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**FROM THE
ASIAN AID
TEAM**



Thank
YOU

Another year has gone by, and you will see within these pages the fruit of your support that you, our donors, partners and well-wishers, have given us. You have given hope to more children, families and communities. We appreciate you and all that you do. Thank you.



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NEPAL

Despite continued program disruptions from COVID-19 through this past year, our partners in Nepal were able to make the most of the circumstances and ensure meaningful education and health-focused outcomes for children and their families.



INDIA

Our child-focused development programs have continued to support hundreds of children and young adults across India to become active representatives in their community.



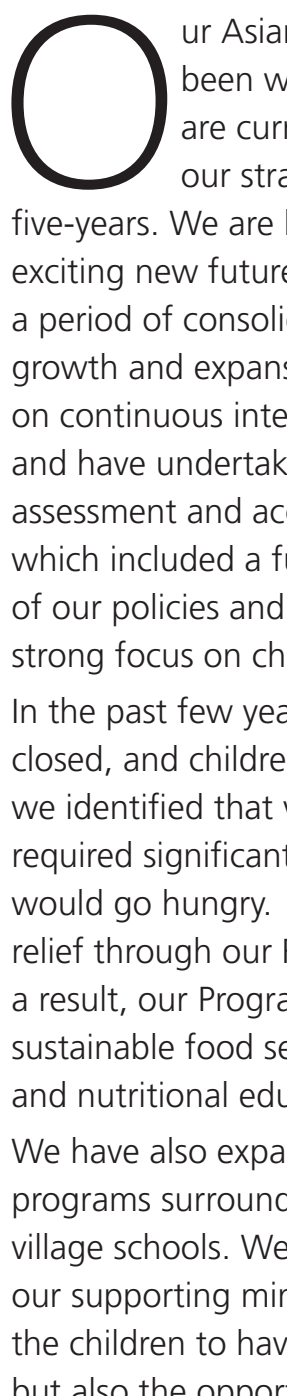
BANGLADESH

Expanding our child-focused development programs to three new Adventist village schools has seen exciting growth in these schools and surrounding communities, despite the challenges of the past year.



LETTER FROM OUR
CHAIRMAN
COLIN RAYMOND

As I enter my third year as Chairman, I am delighted to announce that our sponsored children are back in school, and programs are back up and running at full capacity in India, Bangladesh, and Nepal in this reporting period (2021-2022).



Our Asian Aid team have been working hard and are currently developing our strategy for the next five-years. We are looking towards an exciting new future as we move from a period of consolidation towards growth and expansion. We are working on continuous internal improvement and have undertaken our third self-assessment and accreditation with ACFID which included a full review and update of our policies and procedures with a strong focus on child safeguarding. In the past few years, when schools closed, and children returned home; we identified that vulnerable families required significant food relief or they would go hungry. We provided this relief through our Family Food Fund. As a result, our Programs now incorporate sustainable food security opportunities and nutritional education for parents. We have also expanded our community programs surrounding our Adventist village schools. We continue to focus on our supporting ministry role, wanting the children to have access to education but also the opportunity to meet Jesus. For "there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven, that has been given among men, by which we must be saved." Acts 4:12. We are looking at expanding our water and agriculture program to other Adventist schools in Bangladesh. We are growing these programs to create sustainable outcomes for our

communities around our Adventist schools and to also achieve our goal of meeting best practice to align with our ACFID obligations.

During the year, we re-launched our Women's Health program in remote Nepal. Whilst the identification and treatment of prolapse remains a priority we have successfully expanded the health camps to include other women's health issues including cervical cancer screening. This program has already achieved some amazing results and we are looking forward to its continued growth.

I would like to express my sincerest appreciation to my fellow directors, management, team members and Partners. I would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Kerry Patrick who will be retiring this year after 34 years of service. I am sure you will join me in congratulating her on such a milestone and wish her the best in her endeavours.

We are deeply grateful to you our donors and sponsors for your continued support. You enable us to make positive, meaningful change in the lives of vulnerable children, their families, and communities. Thank you for giving them hope not only today but for future generations to come.

Blessings,

Colin





WHO WE ARE

As a Child-Focused Organisation, **we aim to strengthen the capacity of families and communities to protect, nurture and support** their children and young people as they grow and develop.

OUR VISION

All children, families and their communities are empowered, protected and have full access to their rights.

OUR MISSION

To enable children, their families and communities to reach their God-given potential, through child-focused programs that foster sustainable positive change.

OUR APPROACH



HOLISTIC



RIGHTS-BASED



CHILD-FOCUSED

AT ASIAN AID, WE VALUE

Jesus: in His love for others, in His compassion for the poor and in His example of giving.

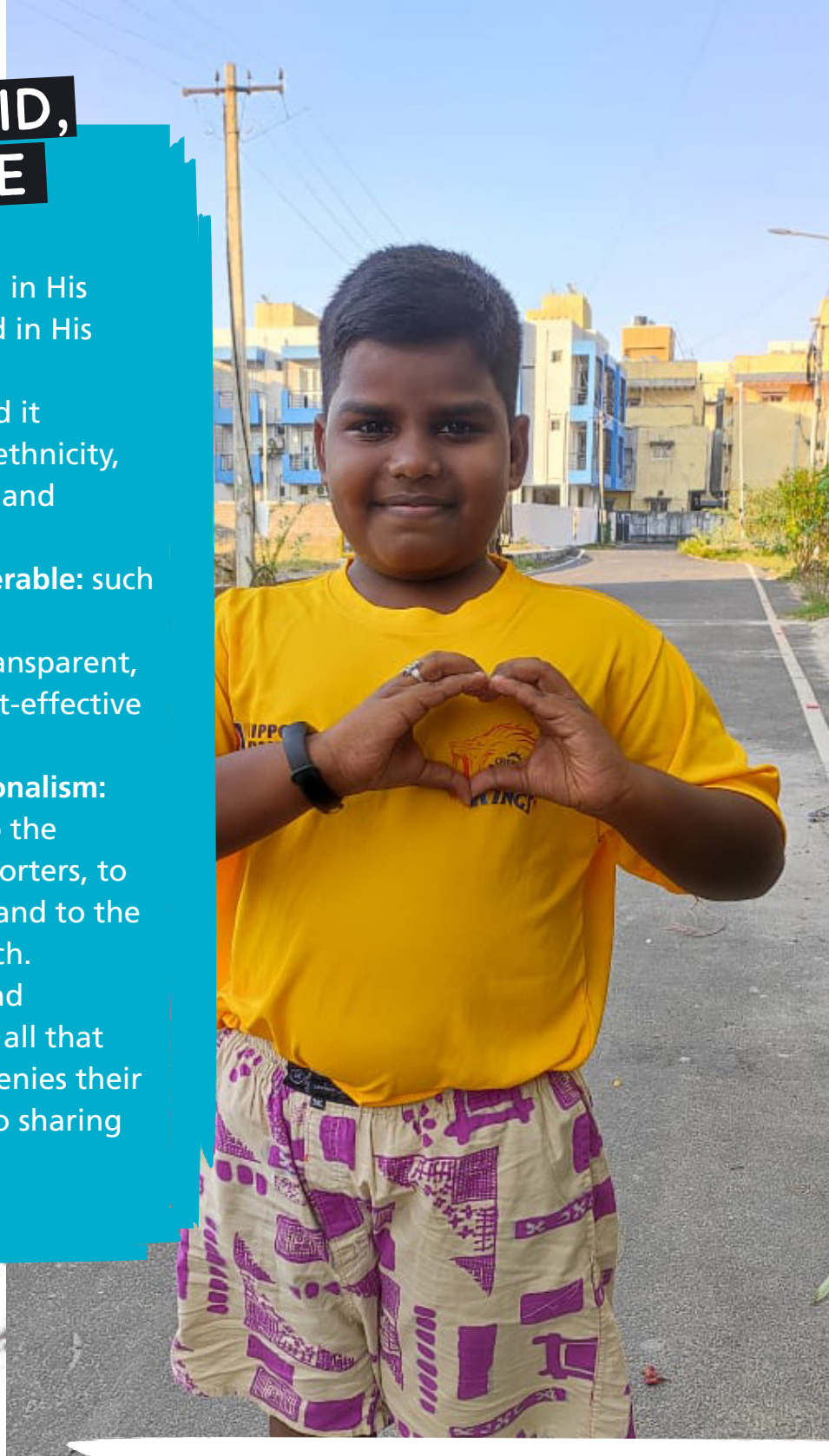
People: helping all who need it regardless of their religion, ethnicity, disability, culture or gender, and empowering the poor.

The rights of the most vulnerable: such as children and women.

Good stewardship: being transparent, accountable, honest and cost-effective in all our dealings.

Accountability and professionalism: being responsible to God, to the people we help, to our supporters, to the Australian Government and to the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Service: opposing poverty and social injustice, condemning all that impoverishes children and denies their potential, and committing to sharing resources with the poor.



INDIA
NEPAL
BANGLADESH

“At present, we work with **SIX PARTNERS ACROSS THREE COUNTRIES** in South Asia.”

OUR KEY PROGRAMS

WOMEN'S *Health* **CLINICS** **REMOTE - NEPAL**

Some women do not have access to medical care where they live. We work with our in-country Partner and the Adventist hospital in Nepal to send medical clinics to remote areas for women's health issues.



SPECIAL NEEDS **SCHOOLS** **INDIA**

Our Special Needs Schools help children who may otherwise miss the opportunity to be educated and receive the help they deserve and hope for their futures.



EDUCATION **BANGLADESH - INDIA - NEPAL**

We provide educational support for children who may otherwise have not had the opportunity to attend school.





WATER & RURAL DEVELOPMENT

PHASE 2 NORTHERN BANGLADESH

This program provides sustainable water and food sources for our Adventist school, as well as irrigation and improved crop production for the surrounding communities.

Communities with **ADVENTIST SCHOOLS**

RURAL – INDIA BANGLADESH

Through this program we work to improve the quality of life for children that attend our schools as well as their families and communities.



FAMILY FOOD FUND

BANGLADESH - INDIA - NEPAL

We had an urgent need to provide food relief for our children and their families that had returned home during COVID-19. Moving forward, we have incorporated tools to improve nutritional outcomes for children and their families.

Asian Aid partners with six Adventist and like-minded partner organisations across South Asia, to deliver child-focused programs that foster sustainable positive change. **In the reporting year 2021-2022, these partners sponsored 3,543 children and implemented 11 community projects in three countries.** We are immensely thankful for their exemplary commitment, professionalism and determination shown through ever-changing circumstances.

IMPACT

NEPAL



593 CHILDREN SPONSORED



- 1 child-focused community project implemented
- 210 girls engaged as members of child clubs
- 976 families provided with kitchen gardens
- 2,397 women treated through reproductive health camps
- 1,826 women scanned for cervical cancer
- 234 women treated for Pelvic Organ Prolapse (POP)
- 357 menstrual huts (chhaupadi) destroyed/abandoned

CHILD-FOCUSED OUTCOME #1:

Children access quality education, and can read, write and use numeracy skills

CHILD-FOCUSED OUTCOME #2:

Children and their parents/caregivers access essential maternal and reproductive healthcare services

“There is water scarcity in the village, and they (sponsored child and family) did not plant regularly in their kitchen garden. After the family knew the importance of kitchen gardens and ways of managing wastewater produced from the home, they now plant their kitchen garden regularly.” - Sumesh (project manager)



A joint report released from UNICEF and Save the Children estimated that the number of children living in poverty in Nepal grew from 1.3 million children pre-pandemic to 7 million by late 2020 as a result of repeated economic lockdowns.*



In response to the repeated surge in COVID-19 cases through April and May in 2021, our partners in Nepal, in coordination with remote government health agencies, continued to provide essential food packages and financial relief transfers to ensure children and their families had access to basic supplies through extended lockdowns. In line with this response, our partners combined direct COVID relief efforts with long-term food provision programs. Sponsored children, their families and community members were supported through the establishment of household kitchen gardens, comprising of a variety of vegetables, medicinal and aromatic plants, and fruit trees to ensure improved nutrition for sponsored children and their families, plus contributing to an overall increase in household income. Throughout Nepal, children without the

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required learning resources for school attendance (and learning from home) are at higher risk for leaving school, increasing their vulnerability and exposure to abuse including forced labour and child marriage. To support the regular costs of school stationery and learning supplies, sponsored children engaged through

our child-focused development program received chickens and training on animal husbandry, to support the nutritional needs of their family and to raise and utilise chickens as an income generation option through the sale of offspring and eggs produced. Sponsored children supported through our Adventist children's homes, participated in youth-led awareness programs, helping them to learn about the

different dimensions of human trafficking and its prevention.

*Reference Press Release by UNICEF, Save the Children (September 2020). [online] Available at: [unicef.org/nepal/press-releases/150-million-additional-children-plunged-poverty-due-covid-19-unicef-save-children](https://www.unicef.org/nepal/press-releases/150-million-additional-children-plunged-poverty-due-covid-19-unicef-save-children)



“In line with scheduled program expenditure, Asian Aid provided an additional **\$35,000AUD** towards targeted COVID-19 response initiatives in Nepal.”

Children were selected to facilitate the programs, some of whom had once been the victims of trafficking themselves. These children were given training in public speaking skills and knowledge about the issues to equip them to facilitate the programs effectively. Senior sponsored children also participated in scheduled career counselling, equipping them with the knowledge to make clear decisions on their prospects and future employment opportunities.

The recommencement of our Women's Health Program in September 2021 ensured essential reproductive healthcare services were made available to more than 2,000 women in the reporting period. Services included diagnosis, treatment and surgical procedures for women affected by Pelvic Organ Prolapse (POP), scanning and treatment for cervical cancer, and diagnosis and treatment for prevalent pelvic inflammatory conditions. Supporting reproductive health awareness programs were conducted for senior high school students

(focusing on adolescent females), teaching staff and community health workers.

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NEPAL

STORY OF CHANGE 2022

RAJESH

Rajesh has been sponsored by Asian Aid from nursery till Grade 10 today, and he is grateful because without this support, his family and he could never even imagine him getting an education.

Rajesh's father left his mother right after his younger sister was born. There was nobody to help them, so, determined to provide a good life for her children, his mother brought them to Kathmandu, Nepal. She found work as a housemaid in a small business, and one of our Adventist schools took the children in and supported the children's education through Asian Aid. Rajesh lived a disciplined life, attending classes regularly, greatly enjoying the regular sports and other extracurricular activities and was always thankful for the opportunities afforded to him by the school.

But as the COVID pandemic started, his family suffered a lot. The lockdown period was very hard on them. Everything was closed, his mother lost her job, and they were confined to a room. Through Asian Aid's food relief fund, Rajesh's family was able to put food on the table and manage their basic essential needs. The school even paid the rent for their room for some time.

“School reopening was a moment of joy – and relief – for Rajesh. The return of structure, routine and a purpose was very freeing.”

But his education was hampered.

“The room we live in did not have internet service so I missed many of my important classes,” recalls Rajesh. “I would run to my friends' houses to attend online classes, but I could not do that regularly because of the

lockdown, so I had a very hard time catching up with my studies. They were very difficult times, I missed my school and friends and the activities.”

School reopening was a moment of joy - and relief - for Rajesh. The return of structure, routine and a purpose was very freeing. He plunged into preparing to finish his course and preparing for his final examination.

“I have prepared myself and I will try to do my best in these final exams,” he vows. “Adventist education is very important for me - together with the course book I have been learning about God through the morning assembly where we have a prayer there. I am also learning the value of a healthy body and mind - and I thank you for your support.”



IMPACT

INDIA

1904 CHILDREN SPONSORED



- 3 child-focused community projects implemented
- 100 young adults awarded with tertiary-level qualifications
- 174 children provided with after-school tuition
- 53 children engaged through sports programs
- 108 women engaged through livelihood programs
- 60 people engaged in self-help groups

CHILD-FOCUSED OUTCOME #1:

Children access quality education, and can read, write and use numeracy skills

CHILD-FOCUSED OUTCOME #2:

Parents/caregivers and adolescents are ready for and accessing economic opportunities

CHILD-FOCUSED OUTCOME #3:

Children are protected from exploitation and trafficking

“My own family spoke wrongly of me for attending classes and did not respect me. Now, as they see my growth, they come to me with clothes to stitch. I am able to walk confidently knowing that I am doing something useful with my life.”
- Kousalya (livelihood program graduate)



Our child-focused development programs have continued to support hundreds of children and young adults across India to become active representatives in their community.

a key component of both the sports and after-school tuition programs, and ensured sponsored children were engaged to develop their individual personality, reduce their emotional stress, and enhance social and academic skills. Through play-based activities,

sponsored children were given regular opportunities to practise making decisions, encouraging them to ask more questions, and teaching them key steps to making decisions, asking what decisions are to be made, why is it important to make these decisions, and learning to evaluate the options before choosing the best one.

In line with our partner focus on reducing the prevalence of human trafficking, partner staff,

community members and senior sponsored children participated in the annual cross-country Mukthi Bike Challenge. The annual event is a bike rally wherein participants travel through known routes and 'hot spots' used by human traffickers, and conduct awareness sessions and programs in city centres, schools and institutions. Participating sponsored children supported the event through distributing flyers on indicators of child abuse and support services available and performing in street plays, highlighting strategies used by human traffickers to community members.

“Life skills training remained a key component of both the sports and after-school tuition programs, and ensured sponsored children were engaged to develop their individual personality, reduce their emotional stress, and enhance social and academic skills.”

Through consistent donor engagement this past year, our partners were able to ensure support for 381 young adults through their chosen tertiary-level courses, and further celebrated 100 student graduates successfully completing degrees in the fields of nursing, engineering, business administration, communications, dentistry, information technology and theology.

Through our regular community sports and after-school tuition programs, sponsored children and their peers received sports equipment, daily nutrition packs, coaching services, and involvement in local and state-level competitions. Life skills training remained



“Our partners’ response included the provision of ‘back-to-school’ kits for sponsored children.”

In response to the repeated surge in COVID-19 cases through April and May in 2021, the COVID-19 relief response coordinated by local governments across India included food relief provisions and financial support for affected households.

In line with these provisions, our partners in India looked to address the continued economic burden experienced by sponsored children and their families by choosing to direct support towards building resilience within families. Our partners’ response included the provision of ‘back-to-school’ kits for sponsored children and provision of livelihood program supplies to ensure income generation support for families (including tailoring equipment and materials). Where required, our partners continued to provide essential food packages and financial relief transfers for families with additional needs.

A key component of our child-focused development programs in India is to see parents and caregivers of sponsored children ready for and accessing economic opportunities. Women engaged through our livelihood program received

training on financial literacy, including managing their accounts and pricing their products, and were engaged in exposure visits to wholesale

stores where they were trained on how to source high-quality materials for their goods. Through this past year, the women and men’s self-help groups created through our partner program, successfully established themselves independently and are now working together to solve issues and concerns within their own families and the wider community. As a result of the financial literacy training provided, parents and caregivers involved in the self-help groups have now established collective savings accounts to draw on for loans as required, and to access in the case of emergencies. Meaningful employment remains a concern for the families of sponsored children within our program communities, and as such will continue to be a key focus and measured outcome of our child-focused development programs.

In line with scheduled program expenditure, Asian Aid provided an additional \$23,186AUD towards targeted COVID-19 response initiatives in India.



INDIA

STORY OF CHANGE 2022

SHARANYA

One of the best and most effective ways of handling, tackling and embarking on poverty elimination in urban slums is through providing sustainable livelihood opportunities, and we have been engaging women for many years to actively participate in skills training and micro enterprises, paving the way for economic growth.

One of the newer programs that is gaining momentum is our three-month Cloud Kitchen program which includes teaching different cuisines, nutrition, packaging, distribution as well as marketing and financial management skills. In addition we also impart life skills to empower these women to be complete professionals and entrepreneurs. Post training, the women will be assisted to connect with hostels, hotels, cloud kitchens and schools to sell the food prepared by them.

For Sharanya, whose passion has always been cooking, this program launched in her community has given her a glimpse of hope for her future. Her family has been struggling financially even more since her parents passed away a few years ago and heightened since the pandemic. Her elder sister is a widow, and they

have only one small income from a shop.

She initially attended two classes and learned a couple of dishes. "I decided that I can use these classes to develop my passion, and make use of each and every second," she says

happily. "After the course ends I am going to start a baking business along with my sister through which I can support my family."

"Not only have I learnt different skills in cooking, I have also experienced team work and healthy friendships," says

Geetha, another lady in the current program. "I am looking forward to saving enough to start my own shop and make the best use of this new opportunity."

This project will have a positive effect on women's self-esteem and their economic security, and their overall quality of life.

“Post training, the women will be assisted to tie-up with hostels, hotels, cloud kitchens and schools to sell the food prepared by them.”

IMPACT

BANGLADESH



1046 CHILDREN SPONSORED

- 7 child-focused community projects implemented
- 1073 people engaged through livelihood programs
- 60 people engaged through self-help groups
- 100 women engaged in goat husbandry
- 525 children received a mosquito net
- 966 people attended health and hygiene seminars and camps
- 1772 people joined in Child Rights Awareness Seminars
- 2459 people received trees to grow

CHILD-FOCUSED OUTCOME #1:

Children access quality education, and can read, write and use numeracy skills

CHILD-FOCUSED OUTCOME #2:

Parents/caregivers and adolescents are ready for and accessing economic opportunities



“I want to convey my gratitude to the Asian Aid donors, because they are working for the development of the community people.” - Abdulla (kindergarten)



IMPACT BANGLADESH

Throughout the many challenges of this year, our partner in Bangladesh has continued to support sponsored children and their families, to ensure sustainable growth within their communities.



Recording one of the world's longest lockdowns totalling 18 months schools across Bangladesh were finally able to reopen in September 2021.

During the extended lockdown period, our partner continued to provide food packages, financial relief transfers for those who lived remotely, welfare checks on sponsored children and remote learning support. When lockdowns lifted, partner efforts focused on ensuring every child returned to school.

Our Water, Health and Economic Development Project (WHED) in the North of Bangladesh has continued to ensure community members have access to a reliable, clean water supply. This

provision has ensured people can grow crops throughout the year, rather than remaining reliant on seasonal rain. Through trainings held on farming techniques and practices, community members learnt how to diversify their crops. The resulting increase in the quantity and variety of crops being grown ensured community members are now enjoying greater food security, improved health outcomes with regular access to a broad variety of foods, and an increase to household incomes with the ability to sell their produce through local markets. Additionally, the continued growth of self-help groups and livelihood training programs have also enabled families to improve their financial resilience.



“Expanding our child-focused development programs to three new Adventist village schools has seen exciting growth in these schools and surrounding communities.”

Child-focused development programs in our Adventist village schools, continued to ensure sponsored children and their families remained engaged in regular programs to support their overall well-being, including sports programs, medical health camps and health and hygiene seminars. These regular activities continue to improve health outcomes for the community. Sponsored children and their classmates also had the opportunity to engage and participate through child clubs. There are programs where club members can take initiative to identify needs in their community and determine solutions together. Our partner highlighted the initiative taken by one child club which pooled their collective savings to purchase four blankets for four women in need within their community. Child clubs such as these give children the opportunity to grow their leadership skills, and to experience the blessing it is to give to others.

Expanding our child-focused development programs to three new Adventist village schools has seen exciting growth in these schools and

surrounding communities. Training teachers, enhancing learning facilities and providing educational resources has helped to improve these schools and ensure they are providing quality, faith-

based education. Members of the surrounding communities have been able to increase their household incomes through livelihood trainings on growing vegetables, raising goats, ducks and chickens, and tailoring. Families engaged through these trainings will soon have the financial capacity to support their children's education, which will in turn support the sustainability of the school, benefitting generations of children to come.

As the prevalence of the pandemic continues to force our partner programs to adapt to new and demanding contexts, Asian Aid is proud of the work being implemented by our partner staff on behalf of children, families and community members across South Asia.

In line with scheduled program expenditure, Asian Aid provided an additional \$3,572AUD towards targeted COVID-19 response initiatives in Bangladesh.



BANGLADESH

STORY OF CHANGE 2022

SMITA

Smita is a ten-year-old girl who lives in Southern Bangladesh with her parents and two younger brothers.

They have a house made of wood and tin shed, and her father is a farmer who does odd jobs to make ends meet. Smita and her brother Joshio have been studying at one of our Adventist schools for the past four years.

Smita and her family are a prime example of how holistic support and assistance can change the future of not just one child, but a family. Not only does Smita receive sound Adventist education and is laying a strong foundation academically, her family is benefiting from various programs and activities that are changing their lifestyle and mindsets.

The children have gained immensely from the school's food program, while families have

learnt a lot from the tree plantation activities and health and child rights awareness activities.

The distribution of food relief packages, vegetable seeds, and paddy seeds, ensured their food security during the hard times. Smita's mother was also part of the livelihood training on gardening – her mother takes care of their paddy field and is able to earn additional income. Smita has made a small garden at home, where she grows tomatoes, brinjal, and pumpkins.

"The education I receive is much better than any other school in this village," says Smita. "Our teachers are very kind not just with students, but with our parents and community also. My whole family is moving forward, and we are very blessed."

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OUR PEOPLE





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KERRY PATRICK

34 YEARS OF SERVICE

After 34 years of service, Kerry Patrick our Manager of Supporter Services and Company Secretary is retiring this year. Much-loved in the Asian Aid community, Kerry will be missed by all.

We look forward to celebrating with Kerry as she enters a new phase of life, spending more time with her children and grandchildren. The Board and team want to extend our heartfelt thanks for her amazing contribution to Asian Aid. We will be making a special dedication to Kerry in recognition of a lifetime of Service at our AGM.

To honour this wonderful achievement, we asked Kerry to reflect on how her Asian Aid journey began and how it became her passion.

This is her story....

Asian Aid has been such a large part of my life. As a young Mum in

Cooranbong, in the late 1970's, I would go around to Helen Eager's home where she was selling material as a Fundraiser for Sunshine Orphanage.

I would be choosing fabric to make into dresses for my daughters while Helen would tell me the most fascinating stories about the kids and their needs. Sometimes, as a family, we would support the fund raising by attending a Harvest Festival Auction or International Food night.

“Through reconnecting with Helen, we started our own Asian Aid sponsorship journey when we chose to sponsor two Indian girls Sherly and Shakila.”

Our family moved to Pappinbarra, near Wauchope, in 1985, and we met up with Helen again. Her family had relocated to the area

just the year before. Through reconnecting with Helen, we started our own Asian Aid sponsorship journey when we chose to sponsor two Indian girls Sherly and Shakila.

Helen was managing Asian Aid from a small room in her home, that was powered by solar panels and a generator, and surrounded by State Forest. Once every three months, at newsletter time, she had a group of faithful volunteers come and help with the mail out, as the

KERRYIN IN INDIA - 1998



“Each year Helen would travel overseas to visit the children and in August 1998, I had the privilege of joining her, travelling to India for my first time.”

newsletters were sent to every part of Australia and New Zealand, and to various international addresses also. My girls and I loved being involved with other helpers from our local church. Newsletter day was such a fun day.

In 1988 Helen asked if I would be interested in helping her with the Asian Aid office tasks one day a week. This became more regular over the next few years, as I continued working on a part-time basis while homeschooling my daughters.

Asian Aid and I learned computers together. Helen and I would share the database as it was only available to one person at a time. So different to today's programs. Some weekends I would join with Helen to visit a church to share about the work we were doing. I remember sitting in awe at the stories she told of the children whose lives had been transformed.

In 1996, Norm Long, as Chairman of Asian Aid, asked me to become Company Secretary. I accepted this position as my daughters were now both studying at Avondale College, and



**KERRYIN AND HELEN EAGER
AT NURSES GRAD IN INDIA - 1998**

I had more time to devote to this Ministry which by now had become my passion. I loved working with Helen, and I loved knowing we were making a real difference in kids' lives.

Each year Helen would travel overseas to visit the children and in

August 1998, I had the privilege of joining her, travelling to India for my first time. I remember arriving in Mumbai at midnight in 31-degree temperature, feeling the heat for the first time, and experiencing the traffic, the smells, and the noise. It was a little overwhelming.

KERRYIN WITH KIDS IN INDIA IN 2012





**KERRY DOUGHIN
IT RIGHT AT
AN ASIAN AID
STAFF TEAM
BUILDING DAY**

**KERRY AT THE AGM IN HER ROLE AS
COMPANY SECRETARY, ALONG WITH BOARD
CHAIRMAN COLIN RAYMOND**

We spent three weeks travelling via bus or train, often overnight and then visiting three or four schools during the day.

Our first day in India meant a 5-hour train trip from Mumbai to Surat, for the graduation Ceremony of eight Asian Aid sponsored nurses at Surat SDA Hospital. We felt very proud of them, knowing the challenges that they had faced to reach this milestone. It was lovely to see their smiling faces. After a weekend of graduation celebrations, we returned to Mumbai and then travelled on to Pune, and Spicer College. We met so many students with stories of how Asian Aid had given them opportunity to do something really special. In Pune, we also met Dorothy and Ron Watts, who founded Sunshine Orphanage. While at their home

we picked and feasted on fresh guavas from their tree. This was such a treat after several days of avoiding anything that had not been cooked and eating only curry and rice. We also met with Church officials and led-out in worship at the Union Office.

We travelled on to Bangalore where we visited several of the schools and homes we supported and met so many sponsored children. I also got the opportunity to have a supervised visit to meet my sponsored child, Sherly Thomas. It was an amazing experience.

On this whirlwind trip I visited

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many schools. Some with only 25 or 30 students, some with six or

seven hundred students. I

got to see the beginnings of both our special schools and probably met over a thousand Asian Aid students. On my first day back in the office on

my return, I answered the phone and a donor was asking about her sponsored child. To my surprise and joy, I was able to say to her that I had met her child. It was then that I knew the full impact of my experience. While I could not say to every sponsor that I knew their child, I could say to hundreds of sponsors that I had been to the school where their child was studying. I had seen many students whose lives had been changed by sponsorship. I knew first-hand the

difference Asian Aid was making.

In 2001, Helen and I were sponsored by a supporter from America to travel to the USA to represent Asian Aid at the ASI Conference. It was wonderful to meet with so many fellow Lay Adventists from different parts of the world, who had such a variety of ministries.

By 2004, we realised that Asian Aid was growing significantly and needed to be close to regular services like bank and post office. The move was made from Helen's Forest Retreat to a rented premises in Wauchope. A year later, not only was Asian Aid growing but my extended family also. My husband and I welcomed our first grandchild and I also graduated from my studies in Business Management. In 2009, Asian Aid purchased the premises at 132 Cameron Street, Wauchope which remains our current office location.

I was fortunate enough to travel again in 2012 when I went to India and Nepal with Helen. It was amazing to see our two special needs schools, now thriving with

new purpose-built campuses and dormitories, and the many happy faces of the children you supported. In addition, other Adventist schools that were growing because of your support. I was particularly thrilled to meet a number of now qualified teachers, who were some of the sponsored children that I had met 12 years earlier.

Over the past few years and with some reflection, I have decided to move into life's next chapter. Retirement is something I have been looking forward to for many

years but now it seems to be charging at me with the speed of a freight train. But with our ten grandchildren growing up faster that we can keep up with, it is time for us to spend the next phase of our life, surrounded with their love and laughter.

I have had such an amazing adventure over the last 34 years. I have watched Asian Aid grow from a small home-based ministry to the amazing, professional organisation it is today. I have worked with some incredibly talented and passionate colleagues who have been integral in my own journey. I have been blessed to meet so many of you, our generous and dedicated sponsors. Whether it was at AGM's, Church visits, Adventist School visits, Big Camps or on the phone. It has been a wonderful time and I thank each one of you who have journeyed with me. Thank you for the important support given to the children during this time.

AT VIC BIG CAMP



KERRY N SURROUNDED BY HER FAMILY



BOARD OF DIRECTORS



COLIN RAYMOND, CHAIRMAN

BSc, MBA

Date Appointed 9 September, 2018

Colin has worked as a consultant to financial institutions and government. His business expertise includes business development, sales and relationship management, strategy and product planning. He is strategic, analytic and results oriented. He has had extensive experience in the field of International development over the past two decades in both private and public sectors. Colin is also the CFO of the Greater Sydney Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.





DAVID SWAIN, DEPUTY CHAIR

B Legal Studies, Master of Laws, Diploma of Criminology

Date Appointed 7 August, 2018

David has been a lawyer for over 35 years both in private and public practice. Previous positions included a senior lawyer, corporate manager, investigator and policy advisor for a number of NSW Government agencies for over 30 years in the Attorney General's Department, Health Care Complaints Commission and Department of Premier and Cabinet. He has also been a Justice of the Peace, Coroner, Court Registrar, chamber magistrate, university law lecturer and a legal member of the health registration board. He currently runs his own business as a legal consultant.



DAVID HEISE

BSc, Masters in Engineering Science and Computing, PhD in Leadership

Date Appointed 28 August, 2016

David has held a variety of positions in IT in software development and management at Sanitarium, Hewlett-Packard, Avondale College of Higher Education and Andrews University. He is currently employed full-time as IT Internal Solutions Manager at Sanitarium. He is a passionate supporter of Asian Aid, through the child sponsorship programs and various special projects.



KAYE ZYDERVELD

BCom

Date Appointed 9 September, 2018

Kaye Zyderveld is the Chief Financial Officer (treasurer) of Seventh-day Adventist Schools and Conference in South Australia. She has a Bachelor of Commerce and has worked in the financial analysis and reporting field in the for-profit and non-profit sectors, including TAFESA, as a Senior Business Analyst. Prior appointments include lay member of church and school boards for SA Conference, Australian Union Conference and South Pacific Division. She supports the Asian Aid team through providing her forensic accounting expertise.



ANNE NORMAN

B Psychology

Date Appointed 28 July, 2019

Anne Norman is a registered psychologist and has worked for government and non-government organisations for the past thirty years. She has a variety of not-for-profit experience advising at a Board level. She has particular interest and expertise in child protection.



BROOKE SUTTON

B Arts/Social Sciences

Date Appointed 25 November, 2019

Brooke Sutton has had extensive experience working in the disability sector and has worked closely with individuals with medical concerns, as well as worked ensuring NDIS compliance and audits. Her Bachelor of Social Work/ Arts has given her the skills to work closely with medical professionals and family members to ensure the best quality care for clients. Her experience has given her strong management and interpersonal skills to bring to the Board.



HANNAH CLUA-SAUNDERS

BSc, BCmn, DJuris (Hons), GradDipLP

Date Appointed 13 September, 2020

Hannah has a background in international development and law. She has managed anticorruption, governance and community development programs for the Australian Federal Government and not-for-profit organisations across the Asia Pacific region. Hannah is a lawyer and international compliance specialist with an anti-corruption focus. She has a particular interest in organisational governance and maximising positive impact to project beneficiaries.

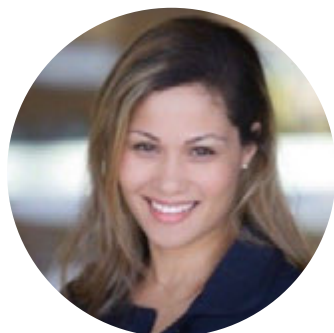


ANDREW SWAIN

B. Com (Accounting and Finance); Chartered Accountant

Date Appointed 13 September, 2020

Andrew is a chartered accountant and senior finance leader with over ten years experience. Andrew has been responsible for high profile board, market and investor reporting, developing business strategy, delivering efficient financial management and reporting functions, and lead numerous strategy reviews and M&A transactions. He is a pro-bono adviser with a demonstrated passion and desire to share God's love and compassion with others.



NADINE BRODIE

Associate Diploma Childcare

Date Appointed 13 September, 2020

Nadine completed a Diploma in Childcare and then started employment with the Commonwealth Bank of Australia where she developed her skills in leadership development, facilitation and program design. More recently, she has returned to the workforce as an Organisational Development Consultant for local government where she is responsible for uplifting the capabilities of all leaders across council by delivering innovative learning solutions that are designed to help transform and shape culture. She has a personal passion for improving lives and believes God's love should be shared to all his children around the world.



MEETINGS OF RESPONSIBLE PERSONS

During the financial year, 6 meetings of Responsible Entities (including meetings of Committees of Responsible Entities) were held. Attendances by each Responsible Entity during the year were as follows:

DIRECTOR

| | 20/05/21 | 07/07/21 | 01/08/21 | 07/10/21 | 09/12/21 | 06/02/22 | TOTAL |
|----------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------|
| Colin Raymond | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 |
| David Swain | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 |
| David Heise | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 |
| Kaye Zyderveld | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 |
| Anne Norman | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 |
| Brooke Sutton | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 5 |
| Nadine Brodie | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 |
| Hannah Clua-Saunders | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 5 |
| Andrew Swain | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 |
| In Attendance | 9 | 8 | 8 | 9 | 7 | 8 | |
| Apologies | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | |
| Total Directors | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | |



FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

Our financial year covers the period from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022. Through the generosity of our supporters, we are pleased to report our overall donation income grew resulting in an overall net surplus of \$0.2m for the year. Donation income total was \$3.2m with additional Bequests of \$0.2m.

Overall, our total revenue was down compared to the prior year, primarily due to the one-off COVID-19 government subsidies received in 2021. Income from bequests are an important part of our future activities and we were very privileged to have received almost \$0.2m. Our total expenses for this period were \$3.1m with our program spend making up \$2.6m throughout the countries we support.

We are very grateful for the ongoing support and generosity of all our donors who continue to make this possible.

SPONSORSHIP BY REGION

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022



FUNDING DISTRIBUTION

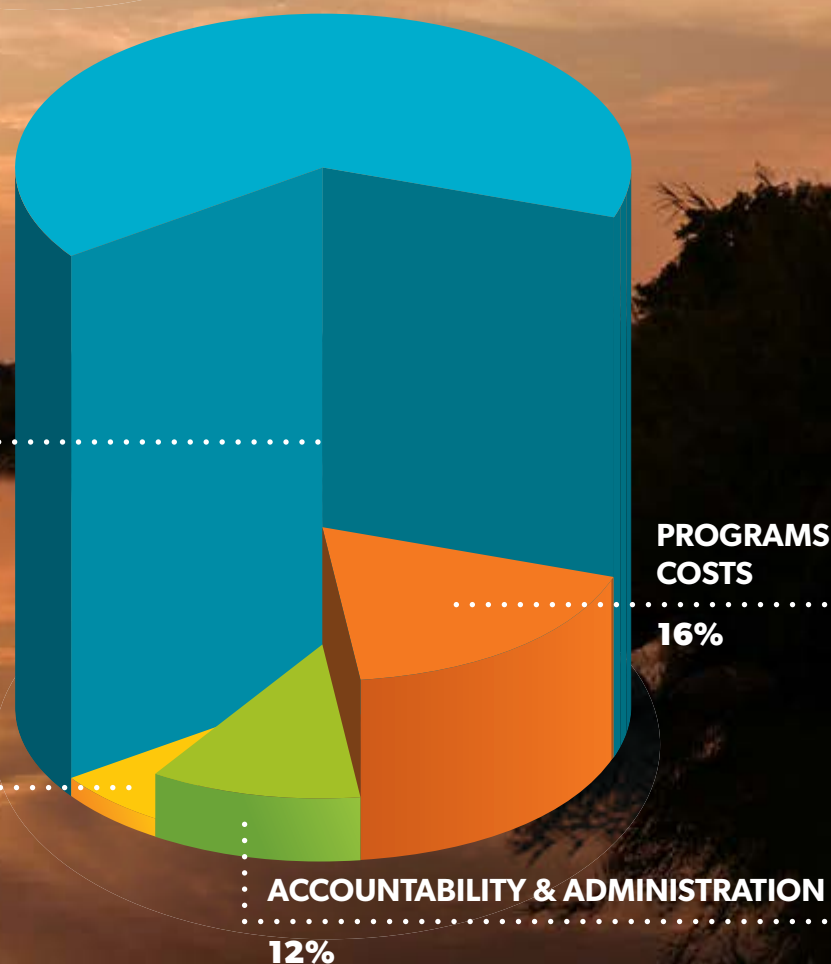
YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

INTERNATIONAL
PROGRAMS
66%

FUNDRAISING
COSTS
6%

ACCOUNTABILITY & ADMINISTRATION
12%

PROGRAMS
COSTS
16%





SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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Statement of Revenue and Expenditure for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

| REVENUE - AUD | 2022 | 2021 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Donations and Gifts | | |
| Monetary | 3,172,787 | 3,101,030 |
| Bequests and Other Income | 191,844 | 350,811 |
| Grants | 0 | 0 |
| Investment Income | 14,161 | 46,340 |
| TOTAL REVENUE | 3,378,792 | 3,498,181 |
| EXPENDITURE | | |
| International Aid and Development Programs Expenditure | | |
| International Programs | | |
| Funds to International Programs | 2,075,781 | 1,892,069 |
| Program support costs | 514,386 | 519,586 |
| Community Education | 8,379 | 1,960 |
| Fundraising Costs | | |
| Public | 180,736 | 172,880 |
| Government, multilateral and private | 0 | 0 |
| Accountability and Administration | 364,543 | 313,492 |
| Non-Monetary Expenditure | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURE | 3,143,825 | 2,899,987 |
| SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) | 234,967 | 598,194 |
| TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME | 234,967 | 598,194 |

BALANCE SHEET - as per ACFID format as at 31 March 2022

| ASSETS | 2022 | 2021 |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Current Assets | | |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents | 4,714,361 | 987,405 |
| Trade and Other Receivables | 6,186 | 16,487 |
| Financial Assets | 0 | 3,437,178 |
| Other Assets | 0 | 11,473 |
| Total Current Assets | 4,720,547 | 4,452,543 |
| Non-Current Assets | | |
| Property, plant and equipment | 347,985 | 362,446 |
| Intangible Assets | 0 | 4,184 |
| Right-of-use assets | 6,421 | 10,954 |
| Total Non-Current Assets | 354,406 | 377,584 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 5,074,953 | 4,830,127 |

BALANCE SHEET CONTINUED

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Lease Liabilities | |
| Trade and Other Payables | |
| Borrowings | |
| Provisions | |

Total Current Liabilities

Non-Current Liabilities

| | |
|-------------------|--|
| Lease Liabilities | |
| Provisions | |

Total Non-Current Liabilities

TOTAL LIABILITIES

NET ASSETS

EQUITY

| | |
|-----------------------|--|
| Retained Earnings | |
| Current Year Earnings | |
| General Reserves | |

TOTAL EQUITY



| | |
|---------|--------|
| 4,691 | 4,463 |
| 30,776 | 44,386 |
| 7,180 | 8,866 |
| 110,948 | 98,023 |

| | |
|----------------|----------------|
| 153,595 | 155,738 |
|----------------|----------------|

| | |
|--------|--------|
| 2,025 | 6,715 |
| 30,967 | 14,275 |

| | |
|---------------|---------------|
| 32,992 | 20,990 |
|---------------|---------------|

| | |
|----------------|----------------|
| 186,587 | 176,728 |
|----------------|----------------|

| | |
|------------------|------------------|
| 4,888,366 | 4,653,399 |
|------------------|------------------|

| | |
|-----------|-----------|
| 4,653,399 | 4,055,205 |
| 234,967 | 598,194 |
| 0 | 0 |

| | |
|------------------|------------------|
| 4,888,366 | 4,653,399 |
|------------------|------------------|

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY for the year ended 31 March 2022

BALANCE AT 1 APRIL

Excess of revenue over expenses - surplus/(deficit)

BALANCE AT 31 MARCH

| Retained Earnings | Retained Earnings |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| 4,653,399 | 4,055,205 |
| 234,967 | 598,194 |
| 4,888,366 | 4,653,399 |

NOTES TO THE SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022

Note 1 – Accounting Policies

The summary financial statements have been prepared from the audited financial statements of Asian Aid Organisation Limited for the year ended 31 March 2022. A copy of the full financial statements and auditor's report will be sent to any member, free of charge, upon request.

The financial statements, specific disclosures and the other information included in the summary financial statements are derived from, and are consistent with, the full financial statements of Asian Aid Organisation Limited and have been formatted to comply with the financial reporting

requirements of the ACFID Code of Conduct. The summary financial statements cannot be expected to provide as detailed an understanding of the financial performance and financial position of Asian Aid Organisation Limited as the full financial statements.

The summary financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements set out in the ACFID Code of Conduct. For further information on the Code please refer to the ACFID website at www.acfid.asn.au.

The presentation currency used in the financial statements is Australian dollars.

PARTNERS

Robert Magnussen B Bus FCA
Paul Fahey B Bus CA
Rodney Smith B Fin Admin FCA
Bart Lawler B Com CA
Patrick Brennan B Com CA
Alison McKinnon B Bus CA

Independent Auditor's Report

To the Members of Asian Aid Organisation Limited

Opinion

The summary financial statements which comprise the Balance Sheet – ACFID Format as at 31 March 2022, the Income Statement - ACFID Format and the Statement of Changes in Equity for the year then ended and related notes, are derived from the audited financial report of Asian Aid Organisation Limited (the “Company”) for the year ended 31 March 2022.

In our opinion, the accompanying summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial report, on the basis described in Note 1.

The summary financial statements have been formatted to comply with the financial reporting requirements of the ACFID Code of Conduct.

Summary Financial Statements

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Australian Accounting Standards - Reduced Disclosure Requirements. Reading the summary financial statements and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial report and the auditor's report thereon.

The Audited Financial Report and Our Report Thereon

We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on the audited financial report in our report dated 26 May 2022.

Directors' Responsibility for the Summary Financial Statements

The Directors are responsible for the preparation of the summary financial statements on the basis described in Note 1.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the summary financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial report and comply with the financial reporting requirements of the ACFID Code of Conduct, based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standard ASA 810: Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements.

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Independent Auditor's Report (Continued)

To the Members of Asian Aid Organisation Limited

Other Information

The Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Company's Annual Report for the year ended 31 March 2022, but does not include the summary financial statements and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the summary financial statements does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the summary financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

NorthCorp Accountants



Alaine Ylias
Lead Auditor
Chartered Accountant
Registered Company Auditor

10 - 12 Short Street
Port Macquarie NSW 2444

Dated: 26 May 2022

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Auditor's Independence Declaration

Under Subdivision 60-40(1)

of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*

To the Directors of Asian Aid Organisation Limited

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 31 March 2022, there have been no contraventions of:

- (i) the auditor independence requirements as set out in the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* in relation to the audit, and
- (ii) any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

NorthCorp Accountants



**Elaine Ylias
Lead Auditor**

**Suites 1-3, Bourne House
10-12 Short Street
Port Macquarie NSW 2444**

Dated: 26 May 2022



CORPORATE INFORMATION

SCAN TO VISIT OUR WEBSITE

To request a copy of the full audited financial report for the year ending 31 March 2022, please write to us, PO Box 333, Wauchope, NSW, 2446, Australia or email **contact@asianaid.com.au**.

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