



Charity Name  
CALCUTTA RESCUE FUND Reg no 290917

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290917

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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	6th Apr 2022	To	5th Apr 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 £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
General donations	158,943	-	-	158,943	146,089
Donations to Kolkata Covid Challenge	-	-	-	-	115,000
Donations for other specific CRK projects	-	51,271	-	51,271	39,499
Donations towards meeting costs	-	90	-	90	70
Bank interest receivable	481	-	-	481	11
Estate of Ronald Frisby	53,313	-	-	53,313	-
Sales of books	232	-	-	232	337
Payments for International Meeting 2023	-	2,704	-	2,704	-
Sales of handicrafts (CRF stock)	-	1,224	-	1,224	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>212,949</b>	<b>55,289</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>268,238</b>	<b>301,005</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>212,949</b>	<b>55,289</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>268,238</b>	<b>301,005</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Transfer of general funds to CRKolkata	210,612	-	-	210,612	90,944
Transfer of funds for Kolkata Covid Challenge	-	-	-	-	115,000
Transfers to CRK for specific projects	-	46,788	-	46,788	34,083
Transfer to CRK - payment for handicrafts bought by CRF	-	995	-	995	1,358
Costs of selling handicrafts from CRF stock	-	128	-	128	-
Medical equipment sent to CRK	-	-	-	-	569
Costs of International Meeting 2023	-	378	-	378	-
Sponsorship of Global Health Volunteer	2,100	-	-	2,100	-
UK admin & fundraising costs	801	306	-	1,107	806
Bank charges	172	-	-	172	199
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>213,684</b>	<b>48,594</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>262,278</b>	<b>242,958</b>
<b>A4 Asset &amp; investment purchases</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>213,684</b>	<b>48,594</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>262,278</b>	<b>242,958</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 735</b>	<b>6,694</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,960</b>	<b>58,047</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>266,309</b>	<b>5,632</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>271,941</b>	<b>213,895</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>265,574</b>	<b>12,326</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>277,901</b>	<b>271,942</b>



## 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	Cash at banks - general fund	265,574	-	-
	Cash at banks - restricted donations for	-	10,000	-
	Cash at banks - advance payments for International Meeting May 2023	-	2,326	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>265,574</b>	<b>12,326</b>	<b>-</b>

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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

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

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

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

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

*James Ian Davis*  
*AR James*

J. KERR - DAVIS  
Anthony Robin James

4.11.23  
4.11.23

10/26/2023





## **Calcutta Rescue Fund UK (CRF)**

### **Chair's Annual Report for the financial year 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022 – 5<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

Charity registration number: 290917

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#### **Fundraising in the UK**

This financial year was much calmer as the Covid-19 pandemic receded and life returned to a steadier pace. However, Calcutta Rescue Fund (CRF) had another busy year.

In the 12 months preceding 6<sup>th</sup> April 2023, CRF had a total income of £268,238. We received £210,214 in donations for unrestricted and restricted projects, and in addition we received a legacy of £53,313 from a long-term supporter. We sent a total of £258,395 to Calcutta Rescue (Kolkata), of which £210,612 was for the charity's general funding, £46,788 for the funding of specific projects, and £995 in payment for handicrafts.

Much of CRF's funding comes from individual donors, both from one-off donations and from regular monthly giving. There was also, once again, some impressive fundraising by individual supporters. Several loyal trust funds continue to support CRF's work.

CRF's significant fundraising event of the year was in September 2022 when we held our annual sponsored walk along the Thames Path in memory of CRF supporter Kavi Varsani who died from coronavirus in 2020. Thirty five people took part and around £11,000 was raised.

CRF's British Indian Group continued to be active in fundraising and spreading the word about CR amongst the UK Indian community, especially during the puja season. More links were made with Indian and Bengali associations and the number of active members of the British Indian Group continues to grow.

We remain extremely grateful for the continued generosity of our donors and fundraisers, both new and longstanding, who enable us to carry on contributing significant financial support towards the work in Kolkata.

### **The work in Kolkata**

In Kolkata, as the pandemic receded, the Calcutta Rescue (CR) team were again able to concentrate on the core activities of providing healthcare, education and improved living standards in the slum areas of the city. There have been several new initiatives including a new health education outreach team; a new clinic opened to serve the slum in the Tangra district of the city; and a cervical screening programme is up and running. More toilets, washing areas and drinking water have been provided in consultation with residents of the slum areas and new robust brick houses are being built in Dakshineswar slum.

In the education centres CR's school students have achieved outstanding exam results and a new initiative is offering students life skills and vocational training. CR has also been working hard to strengthen its administrative systems and build its IT capacity.

Full details of the work in Kolkata are available in the annual report:  
[calcuttarescue.org/resources/](http://calcuttarescue.org/resources/)

### **UK Volunteers in Kolkata**

As Covid restrictions were lifted volunteers began to return to Kolkata. From the UK Dr Moona Banerjee volunteered for three months and focused on women's health screening. Dr Juliet Evans also worked with the medical team, she was there for 10 months with her husband, Edward Blake, who worked with the management and accountancy teams. Members of the international support groups with appropriate professional skills have continued to contribute help and advice via regular online meetings.

### **Communication**

Close contact has been maintained with CR's team in Kolkata. Several trustees and UK supporters visited Kolkata this year to see the charity's projects and to meet with the management team, the governing council and staff.

We have also kept up our links with CR's other international support groups. After a two-year gap, an in-person international meeting, involving people from all support groups and some of the team from Kolkata, took place in Zurich in June 2022. A significant outcome of this meeting was CR's clear commitment to reduce its carbon footprint in all the projects in Kolkata and in the work done by the support groups and to focus more on the WHO sustainable development goals.

CRF has produced two excellent newsletters for its UK supporters during the year; these have been distributed by post (many thanks to the sponsor who paid for the

printing and posting) and by email. CRF's Facebook page is regularly updated with news.

### **Administration and governance**

CRF continues to review its GDPR, safeguarding and risk policies.

Committee meetings have continued at two-monthly intervals, either in person or online.

The charity is careful to keep administration costs as low as possible and trustees always cover their own expenses.

Our AGM in November 2022 was well-attended and included a presentation from CR's CEO, Jaydeep Chakraborty. At the AGM we welcomed Tapash Muckerjee and Nilay Syam as trustees. Long-serving trustee Pamela Wynn stood down from the committee. Her dedication to the setting up and support of CR's handicraft project was marked by the renaming of the charity's handicraft centre after Pamela.

### **Conclusion**

CRF is run entirely by volunteers who give time and energy to enable the charity to continue to raise money for the vital work in Kolkata. Keeping CRF going is a wide-ranging task which covers fundraising, administration, governance, networking and other activities. Many thanks go to those who contribute their time and skills so generously.

We know that the CR team in Kolkata is strong and dedicated. Here in the UK we are determined to help them as much as possible as the charity does its utmost to improve the health, education and life chances of the people it works with.

Penny Nettelfield  
Chair, Calcutta Rescue Fund UK  
4<sup>th</sup> November 2023





**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

**Report to the trustees**

Charity Name

Calcutta Rescue Fund

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

5 April 2023

**Charity no  
(if any)**

290917

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **05/04/2023**.

**Responsibilities and  
basis of report**

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

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

**Independent  
examiner's statement**

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales (ICAEW).

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

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

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

**Signed:**

**Date:**

26.10.2023

**Name:**

Ruth Catty

**Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body :**

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**Section B****Disclosure**

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

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

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