



Trustees' annual report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	01	2022		31	12	2022

Reference and administration details

Charity name *Sanskriti (Reading)*

Other names charity is known by *N/A*

Registered charity number (if any) *1192984*

Charity's principal address *24 Tamarind Way*

Earley

Reading

Postcode

RG6 5GR

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	<i>Soumitra Roy</i>			
2	<i>Dolan Majumder</i>			
3	<i>Santanu Basu</i>			
4	<i>Dibyendu Bhattacharya</i>			
5	<i>Somnath Mitra</i>			
6	<i>Sanjoy Sarkar</i>			
7	<i>Sushmita Banerjee</i>			
8	<i>Bedanuj Dasgupta</i>			
9	<i>Jay Sinha</i>			
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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 advisors (Optional information)

Type of advisor	Name	Address
Bank		

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

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Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	<i>Constitution adopted 5th January 2021</i>
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	<i>Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)</i>
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	<i>Trustees were appointed at inception and appointed or reappointed annually at the Annual General Meeting</i>

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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

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

Membership to the organisation is open to any family who are aligned with the work and thoughts of the organisation.

The trustees oversee the charity governance matters while the executive committee decides and manages the day to day running of the organisation. There is some overlap between the trustees and executive committee. The executive committee seeks trustee's views on charity matters. Both trustees and executive committee work together in deciding the events and activities to ensure that they align with the charity objectives.

All trustees give their time voluntarily and received no remuneration or other benefits.

Objectives and activities

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

*The advancement of education of the public in the UK in Indian culture through the provision of traditional Indian cultural events.
The relief of financial hardship, either generally or individually, of people living in India by making grants of money to charities for providing or paying for items, services or facilities.*

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

In planning our activities for the year we kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

The main activities that we undertook in 2022 are as follows:

- Saraswati Puja*
- Cultural programme*
- Donation to Swadhina*
- Kali Puja and Diwali event;*
- Donation to Kankhal Medical Aid.*

Saraswati Puja and Kali Puja & Diwali event are festivities that highlight the multi-cultural facet of the Indian community. It engages the community with greater social participation in traditional ceremonies, at the same time spreading the rich cultural heritage of India within the community. These events were open to the general public.

The cultural programme that was organized in September 2022 supported our objective of spreading Indian culture, through music, to the people in the UK. This event was a ticketed event mainly to cover the cost of organizing the programme.

Sanskriti, through its donation to an Indian charity Swadhina, fulfilled its long-standing ambition to support girls' education in rural India and to support the underprivileged through the provision of educational facilities. Swadhina, a registered charity in India, works at the ground level and Sanskriti through its collaboration with Swadhina, launched the opening of the educational facility in the Musabani area of Jharkhand, India.

Kankhal Medical Aid (KMA) helps the Ramakrishna Sevashram Charity Hospital in Hardwar, India in its quest to provide free medical aid to the poor people of the neighbouring villages. Sanskriti has been supporting KMA for many years and that support was continued in 2022.

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

We are grateful for the many hours our members have put in - in planning, organizing and executing the events during the year.

This included the AGM held in April 2022 where the trustees presented the charity work that we did in the previous year and our future ambition, and the executive committee members presented the event plans for 2022.

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year.

Saraswati Pujo returned after a gap of 1 year due to covid restrictions in 2021
AGM held in person on 30th April 2022 after the covid restrictions in 2021
Organizing the cultural music programme showcasing Iman Chakraborty at The Bhavan, London (Iman Chakraborty is the No.1 artist in Kolkata, India in terms of popularity)
Big charity step – Musabani project with Swadhina, started on 15th August 2022
Kali Pujo & Diwali Event at Trunkwell Mansion House with a footfall of 1000

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Closing balance on 31/12/2022 was £33,952. The earning in 2022 was £31,097. The expenses in 2022 was £32,020, thus creating a shortfall for the year of £922. The balance fund is kept as reserve for use in organisation's charity objectives in the following year and also to meet the operational costs in the event of a loss of income and to meet any unforeseen expenditure that may occur .

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Not applicable

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.

Our main source of funds this year has been membership fees, donations during the Kali Puja & Diwali event, donations from members, sponsorship funds received from advertisers during the Cultural programme and Kali Puja & Diwali event, charity food stall during Kali Puja & Diwali event, ticketing amount received from attendees for cultural programme, donations from non-members for Kali Puja and Saraswati Puja events, and gift aid money collected after our registration with HMRC for gift aid collection.

The expenditure during 2022 has supported our objective of advancing the cause of spreading Indian culture among the public in the UK through the organisation of Cultural event, Kali Puja & Diwali event and Saraswati Puja event. Expenditure like venue hire costs, artist expenses including visa and air ticket expenses formed part of the expenses in supporting the above cause.

Donation was made to Swadhina, a charity in India for starting girls' educational facility in Musabani area of Jharkhand, India. Donation was also made to Kankhal Medical Aid – a charity which supports the medical needs of the underprivileged in Hardwar, India – both supporting our other objective.

Expenditure was also incurred to support operational cost e.g. cost of insurance, web hosting cost and venue hire cost for AGM.

Other optional information

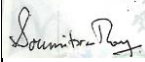
Future Plans

The coming year will see a continued emphasis on using the balance funds in 2022 to be used for our charitable causes. And to grow Sanskriti's membership base with more volunteers contributing to our events and cause.

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)	Somnath Mitra	Soumitra Roy
Position (eg chair, etc)	Trustee	Trustee
Date	25.10.2023.	



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name Sanskriti (Reading)
On accounts for the year ended	31/12/2022
Set out on pages	See account submission CC16a

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022.

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

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under s145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under s145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

Signed:		Date:	26 th October 2023
Name:	Gerald Gurriet		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	Association of International Accountants		
Address:	Venusia Ltd		
	London, SW19 4BJ		
	Apt 316 Wimbledon Central, 21 – 33 Worple Road		

Disclosure section

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

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

Charity Name <i>Sanskriti (Reading)</i>	No (if any) <i>1192984</i>
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Receipts and payments accounts

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for the period	Period start date <i>01/01/2022</i>	To	Period end date <i>31/12/2022</i>
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Charity Name

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					
<i>See separate account submission</i>			-		
			-		
			-		
			-		
			-		
			-		
Sub total			-		
A2 Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-			-
Total receipts					

A3 Payments

Sub total					

A4 Asset and investment purchases, etc.		-	-		
Total payments			-		
Net of receipts/(payments)			-		
A5 Transfers Between Funds			-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end			-		
Cash funds this year end		-	-		

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	<i>See separate account submission.</i>		-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds		-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
B2 Other monetary assets			-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	
			-	-
B5 Liabilities		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	

**Signed (on behalf of all
the trustees)**



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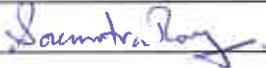
	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donation from Members for Saraswati Puja	50	-	-	50	110
Membership Fees	1,225	-	-	1,225	945
Donation from Members for Bengali New Year Day celebration	460	-	-	460	-
Donation from Members for Cultural Programme	1,360	-	-	1,360	-
Donation from Members for Kali Puja	11,324	-	-	11,324	8,088
Donation from Members for Organization Meetings	288	-	-	288	-
Donation from Non-members for Saraswati Puja	449	-	-	449	-
Donation from Non-members for Cultural Programme	7,782	-	-	7,782	-
Donation from Non-members for Kali Puja	5,700	-	-	5,700	3,740
Sponsorship for Saraswati Puja	12	-	-	12	-
Sponsorship for Cultural Programme	1,550	-	-	1,550	-
Sponsorship for Charity	150	-	-	150	-
Sponsorship for Kali Puja	105	-	-	105	500
Collection from Charity Stall	298	-	-	298	249
Gift Aid from HMRC	344	-	-	344	1,415
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	31,097	-	-	31,097	15,047
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	31,097	-	-	31,097	15,047

A3 Payments

Donation to UK based Charity KANKHAL MEDICAL AID	500	-	-	500	110
Donation to India based Charity SWADHINA	940	-	-	940	-
Hall Hire for Saraswati Puja	168	-	-	168	-
Saraswati Puja Expenses	121	-	-	121	-
Saraswati Puja food material purchase	31	-	-	31	-
Saraswati Puja Cultural Programme	50	-	-	50	-
Saraswati Puja kitchen material purchase	24	-	-	24	-
Hall Hire for Annual General Meeting	185	-	-	185	-
Annual General Meeting food expenses	313	-	-	313	-
Bengali New Year Day celebration - food	831	-	-	831	-
Hall Hire for Organization Meeting	270	-	-	270	-
Food Expenses for Organization Meeting	261	-	-	261	-
Hall Hire for Kali Puja	8,750	-	-	8,750	2,800
Kali Puja Expenses	318	-	-	318	674
Kali Puja food material purchase	2,697	-	-	2,697	2,986
Kali Puja utensils hire	519	-	-	519	-
Cultural programme artist expenses	2,500	-	-	2,500	450
Air ticket & Visa Expenses for Cultural programme	5,603	-	-	5,603	-
Hall Hire Expenses for Cultural Programme	1,955	1	-	1,955	25/10/2023

Food Expenses for Cultural Programme	1,485	-	-	1,485	-
Sound system & other expenses for Cultural programme	771	-	-	771	-
Security expenses	-	-	-	-	403
Kali Puja Stage & Table/Chair Hire	331	-	-	331	-
Decoration expenses	477	-	-	477	417
Kali Puja Sound System Hire	40	-	-	40	-
Van hire cost	500	-	-	500	365
Charity stall food material purchase	-	-	-	-	62
Helper expenses	1,280	-	-	1,280	650
Card reader purchase	-	-	-	-	161
Miscellaneous expenses	482	-	-	482	12
Public Liability Insurance	259	-	-	259	247
Web Page Maintenance cost	144	-	-	144	14
Charity Application expenses	-	-	-	-	602
Bank charges	215	-	-	215	5
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	32,020	-	-	32,020	9,958
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	32,020	-	-	32,020	9,958
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 922	-	-	- 922	5,089
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	34,225	-	-	34,225	29,136
Cash funds this year end	33,302	-	-	33,302	34,225

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Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Deposited in Bank	33,224	-	-
	Cash in hand	78	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds (agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	33,302	-	-
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			Soumitra Roy	25/10/2023



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