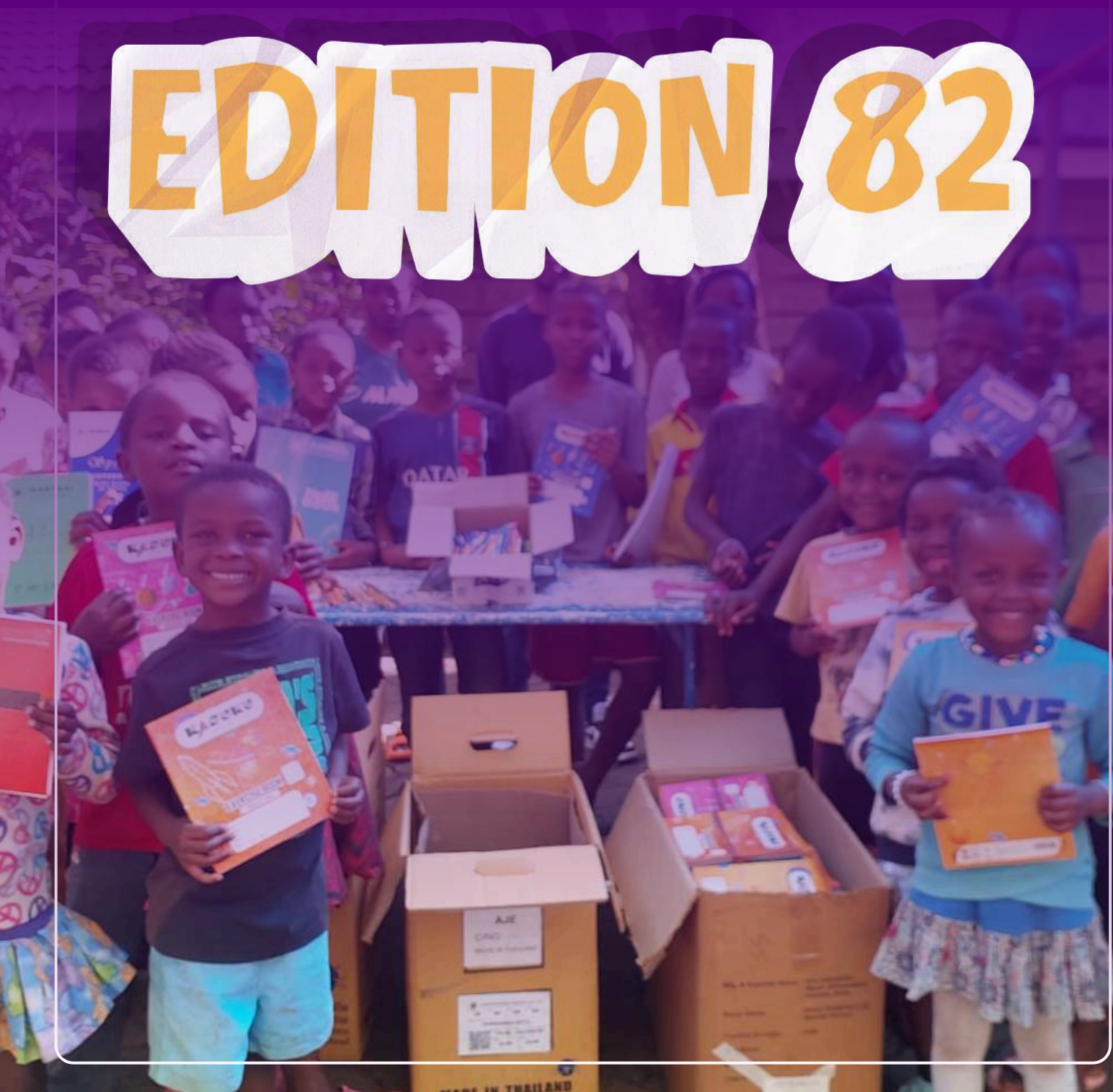


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# RELIGION

## GNAN PANCHAM



### **Gnan Pancham: Spreading Knowledge Through Giving**

Gnan Pancham, celebrated on 25th October 2025, brought our community together in a beautiful spirit of generosity and learning. This year's initiative focused on encouraging children to donate stationery items to support young learners across various institutions.

The response was truly heartwarming. Our children came forward with enthusiasm, compassion, and a deep sense of responsibility, contributing notebooks, pencils, crayons, erasers, and other essential learning materials. Through their collective efforts, we were able to provide 7,000 children with the tools they require to ensure learning, creativity and growth.

This act of giving not only supported students in need but also instilled in our own children the timeless values of kindness, empathy, and community service—principles at the heart of Gnan Pancham.

A heartfelt thank you to all our young donors, parents, and volunteers for making this noble initiative a remarkable success. Together, we continue to spread knowledge and light, one child at a time.



# LIBRARY

## STORY TIME EVENTS

### The Whale and the Snail

Our Story Time session welcomed thirteen enthusiastic little ones for an afternoon filled with imagination and fun. We began with light stretches and music to help the children settle in before diving into the stories.

Briana kicked off the session with The Snail and the Whale by Julia Donaldson, followed by lively music and movement that had the kids fully engaged. Next came The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle — a clear favourite, as many children were familiar with the story and enjoyed its simplicity and interactivity. We wrapped up with Effie the Ant by Beverley Allinson.

To end the day, the children enjoyed a hands-on activity of colouring and playdough, bringing their creativity to life.

A delightful and successful afternoon for our young readers!



### My Friends by TARO GOMI

Twelve Children attended this event with a parent or care giver. As the kids settled in we played some familiar kids' music and some kids got into coloring activities. The first book Briana read was My Friends by Taro Gammi that encourages kids to observe and learn from those around them. This was followed by some music and the second book, the Tiger that came to Tea, the kids loved this book and were quite familiar with it. The last book was Peek a Bruce by Ryan T Higgins which was very interactive as the kids crowded up front to see where the bear was hiding. The Art & Craft activity for the day was to create a friend on paper, we used paper scraps which were cut out for a Jain Class activity, some felt paper and wool. We served some watermelon slices after.





# ASTRO TURF & OSHWAL CENTRE GROUNDS **HOCKEY TOURNAMENT** Oshwal Community Hockey Tournament 2025

The Hockey Tournament, held on 1st and 2nd November 2025 at the OYL Astro Arena, Oshwal Centre, was a resounding success, achieving its goals of fostering teamwork, uncovering leadership potential, and strengthening community bonds.

A total of eight teams, with 60 participants, competed across 24 group-stage matches. The competition was fierce, with RYA A, RYA B, Greensharks, and The Orange Attack advancing to the semi-finals. After a thrilling final, RYA B emerged as the champions, proudly taking home the tournament trophy.

Despite a brief rain delay on Saturday, players showed commendable patience and enthusiasm, waiting for the weather to clear so matches could continue. Once play resumed, all games ran smoothly and on schedule, reflecting excellent organisation.

The tournament was a showcase of remarkable team spirit, positive energy, and community camaraderie, leaving everyone with memorable experiences and a sense of pride in their participation.





# MAINTENANCE

## WALKING TRACK

### Rebuilding Our Walking Track

A Step Towards Health and Well-Being – We are pleased to share a positive update on the rebuilding of the walking track at the Oshwal Centre. The project is progressing steadily and reflects our continued commitment to enhancing facilities that promote health, wellness, and an active lifestyle within our community.

Once completed, the upgraded walking track will provide a safe, comfortable, and inviting space for members of all ages to walk, exercise, and unwind. Whether it is a quiet morning stroll, an evening walk with friends, or part of a regular fitness routine, the track will serve as a valuable shared facility for everyone.

As we look forward to its completion, this is also a wonderful opportunity for our community to set personal fitness goals, embrace healthier habits, and make the most of this renewed space. Together, we can turn each step into a commitment towards better health and collective well-being.

We thank our members for their patience and support during the rebuilding process and look forward to welcoming you soon to enjoy the revitalized walking track at the Oshwal Centre.



# Nandini Nayan Savla



# TAX NEGOTIATIONS

Our Oshwal Community keeps on climbing the ladder both internationally and nationally. Dr. Parita Shah was privileged to represent the Committee on Fiscal Studies, Faculty of Law, University of Nairobi as the Academia Think Tank at the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee on the United Nations Framework Convention on International Tax Cooperation which was held from the 10th to 19th November 2025 at the United Nations in Nairobi.

Dr. Parita, an environmentalist and Senior Lecturer at the University of Nairobi focused on the need of strengthening the Convention's effectiveness whilst respecting state sovereignty. According to her, taxation should be fair from international level to local level and must enforce tax fairness for equality. Areas which she focused on during the discussion were digital economy taxation for fair business deals which is a real challenge; Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and domestic resource mobilization for inclusive economic participation; understanding how high net worth individuals avoid taxation and focus on structures to mobilize them to pay and supporting capacity building for developing countries to ensure meaningful participation in tax cooperation. Her discussion also emphasized on preventing loopholes and regulating gaps which encourage illegal financial flows.

By – **Dr. Parita Shah.**

