

Philanthropic efforts



Social responsibility (Philanthropic efforts)

Mirachem's social responsibility does not, however, end at the factory gates. Moving towards sustainability is also a social challenge that entails international and national law. It helps improve the socio economic status of not only the people directly employed by Mirachem but also the community at large.

At Mirachem, we believe we have a responsibility to give back to the society, and help those who are less fortunate.

Mirachem is engaged in several charitable activities influencing education, health and re organizing living conditions and helping to improve the quality of life of people in cities in and around our area of activities.

Care for the environment and welfare of the people are always at the top of our priority list. Concern for nature has always functioned hand in hand with all our other activities. Some portion of income is spent for social uplifting. We strongly believe that a green earth is a grand earth.

We support and encourage community development projects like

- The education and training, care and welfare of young people
- Sick and needy young people, orphanages, research projects, medical care of children and young people

1. C.B. Murarka Charitable Trust

Through this trust we are funding for scholarship, social and other cultural purposes for the benefit of the needy children for a brighter future.

2. Smt. Meenadevi Kashiprasad Murarka Trophies:

We have instituted this trophy to promote youth talent through Inter Collegiate and Inter School and interstate competitions, providing a platform for students to showcase their cultural and literary skills. We also sponsor for various cultural activities in different colleges in Mumbai, India to encourage students under the above programme, to name few

- **Jai Hind College**
- **K.C. College of Arts, Commerce & Science**
- **H. R. College of Commerce & Economics**
- **Mithibai College Of Arts, Chauhan Institute Of Science & Amrutben Jivanlal College of Commerce Mumbai**
- **Tolani College of Commerce**
- **Thakur College Of Science And Commerce**
- **Patkar College**
- **And many more ...**

3. Shree Kalyan Arogya Sadan

This is a TB hospital in Rajasthan, India. Here we provide funding for needy patients throughout the year.

4. ALERT - INDIA

Actively involved with the NGO, in supporting the eradicating of Leprosy.



Aneel Murarka, MD Mirachem Industries Felicitated by Priya Dutt Member of Parliament



Aneel Murarka, MD Mirachem Industries with Singer Abhijeet Bhattacharya and Sunidhi Chauhan



Poonam Sinha, Actress Sonakshi Sinha, Aneel Murarka, MD Mirachem Industries and Actor Arbaaz Khan



5. Narayani Seva Sansthan:

C.B.Murarka Charitable Trust with the help of other prominent Donors has built up a state of the art meditation centre, enriched with our Indian Culture at Narayani Dham, Lonavala. Here we provide free medical Checkup, organize eye camps, distribute food grains, utensils, blankets, clothing, rain coats etc. to the needy persons. We also provide free books, schoolbags, free computer coaching, training in musical instruments for the children and youth in and around the area.

Aim is just one, To reciprocate the Society, what Society has given to us.



6. Shivdham:

With our ever increasing population, the need for adequate space for crematorium can hardly be overemphasized! Crematoriums in the city are crammed and overcrowded. Kashi C. Murarka Trustee of C. B. Murarka Charitable Trust along with other likeminded people has built a state-of-the-art crematorium "Shivdham" in Goregaon (East), Mumbai, Maharashtra. Shivdam is now revered amongst the best crematoriums in Maharashtra. The motto behind this funding was to provide crematorium with the best of facilities for smooth performance of the last rites of departed family member. What's worth a mention is that people who cannot afford to perform the last rites of their loved ones, are granted whatever they need.



OFFICIAL APATHY Lack Of Funds Leaves BMC Crematoria Without Running Water, Prayer Rooms & Condolence Halls

Crematoria in disrepair add to kin's despair

The heaped piles of ground sugar Jaggie (sugar) at Chhatrapati Shahu crematorium on Monday drew attention to the deplorable condition of Mumbai's crematoria. While the funeral passed off peacefully, the crumpled exterior and poorly maintained surroundings up the harsh reality of these final resting places.

Most Hindu crematoria across the city are beset by an array of basic facilities like running water, prayer rooms and condolence halls. At several places, drainage systems are faulty and wires for water and electricity in frayed wires hanging far from the buildings are haphazardly strung.

The caretaker of a crematorium in suburban Mumbai points to a crematorium in Mumbai among the most run-down ones of all, a somewhat traumatic experience for relatives who are already under stress owing to their loss.

"When along the Western Express Highway here is crowded with cars, people start to get angry at night," he says.

There are other dangers. Heavy rains require that the family pour in a cup or two after the funeral to clear the ash for the immersion in holy water bodies. However, in places like Jogeshwari, the crematoria are equipped in a basement pit, making it impossible to tell which belongs to whom.

WIVES & WIDOWS "There is little else to do but trust the authorities who build you the pit. You have to immerse it before the ashes a cousin or even a friend of your family member," says a woman who has lost her husband to cancer. She says she has to wait for a long time to get the ashes of her husband's family to do so.

Manoj, an electrician, crematorium across Mumbai are in a similar condition. The caretaker of Chhatrapati Shahu crematorium near Marine Lines are doing the best they can. However, an attendant confirms that two of the three furnaces there have been in a state of disrepair for the past six months, meaning an ash pile would appear the next few days.

"You can imagine the amount of filth it takes to make the wheels turn in government crematoria," he says.

Here, the workers at Chhatrapati Shahu crematorium who toil through conditions which are unhygienic, are treated with various ailments. Currently, one attendant has been treated for tuberculosis, even as another is due to return after recovering from treatment.

"Not just on the people who live nearby are also affected by the smoke coming from the furnaces. All our wells in that area are contaminated and we have to commission a well for us, we get very sick people visit to BMC hospitals," says a resident of the area.



A privately-run crematorium in Goregaon appears newly inaugurated despite months of use.

Stirred by own experiences, citizens build resting places

With the rise of private crematoria, citizens are now building their own crematoria, often in the form of private trusts.

Mumbai: In a city where a crematorium work for hours, all they wish is that the final rites be completed in a decent manner. This sentiment by the caretaker of Chhatrapati Shahu crematorium rings true. Yet even so, private trusts and individuals are trying to ensure that an already traumatic period is not compounded by lack of hygiene or guidance.

The Lions Club has set up an ad hoc committee to monitor crematoria while the Greater Mumbai Municipal Trust has been formed to monitor crematoria in Chhatrapati Shahu crematorium. An exemplary new crematorium in Goregaon has been installed but for crematoria who wish to build one in their own homes, the long-drawn process of getting a licence from the BMC is a daunting task.

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