



Shishur Seva

"To not feel alone in the universe"

Organization details:

- West Bengal Society Registration No. S/1 L/37263-2006-07.
- 80G in Perpetuity and FCRA
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Dr. Michelle Harrison

The Founder

Dr. Harrison began her career in rural South Carolina as part of President Lyndon Johnson's War on Poverty. It was a program that included sanitation, nursing care, medical and dental care. She believes healthcare must be accessible to all, independent of economics.

Her medical career spanning 35 years included psychiatry, family medicine and OB-GYN. Her books are *A Woman in Residence*, *Self Help for Premenstrual Syndrome* and *The Preteen's First Book about Love, Sex, and AIDS*. She has taught at Harvard, Rutgers, University of Pittsburgh. She has authored academic papers and magazine articles. Her Op-ed pieces have appeared in *The Wall Street Journal* and *The Chicago Sun times*.

Six years with Johnson & Johnson Corporate, first as Worldwide Director of Medical Affairs in Consumer, and then as Executive Director of the Johnson & Johnson Institute for Children gave her the skills and experience needed to plan, develop and lead Childlife Preserve Shishur Seva.



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We need your help so we can do even more!

To Donate

IN INDIA AND ABROAD

1. ONLINE:

Website: Open www.shishurseva.org and Click to "DONATE", Indian and International cards accepted.

2. Direct Transfer: Email: info@shishurseva.org

3. By Cheque:

Childlife Preserve Shishur Seva,
17/2/7 Sahapur Main Road, Kolkata 700038.

FROM UNITED STATES: www.friendsofshishurseva.org for online donation and information Friends of Shishur Seva in the US is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization that supports the work of Shishur Seva.



Our Mission

To protect orphans and abandoned children, including those having differing abilities and disabilities, by providing a safe environment where they will be sheltered, nurtured, and educated in ways that build -

Competence, Confidence, Independence and Leadership.

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"The girls at Shishur Sevay had been living in a government institution. They were lost and abandoned and some of them had severe disabilities. They had all been rejected for adoption."

Dr. Michelle Harrison, an American physician moved to India in 2006 to found Childlife Preserve Shishur Sevay. She had three questions:

- Who are these girls?
- What do they need?
- Can we provide what they need to thrive, not just survive?

Shishur Sevay decided to show what could be done. The 3 cottah (2200 sq.ft.) property, located in an economically mixed neighborhood, is owned by Shishur Sevay providing permanence and stability.

The Home

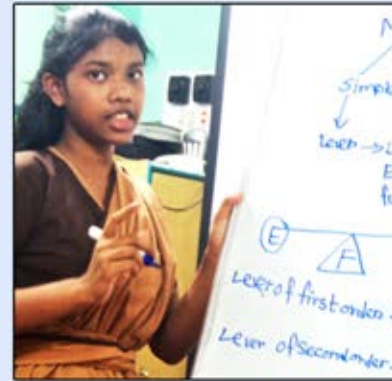
- Quality skilled inclusive 24/7 residential care with staff trained in feeding and sanitation to prevent choking, pneumonia and infections
- Fire safety, clean water and sanitation for health and safety
- Medical and dental care including rehabilitation therapies



Ganga with the Tobii eye tracker, using her eyes to speak as she has no other way. For her it is revolutionary and we are one of the first places to use this technology in India.

What is Inclusion?

Inclusion means to include in a group rather than exclude from a group; it means to **invite in** rather than **push out**. It means that it's ok to be abled and it's ok to be differently-abled and we can all live together and learn together and become family together.



Ichche Dana Inclusive School

- Individualized teaching plans
- Online study including Khan Academy flipped classroom, K-5, etc.
- Educational trips as a basis for writing, discussion and presentations
- Music, arts, culture and heritage of India
- Preparation for School Board Examinations

The Challenge of Inclusion

"Having a foundation of inclusion that permeates social interactions, learning, living and recreation is part of what makes Shishur Sevay unique. They are an inclusive school in a part of the world where many may think would be impossible."

Professor Anjali Forber-Pratt, Vanderbilt University in "An International Case Study Illustrating Disability Inclusion in Action; APA Denver August 2016.

