



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	MAY	2022		30	APRIL	2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

West Bengal Charity Foundation

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1148801

Charity's principal address

8 Trower Street

Preston

Lancashire

Postcode

PR1 4LY

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	Ismail Umerjee	Chair		
2	Siddique Umerjee	Trustee		
3	Shiraz Umerjee	Trustee		
4	Aiyub Patel	Trustee		
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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 advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Trust Deed
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed

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.

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Section C Objectives and activities

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

<p>The Charity was started to support and develop the villages around Makhalgacha, District 24 North Parganas, West Bengal, India. The charity does this by providing: Food, Housing, Medical treatment, Empowerment, Clean Water, Education, Family Support. community development.</p>

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

In the past year the charity has continued in various projects which the trustees ensure are for the public benefit as highlighted in the guidance of the Charity Commission. The charity does this by working with volunteers whom we have worked with for several years and by going on location to West Bengal. These are the following projects which we carried out.

Food Distribution Project

This very worthy project involves providing vital food packs for the most vulnerable members of the community. People who have no income or family support. Specifically, widows, orphans and those with low income or none.

The food pack provides vital nutrition to the most needy.

Empowerment Project

This project involves assisting members of the community who are able to use a rickshaw or a sewing machine but are not able to financially purchase one. The charity provides Rickshaws or sewing machines to these people which empowers them to earn a living.

Water Pump Project

Unfortunately, in this area of India. Clean drinking water is not available to many in the community. The charity identifies areas which are the most needy and installs manual and motorised water pumps. These provide clean water which enables members of the community to use for drinking, cleaning dishes and bathing.

Education Project

This vital project involves assisting children in the community with a good foundation to enable them to grow as individuals and help the community to develop in the future. Financing and supporting their education ensures the community has a better and brighter future and removes the cycle of dependency and hopelessness.

Community Building Construction Project

This very worthy project assists the community by providing support in building and maintenance of infrastructure of places of worship and education institution. This enables the community to have a worthy place of worship. Education institutions ensure that future generations have the right skills and knowledge to progress and become independent.

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.

Disability Support Project

The need to support many disabled members of the community is extremely important. This project provides wheelchairs to many individuals who are not able to afford them. This year nearly a hundred wheelchairs were provided. The wheelchairs have hand pedals which would allow the individuals to be mobile and less dependent.

Eyecare Project

There are many people with eye related illnesses and do not have the financial means to get treatment. This projects supports such people and helps them get treated and improve their lives.

Small Business Grants Project

Many individuals are in need of support throughout West Bengal, India. As part of our objectives to remove the cycle of dependency. This project empowers those with an entrepreneurial spirit to start a business. We provide a small business grant to start their business and empower them to earn their own living and also provide a product or service to the local community. Many individuals have benefitted from the project already. We will continue as there is a great need to empower many more individuals.

Medical Centre

This centre provides treatment for minor ailments for people who cannot afford to pay for it.

All Projects are overseen by the trustees to ensure the donations are used in the right, most effective and beneficial way.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

We are very pleased to say in the past year, once again the charity has continued to provide food packs to hundreds of families in the Villages in and around Makhalgacha, West Bengal, India throughout the year. These packs include rice, lentils and oil. During Ramadhan extra items such as tea, sugar and besan flour were given to ensure they have a happy Ramadhaan. This is a vital and worthy project which is frequently carried out by the charity. It ensures the most vulnerable members of the community do not go without vital food.

The charity supported several members of the community by providing them with a Rickshaw or a Sewing machine which empowered them to earn a living and also to provide a service to the community. Another empowerment project is to provide a small business grant to individuals who have an entrepreneurial passion. This allows to them to provide a product and service to the local community and remove the cycle of dependency at the same time. All the empowerment projects are very worthwhile and reflect the aim of the charity to facilitate the development of the community and remove the cycle of dependency.

Another great achievement of the charity was to provide the community with several new water pumps. Each pump enabling 10 families to have access to clean water to enable them to drink, clean dishes and bathe with. Many hundreds of families have benefitted in the past year because of this vital project.

The charity continued to assist the community by supporting projects to maintain and build places of worship. These are of great importance to the community. Projects where a building is in a state of disrepair and there is a need of financial assistance. This project ensures the community has a place where they can reflect, find peace and comfort.

The charity also distributed blankets and scarves in the winter months. Many vulnerable members of the community do not have essential winter items such as blankets and scarves to help them in the cold winter months. This project enabled us to support the most vulnerable members of the community with essential items to protect them in the cold winter months.

Our housing project continued to improve the standard of living for many who lived in makeshift housing.

Our disability project provided more individuals with pedal wheelchairs. These gave them greater independence and will enable them to have a better quality of life.

This year we provided Eyecare treatment to many who could not afford to pay for it. This project allowed many to see once again and remove discomfort. This project will be continued as many are in need of treatment.

Our medical centre continues to provide treatment for minor ailments for those who cannot afford to get treated.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity does not hold any money in reserve as it is used on the projects we carry out. Any surplus money is due to late donations and due to project timing requested by the donor. It is a small family run charity. The projects we are involved in ensures every donation which is given to the charity is utilised as quickly as possible, where they are most effective. We are extremely grateful for the generosity of our donors.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None to report

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.


All the charities donations are from friends, family ,the public and local businesses.

Section F Other optional information

Section G 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)

Aiyub Patel

Siddique Umerjee

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Trustee/ Secretary

Trustee

Date

27/02/2023

West Bengal Charity Foundation

**Unaudited Abbreviated Accounts
For the year ended 30 April 2023**

Charity No: 1148801

West Bengal Charity Foundation

Unaudited Abbreviated Accounts

For the year ended 30 April 2023

Charity registration number:	1148801
Registered office:	8 Trower Street Preston Lancashire PR1 4LY
Trustees:	A Patel I Umerjee S Umerjee S Umerjee
Secretary:	A Patel

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West Bengal Charity Foundation

Balance Sheet at 30 April 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed assets	2	-	-
Current assets			
Debtors		-	-
Cash at bank and in hand		198,870	164,364
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		198,870	164,364
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		0	0
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Net current (liabilities)/assets		198,870	164,364
		=====	=====
Total assets less liabilities		198,870	164,364
		=====	=====
Unrestricted funds	3	198,870	164,364
		=====	=====

For the year ended 30 April 2023, the charitable company was entitled to exemption from audit of its financial statements under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Trustees' responsibilities

- the trustees' have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476
- the trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of the accounts,
- these accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

These abbreviated accounts have been delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and have been approved by the Board on 20 February 2024.

A Patel
Trustee

West Bengal Charity Foundation

Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts

For the year ended 30 April 2023

1. PRINCIPLE ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards, the Companies Act 2006, and the Statement of Recommended Practice “Accounting and Reporting by Charities” (SORP 2005).

Company and charitable status

West Bengal Charity Foundation is a Registered charity by guarantee. The guarantors are the Trustees. The liability of this guarantee, as set out in the memorandum, is limited to a sum not exceeding £10 per trustee. The Charity registration number is 1148801.

Incoming resources

Investment income

Investment income relates to interest and is included when receivable.

Donations

Donations received are treated as income in the year in which they are received. Donations subject to specific wishes of the donors are treated as restricted funds.

Resources expended

Resources expended are accounted for on an accruals basis. The irrecoverable element of VAT is included with the item of expense to which it relates.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write down cost of tangible fixed assets less estimated residual values by equal annual instalments over their expected useful lives. The rate applicable is:

Freehold land and buildings: 50 years

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are incoming resources received or generated for expenditure on the general objective of the Charity.

Taxation

The Company, as a registered charity, enjoys the tax advantages commensurate with that status.

Trustee remuneration and related party transactions

No trustees received any remuneration during the year. No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year.

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Notes to the Abbreviated Accounts

For the year ended 30 April 2023

2. FIXED ASSETS

	Total
Cost	
At 1 May 2022	-
Additions	-
Disposals	-

At 30 April 2023	-
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Depreciation	
At 1 May 2022	-
Charge for the year	-

At 30 April 2023	-
	=====
Net book value at 30 April 2023	-
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3. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

Unrestricted funds at 1 May 2022	0
Surplus for the Financial year	164,364

Unrestricted funds at 30 April 2022	164,364
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4. TAXATION

West Bengal Charity Foundation has charitable status and its investment income and gains are exempt from corporation tax by virtue of the provisions of section 505, Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988.



20th February 2024

I report on the accounts of West Bengal Charity Foundation for the year ending 30th April 2023.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

I have examined the accounts and I conclude that the accounts are fine and that no matters come to my attention. They have been prepared and presented in accordance with the accounting regulations and requirements.

Yours Sincerely,

E. Adam

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