



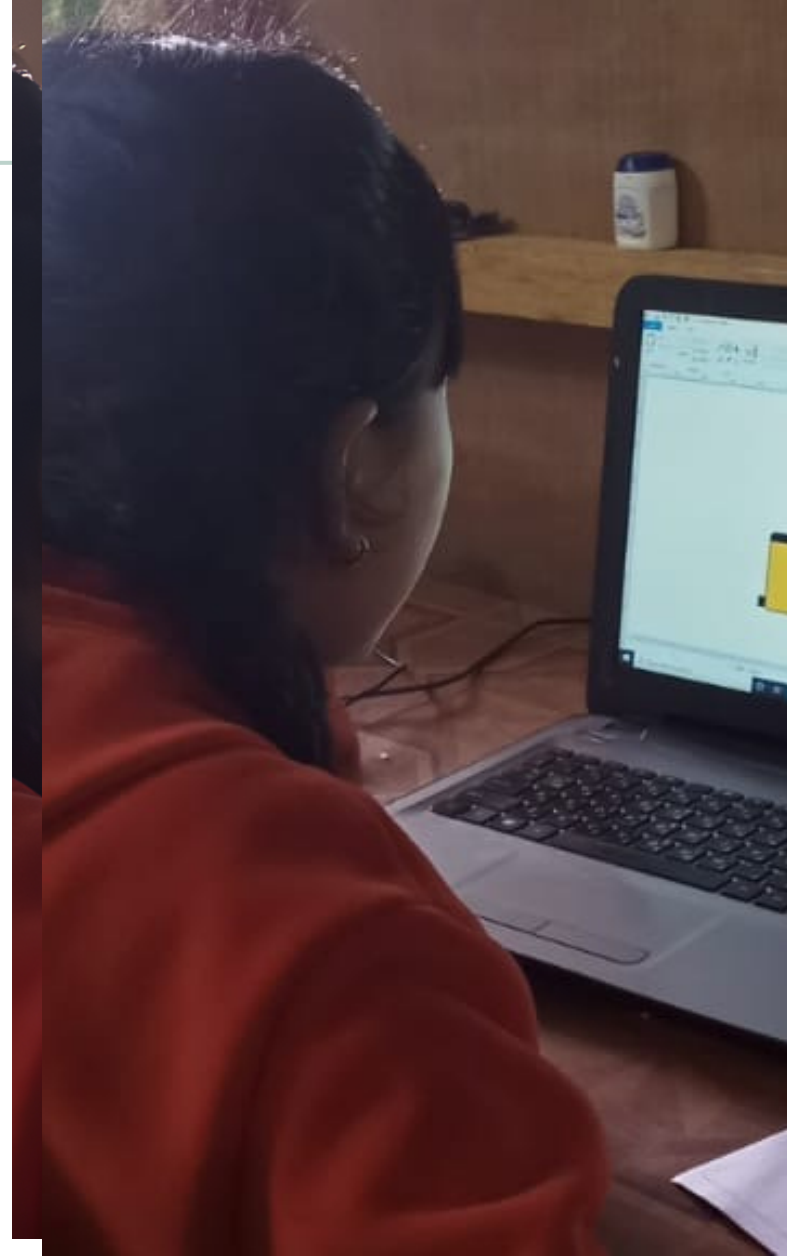
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2022

**GARUL & CHANDRAWATI
DEWAN FOUNDATION**

ABOUT --- US

~ EMPOWERING FUTURES, BRIDGING DIVIDES~

Founded in June 2021, the Garul and Chandrawati Dewan Foundation is a beacon of hope and change, dedicated to transforming the educational landscape in the remote hills of Darjeeling. Our journey began with the establishment of a public charitable trust, recognizing the urgent need to bridge the digital divide prevalent in these areas. In the challenging times of the COVID-19 pandemic, when schools and colleges were shuttered, and online education became a lifeline, we took a bold step to provide free computer education to students who lacked proper access to the internet and computers.



The Garul and Chandrawati Dewan Foundation is not merely an organization; it is a collective effort driven by a shared vision of empowerment, education, and inclusivity. We extend our gratitude to our trustees, inner circle members, center-in-charges, volunteer teachers, donors, and the communities we serve. Together, we continue to script a narrative of change, where every child, regardless of their geographical location, has the opportunity to unlock their full potential through quality education.

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

As we reflect upon the transformative journey of the Garul and Chandrawati Dewan Foundation in the year 2022, I am filled with a profound sense of pride and gratitude. The past year has been a testament to the collective efforts, unwavering dedication, and shared vision that define our foundation.

In 2022, we continued our mission to bridge the digital divide in the hills of Darjeeling, a mission that began with the registration of our public charitable trust in June 2021. The challenges posed by the pandemic did not deter our resolve but fueled it further. The need for quality education in the digital age became more apparent, and our foundation responded with innovation, resilience, and a commitment to making a lasting impact.

The inauguration of 9 new community computer learning centers in 2022 is a milestone that symbolizes the expansion of our reach and the depth of our commitment. These centers are not just physical spaces; they are hubs of empowerment, providing students in remote areas with the tools and knowledge to compete on a global stage.

Our initiatives, such as animation hackathons, and "Learn Python with Games," reflect our dedication to staying ahead of the curve in digital education. Education is not just about imparting knowledge; it is about nurturing creativity, critical thinking, and a spirit of innovation. The success stories emerging from our certificate distribution ceremonies echo the impact we are making on the lives of the students we serve.

WHERE WE'RE GOING

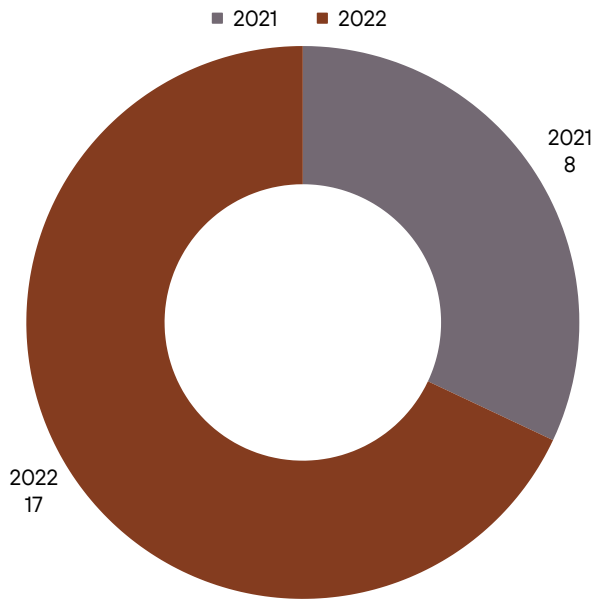
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I am particularly excited about the initiation of "Darjeeling Dialogues," a platform that goes beyond conventional education, offering inspiration, motivation, and mentorship. It is a testament to our commitment to holistic development and providing students with the tools they need to navigate the challenges of the future.

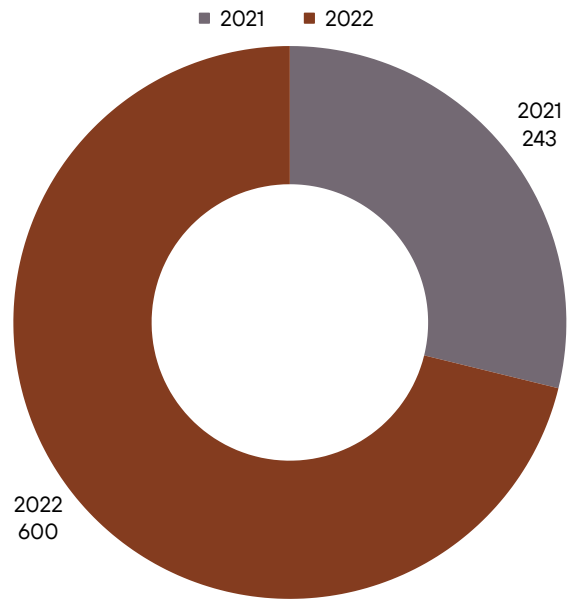
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CHAIRMAN & TRUSTEE

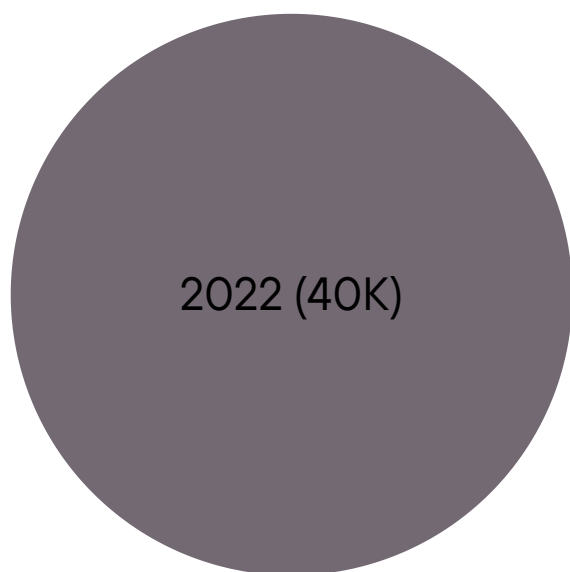
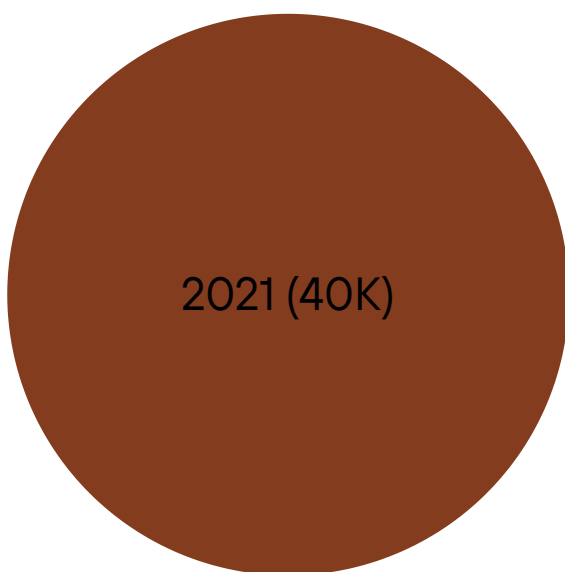
IMPACT



COMPUTER CENTERS



STUDENT COUNT



HOURS TRAINED

DARJEELING DIALOGUES

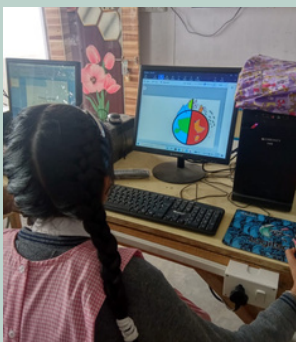
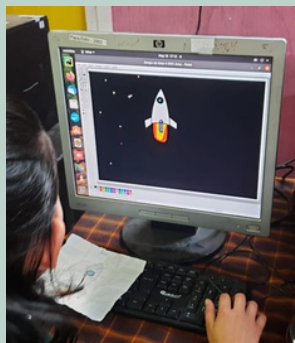
Darjeeling Dialogues is a platform devoted to inspiring and motivating youths, usually in the form of engaging online and offline talks. Darjeeling Dialogues hosted its first event in November 2022 as a symposium to Prepare Today's Youth For Tomorrow's World. With the spotlight on the changing trends in employment and how youth need to prepare to be successful in this digital world.

Darjeeling Dialogues is a community that welcomes people from every discipline who passionately seeks to give back to society, mentor youths and help change their perspectives and their lives and ultimately make this world a better place for future generations. We are a community of like-minded souls driven by our goal to inspire our youths to Dream Big and help light up the path to making their dreams real.

In a groundbreaking collaboration with Southfield College, Darjeeling, Darjeeling Dialogues marked a milestone with its inaugural event. Our sincere gratitude goes to Prashant Rai of Arohan Financial Services Ltd. for his inspiring session, leaving a lasting impact on our students. Our commitment to impactful discussions persisted in the second event, an online session featuring Sandip Chhetri, CEO of Trade India .com, who graciously imparted valuable lessons on leadership and success.



SNAPSHOTS FROM 2022





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