



Jhankar Beats SCIO

Annual Report & Financial Statements
For The Period 01 April 2025 to 31 March 2026

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Jhankar Beats SCIO – Objectives & Activities

Objectives:

Jhankar Beats SCIO exists to improve the wellbeing, inclusion, and opportunities of people of all ages through arts, culture, sport, education, and community development. Our objectives are to:

- Promote participation in music, dance, and cultural heritage, with a particular focus on South Asian arts.
- Improve physical and mental wellbeing through sport, physical activity, yoga, and healthy lifestyle programmes.
- Reduce loneliness and social isolation by creating welcoming, inclusive spaces where people can connect and build friendships.
- Support children and young people to develop confidence, creativity, leadership skills, and pathways into education, volunteering, and employment.
- Empower older adults to remain active, independent, and socially connected.
- Advance equality, diversity, and inclusion by engaging people from all backgrounds and fostering intercultural understanding.
- Raise awareness of environmental sustainability and climate action through creative and community-led activities.
- Strengthen community cohesion by bringing together people of different cultures, ages, and abilities through shared experiences.

Activities:

To achieve these objectives, Jhankar Beats delivers a wide range of community-based activities, including:

- Weekly music, dance, and performing arts classes.
- Hindustani classical music and Kathak workshops.
- Youth clubs, leadership programmes, and mentoring.
- Elderly clubs, gentle exercise, yoga, and wellbeing sessions.
- Community badminton and other inclusive sports activities.
- Cultural festivals, live performances, concerts, and heritage celebrations.

- Creative skills training, artist development, and employability workshops.
- Environmental and climate awareness projects using music, dance, and creative arts.
- Health awareness events, family activities, and community engagement programmes.
- Volunteering opportunities, partnerships, and community outreach initiatives.

Through these activities, Jhankar Beats works to create healthier, more connected communities where everyone has the opportunity to participate, develop their talents, celebrate cultural diversity, and contribute positively to society.

Trustee Recruitment & Appointment:

Jhankar Beats did not appoint any new Trustees during the 2025–26 financial year, and the existing Board of Trustees continued to provide effective governance and strategic oversight of the organisation.

To strengthen our operational capacity and support the growth of our activities, we appointed several key personnel during the year, including a **part-time Project Coordinator, Dance Instructor, Assistant Project Coordinator, Volunteer Coordinator, Media Handler, and Youth Activities Coordinator**. These appointments have enhanced our ability to deliver high-quality programmes, coordinate volunteers, engage with the community, manage communications, and expand opportunities for children, young people, older adults, and the wider community.

Achievements & Performance:

During the 2025–26 financial year, Jhankar Beats continued to deliver a wide range of cultural, educational, wellbeing and community engagement activities that brought together people of all ages and backgrounds.

Our highlights included Kathak performances at SCVO in Edinburgh, and celebrations organised as part of South Asian Heritage Month and participation in cultural events hosted by The National Lottery Heritage Fund, Edinburgh. We also celebrated the Festival of Colours (Holi) and Janmashtami (Lord Krishna's Birthday) through music, dance and community gatherings, promoting South Asian culture and heritage.

A major achievement was the successful delivery of Rhythms of the Earth, a project supported by the Scottish Government. Through music, dance and creative arts, the project engaged local communities in conversations about climate change, biodiversity

and sustainable living, encouraging participants to take positive climate action while strengthening community connections.





Throughout the year, our events showcased Indian and Scottish cultural music, dance, poetry, storytelling and art, followed by community celebrations that encouraged friendship, inclusion and cultural exchange.

We also hosted our annual Certificate Presentation Ceremony, recognising the achievements and dedication of children, young people and adults aged 4 to 45 years. The awards celebrated not only artistic excellence but also values such as commitment, discipline, teamwork, compassion and a passion for learning.

Our weekly music and dance classes continued to nurture creativity, confidence and artistic talent, providing participants with opportunities to develop performance skills while improving their physical and mental wellbeing. Through music and dance, participants built friendships, expressed themselves creatively and developed a stronger sense of identity and belonging.

In addition, our Elderly Club meets every week, providing older adults with opportunities to socialise, participate in gentle physical activities, enjoy cultural programmes, and improve their overall health and wellbeing. The club has played an important role in reducing loneliness and strengthening community support networks.

Collectively, these achievements demonstrate Jhankar Beats' commitment to promoting culture, creativity, health, inclusion and community cohesion while creating lasting social impact across Glasgow and beyond.

Enrichment Opportunities:

Jhankar Beats is committed to providing meaningful enrichment opportunities that go beyond music and dance tuition. Throughout the year, participants have developed creativity, confidence, leadership and life skills through a wide range of cultural, educational and community programmes.

With support from BBC Children in Need and The National Lottery Community Fund – Young Start, we have expanded opportunities for children and young people to participate in weekly music, dance, sports, wellbeing and creative arts activities. These funded programmes have provided a safe, inclusive environment where young people can learn new skills, improve their confidence, build friendships, and take part in volunteering, leadership opportunities and community performances.

Participants have also performed at cultural festivals, South Asian Heritage Month celebrations, community events and climate awareness programmes, gaining valuable performance experience while celebrating diversity and promoting intercultural understanding. Through our Rhythms of the Earth project, funded by the Scottish Government, participants explored environmental sustainability and climate action through music, dance and creative arts.

In addition, our weekly Elderly Club has continued to provide older adults with opportunities to socialise, participate in gentle exercise, yoga, music and dance sessions, improving their physical health, mental wellbeing and reducing social isolation.

These enrichment opportunities have enabled people of all ages to realise their potential, develop lifelong skills, strengthen community connections, and contribute to a healthier, more inclusive and culturally vibrant society.

Financial Review:

During the 2025–26 financial year, Jhankar Beats remained financially stable and continued to manage its resources responsibly. The charity received funding from a range of grant-making bodies, charitable trusts, and community partners, enabling us to deliver a wide variety of programmes that benefited children, young people, older adults and the wider community.

The Trustees regularly monitor the charity's financial position through budget reviews, management accounts and financial reports to ensure that income is used effectively, expenditure is appropriately controlled, and the organisation remains financially sustainable. The charity continues to comply with its financial policies and governance procedures, ensuring that all funds are applied solely in furtherance of its charitable objectives.

Statement of the Charity's Policy on Reserves:

The Trustees recognise the importance of maintaining an appropriate level of unrestricted reserves to safeguard the charity against unforeseen circumstances and fluctuations in income.

Our policy is to maintain unrestricted reserves of approximately £5,000 to £10,000, which will provide sufficient working capital to meet unexpected expenditure, short-term cash flow requirements, or emergency situations. The adequacy of this reserve level will be reviewed annually by the Trustees as part of the charity's financial planning process.

Subject to maintaining this prudent reserve, the Trustees aim to maximise the use of all available funds to deliver the charity's objectives and provide the greatest possible benefit to the communities we serve. Any surplus income is reinvested into the charity's programmes and activities to further its charitable purposes.

JHANK AR BEATS (SCIO REG CHARIT Y NO: SC0460 24)								
Receipt s and Paymen ts Account for the year ended 31 March 2026								
						Restricted	Unrestricted	Total
						Funds	Funds	
						£	£	£
Openin g Bank Balance - 01						20,479.70	9,052.44	29,532.14

April 2025								
<u>RECEIPTS in the year</u>								
Grant Funding						183,455.30		183,455.30
Fees and Donations							5,682.93	5,682.93
Total Receipts						183,455.30	5,682.93	189,138.23
<u>Less PAYMENTS in the year</u>								
Salary Costs						47,966.56		47,966.56
Premises Hire						18,044.00		18,044.00
Legal, Accounting & Insurance						2,981.55	2,250.00	5,231.55
Event Costs : -								
Catering						4,500.00		4,500.00
Artist & Other Costs						3,715.56		3,715.56
Costumes						3,100.00		3,100.00
Volunteer costs						2,785.30		2,785.30
Admin						1,500.00		1,500.00
Sound						1,500.00		1,500.00
Total Paymen						86,092.97	2,250.00	88,342.97

Cash at Bank - 31 March 2026						117,842.03	12,485.37	130,327.40

Future Plans:

Over the coming year, Jhankar Beats aims to build on its recent successes by expanding its programmes and increasing opportunities for people of all ages to participate in arts, culture, sport and wellbeing activities.

We will continue to deliver and develop projects supported by **The National Lottery Community Fund – Young Start, BBC Children in Need, The National Lottery Heritage Fund**, Area Partnership funding and other grant-making organisations. These programmes will enable us to strengthen our youth services, expand our elderly club, and provide more inclusive activities for children, young people, older adults and vulnerable members of the community.

A key priority is to establish a permanent community hub where people can meet, socialise, learn new skills and participate in music, dance, sports, health and wellbeing activities. We also plan to purchase a small accessible minibus, with support from **The Clothworkers' Foundation**, to provide transport for older adults and those with mobility challenges, reducing isolation and improving access to our activities.

We will continue promoting Scottish and South Asian cultural exchange by offering music, dance, heritage and community events that bring people from different backgrounds together. By creating opportunities for shared learning, creativity and celebration, we aim to strengthen community cohesion, improve health and wellbeing, and inspire greater participation in community life.

Jhankar Beats remains committed to operating in line with Scottish values of equality, inclusion, respect and diversity while celebrating the richness of Indian cultural heritage. Through strong partnerships and community engagement, we will continue to create positive opportunities that enrich lives and strengthen communities across Glasgow and beyond.

Additional Information:

During the 2025–26 financial year, Jhankar Beats achieved an important governance milestone by transitioning from a **Tier 1** to a **Tier 2 Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO)**. This change was approved and formally notified to **OSCR**, strengthening the charity's governance structure and supporting our long-term growth and sustainability. It also enables us to explore opportunities such as **Community Asset Transfer**, helping us establish a permanent community base for our activities.

Our charitable purposes are to:

- Advance the arts, heritage and culture by promoting South Asian, particularly South Indian, classical music and dance through performances, exhibitions and cultural events.
- Advance education through the teaching of music, dance and cultural traditions, providing educational programmes and raising artistic standards.
- Advance public participation in sport by organising inclusive indoor and outdoor physical activities that improve health and wellbeing.
- Advance health by promoting fairness, teamwork, equality, inclusion, discipline, perseverance and respect through creative, cultural and sporting activities.

Our work is grounded in collaboration, creativity and community participation. We celebrate diversity, encourage intercultural understanding and provide opportunities for people of all ages and backgrounds to develop confidence, creativity and leadership skills. Through performances, workshops, volunteering and community engagement, we create welcoming spaces where everyone can express themselves, build self-esteem and form meaningful connections.

Jhankar Beats is committed to promoting equality, challenging discrimination and fostering an inclusive society where every individual feels valued and has the opportunity to participate, learn and thrive. Through the power of music, dance, sport and the arts, we continue to inspire positive change and strengthen communities across Glasgow and beyond.

Declaration:

Signed on behalf of the Charity trustees:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Subhash Sethy', followed by a horizontal line and three dots.

Print Name: SUBHASH SETHY

Designation: Chairperson

Date: 15. 07. 2026

