

## Kindergartens in the Sub-centres

The Sangam's Sub-centre in **Shedeshwar** village is located 30 km from the Base Centre, and the Sub-centres in **Gondwananagar** and **Narayanpur** are both located approx. 18 km from Bamhani in opposite directions.

Each Sub-centre offers **15 to 20 Kindergarten places** which are highly sought after by the villagers.



The Sangam provides a **transport service** for all the Kindergarten children with a jeep. In the morning they are picked up from their village and dropped back in the afternoon.

In the same way as the Base Centre all the Sub-centres provide two nutritious meals and a sound education in Hindi, Marathi and English.

## The future

Due to their **high educational quality and regularity**, the Sangam Kindergartens have become very popular among the villagers over the last few years. A growing number of parents are requesting us to open a **primary school in the Base Centre**.

## Get involved

Maintaining our four Kindergartens and extending our activities into the field of primary education will require a sound financial base and your support.

**Kindly make a contribution in order to help us in ensuring basic education for the village population.**

All donations to the Ecumenical Sangam will qualify for deductions under Section 80G of the Income Tax Act 1961 (50 % Income Tax Deduction).



# Sangam's *Kindergartens*



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## About Ecumenical Sangam

Founded in 1993, **the Ecumenical Sangam** is a non-profit Health and Community Development Organisation aiming to empower the poorer sections of society by the provision of **healthcare, education, awareness raising and long term skill-building.**

In Bamhani village, 35 km south of Nagpur, the Sangam runs a Base Centre which includes a Training Centre for Technical and Sewing Classes, a Kindergarten school and a Rural Village Health Centre.



Through the Base Centre and three Sub-centres in Shedeswar, Gondwananagar and Narayanpur, the Sangam is working in **45 villages** south of Nagpur.

## Kindergarten in Bamhani

The Kindergarten in Bamhani offers places for **60 children** between the ages of 3 and 5 from the surrounding villages.



The children are given **two nutritious meal per day**, which includes a daily supplement of vitamins, iron and calcium. **Regular health statistics** are maintained with each child being weighed and measured monthly together with attendance and sickness records.

Much emphasis is put on the **education** of the children. They learn numbers, the alphabet, the names of animals, vegetables and body parts.

The children not only learn the Marathi words, but their English and Hindi counterparts as well.

The monthly fee of 60 Rupees per child covers transportation from home to and from school, the meals and a school uniform.

***"My son is only of Kindergarten age, but he already has a better knowledge of speaking and writing than the neighbouring children who are in 4th standard of the local government school."***



M. Ghodmare is a farmer in Bamhani village and he has two children, a girl and a boy. Aditya, his son, aged five has attended the Sangam's Kindergarten since July 2007. Mr. Ghodmare is very happy to see how far his son has developed in the year he has spent in the Sangam Kindergarten.