CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st January 2025 to 31st December 2025

Charity name: SANSKRIT TEXT SOCIETY

Charity registration number: 1198239

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The Sanskrit Text Society (STS) is established to advance public education and understanding of the historical, cultural, literary and intellectual traditions of South Asia, particularly those associated with Hinduism, Buddhism and Jainism. Its charitable purposes focus especially, though not exclusively, on the study, preservation, interpretation and dissemination of Sanskrit literature and the rich intellectual traditions embodied in Sanskrit texts. The Society seeks to fulfil these objectives by promoting academic research, facilitating educational activities, encouraging scholarly collaboration and supporting students and researchers engaged in Sanskrit and related fields of study, particularly in the United Kingdom and South Asia.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	During the reporting period, the Sanskrit Text Society continued to develop its academic and educational activities in furtherance of its charitable objectives. Although still in the early stages of its institutional development, the Society successfully organised two significant academic programmes in 2025. The first was a Summer School held in Kathmandu, Nepal, in September 2025, providing an opportunity for academic engagement, specialised learning and scholarly exchange in Sanskrit and related intellectual traditions. The second was a workshop and conference on Yoga and Philosophy, organised in Hyderabad, India, in December 2025, in collaboration with the Indian Council of Philosophical Research (ICPR). This

		programme facilitated academic discussion, intellectual exchange and the dissemination of knowledge concerning India's philosophical traditions. Both initiatives contributed to the Society's educational mission by creating opportunities for learning, research and scholarly collaboration, thereby advancing public understanding of Sanskrit literature and South Asian intellectual heritage. During the reporting period, the Society received a total of £2,430 in donations and academic fees associated with its activities and incurred expenditure of £1,600 towards the organisation and delivery of its charitable programmes.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees confirm that, in planning and undertaking the Society's activities during the reporting period, they have had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The Society's educational initiatives are directed towards advancing knowledge, supporting scholarly research and facilitating the wider dissemination of Sanskrit literature and South Asian intellectual traditions for the benefit of students, researchers and the wider public.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	The Society did not operate a formal grant-making programme during the reporting period.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	The Society did not undertake any social investment or programme-related investment activities during the reporting period.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	No separate volunteer contribution was reported for the period.
Other		No additional information to report.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	The year 2025 marked an important period in the institutional and academic development of the Sanskrit Text Society. As a relatively newly established charity, the Society continued to translate its charitable objectives into practical educational initiatives aimed at promoting the study, understanding and dissemination of Sanskrit literature and South Asian intellectual traditions. A significant achievement during the year was the successful organisation of two international academic programmes. In September 2025, the Society organised a Summer School in Kathmandu, Nepal, contributing to specialised education and academic engagement in Sanskrit and related fields. The programme provided a platform for learning and scholarly interaction, supporting the Society's objective of encouraging the study and transmission of traditional knowledge. In December 2025, the Society organised a workshop and conference on Yoga and Philosophy in Hyderabad, India, in collaboration with the Indian Council of Philosophical Research (ICPR). The event provided an opportunity for scholarly discussion and exchange concerning India's philosophical and intellectual heritage, strengthening connections between researchers and academic institutions. These initiatives represented meaningful progress towards the Society's charitable objectives. They supported educational engagement, encouraged academic collaboration and contributed to the wider understanding of Sanskrit and South Asian knowledge traditions. The Society also began developing its wider academic network, engaging with scholars working in Indology and related disciplines with a view to establishing academic and advisory committees to support its future activities. Taken together, these achievements demonstrate the Society's gradual but sustained development as an organisation committed to advancing education, supporting scholarship and preserving and disseminating South Asia's literary and

		intellectual heritage.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	The Society made progress towards its principal charitable objectives during 2025 through the successful delivery of two academic programmes and the development of its scholarly network. These activities directly supported its commitment to advancing education, encouraging research and promoting greater understanding of Sanskrit literature and related intellectual traditions.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	The Society did not undertake a separate formal fundraising campaign during the reporting period. Its income was derived primarily from donations and academic fees associated with its charitable activities.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	The Society did not undertake investment activities during the reporting period.
Other		No additional achievements or performance matters to report.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	During the financial year ending 31 December 2025, the Sanskrit Text Society received total income of £2,430, comprising donations and academic fees associated with its educational and charitable activities. Total expenditure during the reporting period amounted to £1,600, principally relating to the organisation and delivery of the Society's academic programmes and associated operational expenses. The Society consequently recorded a surplus of income over expenditure of £830 for the year. This amount remained in the Society's bank account at the end of the reporting period. The Society maintained a positive financial balance and continued to operate within the resources available to it.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	At 31 December 2025, the Society held reserves amounting to £830, representing the unspent balance of its income after meeting expenditure incurred during the reporting period. These funds have been retained to support the Society's future charitable and educational activities and to provide a modest financial provision for anticipated operational expenses. Given the Society's relatively early stage of development and limited financial resources, the trustees recognise the importance of maintaining sufficient funds to support the continuity of its charitable activities.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£830 as at 31 December 2025.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not applicable. The Society held reserves of £830 at the end of the reporting period.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not applicable. No funds were reported as materially in deficit during the reporting period.
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	The trustees have not identified any material uncertainties concerning the Society's ability to continue operating as a going concern. The Society's activities remain proportionate to its available financial resources, and the trustees continue to oversee its financial position.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The Society's principal sources of income during the reporting period were voluntary donations and academic fees received in connection with its educational programmes and charitable activities.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	The Society's income and property are applied exclusively towards the advancement of its charitable purposes, in accordance with its governing document. No formal investment or social investment activities were undertaken during the reporting period.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	No material risks threatening the Society's continued operation were identified during the reporting period. As a developing charitable organisation, the Society recognises the importance of maintaining adequate financial resources, ensuring effective governance and managing the organisational requirements associated with its academic and educational activities.
Other		No additional financial matters to report.

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The appointment and composition of the Society's Board of Trustees are governed by the provisions of its constitution. Under these provisions, the Society must have a minimum of three and a maximum of eleven charity trustees. Should the number of trustees fall below the prescribed minimum, the remaining trustee or trustees may act only for the purpose of convening a meeting of the trustees or appointing additional trustees to restore the minimum required number. All trustee appointments must comply with the eligibility requirements and numerical limits prescribed by the Society's governing document.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	The Society's governing document does not prescribe specific provisions relating to the formal induction or training of trustees.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The Sanskrit Text Society is governed by its Board of Trustees, which is responsible for overseeing the Society's administration, strategic direction, financial management and charitable activities. During the reporting period, the Society began expanding its academic and institutional network by engaging with scholars and researchers specialising in Indology, Sanskrit studies and related disciplines. These engagements were directed towards the development of academic and advisory committees intended to provide scholarly guidance and support the planning and implementation of the Society's educational and research initiatives.

		The Society also collaborated with the Indian Council of Philosophical Research (ICPR) in organising its workshop and conference on Yoga and Philosophy in Hyderabad in December 2025. Such academic collaborations contribute to the Society's objective of establishing a wider scholarly network and strengthening its capacity to deliver educational activities.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	During the reporting period, the Society received donations from individuals associated with its governance. Professor Diwakar Acharya, a serving trustee, donated £1,270, while Mr Pongsit Pangsrivongse, a former trustee, contributed £500. These donations supported the Society's charitable purposes and activities.
Other		No additional governance or management matters to report.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Sanskrit Text Society
Other name the charity uses	No
Registered charity number	1198239
Charity's principal address	85 Banbury Road, Kidlington, OX5 1AH, UK

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Diwakar Acharya		Whole year	
2	Anupam Kumar Suman		Whole year	
3	Bihani Sarkar		Whole year	
4	John Lowe		Whole year	
5	Gillian Evision		Whole year	

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved
NOT APPLICABLE

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity
NOT APPLICABLE

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	**NOT APPLICABLE**
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	**NOT APPLICABLE**
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	**NOT APPLICABLE**

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

NOT APPLICABLE

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

NOT APPLICABLE

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details **NOT APPLICABLE**

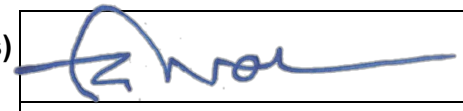
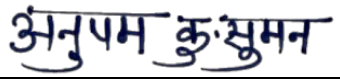
Other optional information

NOT APPLICABLE

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Diwakar Acharya	Anupam Kumar Suman
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Founding Trustee	Trustee
Date	31.10.2026	

Profit and Loss

SANSKRIT TEXT SOCIETY
For the year ended 31 December 2025
GBP (British Pound)

	2025
Trading Income	
Other Revenue	2,430.00
Total Trading Income	**2,430.00**
Gross Profit	**2,430.00**
Operating Expenses	
Bank Fees	15.00
Legal expenses	1,585.00
Total Operating Expenses	**1,600.00**
Net Profit	**830.00**

Balance Sheet

SANSKRIT TEXT SOCIETY
As at 31 December 2025
GBP (British Pound)

	31 DEC 2025
Assets	
Bank	
Sanskrit Text Society	830.00
Total Bank	**830.00**
Total Assets	**830.00**
Net Assets	**830.00**
Equity	
Current Year Earnings	830.00
Total Equity	**830.00**