

**CARING FOR YOUNG LIVES**

# Ahmednagar Hostel, North India

*Looking after vulnerable children*

**In their own words**

*‘It is amazing to see children in this hostel growing up with social and spiritual values. Promoting Christian faith is a key part of the vision in every aspect of the staff in the hostel.’*  
 Rev. Jessie Anand, Locum Regional Desk Officer for Asia



**India factfile**

**Capital:** New Delhi  
**Languages:** Hindi, English and at least 16 other official languages  
**Religion:** Hinduism, Islam, Christianity, Sikhism, Buddhism, Jainism  
**Export:** Agricultural products, textile goods, gems and jewellery, software services and technology, engineering goods, chemicals, leather products  
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**USPG in India**

In 2009, USPG sent £ 43,200 to support the wide range of Church of North India programmes, including theological training, education, and development



## About this Project...

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St Hilda’s Hostel, situated in Ahmednagar run by the Diocese of Nasik, has been supporting oppressed and economically impoverished children, including orphaned children, since 1950. St Hilda’s typically accommodates around 110 children. The children are provided with accommodation, education and home-cooked meals, and they are able to take part in Christian devotions. Santhosh Hivarale, a hostel student, said: ‘At the hostel we get to work, play and pray and we hope for a better future, better than what our parents had. I hope to become a

doctor when I grow up. I feel sad for some of my friends from the village who cannot afford to go to school and study, as they have to work in the fields. I truly thank God that I have been given this opportunity and I will do my best to be worthy of it’. The hostel’s works includes a programme for children with disabilities. Money donated through USPG is funding education for 31 boys and 9 girls at the hostel (the other children are supported by other agencies).

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