

Pratham AUS Incorporated

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Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 June 2024

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Chairperson's Report

For the year ended 30 June 2024

The Board submits the financial report of Pratham AUS Incorporated ("Pratham", "Pratham AUS", "Pratham Australia" or "the association") for the financial year ended 30 June 2024.

Pratham AUS is an incorporated association registered in New South Wales under the *Associations Incorporation Act 2009*. Pratham was issued its registration on 9 February 2015 and continues to be registered to date.

Pratham AUS received Deductible Gift Recipient ("DGR") status from the ATO on 30 May 2015 and has retained this status since. DGR status allows donors to make tax deductible contributions to Pratham AUS.

Principal Activities

The Pratham Education Foundation India, 'Pratham India' in short, was established in 1995 as a non-profit organization headquartered in India, working towards the vision of "every child in India in school and learning well".

Pratham AUS supports Pratham India's continuing endeavours to provide a safe and healthy place and environment conducive to effective learning and teaching, establish, encourage and support educational and training institutions, establish and encourage active participation of students, teachers and communities to actively participate in range of community and environment restoration projects, promote team sports and healthy and hygienic activities (especially for children and women), provide a common meeting ground to exchange ideas, etc. to create opportunities for those under-privileged.

Pratham AUS's primary objectives include raising funds to support the activities of Pratham India's educational, vocational training and related activities in India, providing oversight of the use of Pratham AUS funds in India, increasing awareness of the problems of the underprivileged in India, including educational deficits and their potential solutions, and overseeing the development and use of the Pratham AUS identity within Australia.

The Board of Pratham AUS has decided to focus its attention on Pratham's Second Chance program that provides continuing education and upskilling to girls and women who have had to drop-out of school for reasons beyond their control, including having to work to support their families. Pratham's program allows them to study near their homes, around their daily household and work responsibilities. The program has progressed into organising microfinancing to young women for setting up small businesses in their respective communities.

Pratham Aust Inc has its remittances to Pratham India delayed due to, we are told, rules around the recent Indian Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA).

We are investigating the cause of this with help of Pratham India and discussing methods to arrange a successful transfer.

A new Director, Professor Dipti Talaulikar was appointed to the Board wef 7 June 2024.

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The following fund-raising events were organised in FY24:

- Jill Weekes' Celebratory Dinner at Nilgiri's Restaurant, Mosman, on 31 August 2023
- DLA Piper event on 16 November 2023 at their offices in Pitt Street
- Diwali Family Event, Bondi Pavilion, on 5 November 2023
- CIA/Pratham Dinner at Castle Hill Taj Restaurant on 18 November 2023
- A digital 'LightALife' Diwali was run online for the four weeks leading up to Diwali 2023
- Pratham was the Charity Partner of an International Women's Day lunch hosted by Aradhita Nadkarni of NAB on 9 March 2024.
- Debra Berkhout's dinner to promote Pratham on 20 April 2024 at her residence

Work on the new website is awaiting information and a common template from Pratham USA.

There has been an appreciable increase of followers of our social media platforms - Instagram, Facebook and LinkedIn. The best conversion from follower to donor has happened through LinkedIn.

Operating Results

Pratham AUS had a net surplus of \$77,135 for the year ended 30 June 2024 (deficit for 2023: \$3,126). Additionally, the association had cash and cash equivalents of \$139,173 as at 30 June 2024 (2023: \$62,038).

The Board is confident in its continued ability to raise sufficient funds to achieve its short and long-term objectives.

Board

The Board is responsible for managing the affairs of the association, in accordance with its constitution and the *Associations Incorporations Act 2009* ("the Act").

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- managing the association's financial affairs and maintaining its financial viability.
- ensuring the association acts in accordance with its objects or purposes; and
- meeting all legal requirements.

The minimum number of Board members is 5, with a maximum of 11. The Board members may appoint any individual as a Board member, either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the existing Board members, provided the number of Board members does not exceed the maximum number of 11.

The Board members hold office for a maximum of 6 years from the date of appointment unless the Board decides otherwise for any Board member.

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Chairperson's Report For the year ended 30 June 2024

Board Meetings

During the year ended 30 June 2024, a total of 5 Board Meetings were held, including an AGM for acceptance of the 2023 Financial Report.

Name	Appointed	Post	Meetings Attended	Meetings Eligible
Ms Sarita Chand	9 February 2015	Chairperson	5	5
Ms Jill Weekes	23 February 2017	Deputy Chairperson	3	5
Ms Debra Berkhout	10 September 2015	Company Secretary	3	5
Mr Guy Beres	9 February 2015	CIO	4	5
Ms Ritu Bajaj	9 November 2019	Board Member	5	5
Mr Piyush Bhatt	14 February 2019	Treasurer	4	5
Mr Anoop Kalra	10 December 2020	Board Member	3	5
Ms Samantha Sachdev	1 February 2022	Board Member	3	5
Prof Dipti Talaulikar	7 June 2024	Board Member	1	1

Members

According to Pratham AUS's constitution, the only members of the association are its Board members. When a person becomes a board member, they also become a member of the association, and vice-versa.

There are no entrance/subscription fees payable.

Audit

As an incorporated association (Tier 2), the Board understands from NSW Fair Trading that undertaking an audit is not a statutory requirement. However, an auditor shall be appointed by the Board to annually examine our accounts and furnish an audit report thereon for presentation to members at the following annual meeting. An auditor shall not be a member of or related to a member of the Board.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Board:

Chairperson: 
Sarita Chand

Dated: 23.11.2024

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Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income For the year ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Revenue			
Fundraising event income		25,295	11,729
Donations received		95,198	58,245
Total revenue		120,493	69,975
Expenses			
Fundraising costs		10,590	-
Diwali Expenses		5,742	1,996
Bank fees		161	12
Donations – Pratham India		25,000	70,000
Event Expenses		-	509
Printing & Stationery		1,865	584
Total expenses		43,358	71,105
Surplus/(deficit) before income tax expense		77,135	(3,126)
Income tax expense		-	-
Surplus/(deficit) after income tax expense for the year		77,135	(3,126)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year		77,135	(3,126)

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Statement of Financial Position

30 June 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	2	139,173	62,038
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		139,173	62,038
TOTAL ASSETS		139,173	62,038
LIABILITIES			
		-	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES		-	-
NET ASSETS / (LIABILITIES)		139,173	62,038
EQUITY			
Accumulated surplus		139,173	62,038
TOTAL EQUITY		139,173	62,038

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 30 June 2024

Note 1 Summary of Material Accounting Policies

Pratham AUS is an incorporated association registered in New South Wales under the *Associations Incorporation Act 2009*.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs unless otherwise stated in the notes. The material accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation of this report are as follows:

(a) Basis of Preparation

The Board has prepared the financial statements on the basis that the entity is a non-reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial reports. This financial report is therefore a special purpose financial report that has been prepared in order to meet the needs of members.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the significant accounting policies disclosed below which the Board have determined are appropriate to meet the needs of members. Such accounting policies are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise.

(b) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within short-term borrowings in current liabilities in the statement of financial position.

(c) Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the entity and the revenue can be reliably measured. The following specific recognition criteria must also be met before revenue is recognised:

Donations, gifts and events income is recognised at the earlier of receipt or notification that the monies have been secured.

Interest revenue is recognised as it accrues taking into account the interest rates applicable on the financial asset. Income on loans is recognised in accordance with the terms of the relevant agreement.

Grant income is recognised at fair value where there is reasonable assurance that the grant will be received, and all attaching conditions will be complied with.

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Note 2 Cash and cash equivalents

	2024	2023
Commonwealth Bank of Australia – Society Cheque Account #766	12,590	5,196
Commonwealth Bank of Australia – Society Cheque Account #864	125,369	56,841
Cash on hand	1,215	-
	139,173	62,038

Note 3 Events After the Balance Sheet Date

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2024 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the association's operations, the results of those operations, or the associations state of affairs in future financial years.

Note 4 Information and declarations to be furnished under the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991

(i) Details of aggregate gross income and total expenses of fundraising events:

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Gross proceeds from fundraising activities:		
Fundraising events	25,295	11,729
Donations received	95,198	58,245
Total	120,493	69,975
Less total direct cost of fundraising activities:		
Fundraising costs	10,590	1,996
Total	10,590	1,996
Net surplus from fundraising events	109,903	67,979

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Note 5 Information and declarations to be furnished under the Charitable Fundraising Act 1991 (continued)

(ii) *Application of net surplus from fundraising events:*

Net surplus from fundraising events	109,903	67,979
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This surplus will be used to provide money, property or benefits to deliver social, cultural and professional advancement for Pratham in India.

(iii) Comparisons of certain monetary figures and percentages	2024 \$	2024 %	2023 \$	2023 %
Total cost of fundraising/gross income from fundraising	<u>10,590</u> 120,493	8	<u>1,996</u> 69,975	3
Net surplus from fundraising/gross income from fundraising	<u>109,903</u> 120,493	91	<u>67,979</u> 69,975	97
Total cost of services/total expenditure	<u>10,590</u> 43,357	24	<u>1,105</u> 71,105	1
Total cost of services/total income received (net surplus from fundraising)	<u>10,590</u> 120,493	8	<u>1,105</u> 67,979	1

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Declaration by the Board For the year ended 30 June 2024

The Board have determined that the entity is not a reporting company and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Board the financial report as set out on pages 1 to 8:

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Pratham AUS Incorporated as at 30 June 2024 and its performance for the year ended on that date; and
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Pratham AUS Incorporated will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board and is signed for and on behalf of the directors by:

Chairperson: S. Chand
Sarita Chand

Treasurer: P. Bhatt
Piyush Bhatt

Dated: **23.11.2024**

25 Nov 2024

PRATHAM AUS INCORPORATED
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Pratham AUS Incorporated

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Pratham AUS Incorporated ("the Association", which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of material accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of the Association for the year ended 30 June 2024 is prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting policies described in Note 1.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report.

We are independent of the Associate in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* ("the Code") that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of accounting

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the financial reporting responsibilities of those charged with governance.

As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our report is intended solely for the Association and should not be distributed to or used by parties other than the Association. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)**

Responsibilities of Those Charged with Governance

Those charged with governance are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements and for such internal control as those charged with governance determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, those charged with governance are responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless those charged with governance either intend to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Association's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: https://auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, amongst other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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Volha Romanchik
Director

23 November 2024