>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1605166102719471617>

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Our motto is 'True Service to Humanity'. All SEVA Trust UK team members (Trustees, Supporting Teams and Advisers) are fully committed volunteers. Any donations received go to fulfil the charitable aims and objectives, not to pay salaries to anyone or expensive overheads. Here is the financial value of unpaid and voluntary work delivered by our teams to support local communities through Education, Health, Environmental work and Social Welfare (based on national minimal wage 2022 figures)

5 Trustees–36 hrs /week = £342/week= £17,784 per year (£9.50 per hr)

4 Youth volunteers (age 21 to 24) – 12 hrs /week = £110.16 = £5728 per year (9.18 per hr)

4 Youth volunteers (age 18 to 20) – 8 hrs /week = £2860 per year (£6.83 per hr)

12 Volunteers (age 25 & over) – 36 hrs/week = £342/week = £17,784 per year (£9.50 per hr)

Total contributions = £44, 156 per year

SEVA Trust UK Team has given voluntary input equivalent to 44k in 2021/22. This does not include the work and input given by SEVA volunteers in India.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Achievements, Awards and Media Coverage

Our main achievements and key media updates are already listed above. Here are details of recognitions and awards received.

‘Everyday Hero’s Award’ for community support

Our work was recognised by an independent panel of judges who selected our chair Charan Sekhon for this award for his enormous support and input for SEVA Trust and to the local communities. It was sponsored by The Harpur Trust and organised by Bedford Independent Media Group.

<https://twitter.com/TheHarpurTrust/status/1530399513617534976>

Invitation for ‘Thanks Giving Service’ to celebrate HM The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee

70 years of incredible public service by HM the Queen inspires us all. A huge honour for our chair and for our charity to be invited for ‘National Service of Thanks Giving’ to celebrate HM The Queen’s Platinum Jubilee held at St Pauls Cathedral, London

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1534754820959064064>

Our Chair received his MBE from HM The King

Our Chair Charan Sekhon was awarded an MBE by her late Majesty the Queen in the New Year’s 2022 Honours for his services to charity work, diversity, the environment and COVID19 support work.

<https://www.bedfordindependent.co.uk/bedford-volunteering-legend-collects-his-mbe-from-hm-the-king/>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1620927202824183808>

<https://twitter.com/ckssekhon/status/1620973336074534912>

Media updates, feedback from the beneficiaries and our supporting partners

We received an excellent feedback from many beneficiaries, community reps, charity groups and supporting partners. Further details and links to media coverage are given in the previous sections above.

There has been many other updates. For further details please check out our Twitter, Facebook, Instagram or YouTube links: @SEVATrustUK

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK>

<https://www.facebook.com/SEVATrustUK/>

<https://www.instagram.com/sevatrustuk/?hl=en>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4Ff7Wj-TIWmgUEFFEPdJJQ/videos>

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

N/A

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.



All details covered in our financial statement (Ref - Receipts and payments accounts Report CC16a)

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Charan Kanwal Singh Sekhon	Satnam Singh Galsin
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair & Trustee	Treasurer & Trustee
Date	28/12/2023	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Social Education Voluntary Association (SEVA) Trust UK 1172654
SEVA Trust UK

Receipts and payments accounts



CC16a

For the period from	01.04.2022	To	31.03.2023
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations & Gift Aid	6,121		-	6,121	16,951
Grants	-	1,000	-	1,000	1,000
Refunds	-	-	-	-	140
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	6,121	1,000	-	7,121	18,091
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	6,121	1,000	-	7,121	18,091
A3 Payments					
Charitable activities & projects (Education, Food Support & Health)	4,406	1,000		5,406	1,158
Donations to other charities or groups	1,000	-	-	1,000	1,250
Hardship (COVID19) grant to students	-	-	-	-	200
Insurance	97	-	-	97	97
Other Expenditure (postage, stationary, publicity & printing)	50	-	-	50	408
Telephone, IT support & website costs	128	-	-	128	914
Charity events & meetings	167	-	-	167	212
Governance Costs	-	-	-	-	466
Staff salary - No paid staff	-	-	-	-	-
Educational support projects in India	100	-	-	100	-
Sub total	5,948	1,000	-	6,948	4,705
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	5,948	1,000	-	6,948	4,705
Net of receipts/(payments)	173	-	-	173	13,386
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	44,100	-	-	44,100	30,714
Cash funds this year end	44,273	-	-	44,273	44,100

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account balance on 31/03/23	44,270		-
	Cash in hand	3	-	-
			-	-
	Total cash funds	44,273	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	NA	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	NA		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	NA			-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	NA		-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Satnam Galsin	28.12.2023	
		Charan Sekhon	28.12.2023	

SOCIAL EDUCATION VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATION (SEVA) TRUST UK

England & Wales - Charity number 1172654

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	04	2021		31	03	2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Social Education Voluntary Association (SEVA) Trust UK

Other names charity is known by SEVA Trust UK

Registered charity number (if any) 1172654

Charity's principal address 44 Wood End Close
 Sharnbrook
 Bedford
Postcode MK44 1JY

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Charan Sekhon (Mr)	Chairman		Charity trustees (by resolution)
2	Dr Baljit Upadhyay (Mrs)	Vice-Chair		Charity trustees (by resolution)
3	Shital Gandhi (Mrs)	Community Engagement		Charity trustees (by resolution)
4	Kunwarjeet Pannu (Mrs)	Youth Group Coordinator		Charity trustees (by resolution)
5	Satnam Galsin (Mr)	Treasurer		Charity trustees (by resolution)
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted on 22/01/2017 (amended on 20/02/2019)
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by resolution by the charity trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees; • the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works; • relationship with any related parties; • trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them. 	<p>Policy & Procedures in place:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Covid19 Guidance for Volunteers 2. Covid19 Risk Assessment 3. Complaints Policy 4. Equality & Diversity Policy 5. Safeguarding Children Policy 6. Safeguarding Adult Policy 7. Data Protection Policy 8. Photography/Filming Consent Forms 9. Volunteer Recruitment/Application Form 10. Volunteer Induction Check List 11. Volunteer Code of Conduct 12. Volunteer Expenses Policy 13. Feedback Forms 14. GDPR Info & Notifications 15. International Projects (Risk Assessment Checklist & Matrix) 16. Students COVID19 hardship grant application form
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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Education – For the public benefit to promote the education of students from Black and Minority Ethnic (BAME) background in Bedfordshire and elsewhere in England and for underprivileged communities in northern India and elsewhere in India in such ways as the charity trustees think fit, including, but not limited to:

- (1) awarding to such persons scholarships, maintenance allowances or grants tenable at any university, college, school or institution of higher or further education;

- (2) providing coaching, mentoring to furtherance of that education, guidance for higher studies, oversees studies or for entry to any occupation, trade or profession on leaving any educational establishment.

Health & Wellbeing – For the public benefit to promote health & wellbeing among BAME communities in Bedfordshire and elsewhere in England and underprivileged communities in northern India and elsewhere in India including, but not limited to:

- (3) **coordinating health awareness (including mental health) and yoga sessions;**

- (4) **arranging or assisting in organising health checks.**

Environment - To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment among BAME communities in Bedfordshire and elsewhere in England and underprivileged communities, farmers and pollution affected areas in northern India and elsewhere in India in such ways as the charity trustees think fit, including, but not limited to:

- (5) coordinating sessions to raise awareness of ecological and environmental sustainability, local and global environmental issues and challenges;
- (6) arranging or assisting in environmental monitoring and sharing the findings with the local communities and the appropriate bodies;
- (7) promoting eco-friendly and sustainable lifestyles including helping to explore renewable energy sources such as solar and wind power.

Main Activities:

1. Continuation of COVID19 Support in Bedfordshire

The Global Corona pandemic brought challenging times for all disrupting our day-to-day lives. In addition to the immediate impacts on health, jobs and income, the epidemic caused major issues for all. However, the impacts of COVID19 have been more severe for the most disadvantaged, Black, Asian & Minority Ethnic (BAME) communities, vulnerable and elderly, low-paid and part-time workers especially the international students and homeless people.

We are a small but a dedicated charity which is run by all unpaid volunteers. We do not have any paid staff in our charity (more details in the next section, page 11). As listed in the objects section, we mainly focus on (but not limited to) Education, Health & Environment related projects in Bedfordshire and supporting education for disadvantaged children in India. Following Corona pandemic in 2020, the Trustees decided to focus on COVID19 community support projects helping the elderly and vulnerable, people with special dietary needs and the international students (who were unable to travel back to their home countries or lost their jobs) were impacted badly.

We undertook the relevant risk assessments to ensure we can be deliver the need support safely and we put in place the needed safeguards to protect our volunteers and trustees involved in this project. We followed the Government and Bedford Borough COVID19 guidelines and rules. We also kept update with the Charity Commission guidelines and constantly reviewed our COVID19 and other H&S processes. We provided the relevant PPE equipment and items to protect all involved in these projects.

Last year we supported over 350+ families and individuals facing hardships, 750+ International Students (incl. help with their fee & accommodation matters), 50+ homeless, 15 flood impacted families and a women's refuge centre in Bedford housing most vulnerable women (domestic abuse & other hardships). Leading from the front and under the leadership of our Chair, all Trustees joined the volunteers to support the communities. We also worked closely with the other organisations and charities to ensure a best use of resources and manpower and we delivered 8000+ meals and food parcels.

As the COVID19 situation improved, we scaled down our operation and closed our emergency support food hub on 19/04/21 giving 390 days of continuous service of staple food and hot meals.

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1384267736327417859?cxt=HHwWhsCjnYGL9LUmAAAA>

We continued our support for the most vulnerable and the elderly people.

From 01 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 we supported:

- 1. 50+ families and elderly facing hardships**
- 2. 50+ International Students (incl. fee & accommodation matters)**
- 3. 50+ homeless**
- 4. 1 Women's Refuge Centre (Until Early May 2021)**

***Total: 500+ Food Parcels and 450+ Hot-meals**

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

***Note:** We received a significant amounts of food donations and hot meals direct from our volunteers and the supporting partners that helped to keep our charity spending low for this year and the funds will be used towards the other core projects that had to be halted due to COVID19 (please refer to our last year's report 2020-21). Though we closed our food support hub in April 2021, our staple food support and hot meals for the most vulnerable and exceptional cases is still continuing to-date. More details are on our social media handles @SEVATrustUK

Here is a brief snap-shot of our volunteers delivering staple food and hot-meals in Bedfordshire:

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1377617923200712708?cxt=HHwWlC4yfiMpJ4mAAAA>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1383843027169333254>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1399880680851623942?cxt=HHwWjMC-4f6DsO0mAAAA>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1425033396850470915?cxt=HHwWhsC5xeCU3sYnAAAA>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1486688484467347461?cxt=HHwWisC4hZjT46EpAAAA>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1490302107387375617?cxt=HHwWgsC57dz3zq4pAAAA>

We received a lot of direct feedback and through social-media:

A message from Bedford and Kempston MP Mohammad Yasin:

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1377651663511621638?cxt=HHwWjMCwvfG4s54mAAAA>

Other Feedback:

https://twitter.com/SMART_CJS/status/1379350555450040321?cxt=HHwWgoCz5bSBuKQmAAAA

<https://twitter.com/Danaiolos/status/1384189500947980297?cxt=HHwWkoCjnY7B0LUmAAAA>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1464658059037495300?cxt=HHwWiMC-5dOvwdMoAAAA>

1.2 Donations to other local community charities or organisations who supported our COVID19 related projects = £1250

£800 to Sri Guru Ravidass Community Centre, Bedford
£200 to Guru Nanak Gurdwara, Bedford
£200 to Guru Gobind Singh Gurdwara & Community Centre, Kempston
£50 to Progress Publications

1.3 Support for homeless and rough-sleepers in Bedford

Working with SMART CJS (a charity supporting homeless), we continued our regular support (that we started after the COVID19) over 50 homeless and rough-sleepers and provided many deliveries of staple

food. We gave them a special treat for 2021 Christmas as a small gesture to make their Christmas special:

https://twitter.com/SMART_CJS/status/1474003954396798982?cxt=HHwWjIC9ta6y2_QoAAAA

1.4 Support for migrants fleeing Afghanistan

We offered 30-day free food for to migrants fleeing Afghanistan coming to Bedford. We adopted a number of families and individuals whilst they were in temporary accommodation by meeting all their food needs for first 4 weeks of arrival in Bedford before they settle down.

<https://www.bedfordindependent.co.uk/bedford-charity-offer-30-days-of-free-food-to-migrants-fleeing-afghanistan/>

<https://twitter.com/bedfordindy/status/1430839414402523136?cxt=HHwWglC5obq3rtsnAAAA>

1.5 Continuation of Support for International students, liaison with universities, students unions and the Indian High Commission (HCI), London

During COVID19 crisis, we set up a dedicated students support team lead by our Chair Charan Sekhon and supported by our Vice-chair Dr Baljit Upadhyay. Our team dealt with a wide range of students' issues including requests and queries about fee support, rent & accommodation, health, wellbeing and emotional support we worked closely with the students support teams of Cranfield University, University of Bedfordshire and University of Hertfordshire to identify the students who needed urgent help and delivered a wide range of staple food and hot meals to their residence throughout the COVID19. We continued our support efforts and dealt with regular students queries for help who lost their part time jobs during the pandemic. In addition to our direct liaisons with the universities, we continued our work in collaboration with students unions.

We received very positive feedback from a large number of students and the student unions. Many left their feedback and comment on Google review and on our social media platforms @SEVATrustUK

We also received an excellent feedback from the Indian High Commission and many Community and Charitable Groups involved in this projects who had the full insight of our post-COVID19 efforts.

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1464658059037495300?cxt=HHwWiMC-5dOvwdMoAAAA>

1.6 Successful delivery of 'Adopt an international student' initiative

Following a launch of this project Feb 2021 (more details in the last report 2020-21) we connected 15 Indian international students in Bedford and Luton to local Indian families to meet their urgent needs. We also issued hardship grants to 6 students (£100 per students) in need of urgent help (4 grants were paid in March 2021 and 2 paid in April 2021).

<https://www.asian-voice.com/News/UK/SEVA-Trust-UK-launches-%E2%80%98Adopt-a-Student%E2%80%99-project-to-help-international-stude>

As COVID19 situation improved, the adoption initiative came to an end but we have now robust plans in place if we have similar emergency for future.

1.7 Work with Bedford Borough, UNISON & other organisations

We worked closely with Bedford Borough Council lead community support and awareness campaigns and time to time promoted the key messages with the local communities. We continue to work with UNIOSN Welfare Officers and Reps of Bedford and Luton who previously helped to identify people in need.

1.8 Volunteers network & COVID19 working policies and procedures

In order to respond to emergency support situations, we need a strong network of volunteers. We are pleased to strengthen our volunteers and supporting partners' network. During the peak times of COVID19 crisis, we had over 25 volunteers covering the food hubs and doing daily home deliveries of food and essentials. Though COVID19 brought tough times for all but a big positive outcome was that large number of people from all communities came forward to help and support. We set up all the needed COVID19 related policies and procedures to ensure we can provide a safe working environment to all our volunteers and throughout the year we regularly reviewed it. We feel proud to complete an another challenging year without a single H&S related incident or any other shortfall. This demonstrates our commitment, ability to plan, handle and deliver complex and emergency projects within tight deadlines.

Big Thanks to All our supporting partners and volunteers

The past two years have been very challenging years for all but we reached-out very large number of people and students. It was only possible due to a collective effort and support by all. We received an amazing support from many local and national organisations who provided us significant amounts of the staple food we needed. Many individuals offered to help us with food shopping, door to door deliveries and other support. We would like to thank the following and everyone else who supported us in one way or another.

UNISON East Anglia (Env. Agency) Branch
Sri Guru Ravidass Temple & Community Centre, Bedford
Guru Nanak Gurdwara, Bedford
Gurdwara Sahib, Ramgarhia Sikh Society, Bedford
Guru Gobind Singh Gurdwara, Kempston
Bandhan Bedford Group (Indian Women Group)
Indian High Commission, London

Jat Singh Patti (Senior Lawyer) - Stanmore Law Practice
Urvi Shah - Vision Solicitors
Arpan Kaur – NHS Pharmacist
Dr Prabhu Rajindran – Bedford

John McMohan – Sharnbrook
Mr & Mrs Surinder Gupta – Bedford
Irina & Maria Ermakova – Bedford
Dionne Lavendar-Davies – UNISON, Bedford
Saurabh Sethi, Jatinder Singh, Jasjot Singh, Pallavi Sahonte – Bedford
Mr & Mrs Surinder Gupta, Seema Grantham, Rishi Khera - Bedford
Heema Chauhan – Cranfield

Manor Kumar, Shivani Sharma and Paul Britzer - Luton

2. Health and Wellbeing

2.1 COVID-19 Health and Vaccination Awareness

Supported by a grant of £2000 (£1000 received in 2021/22 & £1000 in 2022/23 financial year) by the Bedford Borough Council (Public Health), we lead this project to help addressing COVID-19 vaccine inequalities and to encourage further take-up across all age groups among the ethnic groups with a focus in Punjabi and the Sikh communities.

ONS data has shown that during the second wave of COVID-19, the Sikh community had the highest rate of COVID-19 infection in comparison to other religious groups – this was a clear indication that a greater awareness was required in order to prevent the spread of the virus and encourage the community to get vaccinated so that they can not only protect themselves but also protect others.

Led by Dr Baljit Upadhayay and supported by the Public Health, we arranged four awareness sessions at four different local places of worships and community centres in Bedford reaching out to over 500 people from all ages. All sessions went really well. In addition to group sessions, one to one sessions were really useful where individuals feel more comfortable asking questions related to their individual circumstances in their own language. Our team had very positive engagement with the audience and after the events and many people came to the stand to obtain further information from the leaflets and from communicating their queries and questions to Dr Upadhayay.

<https://www.bedfordindependent.co.uk/seva-trust-uk-hosting-vaccination-session-for-bedfords-sikh-communities/>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1527325933602209793?cxt=HHwWgoDQiYa2k7lqAAAA>

<https://twitter.com/bedfordindy/status/1502316489268944901?cxt=HHwWioCzseW4ptkpAAAA>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1505693765805215744?cxt=HHwWqMC4tZSgpuUpAAAA>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1503067523088007174?cxt=HHwWjICysdv8-9spAAAA>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1500543436189020166?cxt=HHwWjMC5wcKTgNMpAAAA>

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1500250611572482052?cxt=HHwWjIC5jfH--tEpAAAA>

2.2 Continuation of Free Online Yoga Classes

We continue to offer free online health awareness, exercise and yoga session (mainly BAME females). This is regarded as 'hard to reach' group and we plan to start face to face sessions as soon as it is considered safe to do so. In March/April 2022, we also offered free yoga mats (part of our 2020/21 project)

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1377622399844241414?cxt=HHwWjMCylcKRpp4mAAAA>

3. Education

3.1 Educational Exhibitions on the Teachings and Life of Guru Nanak

Working in coordination with Connect With Your Roots, we helped to bring a unique exhibition to Bedford and Milton Keynes. This exhibition covered details of the 'Universal Teachings and Life of Guru Nanak' the founder of the Sikh faith. Thousands of people from all diverse communities viewed the exhibition that has all the key details listed in English and Punjabi. This helped to promote community cohesion, strengthen diversity and sharing educational messages of oneness, peace, love and selfless service (Seva for all). Links to social media coverage below:

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1494984753770115073?cxt=HHwWgsC9kc-toL8pAAAA>

https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1495995080481689607?cxt=HHwWjsC-3a_m68lpAAAA

https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1509955623945109504?cxt=HHwWglDQ_fmouPQpAAAA#

3.2 Promoting Community Cohesion and Raising awareness about Indian Independence (India at 75)

SEVA Trust team lead by our Chair Charan Sekhon, played an instrumental role in supporting Bedford Bandhan Group who organised Indian Independence Day celebrations in Bedford on 15/08/21 followed by Community Meal. The unique event was held as per COVID19 protocol and it was a combination of virtual and an outdoor ceremony involving the unfurling of the Indian flag which was broadcast live from the old Town Hall. The online event was attended by very large number of people. Our team engaged with many community and youth groups and helped in sharing information with them. This was a great community and educational event that helped in promoting community cohesion and involved the youth and diverse community groups.

<https://twitter.com/bedscohesion/status/1426807453379858432>

<https://twitter.com/ckssekhon/status/1426844876054929413?cxt=HHwWi oC5rdz2lc0nAAAA>

<https://twitter.com/bedscohesion/status/1430080898142195730?cxt=HHwWpMCy3f-1dgnAAAA>

We attended various online events and provided regular input for awareness sessions about India at 75.

https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1428765323013115913?cxt=HHwWksC-mbmf_9MnAAAA

3.2 Role and Sacrifices by Indian Sikh Soldiers as part of the British Army

https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1439311827930914819?cxt=HHwWhoC5jegeu_knAAAA

4. Community Support and Other Updates

4.1 We supported this joint initiative along with SGRS, Bedford involving Indian High Commission & VFS. It was an outreach surgery held at SGR Community Centre to support communities especially the elderly and the families re their visa/passport/OCI issues who find hard to travel to London for these services. Over 400 people were benefited from this session. Dr Randhawa DL opened the event. We received an excellent feedback. We would like to thanks SGRS and all the volunteers for their great effort.

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1439544962480320517>

https://twitter.com/gurchrandhawa/status/1441132377820909572?cxt=HwWiMCi5eOQ9_8nAAAA

<https://twitter.com/pRABuonline/status/1439694558531661827?cxt=HHwWhsC9pdek6fonAAAA>

4.2 COVID19 H&S Awareness for Places of Worships (Gurdwaras) led by Gurdwara-Aid

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1396573852566790145?cxt=HHwWgoC9jaCh0OEmAAAA>

4.3 Supported appeal for Oxygen Cylinders for India COVID19

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1386965183520718848?cxt=HHwWglCy-Yzfv8mAAAA>

4.4 Collaboration with Strive2Thrive Education (US based NGO) to provide free online coaching to the disadvantaged children in India

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1429234656671588352?cxt=HHwWglCzuaHW1NUnAAAA>

4.5 Our website re-designed and updated

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1414705876640862213?cxt=HHwWisCw7frfhalnAAAA>

4.6 To mark Black History Month 2022, our Chair helped to raise 3k

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1443620693825015819?cxt=HHwWisC-3erX4ogoAAAA>

4.7 In addition to all the above activities, on behalf of the UK Indian diaspora, we led a campaign for better direct air connectivity between London and Punjab. We have been interacting and working with many charitable organisations in the UK and Punjab. One of the most common issues faced by all charities supporting the youth development & educations projects in Punjab is the lack of direct connectivity leading to a long and stressful journey. Therefore, we decided to work on this issue in partnership with other NGOs and we were so pleased with a massive positive outcome as the direct flights finally commenced from London Stansted to Amritsar, Punjab.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HivVRJZo1ZU&ab_channel=SEVATrustUK

5 COVID19 Community Support and other activities in India*

We supported appeal by the HCI, London for Oxygen Cylinders for India COVID19.

As part of India at 75 (75 years of Indian Independence), SEVA Trust UK (India) Team lead many projects supporting disadvantaged families and children by providing immunity booster kits, daily use essentials, health awareness workshops, blood donation camps and many more. More details are available on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram:

@SEVATrustIndia

***Note:** All projects in India are led by SEVA Trust UK (India) which is a registered public trust in India. For further details please visit:

www.sevatrustuk.org

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Our motto is 'True Service to Humanity'. All SEVA Trust UK team members (Trustees, Supporting Teams and Advisers) are fully committed volunteers. Any donations received go to fulfil the charitable aims and objectives, not to pay salaries to anyone or expensive overheads. Here is the financial value of unpaid and voluntary work delivered by our teams to support local communities through Education, Health, Environmental work and Social Welfare (based on national minimal wage 2021 figures)

5 Trustees—36 hrs /week = £321/week= £16, 692 per year (£8.91 per hr)

4 Youth volunteers (age 21 to 24) – 12 hrs /week = £100 = £5200 per year (8.36 per hr)

4 Youth volunteers (age 18 to 20) – 8 hrs /week = £52 = £2704 per year (£6.56 per hr)

12 Volunteers (age 25 & over) – 36 hrs/week = £321/week = £16,692 per year (£8.91 per hr)

Total contributions = £41, 288 per year

SEVA Trust UK Team has given voluntary input equivalent to 41k in 2020/21. This does not include the work and input given by SEVA volunteers in India.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Achievements, Awards and Media Coverage

Our main achievements and key media updates are already listed above. Here are details of recognitions and awards received.

'Non-Profit Organisation of the Year - London & South East Award'

All our volunteers worked very hard and we are proud to receive the Non-Profit Organisation of the Year – London & South East' Award' for our services and response to Covid19. Corporate LiveWire who runs this national annual awards event, awarded SEVA Trust this special award.

https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1403433265013395463?cxt=HHwWjsC4sc3H_kmAAAA

<https://twitter.com/samajweekly/status/1405818204908396545?cxt=HHwWgoC9pbCNvInAAAA>

MBE for our Chair by her late Majesty the Queen

Our Chair Charan Sekhon was awarded an MBE by her late Majesty the Queen in the New Year's 2022 Honours for his services to charity, diversity, the environment and COVID19 support work.

<https://www.bedfordindependent.co.uk/queens-new-years-honours-list-recognises-five-bedford-heroes/>

<https://asianlite.com/2022/news/uk-news/charan-sekhon-among-queens-new-year-honours-list/>

Media updates, feedback from the beneficiaries and our supporting partners

We received an excellent feedback from many beneficiaries, local community and charity groups and supporting partners. Further details and links to media coverage are given in the previous section C.

There has been many other updates. For further details please check out our Twitter, Facebook, Instagram or YouTube links: @SEVATrustUK

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK>

<https://www.facebook.com/SEVATrustUK/>

<https://www.instagram.com/sevatrustuk/?hl=en>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4Ff7Wj-TIWmqUEFFEPdJJQ/videos>

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

N/A

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.



All details covered in our financial statement (Ref - Receipts and payments accounts Report CC16a)

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Charan Kanwal Singh Sekhon	Satnam Singh Galsin
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair & Trustee	Treasurer & Trustee
Date	18/12/2022	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Social Education Voluntary Association (SEVA) Trust UK 1172654
SEVA Trust UK

Receipts and payments accounts



CC16a

For the period from	01/04/2021	To	31/03/2022
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations & Gift Aid	16,951		-	16,951	28,751
Grants		1,000	-	1,000	10,375
Refunds	140	-	-	140	598
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	17,091	1,000	-	18,091	39,724
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	17,091	1,000	-	18,091	39,724
A3 Payments					
Charitable activities & projects (COVID19 food support & health projects)	158	1,000		1,158	13,817
Donations to other charities or groups	1,250	-	-	1,250	1,500
Hardship (COVID19) grant to students	200	-	-	200	400
Insurance	97	-	-	97	153
Other Expenditure (postage, stationary, publicity & printing)	408	-	-	408	128
Telephone, IT support & website costs	914	-	-	914	-
Charity events & meetings	212	-	-	212	-
Governance Costs (Independent accounts audit & DBS checks)	466	-	-	466	-
Staff salary - No paid staff	-	-	-	-	-
Educational support projects in India	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	3,705	1,000	-	4,705	15,998
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	3,705	1,000	-	4,705	15,998
Net of receipts/(payments)	13,386	-	-	13,386	23,726
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	30,714	-	-	30,714	6,988
Cash funds this year end	44,100	-	-	44,100	30,714

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account balance on 31/03/22	44,086		-
	Cash in hand	14	-	-
			-	-
	Total cash funds	44,100	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	NA	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	NA		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	NA			-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	NA		-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Satnam Galsin	19/11/2022	
		Charan Sekhon	19/11/2022	

SOCIAL EDUCATION VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATION (SEVA) TRUST UK

England & Wales - Charity number 1172654

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	04	2020		31	03	2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Social Education Voluntary Association (SEVA) Trust UK

Other names charity is known by SEVA Trust UK

Registered charity number (if any) 1172654

Charity's principal address 44 Wood End Close

Sharnbrook

Bedford

Postcode

MK44 1JY

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Charan Sekhon (Mr)	Chairman		Charity trustees (by resolution)
2	Dr Baljit Upadhyay (Mrs)	Vice-Chair		Charity trustees (by resolution)
3	Shital Gandhi (Mrs)	Community Engagement		Charity trustees (by resolution)
4	Kunwarjeet Pannu (Mrs)	Youth Group Coordinator		Charity trustees (by resolution)
5	Satnam Galsin (Mr)	Treasurer		Charity trustees (by resolution)
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted on 22/01/2017 (amended on 20/02/2019)
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by resolution by the charity trustees

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

<p>You may choose to include additional information, where relevant, about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees; • the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works; • relationship with any related parties; • trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them. 	<p>Policy & Procedures in place:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Covid19 Guidance for Volunteers 2. Covid19 Risk Assessment 3. Complaints Policy 4. Equality & Diversity Policy 5. Safeguarding Children Policy 6. Safeguarding Adult Policy 7. Data Protection Policy 8. Photography/Filming Consent Forms 9. Volunteer Recruitment/Application Form 10. Volunteer Induction Check List 11. Volunteer Code of Conduct 12. Volunteer Expenses Policy 13. Feedback Forms 14. GDPR Info & Notifications 15. International Projects (Risk Assessment Checklist & Matrix) 16. Students COVID19 hardship grant application form
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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Education – For the public benefit to promote the education of students from Black and Minority Ethnic (BAME) background in Bedfordshire and elsewhere in England and for underprivileged communities in northern India and elsewhere in India in such ways as the charity trustees think fit, including, but not limited to:

- (1) awarding to such persons scholarships, maintenance allowances or grants tenable at any university, college, school or institution of higher or further education;

- (2) providing coaching, mentoring to furtherance of that education, guidance for higher studies, oversees studies or for entry to any occupation, trade or profession on leaving any educational establishment.

Health & Wellbeing – For the public benefit to promote health & wellbeing among BAME communities in Bedfordshire and elsewhere in England and underprivileged communities in northern India and elsewhere in India including, but not limited to:

- (3) coordinating health awareness (including mental health) and yoga sessions;
- (4) arranging or assisting in organising health checks.

Environment - To promote for the benefit of the public the conservation, protection and improvement of the physical and natural environment among BAME communities in Bedfordshire and elsewhere in England and underprivileged communities, farmers and pollution affected areas in northern India and elsewhere in India in such ways as the charity trustees think fit, including, but not limited to:

- (5) coordinating sessions to raise awareness of ecological and environmental sustainability, local and global environmental issues and challenges;
- (6) arranging or assisting in environmental monitoring and sharing the findings with the local communities and the appropriate bodies;
- (7) promoting eco-friendly and sustainable lifestyles including helping to explore renewable energy sources such as solar and wind power.

Main Activities:

1. COVID19 Community Support in the UK

The Global Coronavirus pandemic brought tough times for all, disrupting our day-to-day lives. In addition to the immediate impacts on health, jobs and income, the epidemic caused major issues for all. However, the impacts of COVID19 have been more severe for the most disadvantaged, Black, Asian & Minority Ethnic (BAME) communities, vulnerable and elderly, low-paid and part-time workers especially the international students and homeless people.

We are a small but a dedicated charity which is run by unpaid volunteers. We do not have any paid staff in our charity (more details in the next section, page 13). As listed in the objects section, we mainly focus on (but are not limited to) Education, Health & Environment related projects in Bedfordshire and educational support for disadvantaged children in India. Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, Trustees decided to focus on COVID19 community support projects using funds from educational projects. Just before the first national lockdown started on 23/03/20, panic buying triggered major shortages of staple food and daily essentials. The elderly and vulnerable, people with special dietary needs and the international students (who were unable to travel back to their home countries) were impacted badly.

We undertook the relevant risk assessments to ensure we can deliver the support safely and we put in place the needed safeguards to protect our volunteers and trustees involved in this project. We followed the Government and Bedford Borough COVID19 guidelines and rules. We also kept up-to-date with the Charity Commission guidelines and constantly reviewed our COVID19 and other H&S processes. We provided the relevant PPE equipment and items to protect all involved in these projects.

Leading from the front and under the leadership of our Chair, all Trustees joined the volunteers. All working as a strong team, we delivered many key projects without a single paid staff member. We are truly proud to be the first charity in Bedfordshire run by all unpaid volunteers to set up free food hubs for the local communities and for the international students as well as setting up various partnership projects to reach a maximum number of people who were desperate for urgent help and support.

Our total spending on COVID19 projects (food, health & wellbeing) was £15,998 that included £10,375 grants support. Full details of all our income and expenditure are listed in the accounts section and here is the summary of our key projects and outcomes.

1.1 Food & essential items support:

During 2020-21, we supported:

- 1. 350+ families and individuals facing hardships**
- 2. 750+ International Students (inc. fee & accommodation matters)**
- 3. 50+ homeless**
- 4. 1 Women's Refuge Centre in Bedford**

We delivered:

- 5. 4000+ Food Parcels**
- 6. 2000+ Hot-meals**

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Through joint projects:

- 7. 1000 Hot-meals**
- 8. 230 Ready cooked vegetarian meals**
- 9. 500 Food Parcels & Meals for people on special dietary needs**
- 10. 324 Food Parcels**

Total = 8000+ Meals & Food Parcels

Note: Though we scaled down our food support operation during summer 2021, our staple food support and hot meals for the most vulnerable and exceptional cases is still continuing to-date. More details are on our social media handles @SEVATrustUK

1.2 Donations for other local and national charities involved in COVID19 food support projects = £1500

£1100 donated to Khalsa Aid, UK to support their COVID19 project for International Students

£250 donated to Sri Guru Ravidass Bhawan & Community Centre, Bedford to support their COVID19 hot-meals project for NHS staff & Emergency Services

£150 donated to Dunstable Food Bank (Bedfordshire) for their COVID19 projects and for their donation of food towards our projects.

1.3 Food Donations to other local charities and joint projects support = £1493.95

£1000 food, groceries and ready cooked meals delivered to SGRS, Bedford (a registered charity) for their COVID19 hot meals project in Bedford for NHS staff, emergency services, vulnerable families and international students.

This joint project enabled SGRS to deliver around 1230 meals (1000 freshly cooked hot-meals and 230 ready cooked Asian meals).

£443.95 (Atta, Rice and Asian Groceries) part of our joint project with ACCM(UK) Bedford (regd. charity) to support elderly and other vulnerable people from BAME and other communities. During this joint project from 19/03/20 to 30/06/20 total 324 food parcels were delivered.

Donation of staple food (vegetarian) for Sathya Sai and SHITAL organisations who delivered over 500 food parcels and hot meals in Milton Keynes and Cranfield. Both organisations supported us for our international students COVID19 support projects.

1.4 Food hubs, students support, free door-to-door deliveries & collaborative work

In addition to all the above joint initiatives, we set up various food hubs in Bedford, Luton and Milton Keynes, all managed and run by SEVA Trust volunteers. We advertised about our support via social media, local community and faith groups to ensure people can access the support services we offered. Local and national media highlighted our efforts.

- **Support for homeless and rough-sleepers in Bedford**

Working with SMART CJS (a charity supporting homeless), we supported over 50 homeless and rough-sleepers and provided fortnightly deliveries

of staple food for 6 months (Sept 20 to March 21). At the end of this project we received the following feedback.

“We are in awe of the breadth of work done by our friends at the SEVA Trust UK in Bedford and overseas. We are extremely grateful to them for their practical support to SMART Prebend and the homeless and rough sleepers that we have accommodated during the past year. The SEVA team made 14 deliveries of staple food to our temporary homeless hotel-base throughout the pandemic, helping SMART CJS to provide hundreds of meals and snacks. To mark several significant occasions such as Christmas and Easter, volunteers also delivered treat trays consisting of delicious freshly made cakes. The Trust’s ongoing commitment and thoughtful gestures help vulnerable people who need our help to feel valued and cared for. We believe that the SEVA Trust’s actions and compassion has helped many rough sleepers to lead healthier lives and thus they are better able to make positive and lasting change. A great and lasting gift to make – thank you for all that you do to make lives better!” - Anita McCallum, CEO, SMART CJS

- **Support for children and parents of Biddenham International School and Sports College, Bedford**

Following a request from the school, we supported over 50 families during and post lockdown periods. These families were facing hardships due to loss of family income and/or COVID19 self-isolations. We are touched by the messages and feedback many parents sent us. The school management thanked our volunteers for this support.

<https://twitter.com/BiddenhamIntSch/status/1282252621458309120>

- **Support for flood impacted rural communities of Bedfordshire during Christmas 2020**

After a tough year for all and running community support projects throughout the year without any break, we decided to take a short break during X-mas. However, record levels of rain caused swerve flooding and Bedford and surrounding villages were impacted badly. Large numbers of properties were evacuated on X-mas day with a few hours’ notice. Led by our Chair, all trustees supported by our volunteers provided immediate food support to over 15 families living in temporary accommodation and/or with friends.

Whilst helping Bedford flooding affected communities, we liaised with Bedford Borough Council Response Team and our Trustees decided to enrol SEVA Trust UK on Bedfordshire Local Emergency Volunteers Executive Committee (BLEVEC). This is a partnership of about 30 charity/voluntary and community group organisations that work together in an emergency to provide support to those affected. The group is directly involved in the official command and control groups set up by the emergency services and councils and assist in the coordination of the voluntary sector response. Being part of this group allows us to get to know all about the emergency response structures and be involved in any emergency response formally and in a coordinated way. We agreed to assist with sharing warning and informing with diverse communities in event of any emergency and related info this group want to share.

<https://www.bedfordindependent.co.uk/thanks-given-to-those-who-showed-bedford-boroughs-incredible-community-spirit/>

- **Support for International students, liaison with universities, students unions and the Indian High Commission (HCI), London**

We worked closely with the students support teams of Cranfield University, University of Bedfordshire and University of Hertfordshire to identify the students who needed urgent help and delivered a wide range of staple food and hot meals to their residence throughout the COVID19.

We set up a dedicated students support team lead by our Chair Charan Sekhon and supported by our Vice-chair Dr Baljit Upadhyay. Our team dealt with a wide range of students' issues including requests and queries about fee support, rent & accommodation, health, wellbeing and emotional support.

We were listed as COVID19 Support Group by the Indian High Commission (HCI), London who compiled a list of leading charities and groups offering help to international students and tourists stranded during the national lockdowns. Large numbers of queries came through this route and we attended regular online meetings involving the HCI team, community and charity reps and the other stakeholders.

We received an excellent feedback from the Indian High Commission and many Community and Charitable Groups involved in this projects who had the full insight of our ongoing efforts.

In addition to our direct liaisons with the universities, we worked in collaboration with two national students' unions to ensure we can reach a maximum number of students in need:

- **INSA (India National Students Union)**
- **NISAU (National Indian Students & Alumni Union)**

Both the unions advertised our services on their social media platforms and directed regular queries for food and other support we were able to offer. We supported over 750 students with staple food, hot-meals, advice and support for university fee and rent issues, help and advice regarding overseas travel, mental health and emotional support. Many NHS doctors, pharmacists, lawyers and other professionals volunteered to support our work helping students facing tough times who had no family support in the UK.

We received really positive feedback from a large number of students and the student unions. Many left their feedback and comments on Google Review and on our social media platforms @SEVATrustUK

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-beds-bucks-herts-53695076>

- **Launch of 'Adopt an international student' initiative and issued 6 hardship grants**

We held an online Zoom and Facebook Live session on 21st Feb 2021 covering - COVID19 Challenges & Issues for International Students, Support Efforts by SEVA Trust UK & Launch of new Project 'Adopt an International Student'.

Attended by students from around 5 Universities, SEVA Trust UK & India trustee's team, volunteers & coordinator, our adviser Dr Opinderjit Takhar MBE, Director of Sikh & Punjabi Studies, University of Wolverhampton, Ms Anima Barnwal (Ist Secretary ITOU, Education & Eco – Indian High

Commission, London) reps & volunteers of local community and charitable groups all joined in. We launched this project with the aim to connect international students with local families from their own culture so that in the event of an urgent help, a local family can support them.

In the first stage this project we successfully connected 15 Indian students in Bedford and Luton to local Indian families.

We introduced hardship grant application process and issued hardship grants to 6 students (£100 per students) in need of urgent help (4 grants paid by 31/03/21 and 2 paid in the first week of April 2021).

<https://www.asian-voice.com/News/UK/SEVA-Trust-UK-launches-%E2%80%98Adopt-a-Student%E2%80%99-project-to-help-international-stude>

- **Work with Bedford Borough, UNISON & other organisations**

We worked closely with Bedford Borough Council lead community support hub, providing volunteers for free food deliveries and free interpretation services for people for whom English is not their first language. We worked with UNISON Welfare Officers and Reps of Bedford and Luton who helped to identify people in need. Some UNISON reps also volunteered to deliver food parcels. We were featured in the list of helpers Bedford Borough Council, CVS Bedford and UNISON prepared to signpost people in need.

<https://www.bedfordindependent.co.uk/international-students-in-bedford-starving-in-coronavirus-lockdown/>

- **Volunteers network & COVID19 working policies and procedures**

In order to respond to emergency support situations, we need a strong network of volunteers. We are pleased to strengthen our volunteers and supporting partners' network. During the peak times of COVID19 crisis, we had over 25 volunteers covering the food hubs and doing daily home deliveries of food and essentials. Though COVID19 brought tough times for all but a big positive outcome was that large number of people from all communities came forward to help and support. We set up all the needed COVID19 related policies and procedures to ensure we can provide a safe working environment to all our volunteers and throughout the year we regularly reviewed it.

We feel proud to complete this tough year without a single H&S related incident or any other shortfall. This demonstrates our commitment, ability to plan, handle and deliver complex and emergency projects within tight deadlines.

- **Big Thanks to All our supporting partners and volunteers**

It was a very tough year for all but we reached-out to a very large number of people and students. It was only possible due to a collective effort and support by all. We received amazing support from many local and national organisations who provided us with some of the staple food we needed. Many individuals offered to help us with food shopping, door to door deliveries and other support.

We would like to thank the following and everyone else who supported us in one way or another.

Bandhan Bedford Group (Indian Women Group)
UNISON East Anglia (Env. Agency) Branch
Maharashtra Mandal London
Baba Zorawar Singh Baba Fateh Singh Gurdwara Milton Keynes
Sri Guru Ravidass Temple & Community Centre, Bedford
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Saurabh Sethi – Bedford
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Jasjot Singh - Bedford
Pallavi Sahonte – Bedford
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Seema Grantham – Bedford
Devinder Kaur Gabri – Bedford
Sati Kaur Judge – Bedford
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Balbir Kaur - Luton
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Naminder Kaur Shergill -Milton Keynes
Harbind Singh Seyan – Milton Keynes
Amrik Singh Hothi – Milton Keynes

2. COVID19 Community Support in India

Our main focus has been on UK projects this year. However, through SEVA Trust (India) many disadvantaged children received support (further details in the Education section below) and SEVA Trust India

team supported 'Feeding From Far' food project in Govandi, Mumbai, where most of the daily wage (low paid) workers reside, and who have been struggling to sustain in the lockdowns.

3. Health & Wellbeing

Activities in the UK

From Oct 2020 to March 2021 we facilitated and delivered:

52 Free Online Health Awareness, Exercise and Yoga Session (two sessions per week) with average 55 participants per session (mainly BAME females). This is regarded as 'hard to reach' group and needed urgent support for their health and wellbeing throughout COVID19.

15 Free Online Sessions on COVID19 and Health Awareness by Medical Practitioners, NHS Doctors and Consultants.

50 Exercise and Yoga mats donated.

Sept 20: To support Public Health team at Bedford Borough Council our Trustee Dr Baljit Upadhyay volunteered to represent our charity on this new community support group whilst acting as the 'Covid19 Health Champion for Bedford'. This group was jointly set up by Public Health and Bedford Borough to engage with the diverse communities on the COVID19 related matters.

From Sept to Oct 20: We supported and attended NHS Test & Trace App Stakeholder Engagement Project meetings led by NHS (Fuad Hendricks – NHS Stakeholder Engagement Lead) and provided useful community feedback that helped to improve the NHS Trace & Test App.

Dec 20: Provided feedback and suggestions to Bedford Borough Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee to help with their review to look at the communication and language barriers people experience in accessing and using health services.

Feb 21: We supported Bedford Borough Council and Public Health lead research looking to identifying what is happening locally in terms of food poverty and emergency food support during COVID and took part in this study program and provided useful information and feedback.

Activities in India

March 21: SEVA Trust India team organised a large blood donation camp in collaboration with Shree Bala Ji Dham Haldri and local youth groups of District Ambala, Haryana (India). Nearly 150 people donated blood raising 141 units of blood. The event was attended by large numbers of youth groups and reps from rural communities as well as many reps from voluntary groups working on social causes.

<https://www.facebook.com/SEVATrustIndia/photos/pcb.257145446058759/257145309392106/>

4. Education

Activities in the UK

2020/21: We continue working with many public sector organisations including Borough Council Communities, Team Bedfordshire, Fire & Rescue and Police Community Cohesion teams to promote jobs through

our local events and social media among BAME communities who are underrepresented in public services.

Mar. 21: Further to a request from Biddenham International School & Sports College to deliver a presentation to their student as part of their learning, we delivered this session on the given topic of the 'Concept of giving and helping others' to help the children and raise awareness about helping others.

Feb. 21: We held online Zoom and Facebook Live session involving international students from 5 universities to discuss the challenges they face and to put in place needed support to ensure they complete their studies. 6 students received a hardship grant of £100 each.

Aug. 20: SEVA Trust team lead by our Chair, played an instrumental role in supporting Bedford Bandhan Group who organised Indian Independence Day celebrations in Bedford on 15/08/20. The unique event was held as per COVID19 protocol and it was a combination of virtual and an outdoor ceremony involving the unfurling of the Indian flag which was broadcast live from the old Town Hall. The online event was attended by around 200 people.

Our team engaged with many community groups and helped in sharing information with the student groups. This was a great community and educational event that helped in promoting community cohesion and involved the youth and diverse community groups.

<https://www.bedfordindependent.co.uk/bedford-celebrates-74th-anniversary-of-indian-independence-day-in-style/>

Jan. to Mar. 21: We along with SEVA Trust India forged partnerships with:

Strive 2 thrive Edu, USA based NGO – To provide free online tutoring to children in India from disadvantaged and low income background who are unable to afford private education.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IAXpSyONTok&ab_channel=SEVATrustUK

Enlight a Kid, Canada based NGO – To provide educational grants and other education equipment to disadvantaged children in India.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QH2QytaMQDE&ab_channel=SEVATrustUK

Activities in India

1. As we reported in our last year's report that the donation of £5000 we sent during 2019/20 for educational support projects in India (donation Ref: FCRA 172210024), due to COVID19 that project was delayed and delivered in Jan. 2021. This project was led by our SEVA Trust UK (India) team in collaboration with Zila Yuva Vikas Sanghthan (ZYVS) supported by local schools and teaching & academic professionals.

40 children from low-income and disadvantaged families received high spec Samsung Galaxy Tablets 8.0 to help with their online learning. These children were selected from 12 different villages in Pakhowal Block & one student from a village near Jalandhar in Punjab (India). All children were selected by the teaching & academic staff based on their family economic circumstances, family hardships and their academic

track record. Due to Covid19 all study moved online and these children were unable to afford smart devices to study online. SEVA Trust India team also provided projectors, CCTV cameras and other equipment to a number of rural schools to help to improve educational facilities.

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/ludhiana/40-needy-students-were-given-tablets-to-aid-them-in-online-learning/articleshow/80222404.cms>

<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/chandigarh/uk-based-ngo-donates-projectors-to-govt-schools/articleshow/82134415.cms>

5. Environment

Activities in the UK

Due to our focus on the COVID19 projects, we were not able to organise any major activities on the environment but we promoted 'World Environment Day' and 'Sikh Environment Day' led by the Eco-Sikh through our social media platforms.

Activities in India

May 2020: We were invited to be part of panel discussions on the topic of Coronavirus Pandemic – Challenges and revival of the environment organised by Guru Nanak Engineering College, Ludhiana, Punjab (India). Our Chair was one the keynote speakers and the discussions covered environmental issues for the UK and India.

https://m.facebook.com/ckssekhon/posts/769735080394223?locale2=hi_IN&_se_imp=16f5NjnoueXpz17aO

https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?id=277688089598927&story_fbid=550920225609044

6. Other input and support

1. We helped young drivers and families who contacted us during COVID19 for help regarding lack of driving test slots at Bedford Centre. We raised this issue with Bedford MP who wrote to Transport Minister and updated all parents who contacted us for help.
2. We provided useful input and feedback in 'COVID19 Community Conversations & Group Consultation' lead by the Harpur Trust involving 5 local charities and community reps. It covered many topics such as key challenges, issues and how best we can support local communities.
3. Our Trustees attended various online community meetings and events throughout the year including the Charity Commission for England and Wales Annual Public Meeting 2020 on 01/10/20.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Our motto is 'True Service to Humanity'. All SEVA Trust UK team members (Trustees, Supporting Teams and Advisers) are fully committed volunteers. Any donations received go to fulfil the charitable aims and objectives, not to pay salaries to anyone or expensive overheads.

Here is the financial value of unpaid and voluntary work delivered by our teams to support local communities through Education, Health and Environmental work (based on national minimal wage 2021 figures)

5 Trustees – 36 hrs /week = £321/week = £16, 692 per year (£8.91 per hr)

4 Youth volunteers (age 21 to 24) – 12 hrs /week = £100 = £5200 per year (8.36 per hr)

4 Youth volunteers (age 18 to 20) – 8 hrs /week = £52 = £2704 per year (£6.56 per hr)

12 Volunteers (age 25 & over) – 36 hrs/week = £321/week = £16,692 per year (£8.91 per hr)

Total contributions = £41, 288 per year

SEVA Trust UK Team has given voluntary input equivalent to 41k in 2020/21. This does not include the work and input given by SEVA volunteers in India.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Achievements, Awards and Media Coverage

Our main achievements are already listed above. Here is a snap-shot of our COVID19 support work for this year in a short video clip:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8LhZqvYmTGo&ab_channel=SEVATrustUK

Here are details of recognitions and awards received.

1. All our volunteers worked very hard and we are proud to receive the 'Non-Profit Organisation of the Year – London & South East Award' for our services and response to Covid19

<https://theasianindependent.co.uk/seva-trust-uk-receives-non-profit-organisation-of-the-year-london-south-east-award-for-their-outstanding-response-to-covid19/>

2. Our Chair Charan Sekhon and Trustees Shital Gandhi received 'Sports Hero's Award' from Bedford Borough Council for supporting diverse communities, especially the elderly and women through free online health and yoga classes.

<https://www.bedfordtoday.co.uk/news/people/bedford-duo-given-sport-award-supporting-diverse-communities-free-online-yoga-classes-3062247>

3. We received a 'Certificate of Appreciation' from HM Lord Lieutenant and High Sheriff of Bedfordshire for the COVID19 community support work.

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK/status/1286472247423762436>

4. We received an excellent feedback and a letter of commendation from MP for Bedford Mohamed Yasin and MP for North East Bedfordshire Richard Fuller.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OC6DuHcnNjw&ab_channel=SEVATrustUK

5. Our Chair Charan Sekhon received a special award from the Sikh Missionary Society for his charitable work and promoting community cohesion.

<https://yespunjab.com/sikh-missionary-society-uk-honours-seva-trust-uk-chairman-charan-sekhon-for-his-contribution-seva/>

6. In addition to all the above activities, on behalf of the UK Indian diaspora, we led a campaign for better direct air connectivity between London and Punjab. We have been interacting and working with many charitable organisations in the UK and Punjab. One of the most common issues faced by all charities supporting the youth development & educations projects in Punjab is the lack of direct connectivity leading to a long and stressful journey. Therefore, we decided to work on this issue in partnership with other NGOs and we were so pleased with a massive positive outcome as the direct flights finally commenced from London Stansted to Amritsar, Punjab.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ebf5lwdvLhU&ab_channel=SEVATrustUK

Media Coverage:

BBC Look East News

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vJfaR5nSJE&ab_channel=SEVATrustUK

BBC World News (English)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZHVKVEZlca4&ab_channel=SEVATrustUK

BBC World Service (Hindi)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GwhM97LaRhc&ab_channel=SEVATrustUK

C4 News

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vOQh0XodOZc&ab_channel=SEVATrustUK

CNN News 18

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KAntew_Tggc&ab_channel=SEVATrustUK

BBC Online

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-beds-bucks-herts-55015596>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-beds-bucks-herts-53695076>

The Guardian

<https://www.theguardian.com/education/2020/may/01/indian-students-trapped-in-uk-by-coronavirus-actually-starving>

Bedford Independent

<https://www.bedfordindependent.co.uk/international-students-in-bedford-starving-in-coronavirus-lockdown/>

Bedford Today

<https://www.bedfordtoday.co.uk/news/people/bedford-based-charity-unveils-fortnightly-free-food-delivery-service-homeless-and-rough-sleepers-3023441>

There have been many other updates. For further details please check out our Twitter, Facebook, Instagram or YouTube links: @SEVATrustUK

<https://twitter.com/SEVATrustUK>

<https://www.facebook.com/SEVATrustUK/>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4Ff7Wj-TIWmgUEFFEPdJJQ/videos>

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

N/A

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.


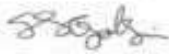
All details covered in our financial statement (Ref - Receipts and payments accounts Report CC16a)

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Charan Kanwal Singh Sekhon	Satnam Singh Galsin
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair & Trustee	Treasurer & Trustee
Date	21/10/2021	

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of
Social Education Voluntary Association (SEVA) Trust UK
for the year ended 31 March 2021**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Social Education Voluntary Association (SEVA) Trust UK (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity 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 charity'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 matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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  Date 28/10/2021
John O'Brien MSc, FCCA, FCIE
Employee of Community Accounting Plus



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SEVA Trust UK

Receipts and payments accounts



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For the period from	01/04/2020	To	31/03/2021
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations & Gift Aid	28,751		-	28,751	8,500
Grants		10,375	-	10,375	-
Refunds	598	-	-	598	-
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	340
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	29,349	10,375	-	39,724	8,840
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	29,349	10,375	-	39,724	8,840
A3 Payments					
Charitable activities & projects (COVID19 food support & health projects)	3,442	10,375		13,817	700
Donations&support to other UK charties	1,500	-	-	1,500	1,050
Hardship (COVID19) grant to students	400	-	-	400	-
Insurance	153	-	-	153	100
Other Expenditure (Postage, stationary, publicity & printing)	128	-	-	128	307
Educational support projects in India	-	-	-	-	5,000
Charity Events & Meetings	-	-	-	-	459
Staff Salary - No paid staff	-	-	-	-	-
Goverence Costs	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	5,623	10,375	-	15,998	7,616
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	125
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	125
Total payments	5,623	10,375	-	15,998	7,741
Net of receipts/(payments)	23,726	-	-	23,726	1,099
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	6,988	-	-	6,988	5,889
Cash funds this year end	30,714	-	-	30,714	6,988

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account balance on 31/03/21	30,700		-
	Cash in hand	14	-	-
			-	-
	Total cash funds	30,714	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	NA	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	NA		-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
	Mobile phone S10+ purchased 06/01/21	General	599	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
	Independent Examination Fee	General	420	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		Satnam Galsin	21/10/2021	
		Charan Sekhon	21/10/2021	