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Newsletter #1

**Annual Report**

**2024-25**

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# 2024-25

## Newsletter #1



**Registered as Public Charitable Trust  
on 4th August, 2007**



### Mission

As a civil society organization, AVIRATHA seeks to work with communities, societies and governments by charting and maintaining sustainable programs that could bridge equity gap in any dimension or contribute to human development in any form.



### Approach

AVIRATHA provides an open platform for people to propose, plan and execute programs/ activities that are in line with its vision and mission. AVIRATHA follows a participatory approach to program design with involvement of stakeholders at every level of program/ activity cycle.



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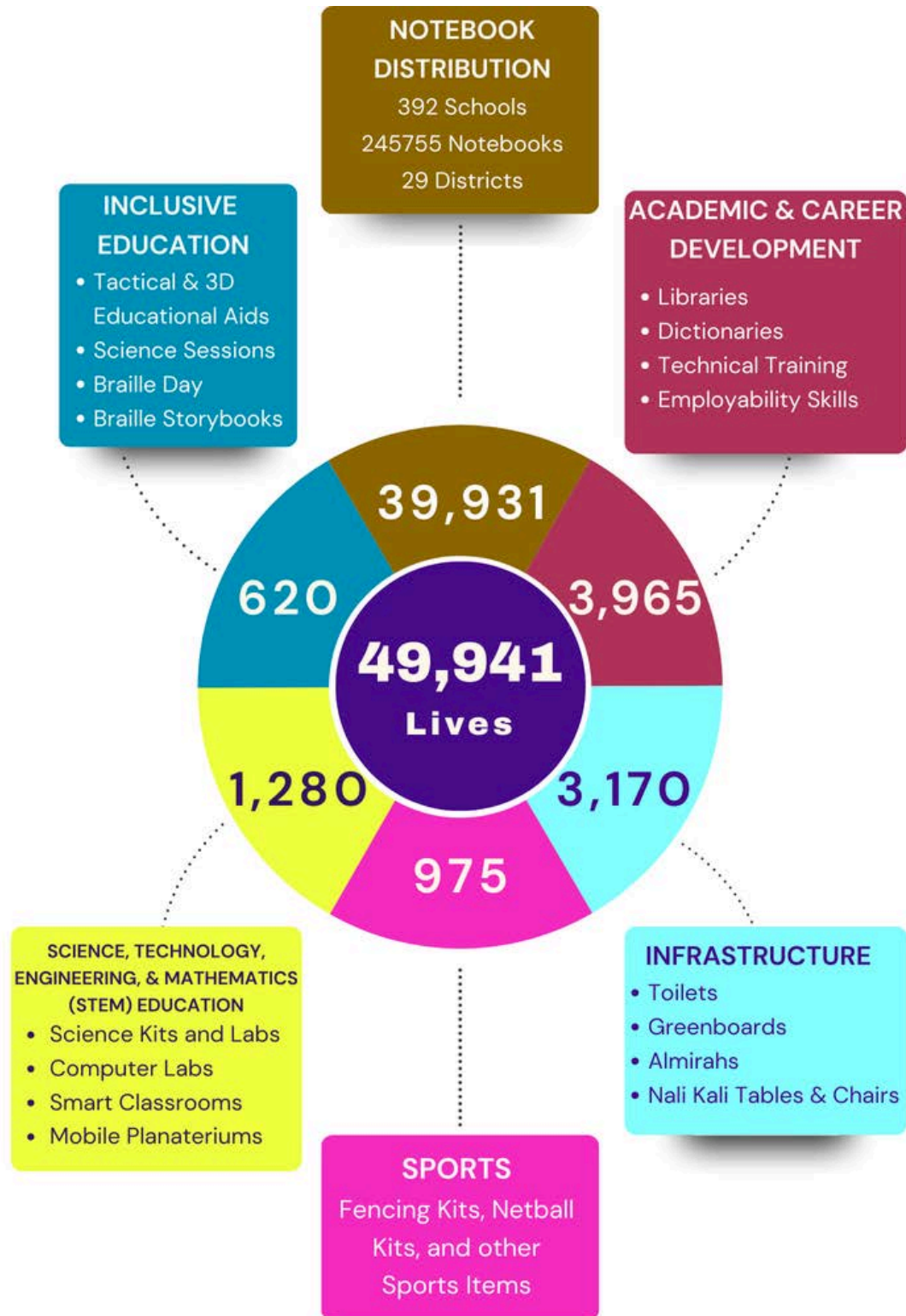
**Echoes of Impact**



# Executive Summary

In 2024–25, Aviratha Trust fostered equitable learning across Karnataka through inclusive education initiatives, hands-on science, and supportive infrastructure for children.

**VOLUNTEERS**  
*in*  
**NOTEBOOK**  
**DISTRIBUTION**  
**620+**



A snapshot of our 2024–25 impact across Karnataka



# Executive Summary

## ACADEMIC & CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Preparing students for future challenges remained a key focus. We established and enriched school libraries, distributed dictionaries, and facilitated technical and employability training to graduates—laying strong foundations for lifelong learning and career readiness.

## SPORTS

Recognizing the importance of physical and psychological development, we supported schools with fencing kits, netball kits, and additional sports equipment. These contributions strengthened existing sports programs, helping students continue their participation while promoting teamwork, discipline, and physical fitness.

## INFRASTRUCTURE

We continued to invest in enhancing the learning environment. Classrooms were equipped with greenboards, almirahs, and Nali Kali furniture. Sanitation facilities were improved through the construction and renovation of school toilets, ensuring safe and dignified spaces for students.

**We sincerely thank our CSR partners, volunteers, and supporters whose generosity and dedication make our work possible. Together, we are shaping a brighter, inclusive future for children across Karnataka.**

# Executive Summary

## Highlights

### **NOTEBOOK DISTRIBUTION DRIVE 2024**

Our flagship initiative continued to ease the burden on families and ensure uninterrupted learning. With over 2.4 lakh notebooks distributed across nearly 400 schools in 29 districts, the program supported nearly 40,000 students, reaffirming our belief that access to basic learning tools should never be a barrier to education.

### **STEM EDUCATION**

To foster curiosity and innovation, we strengthened STEM learning across underserved schools. Hands-on science kits, new science and computer labs, and smart classrooms brought experiential learning into the mainstream. Our mobile planetarium sessions opens up the universe to young minds in rural schools, many experiencing the wonders of astronomy for the first time.

### **INCLUSIVE EDUCATION**

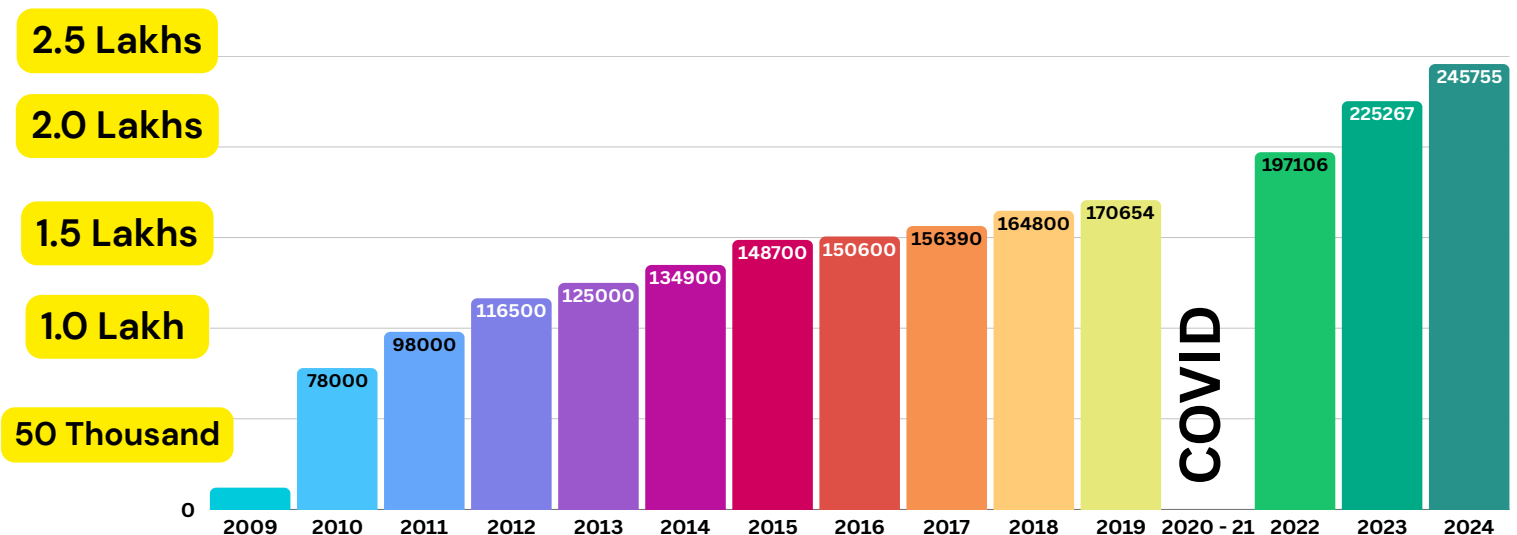
We deepened our commitment to inclusive education through impactful interventions. A Braille embosser donated to the State Central Library in Bengaluru now enables access to reading material for individuals with visual disabilities. Children's Day and Braille Day were marked with Braille book readings and interactive sessions, fostering engagement and equitable learning experiences.

# Notebook Distribution Drive

Aviratha's annual notebook distribution (NBD) drive has emerged as a flagship initiative of its long-term efforts, playing a vital role in enriching primary education and supporting the overall development of school infrastructure.

**A 16-year-long commitment to making a difference in many lives.**

**2009-2024**  
**20.23 Lakhs Notebooks**  
**Across Karnataka**



# Notebook Distribution Drive

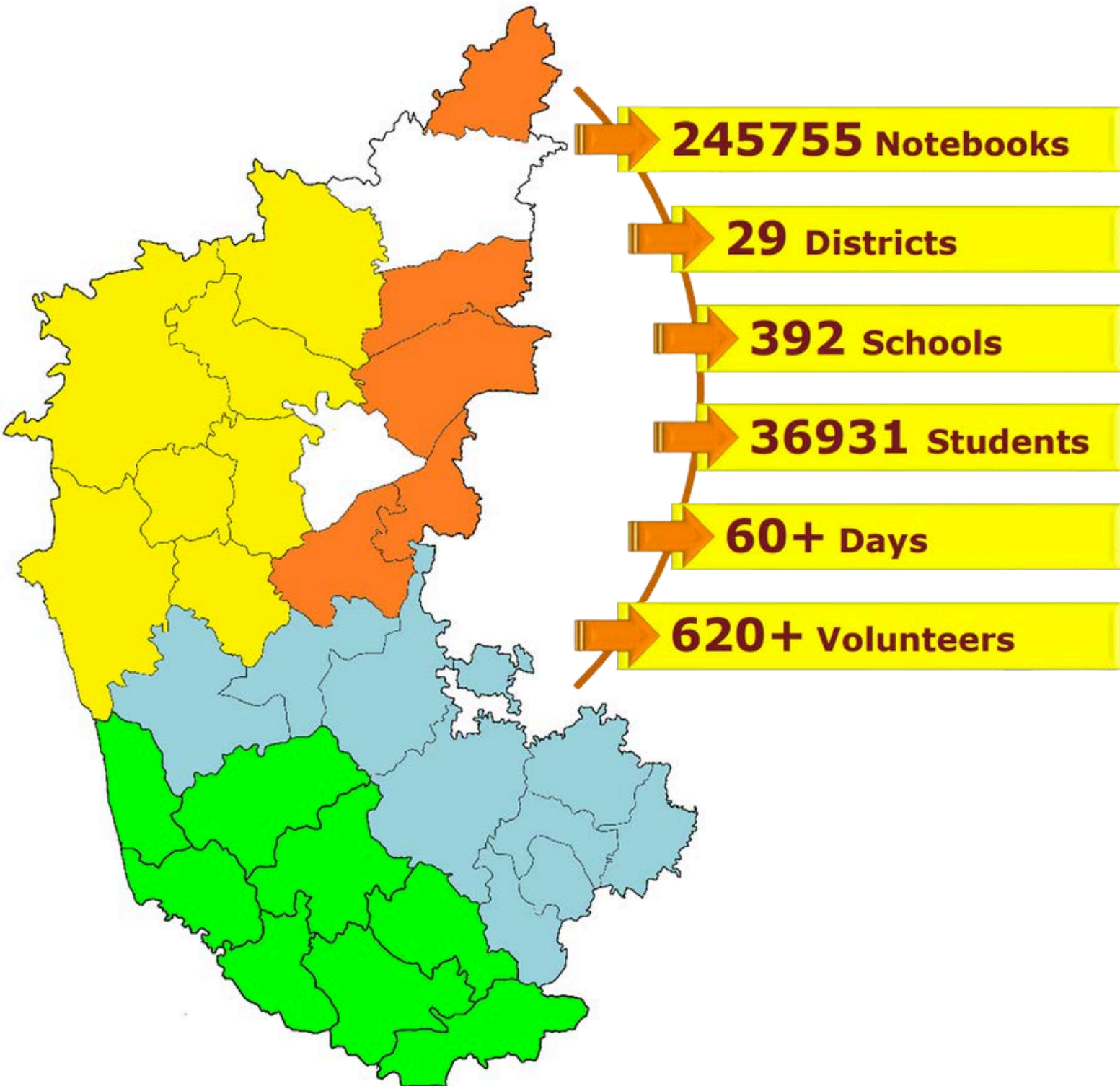
## KEY FEATURES

- Schools are selected based on the socio-economic background of the students.
- Notebooks have been scientifically designed for different and progressive grades based on the learning needs.
- Aviratha volunteers take on the role of school leads, managing the specific requirements of each school.
- Schools already supported by other NGOs or donors are excluded to avoid duplication.
- School Leads independently raise funds required for their assigned schools.
- Volunteers use their homes as storage and collection points for notebooks, helping avoid storage costs.
- Volunteers bear their own expenses (such as travel and food) during distribution visits — donations are used only for notebooks.
- Notebooks are personally handed over to each student, ensuring direct and fair distribution.

Along with individual donors, our CSR Partners - Kennametal, Purestorage, Synamedia, Accurex, Srujana Enterprises, have contributed to the notebook drive.

# Notebook Distribution Drive Snapshot

## NBD 2024 in Numbers





# STEM Education

## SCIENCE LABS

With **Synamedia**'s support, a fully equipped science lab was set up at **Government High School (RMSA), Jangama Tumbigere, Harapanahalli Taluk, Vijayanagara District**. The lab fosters hands-on experimentation, helping students connect theoretical concepts with real-world applications and boosting interest in STEM learning.

## SCIENCE KITS

Science kits developed by India Literacy Project were distributed to **Hire-Othageri and Hiremagi Government High Schools in Ilkal Taluk, Bagalkote District**. The kits have already helped students better understand scientific concepts and have contributed to improved academic performance in these schools.

## MOBILE PLANETARIUM SESSIONS

Mobile Planetarium sessions with our partner Taare Zameen Par in **Government schools of Tumkur and Nagamangala taluks**. The immersive experience sparks curiosity in astronomy, broadens scientific imagination, and enhances conceptual understanding through visual storytelling. This is supported by **Synamedia**.

# STEM Education

## COMPUTER LABS

Thanks to **Nextuple**, computer labs were set up at:

- Government Higher Primary School, Bidaraguppe
- Government High School, Aralusandra, Ramanagara

These labs offer students hands-on experience with digital tools, basic computer skills, and access to curated content that strengthens their learning and readies them for the digital world.

## SMART CLASSROOMS

Supported by **Synamedia**, smart classroom facilities were established at:

- Karnataka Public School, Amruthur, Kunigal Taluk, Tumkur
- GHPS, Halli Mysore, Holenarsipura Taluk, Hassan
- Netaji Aided Primary School, Narayanapura, Hunasagi Taluk, Yadgiri

These tech-enabled spaces enhance engagement through interactive, grade-specific digital content for both teachers and students.

# Inclusive Education



## **BRAILLE EMBOSSE**

With the support of **Synamedia**, we donated a Braille embosser to the **State Central Library**, Bengaluru. This allows the visually impaired community to print Braille materials on demand, improving access to required content.

## **CHILDREN'S DAY – BRAILLE BOOK READING EVENT**

On November 14th, 2024, we hosted a Braille Book Reading Event at Indira Priyadarshini Children's Library, Bengaluru and gifted 30 Braille storybooks to participating organizations and individuals.

## **WORLD BRAILLE DAY**

On January 4th, 2025, in collaboration with **Deepa Academy for Differently Abled**, we celebrated World Braille Day by distributing Braille calendars and tactile games—promoting sensory-based learning.

## **Tactile Models & 3D Educational Aids**

Anatomy and Geography tactile and 3D models donated to **Deepa Academy for Differently Abled** help students grasp complex topics through touch-based exploration.

# Inclusive Education



## SCIENCE SESSIONS

Our volunteers conducted Science Awareness sessions at **Awake Vishwa Seva Foundation**, helping visually challenged students explore scientific concepts through interactive, hands-on demonstrations.

## LEARNING AIDS FOR STUDENTS WITH AUTISM

As part of our inclusive education initiatives with **Nextuple**, we supported Academy for Severe Handicap and Autism (ASHA) by donating mechanical toys, vibrating pillows, chairs, ear muffs, earbuds, and ear plugs. These sensory and assistive items are designed to create a more comfortable and engaging learning environment for neurodivergent students, helping them regulate sensory input and participate more effectively in classroom activities.

# Academic and Career Development

## LIBRARIES

Over 2,000 books and science magazines were distributed to 18 schools across 9 districts in North and Central Karnataka, supporting literacy and learning. **Synamedia** supported us in upgrading libraries at **Government Model Higher Primary School, Yalanadu, Chiknayakanahalli**, and **Government High School, Kapanimbaragi, Chadachana Taluk, Vijayapura District**, creating vibrant reading spaces that inspire curiosity and foster a culture of reading among students.

## EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

Industry professionals conducted technical and soft skills training for students of **Nrupathunga University and Maharani Cluster University**. The sessions helped students build practical knowledge, improve communication, and develop essential workplace skills, thereby strengthening their employability and career preparedness.

## DICTIONARIES

In association with **Oracle**, 240 English dictionaries were distributed to students of **Girls High School, Karnataka Public School, Basavanagudi**. Vocabulary-building activities and awareness sessions highlighted how dictionary use supports language skills and academic success.



# Sports



Fencing and netball equipment were provided to **Karnataka Public School, Attiguppe**, where students actively participate in national-level competitions.

**Government High School, Aralalusandra** in Ramanagara Taluk received javelins and other sporting gear, marking our second consecutive year of engagement with the school.

Students from **Jaddigadde and Vannalli schools in Sirsi Taluk** also benefited from access to a range of sports equipment, including badminton racquets, volleyballs, and more—strengthening physical education in remote and underserved areas of Uttara Kannada district.

These initiatives were part of our ongoing CSR partnership with **Nextuple**, aimed at supporting inclusive sports development across diverse communities.

# Infrastructure

## GREENBOARDS

- Govt. Higher Primary School (GHPS), Elepete, Doddaballapura, Bengaluru Rural
- GHPS, Kandanakoli, Kodagu
- GHPS, KH Halli, Kunigal Taluk, Tumkur
- GHPS, Balekatte, Kunigal Taluk, Tumkur
- GHS, Jangama Tumbagere, Harapanahalli, Vijayanagar
- GHPS, Chikkakodagali, Ilkal Taluk, Bagalkote
- GHPS, Askihal, Raichur Taluk, Raichur
- Govt. Model Primary School, Hebbala, Nidagundi Taluk, Vijayapura

## NALI KALI TABLES & CHAIRS

- Govt. Lower Primary School (GLPS), Banakal, Mudigere Taluk, Chikkamagalur
- GHPS, Elepete, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bengaluru Rural
- GLPS, Kiruvale, Sakleshpura, Hassan
- GHPS, KH Halli, Kunigal Taluk, Tumkur
- GLPS, Byrapura and Aralikunte, Pavagada Taluk, Tumkur
- GLPS, Etigaddapalli Bagepalli Taluk, Chikkaballapura
- GLPS, Sulikunte, Devanahalli, Bengaluru Rural

These initiatives were supported by **Synamedia**.

# Infrastructure

- **Women for Impact, Sustainability, and Empowerment (WISE)** supported us in toilet construction at Government School, Chalageri, Sirsi, Uttara Kannada.
- **Syniverse** supported us in constructing a toilet block at Physiotherapy center for Children with Special Needs, Hunsur.
- **Synamedia** provided the necessary support for toilet construction at Maragadi Daddi government school, Uttara Kannada.

The Nali Kali tables provided to Anganwadi centers in Beedi Colony, Kengeri and Hosa Road, Singasandra, with the support of **Nextuple**, are helping create more engaging and child-friendly spaces for early learners.

# CSR Partners

Aviratha Trust extends heartfelt gratitude to our esteemed CSR partners for their continued support, which plays a vital role in enabling us to bring about enduring and meaningful change.





# Gallery : Notebook Distribution Drive





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My School, My Pride / NoteBook Drive



# Gallery : STEM Education



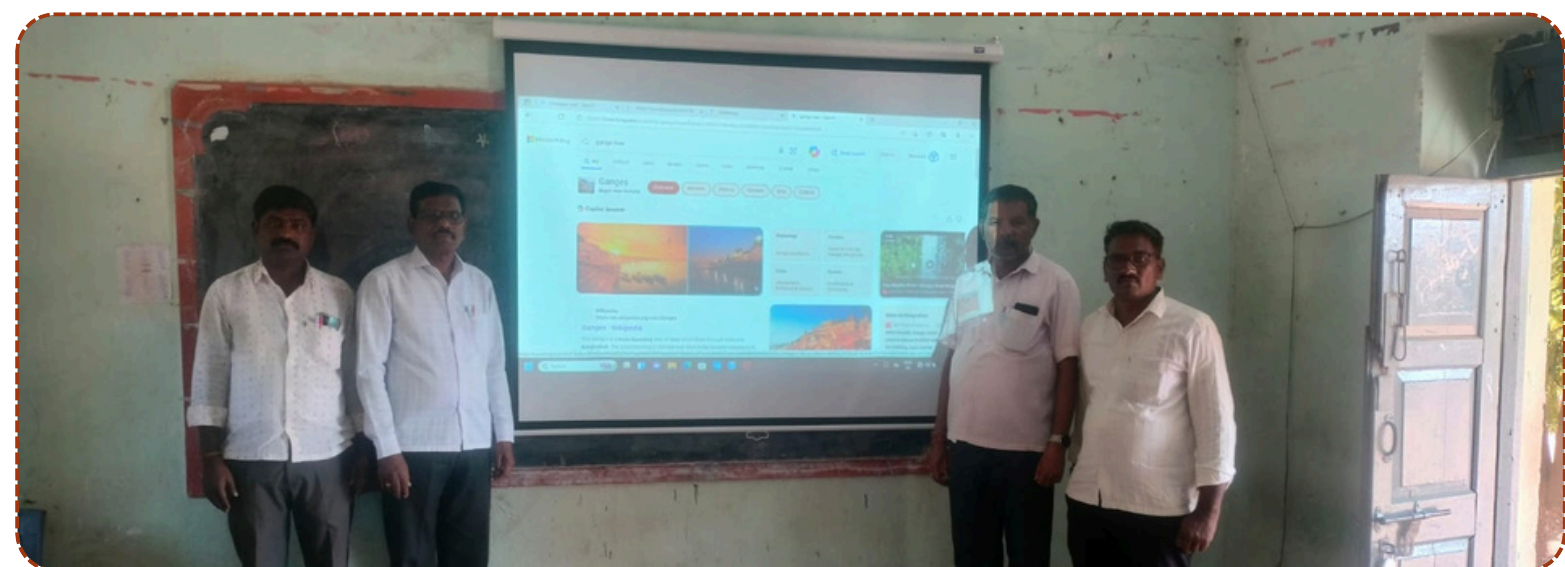


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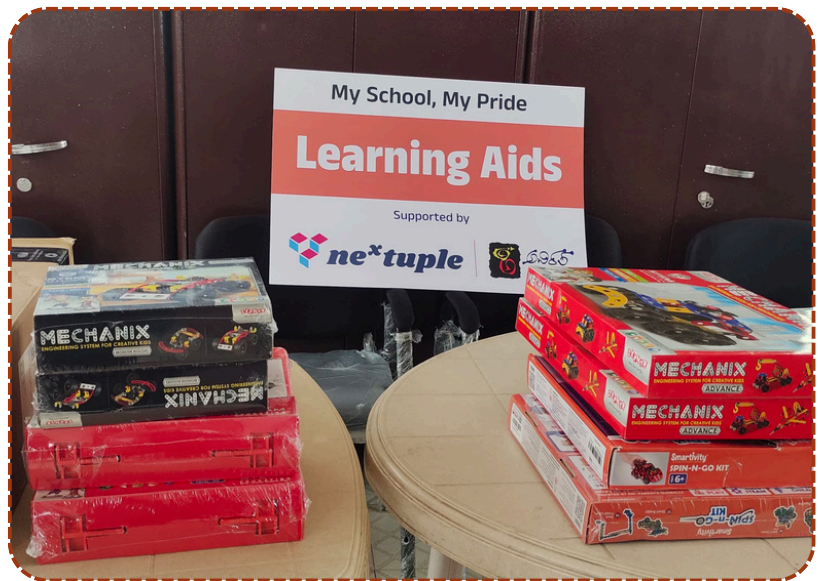
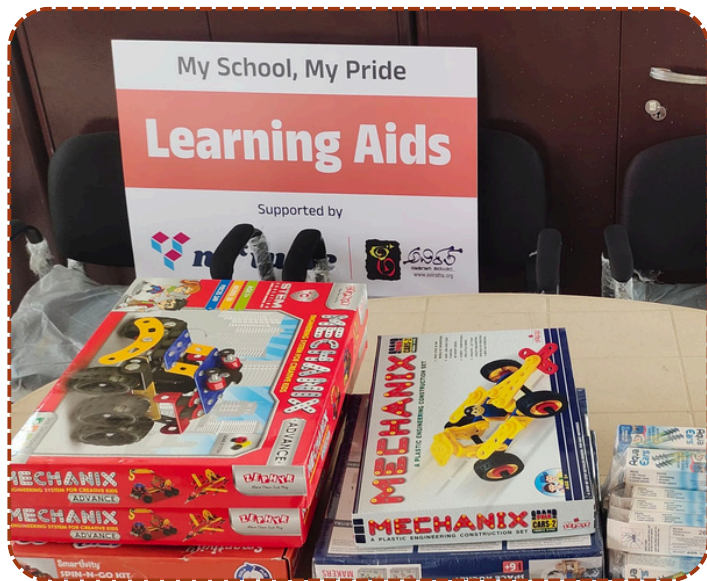


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# Gallery : Academic & Career Development





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# Gallery : Sports



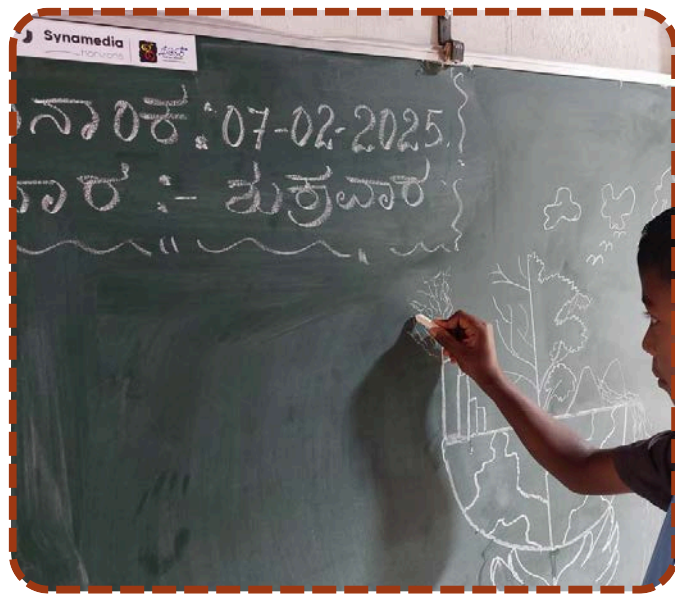
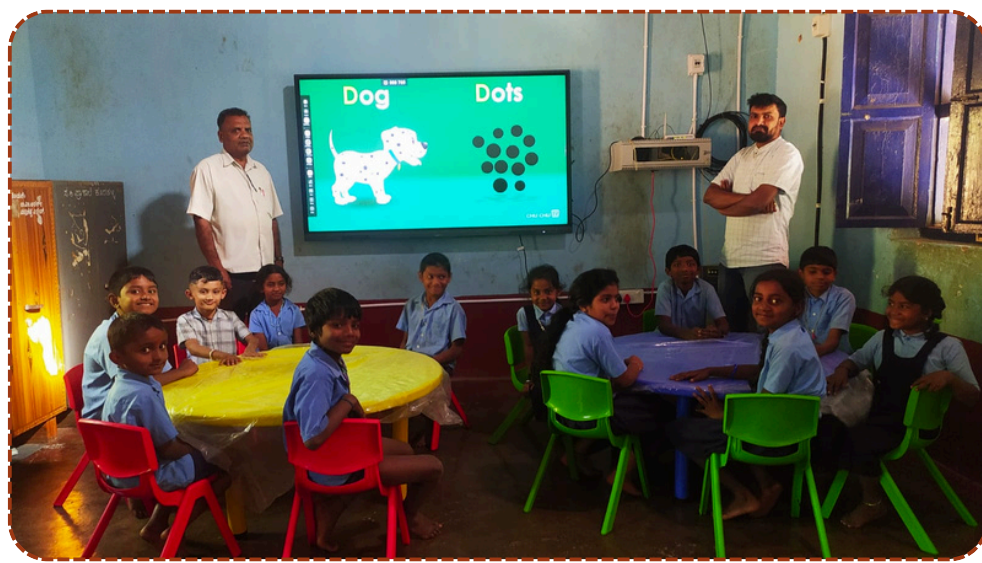


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# Echoes of Impact

**Your science kits really helped the students grasp the concepts better. This has improved our 10<sup>th</sup> standard results.**

Raghavendra, Science teacher,  
GHS, Hiremagi, Bagalkot



**These storybooks weren't available to us before, but now we'll set aside some library time to read them.**

Student who received Braille Storybooks  
on Children's Day