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May- August 2023

The months of May and June are among the hottest months, so we have a one-month summer vacation during this time. In Slovenia, on May 30, we organized a **meeting of our benefactors** in Anton's home in Vic and in this way marked the 15th anniversary of our project. It was a wonderful event and a sincere thanks to everyone who helped us with the organization, especially the POTA volunteers and the Catholic youth. We talked on stage with two of our first volunteers, Klemen and Jona. The president of Luc Upanja Association, Mr. Klemen Tomsic, also spoke. Volunteers and godparents who visited us shared their experiences. At the end, we chatted with each other and sweetened ourselves with Slovenian delicacies and Indian tea. We are grateful to everyone who attended the event.



Our benefactors also made us happy with their visit to India. Spouse Rok and Eva with their daughter Ana from Slovenia visited us in May. They prepared a short first aid course for our girls, and they also taught us a new way of designing bracelets. Young Ana quickly engaged in conversation with our girls while her hands were painted with henna.



In the month of August, we have half-yearly exams, and right after that we were visited by **POTA** volunteers. This time they were young students Lara, Petra, Veronika, Ivana and Nadja. In the photos, you can catch some glimpses of our time spent together. Various lessons and creative workshops were prepared for the children. Again and again, volunteers surprise us with their enthusiasm, creativity and sincere desire to help. Very bravely and with exceptional adaptability they face various challenges,



which include the demanding tropical climate, different approaches to teaching and different language.

We also continue with our **music lessons**. Sincere thanks to The Bluegrass Journeymen, which enabled the purchase of additional violins, ukuleles and guitars. Our girls can now also learn to play the mandolin. In general, music has a lot of positive effects on children – it can help them relax, stimulate productivity, motivate them and help them process emotions.



We celebrate a special holiday on September 5, when India celebrates **Teachers' Day**, in honor of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, First Vice President and former President of the State. On this day, our children take special care of us. They decorate the classrooms, prepare the program independently and shower us with small gifts. On stage, they talk about the importance of teachers in their lives; we also hear some funny anecdotes about ourselves. This is really a day when the teachers are actually in the background and the children are the ones who prepare the event in their own way. At the same time, they strengthen their organizational skills and learn teamwork.



Thanks to all of you, our Friends, who stand by us. Without your support, our work would not be possible. We hope you will be able to visit us in India on-site as well. Always welcome!



Your Piali Ashar Alo Family

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