



### **KILKAARIYAAN**

Inspiring tales of Child Adoption









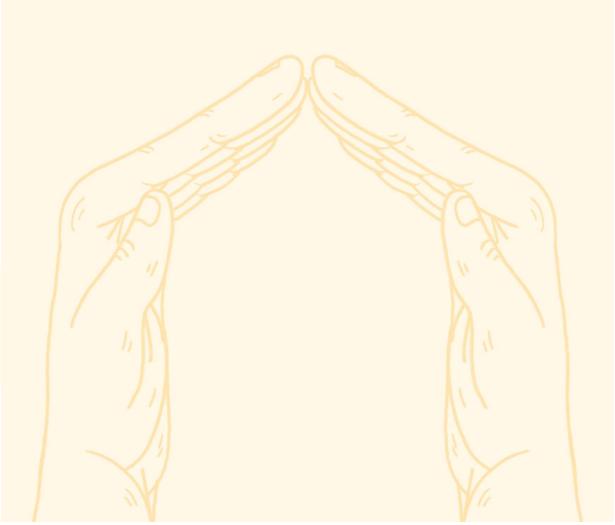


#### **MESSAGE FROM THE CEO**

OUR CHILDREN ARE THE WINGS THAT LIFT SOCIETY TO NEW HEIGHTS. WE TAKE IMMENSE PRIDE IN OUR COMMITMENT TO SECURE THE BEST INTERESTS OF CHILDREN WHO MAY NOT HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF A LOVING FAMILY.

OVER TIME, WE'VE GATHERED POWERFUL TESTIMONIES THAT SHOW HOW, WITH DEDICATED TEAMWORK AND TIMELY INTERVENTIONS, WE CAN MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE FOR CHILDREN IN NEED OF CARE AND PROTECTION.

THIS DOCUMENT SHARES THE STORIES OF CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN WELCOMED INTO ADOPTIVE FAMILIES. EACH WITH A RENEWED HOPE FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE. I AM PROUD TO PRESENT SOME OF THE BEST PRACTICES THAT HAVE BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN FINDING LOVING. CARING HOMES FOR THESE CHILDREN. **THOUGHTFULLY** ORGANIZED ACROSS **VARIOUS** CATEGORIES. ACCOMPLISHMENT REFLECTS THE **MEANINGFUL** CONTRIBUTIONS OF STATES, UNION TERRITORIES, AND ALL STAKEHOLDERS IN OUR SHARED MISSION.









#### SUCCESS STORIES OF FOSTER ADOPTION

#### JOURNEY OF RESILIENCE



Rajesh's life began on the streets of Tamil Nadu, when his biological mother died and the father's whereabouts could not be traced. At just 12 years old, he entered a shelter home after being abandoned.



A few years later, Rajesh was placed in foster care, where he quickly formed a strong bond with his foster family, and found warmth and support. The bond fructified into foster adoption, providing him with the stability and permanence he had always longed for.



In this supportive family atmosphere, Rajesh flourished academically, achieving 93% in his 12th-grade exam.

Now pursuing a BA in History, he enjoys a fulfilling life filled with aspirations and strong family ties. His story is a testament to the incredible impact of family love and support.







#### PATH TO BELONGING



Sandeep's story began in 2020 when he was brought to a childcare institution after being abandoned at the age of 10. While tracing the biological family, he was placed in a warm and welcoming foster home in 2021.



A childless couple, eager to share their love, welcomed Sandeep into their lives and decided to adopt him. In the meantime, child got legally free for adoption.



Now a vibrant fifth grader, Sandeep has found joy and stability within his new family, flourishing in an environment filled with care and affection.







#### JOURNEY OF HOPE



Anna's journey started with adversity when she got lost in New Delhi and was unable to locate her hometown, probably in Bihar or Jharkhand.



After being placed in a childcare institution, she was finally welcomed into a nurturing foster family in 2021, who adopted her later that year.



Her adoptive parents, who had previously adopted a daughter, were excited to expand their family. The sisters quickly formed a close bond.



Anna, now excelling in her studies at NIOS (5th standard), has shown remarkable improvement in her linguistic skills. Surrounded by love, she is thriving and cherishing her new life.







#### A STORY OF STRENGTH AND HOPE



Abandoned as a child, Boris was placed in a childcare institution at the age of 7. After being placed in foster care in 2013, he was taken in by Ms. Annice, a strong-willed woman running her own business.



Navigating early struggles and gradually experiencing stability and care with his foster mother, he was formally adopted in 2019. His bond with Ms. Annice grew stronger over time, and she continued to support him through his education.



However, life took a sad turn when she lost her husband in 2017. The event was traumatic for Boris, as the bond he had formed over four years had brought him closer to his foster father



Now pursuing an IT course after completing 10th grade, Boris is a shining example of resilience, surrounded by support and encouragement.







#### A PATH TO ADOPTION



Born in 2013, Gita was an abandoned child willing to be adopted. However, her sibling was not ready to go for adoption.



After due counselling, she was separated from her unwilling sibling and placed in foster care. Her adoptive parents, longing for a child to love, welcomed her with open arms.





Over the years, Gita has formed a deep connection with her new family, thriving in their care. Now settled and happy, she is flourishing academically, showing that with love and support, even the most challenging beginnings can lead to a bright future.







#### FINDING FAMILY



Rescued from a life of child labour in 2016, all efforts were made to locate her family in accordance with the rules laid down in the JJ Act, 2015.



However, Anushka's journey led her to a nurturing foster family in 2018, while she became legally free for adoption in 2023. She is now in the 10th grade and has blossomed in a supportive environment that encourages her passions.



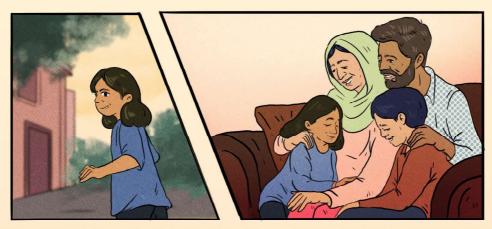
Anushka has forged strong friendships and developed a close bond with her foster parents, who see her not just as a child but as a cherished member of their family. Her story exemplifies the joy of finding family care and belonging.



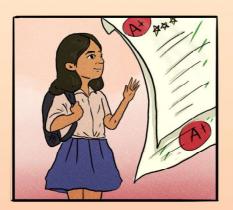




#### FARHEEN



After enduring the loss of her parents and a difficult childhood with another family, Farheen was rescued as a child in need of care and protection, being placed in a childcare institution at the age of 5. In 2020, she found a loving foster family eager to adopt her. The foster parents already had a male child, but they treated Farheen as their equal.





After three years of nurturing support, Farheen is now excelling in school and forming strong connections with her new family. She was recently declared as Legally free for Adoption (LFA), paving the way towards permanency. Her adoptive parents, thrilled to welcome a girl into their home, have created an environment where she can thrive. Together, they have built a life filled with love, laughter, and endless possibilities.







### SUCCESS STORIES OF SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN PLACED IN INTER-COUNTRY ADOPTION

#### HOPE OF A NEW LIFE



After eight years of struggling with infertility, a couple from USA decided to adopt through CARA. In 2023, they welcomed Asha - a one-year-old girl with congenital heart disease.



In post-adoption follow-up reports, Asha seems happy and cheerful with her adoptive family, who provide her with love, care, and support, helping her adjust to her new environment.









#### ITALIAN DREAMERS



In Italy, a couple's dream of parenthood transformed into reality when they turned to adoption. They registered on CARINGS and embraced a child having special needs with ambiguous genitalia and identified with congenital adrenal hyperplasia, in October 2023.



The prospective adoptive parents (PAPs) accepted the child for the process of adoption on November 6, 2023. After rigorous scrutiny, a No Objection Certificate (NOC) was issued in favour of the PAPs by CARA on February 29, 2024. The PAPs happily took custody of the child in February 2024, right after the NOC was issued.

With their adoption finalized on March 14, 2024, their daughter became a citizen by September 17, 2024. Their journey embodies the joy of unconditional love and the beauty of family.









#### SINGLE MOM'S TRIUMPH



A determined single woman from Spain, who always envisioned motherhood, registered on CARINGS. After being approved by CARA, she accessed the special needs portal option on CARINGS, for the direct reservation of a child having special needs. She reserved a baby girl who had tested positive for HIV and had developmental delays due to cerebral palsy.



After reserving the child from CARINGS on September 22, 2023 she accepted her for the further process of adoption on October 6, 2023. After thorough analysis of the case, a No Objection Certificate (NOC) was issued in her favour by CARA on December 26, 2023. After the issuance of Adoption Order by the DM of of Nagaland on January 8, 2024, the custody of the child was happily taken by prospective adoptive parents (PAPs). The child arrived in the receiving country on February 24, 2024 with the adoptive parent, and citizenship was awarded to the child on March 11, 2024.







## SUCCESS STORIES – STEP AND RELATIVE ADOPTIONS

#### CHANDAN'S BLOSSOMING FAMILY



In the coastal city of Visakhapatnam, life took a new turn for Mrs. Laxmi after the loss of her husband to COVID-19. Finding love again with Mr. Anand, who faced the same loss, they married in May 2022, blending their families into a vibrant unit.



Laxmi's son, Chandan, born on March 1, 2019, was embraced with Anand's three children—Anju, Sameeksha, and Karthik. Together, they navigated the challenges of a new family dynamic, transforming their shared grief into laughter and support.

In July 2024, CARA issued a pre-approval for Chandan's adoption, marking a joyous milestone for the family. As they celebrated this new chapter, the children joyfully welcomed Chandan as their brother, ready to embrace their future hand in hand, united by love and resilience.





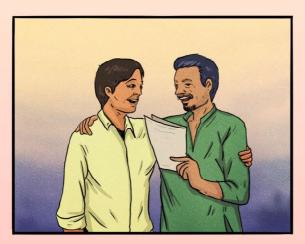


#### JACK'S EMBRACE OF STEP FAMILY





In the picturesque landscape of Mizoram, 17-year-old Jack stood at the threshold of adulthood when a significant change was set in motion. His stepfather, Mr. Sam, desired to officially adopt him, validating their bond. The journey began on November 14, 2023, when they registered for step-parent adoption with CARA. Just two days later, the District Child Protection Unit (DCPU) verified their application. On November 17, CARA issued a pre-approval letter, affirming their commitment.



By November 28, the District Magistrate of Aizawl granted the official adoption order, completing the process in just 14 days. Jack now proudly carries his stepfather's name, feeling secure and loved in a family that embraces him wholeheartedly. Ready to embrace his future, Owen's heart swells with gratitude for the bond he shares with Mr. Sam.







#### AHALYA'S NEW BEGINNING



In the vibrant state of Kerala, Ahalya, a spirited young girl born in October 2005, was about to turn 18—a milestone that promised new beginnings.



Surrounded by love from her relatives, Mr. Dev and Ms. Subhangi, the idea of formalizing their bond through relative adoption took shape just as her birthday approached. They registered with CARA on June 20, 2023, igniting a journey that would change Ahalya's life. The PAPs submitted the required documents to CARA on October 3, and within a day, they received pre-approval.

By October 9, the District Magistrate issued the official adoption order, validating Ahalya's legal status as their beloved daughter. The entire process took just 3 months and 19 days, with the final steps completed in a remarkable period of 6 days. As she celebrated her 18th birthday, Ahalya was enveloped in warmth and gratitude, knowing she was part of a family that would cherish her.







#### HARMEET'S NEW CHAPTER





In Haryana, Harmeet was on the brink of his 18th birthday, and his stepfather, Mr. Sumit, was eager to formalize their relationship. They registered the step-parent adoption with CARA on December 26, 2023, marking the start of a new chapter. After the DCPU verified the application by January 25, 2024, SARA submitted the necessary documents to CARA, receiving pre-approval on February 26—the same day the District Magistrate issued the adoption order.



The entire process, completed in just 60 days, left Harmeet with a profound sense of belonging. Now legally recognized as Sumit's son, he looks forward to his future with love and assurance, ready to embark on new adventures with his family by his side.







#### INTER-COUNTRY ADOPTIONS UNDER HAMA

### MANMEET KAUR: A JOURNEY TO FAMILY



In the heart of Punjab, a spirited girl named Manmeet faced immense challenges early in her life. After losing her father at just five, her mother vanished, leaving her in the care of her elderly grandparents.



Recognizing their limitations, her loving paternal aunt stepped in to give Manmeet a brighter future. Legally adopted through the HAMA process, Manmeet is now thriving with her aunt in Spain, surrounded by love and support. A journey that began with loss has transformed into a beautiful tale of family and hope.







#### DAYAL: FROM HEARTBREAK TO NEW LIFE



At just three and a half years old, Dayal encountered trauma when he lost his father. Raised by his maternal aunt, he found solace in family bonds.



After his mother's passing during the pandemic, his adoptive parents rushed from the UK to ensure he was secure and loved. With swift action and the support of HAMA, Dayal was legally adopted, turning a sad moment into a new beginning filled with warmth and promise. Now, he looks to the future with a smile, embraced by the family that cherishes him.







## EXCEPTIONAL CASES - INTERVENTION OF CARA

### SUCCESS STORY OF AVINASH



Avinash, a surrendered child born on January 4, 2024, found a loving family through perseverance and support. Initially rejected by the adoption agency in Panchkula due to the low income of his adoptive parents, the family appealed to CARA.

A thorough review by the Adoption Committee under SARA, Haryana, deemed them suitable. Avinash is now thriving in pre-adoption foster care with his adoptive parents, embarking on a joyful journey together.







#### SUCCESS STORY OF SUPRIYA



Supriya, an abandoned child born on October 16, 2020, found a supportive home despite initial challenges. Her application for adoption was rejected on financial grounds, but CARA intervened, leading to a review by the Principal Secretary-cum-Divisional Commissioner of Delhi.

Their assessment confirmed the financial stability of Supriya's single female adoptive parent. The adoption was successfully completed, ensuring that Supriya has a loving and secure future.







#### SUCCESS STORY OF KAMALA



Kamala, a surrendered child born on September 28, 2022, faced uncertainty when her adoption application was initially rejected due to her adoptive parents' age.



However, CARA intervened, and the case was escalated to the Commissioner, who prioritized Kamala's best interests. The District Magistrate revised the decision, allowing Kamala to remain with her loving adoptive parents. The adoption was ultimately completed, ensuring a stable and nurturing environment for her.







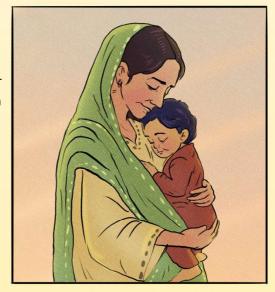
# HURDLES TO OFFICIAL INTERVENTION: MS TAVLEEN AND JIGGI



Ms. Tavleen was excited to reserve child Jiggi from a Child Welfare Home in Delhi. After thorough document verification, Jiggi was placed with Ms. Kaur under pre-adoption foster care. However, the journey took a challenging turn when the Additional District Magistrate of a district rejected the adoption application, citing concerns about Ms. Tavleen's financial stability, as she depended on her father's pension and her sister's support.

Recognizing the importance of this family bond, CARA intervened and escalated the case to the Principal Secretary-cum-Divisional Commissioner, Government of NCT of Delhi, for a review as per Section 101 (6) of the JJ Act.

The Commissioner thoroughly examined the situation and discovered that Ms. Kaur had substantial financial assets, along with her own source of income and ancestral property. With this new information, the adoption order was issued, successfully completing the process.











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These stories highlight the dedication of adoptive families and agencies caused due to affection of children. This ensured that every child found a loving home. Names have been changed for legal purposes.

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