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# Just one word.

A journey of a thousand miles starts with a single step.

In this case, it starts with one word.

## **Unstoppable.**

The way we see it, the word is relevant at various levels.

Relevant for India, passing through a phase of unprecedented optimism marked by economic reforms, competitiveness and opportunities.

Relevant for India's education sector, committed to enhance employability for one of the youngest populations in the world.

Relevant for an NGO like Yuva Unstoppable, seeking to play a front-ranking role in transforming the marginalised of today into the achievers of tomorrow.

The message behind this word is that the commitment to education is continuous and unceasing. Our objective is to adapt to transforming environments and nurture sustainable communities with a singular objective; to transform educational delivery and destinies.



PART 1


# WHY INDIA NEEDS YUVA UNSTOPPABLE



Era of Live Education







# “Together, let us dream bigger, **aim higher**, and remain truly Unstoppable.”

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Dear Friends,

As I reflect on another impactful year, I am filled with immense pride and gratitude for the extraordinary journey we continue to undertake at Yuva Unstoppable. This year has been a testament to the power of collective action, compassion, and unwavering belief in the transformative potential of education.

At Yuva Unstoppable, we recognize that true change begins with creating equal opportunities for all, especially for children from marginalized communities. Our commitment to bridging the educational divide, improving infrastructure, and providing holistic support to millions of students across the nation stands stronger than ever. With the unwavering support of our partners, volunteers, and well-wishers, we have been able to touch the lives of over 7 million children, transforming more than 6,000 schools across 25 states.

This year, we have made significant strides in our mission to transform lives through education. The expansion of our Digital Smart Classroom initiative and WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene) facilities has been pivotal in driving better attendance, improved health, and enhanced learning outcomes. Our

scholarship programs have reached new heights, touching the lives of thousands of young individuals, empowering them to achieve their dreams and break free from the cycle of poverty.

These accomplishments are a testament to the collective efforts of our committed team and the generous contributions of our supporters. Together, we have built a stronger foundation for a brighter future for countless children and families.

Looking ahead, we are excited to expand our reach and deepen our impact. With your continued support, we will strive to create even more opportunities for the youth of India, ensuring that every child has the chance to fulfill their potential.

I extend my heartfelt thanks to each and every donor, partner, volunteer, and team member who has made this journey possible. Together, let us continue to dream bigger, reach higher, and remain truly unstoppable.

Warm regards,

**Abhi Shah,**

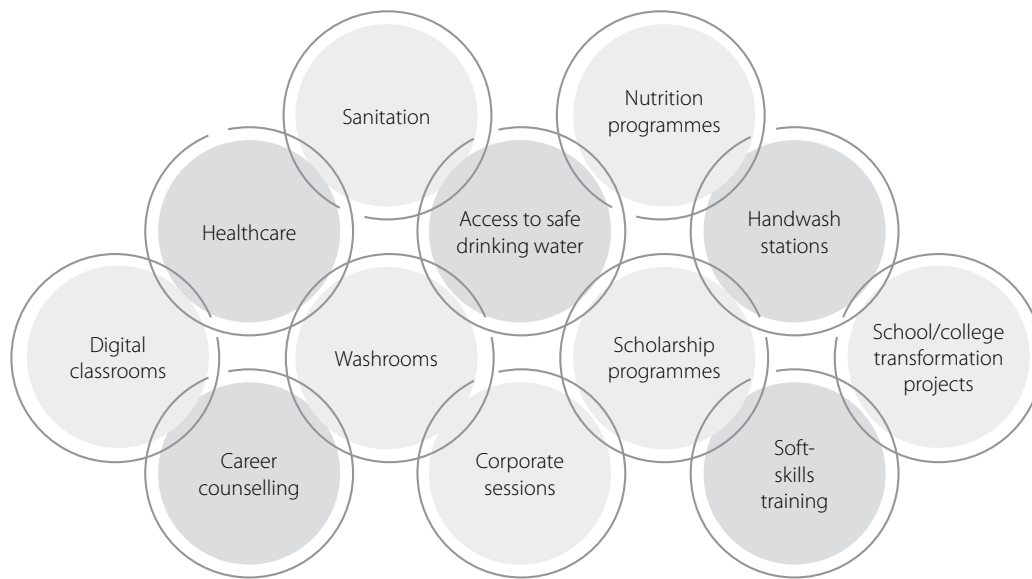
*Non-Executive Chairman*

# YUVA UNSTOPPABLE'S DIVERSE **INITIATIVES** HAVE PROVIDED A COMPLETE LIFECYCLE MANAGEMENT SOLUTION IN SCHOOLS





## Yuva Unstoppable addresses children's needs at all levels



### Nutrition support

Improves maternal health by encouraging optimal birth spacing, offers pre-natal nutrition support and tackles maternal anemia, resulting in better health outcomes.

### Anganwadi centres

Improves child health by providing services like immunisation, growth tracking, and the early detection of health problems, leading to quick action for better well-being.

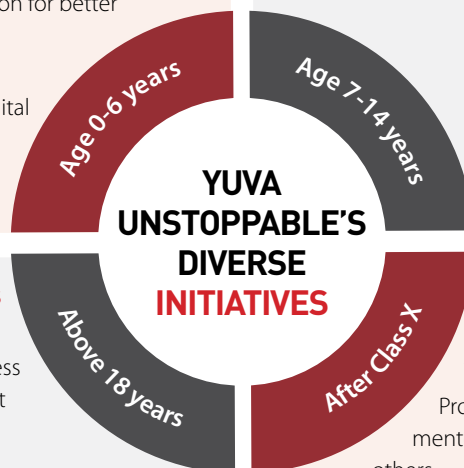
Fosters cognitive development by providing early learning resources, digital tools, and educational toys, preparing children for school and enhancing their intellectual growth.

### School transformation projects

Improves school facilities in under-served and marginalised areas.

Tackles basic needs like sanitation, clean water, and nutrition.

Provides access to digital learning.



### College transformation projects

Enhances hygiene and health by constructing toilets and ensuring access to clean drinking water in government first-grade colleges.

Provides modern laboratory equipment for hands-on learning and practical experiments.

Repairs and maintains classrooms as well as college buildings to create a conducive learning environment.

Installs signage and constructs compound walls to ensure a safe and secure campus.

### Project Udaan

Covers basic costs like tuition, learning materials, and other school needs.

Provides chances for skill-building, mentorship, and career counselling, among others.



# THE **RIGHT** TO QUALITY EDUCATION: INDIAN GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

## Overview

India's government owned school network is among the largest in the world. It plays a critical role in providing education access for millions across the country. Government initiatives like the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (Education for All) aims to provide universal elementary education, ensuring basic schooling infrastructure in rural and urban areas.

**580**

million, number of Indians between the ages of 5 and 24 years; the highest population in this age bracket

**117**

USD billion, size of India's education sector in FY20

**225**

USD billion, estimated size of education sector in FY25

(Source: *ibef.org*)

## Key aspects

### Vast reach

India has ~14.7 lakh government schools, serving 24.8 crore students, especially in rural and under-served areas where private schools are often scarce or unaffordable. This extensive reach ensures that even the remotest regions have access to primary and secondary education.

### Access to affordable education

India's government schools offer free or subsidised education, making it affordable for families with limited resources. This affordability is crucial in a country where many families live below the poverty line. Additionally, schemes such as free midday meals, textbooks, uniforms, and scholarships help reduce the financial burden on families and enhance school attendance.

### Focus on inclusivity

The Right to Education (RTE) Act mandates free and compulsory education for children aged 6 to 14 years, ensuring that government schools remain accessible and inclusive. The government school network promotes inclusive education and accommodates children from all social, economic, and caste backgrounds. Various programmes support marginalised communities, including Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and children with disabilities.

### Teacher workforce

India's government school system employs over 9 million teachers, making it one of the largest teaching workforces in the world. While challenges remain related to teacher-student ratios and the quality of education, the sheer scale

of this workforce reflects a significant commitment to providing education.

### Digital and infrastructure initiatives

The government has made substantial efforts to improve school infrastructure, including classrooms, sanitation, electricity, and internet connectivity—particularly in rural areas. Programmes such as Digital India and the PM eVIDYA scheme have introduced free digital learning resources, helping bridge learning gaps and adapt to evolving educational needs.



## YUVA UNSTOPPABLE.

### WHY WE CAME INTO EXISTENCE

Poor sanitation and unsafe drinking water led to poor student health, attendance, and enrolment

Financially challenged students lacked support for higher education

Absence of smart classes, sports, STEM labs, and sustainability initiatives reduced engagement

Under-developed anganwadis hindered early childhood development, nutrition, and learning

Lack of teacher training and capacity-building programmes affected education quality

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## WHY THE **INDIA GROWTH STORY** IDEALLY NEEDS TO BEGIN WITH GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

Government schools account for possibly the largest single educational network in India

There was a decline of 87 Lakh students in government schools across the country in FY24

If India is to emerge as a \$30 trn economy by 2047, it will need to rethink the way its government schools can contribute to that reality

India accounts for not just the largest global population but also the highest number of unemployed

Around 81% Indian employers reported difficulties in finding talent

(Source: *The Print*, *NDTV.com*)

# WHY AN NGO LIKE YUVA UNSTOPPABLE WAS, IS AND LIKELY TO REMAIN **RELEVANT**

The world has transformed significantly; government schools in India are still at the same level they were decades ago

Much of the preparation for the outside world does not happen in schools; it starts from college

Even though a number of government schools possess dedicated teachers, they do not possess modern educational supports

The world has digitalised in the last few years; India's government schools have not

Most Indian government schools operate like silos; they do not enjoy the benefits of networking with domain specialists

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# WHAT MAKES YUVA UNSTOPPABLE'S APPROACH AN **IDEA** WHOSE TIME HAS COME

There is an increasing understanding of the need to separate school building ownership from post-building investments.

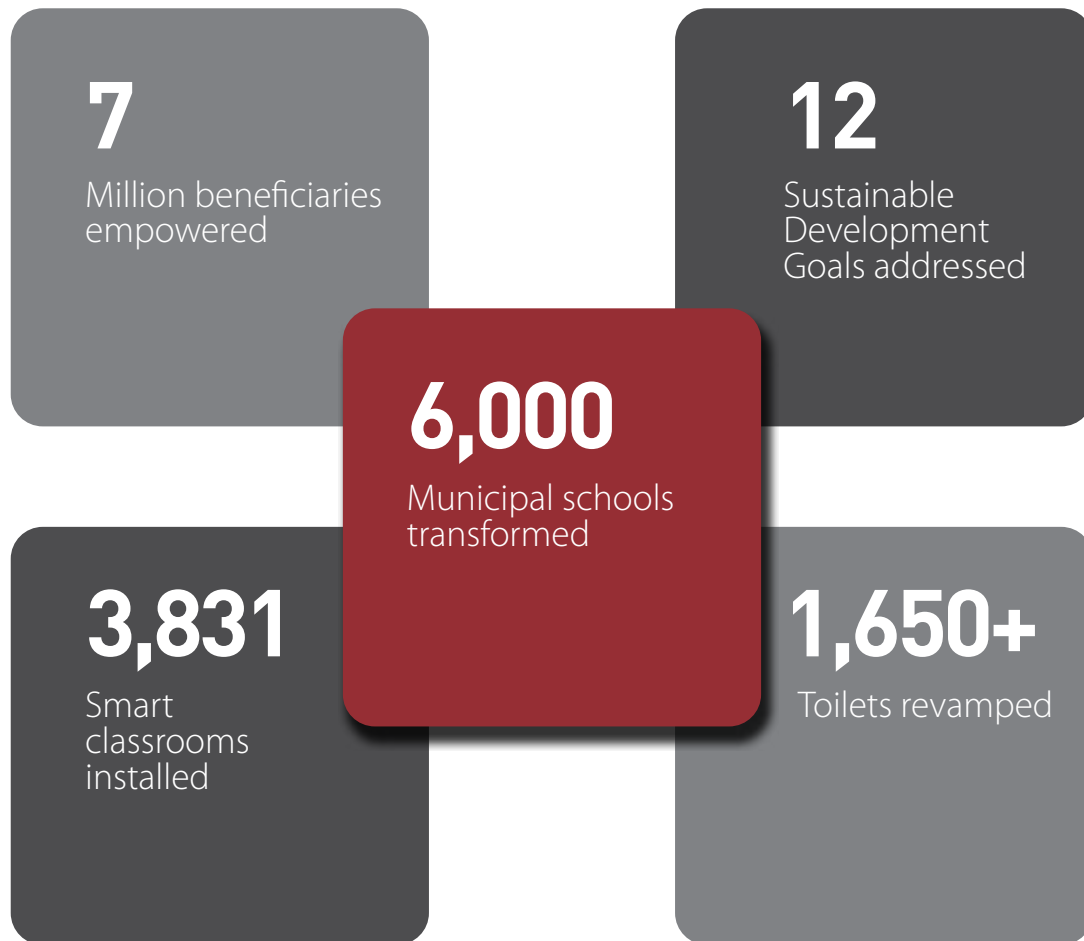
There is a growing recognition of the need to separate physical school investments from software support.

There is a growing appreciation for consistent contributions versus upfront one-time investment

Yuva Unstoppable's approach shows how providing construction support can help unlock the potential of a government school.

Yuva has proved that dividing responsibilities and focusing on special areas can accelerate educational outcomes.

# THE RESULT OF YUVA UNSTOPPABLE'S APPROACH LIES IN ITS **NUMBERS.**





**WHAT WORKED  
FOR US, IS JUST  
ONE LINE.**

**“Arise!  
Awake! And  
stop not until  
the goal is  
reached.”**

Swami Vivekananda



**PART 2**

**LET US EXPLAIN  
IN GREATER  
DETAIL WHO WE  
ARE AND WHAT  
WE DO**





# YUVA UNSTOPPABLE.

**Helping** transform existing schools.

**Raising** infrastructure and educational benchmarks.

**Making** positive student outcomes holistic and predictable.

**Evolving** marginalised students of today into empowered citizens of tomorrow.

**Transforming** destinies through educational value-addition.



## Mission

By 2030, we aim to transform 15,000 schools, empower 15,000 merit scholars, and create brighter futures for 15 million beneficiaries — building a stronger, more equitable India.



## Vision

To educate and transform the lives of children and youth in India by bridging the digital divide, by providing devices and digital classrooms and by developing sustainable infrastructure for clean water, sanitation and hygiene.

To inculcate a sense of self-belief, confidence, gratitude, compassion and passion amongst the recipients.



## Purpose

To positively change the lives of children and youth in need.



## Values

**Be creative:** Take initiative to address community challenges, with empathy and humility at the heart of every action.

**Be productive:** Approach tasks with focus, mindfulness and a sense of fulfillment.

**Be dynamic:** Stay energised and become a driving force for change.

**Be grateful:** Be aware of your opportunity to help others.



## Team

Yuva Unstoppable has progressively evolved from a volunteer-driven movement into a professionally managed organisation. It comprised more than 200+ staff members as on 31 March 2024.



## CSR partners

The organisation's corporate social responsibility partners include reputed brands like Gates Foundation, Google, Bank of America, Disney, Mercedes Benz, HDFC, Lenovo and UNICEF among others.



## Services and programmes

**School transformation programme (WASH facilities):** Yuva Unstoppable's school transformation programme addresses the need for cleaner, safer and more student-friendly schools. The initiative ensures segregated bathrooms for both genders, designates areas for drinking water and dishwashing and undertakes bala painting, refurbishment

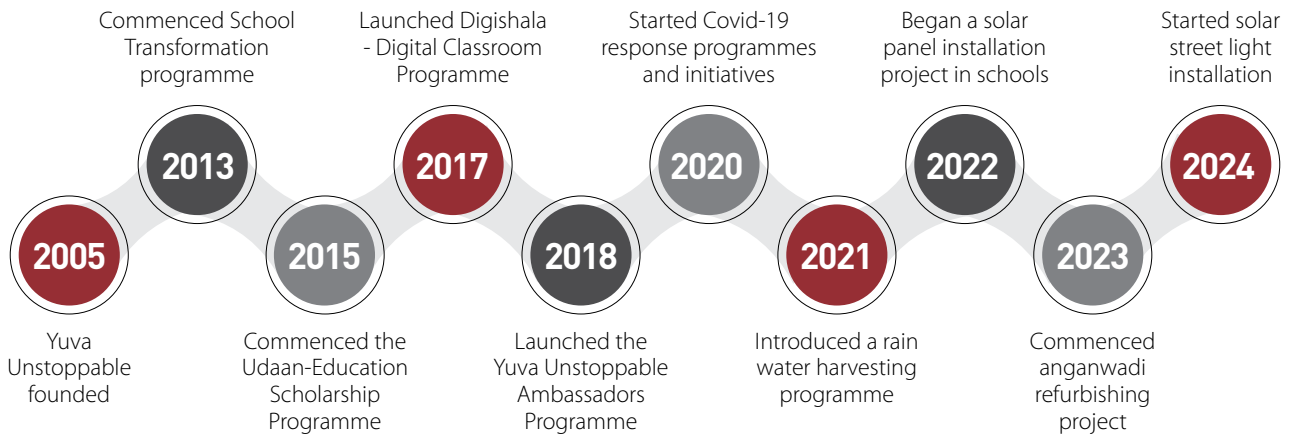
of school facilities and digitisation to enhance the student experience.

**Education scholarship scheme (Udaan):** Yuva Unstoppable provides meritorious students from marginalised backgrounds with a six-year scholarship, covering academic expenses (school fees, tuition, books, stationery and other educational essentials). The goal

is to create a platform where young individuals can become social change agents, contributing to societal progress.

**Digital smart classrooms:** In 2017-18, Yuva Unstoppable introduced smart classrooms and Google future classrooms in response to the Government of India's Digital India initiative.

## Milestones



## Scorecard

**100**

Students impacted in 2005



**70,00,000**

Students impacted in 2024

**1**

State of presence in 2005



**25**

States of presence in 2024



**IF WE HAVE GIVEN THE  
IMPRESSION THAT WE  
ACHIEVED ONE OF THE FASTEST  
ROLLOUT PROGRAMMES ALL  
BY OURSELVES, THEN WE MUST  
MAKE A CORRECTION.**

We grew rapidly because we stood on the shoulders of giants – all those who shared our vision, contributed and worked shoulder-to-shoulder with us



# AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS



*Amitabh Shah became the youngest Indian to receive the prestigious Ellis Island Medal of Honor recognised by the US House of Representatives and Senate, joining an esteemed list of past recipients, including Bill Clinton, George Bush, Indra Nooyi, Eric Schmidt (Google), Lee Iacocca, Malala Yousafzai, and other global icons.*

*Conferred Outstanding Civic Organisation Award, 2022 by Gujarat Chief Minister, Mr. Bhupendra Patel and the Gujarat police.*





*Conferred Prince's Prize for Innovative Philanthropy by HSH Prince Albert II of Monaco*



*Won Wellness Warrior Award, 2022 from Bengal Chamber of Commerce*



*Appointed Viksit Bharat Ambassador by Mr. Hardeep Singh Puri, Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas in 2023*

## Founder's message





# “UNSTOPPABILITY BEGINS WITH A VISION: TO BE THE CHANGE ONE WISHES TO SEE IN THE WORLD.”

**Amitabh Shah**, Founder and Chief Inspiration Officer of Yuva Unstoppable, explains why he left a well-paying corporate career to start YUVA

## Why did you leave a career in the USA to start Yuva Unstoppable in India?

The story began on an 18-hour flight from New York to Ahmedabad in 2004. I was returning from Yale University's MBA programme. I watched the film *Swades* on the flight home. It triggered memories of Kamalaben — my former nanny — who I had not seen in years. Where would she be now? Would she even remember me? Would she be happy to know where I had reached? Was she well looked after in her old age? Had we been fair to her across the years? Had our family forgotten her? Had her engagement just been a transaction?

I did the unusual: I said '*Chalo, gothiye ehne*', implying the need to locate her. That one decision — out of the way and out of the blue — was to reshape my life. **I did locate her: when I walked tentatively up to her under a tree, she was an 82-year-old weighing just 28 kilograms. She had been abandoned; she had no place to go.**



**“We do not construct and commission new schools; we transform the existing infrastructure; more specifically, we seek to transform government schools that are not only the largest in number but also where the upside available to make a positive change is the largest.”**

That one incident shifted my perspective. **While I did go back to complete my MBA at Yale, I declined a Wall Street job offer and returned to India.** The family was apprehensive (*‘Tu ainyya karshe shu?’*) but eventually reconciled. That is the story of how Yuva Unstoppable was founded – a youth volunteer network committed to the marginalised in slums and orphanages.

### **Why did you call the organisation Yuva Unstoppable?**

The youth are the drivers of our society; the success of our country is determined by how well we provide for our youth. **This is even more important since almost half of India’s population is under 35 years of age.** This population segment needs to be provided resources and opportunities to grow into empowered citizens. This is what Yuva focuses on: widen opportunities for marginalised youth. We believe that this is possibly the most effective catalytic initiative in India today: the capacity to transform our marginalised youth into achievers. It is an endeavour with sweeping transformative outcomes across generations. The Return on Capital Employed of such an initiative is infinite; each improvement generates spin-off improvements with no end to upsides. **If you ask me ‘What is the single biggest initiative that will drive India to greatness?’, my answer will be: Educate every single youth. This one initiative can transform 1.45 billion**

**destinies. This is the space that Yuva Unstoppable is engaged in.**

### **What makes Yuva Unstoppable different?**

**When one addresses the needs of a youth base that is possibly the largest in the world, what one needs to do is respond with an enabling framework.** A framework that will facilitate a quick ramp-up; a framework that will aggregate diverse competencies; a framework that is open to timely course-correction; a framework that is flexible and responsive.

I cannot over-emphasise this point: if one were to address this challenge in a conventional manner, there is a possibility one may never see a positive outcome in our lifetime – at least on the necessary scale. **The very nature of the challenge warrants an innovative response. This explains why Yuva Unstoppable is a volunteer eco-system, where individuals from all – I cannot over-emphasise the importance of this word - walks of life can aggregate and contribute.** Our volunteers drive community-based programmes. Our volunteers appraise the absence of basic facilities (clean toilets for instance) while teaching in government schools. Our volunteers indicated that a core educational focus would need to extend to cover healthcare, sanitation and infrastructure gaps for the marginalised. Our volunteers graduated us from basic education to holistic community engagement around a core educational agenda.

Now come from the intangible to the tangible. We do not construct and commission new schools; we transform the existing infrastructure; more specifically, we seek to transform government schools that are not only the largest in number but also where the upside available to make a positive change is the largest. Besides, the credibility of having worked with government schools serves as a reference to cover more such schools, creating an attractive growth runway.

### **How has Yuva Unstoppable widened impact?**

**We enhance the quality of available infrastructure.** For instance, we upgrade classrooms, integrate digital tools, and provide scholarships. We prioritise holistic student well-being; we partnered Yale Center for Emotional Intelligence to provide emotional and academic support. We transform government schools by improving sanitation, clean water access, digital literacy, scholarships, health care and nutrition. We provide resources to enhance student success. The result is that when we select to work with a school, we take a consolidated view of all that is needed to transform it into a credible institution.

This relatively asset-light approach (considering that we do not build any infrastructure from scratch) has enhanced value-addition; this has made it possible for us to spend where returns are highest and quickest; we invest in pockets not being addressed by the

**“Our scholarship programme increased coverage from 40 to more than 5,000+ students across 25 States, providing financial assistance, mentorship, and corporate internships.”**

others. By being liberated from spending precious financial resources in brick and mortar across an inordinately long period with attending construction delays, we have been able to graduate towards timely holistic and relatively immediate educational outcomes.

The result is that we are now being perceived as the precious educational octane that will deliver a higher productivity of the core fuel (infrastructure). Our role has also helped highlight the fact that for every investor in ‘hard’ assets, there is a need for a specialised partner in ‘soft’ assets who can liberate the full value of the former.

### **What has been the outcome of this lateral approach?**

We have progressively expanded our reach. We now touch seven million beneficiaries across more than 6,000 schools in 25 Indian States and 7 Union Territories. That is larger than the population of, say, a country like New Zealand. That is more than 75 per cent of the population of a country like Israel.

This growth has been catalysed by the value aggregated through our partnership eco-system. **This comprises over 100 organisations like Gates Foundation, Google, Bank of America, Disney, Mercedes Benz, HDFC, Lenovo and UNICEF among others; these companies have invested in infrastructure, sanitation, and digital improvements.** We launched large programmes to improve rural water

availability, electricity access (solar) and build sporting infrastructure.

The result is that Yuva-supported schools have acquired a recall and pedigree; Yuva engagements have translated into positive outcomes. We are now being seen more than just an NGO putting together education programmes; we are being seen as a social catalyst. We are being seen as an educational transformation agency creating a large social ripple. There is a wider expectation that if we have selected to work with a government school, attendances, student health, academic engagement and holistic development will improve. **We are being recalled with the lines that ‘Agar Yuva juda hai, to samaajik sudhar hoga!’**

### **What were the highlights of what the organisation achieved in 2024?**

The year 2024 was marked by resilience and growth. We focused on recovery, rebuilding and ensuring a sustainable future for students and communities.

We partnered Lenovo and HDFC Bank to distribute more than 10,000 tablets to students and marginalised children.

**We rolled out a ‘green’ component in our school transformation programme. We introduced rainwater harvesting, solar panel installations, and tree planting.** These initiatives were aimed at raising the groundwater table,

enhancing access to usable water and providing backup power in schools.

Our partners contributed to the commissioning of sports grounds in schools, ideal for physical activity, assembly, and extra-curricular activity.

Our scholarship programme increased coverage from 40 to more than 5,000+ students across 25 States, providing financial assistance, mentorship, and corporate internships.

### **What are the goals of Yuva Unstoppable?**

**In five years, we intend to double our schools coverage to 15,000. This would make us among the largest NGOs focused on value-added educational support.** We will also seek to deepen our orientation from the basic to the inspirational. This will empower thousands to dream and become visionaries that take the world ahead.

This rapid growth can only be achieved if young professionals play a more direct role in this educational movement. I urge start-up professionals to donate a small percentage of their wealth to philanthropy. When we started, we had no perspective of how this would shape. In the space of just 19 years, \$100 million in pledges have been dedicated to specific projects. This nature of engagement - young funding to support the young - could catalyse social change, create a more empathetic nation, provide the marginalised a wider opportunity and enhance national prosperity.

# OUR FINANCIAL PARTNERS **TRUSTED** IN SAYING “WE ARE HERE TO SUPPORT YOU.”

## Overview

Our financial partners (donors) represent the driving force of our mission.

They are industry leaders and respected brand names.

They provide us with the resources to widen quality education access, award scholarships, and improve school infrastructure.

They give in various ways – some provide funds for scholarships, while some provide products or services that could help educate students.

We draw on their respective domain knowledge to understand how holistic educational value can be enhanced.

Most partners provide consistent year-on-year funding, enhancing funding visibility and predictability.

Their support widens the effective bouquet of services with which we enter governments schools, resulting in lifecycle management.

The curated complement of products and services makes Yuva Unstoppable one of the most dynamic NGOs working with government schools in India.

The validated success of the Yuva Unstoppable bouquet of products and services has, in turn, inspired a reverse flow with more schools seeking to engage with our NGO, accelerating the movement.

The complement has graduated to emerge as an educational benchmark that is now being tracked and replicated by private schools across the country.

The bottomline is that in a number of parts of the country, the transformed standard of government schools has emerged as a benchmark, a far cry from a time they were considered a laggard.

## Our donors



Laduma Dhamecha  
Charitable Trust







## Case study

# #1 EXIDE INDUSTRIES LIMITED



### Transforming education across six states

In partnership with Yuva Unstoppable, Exide industries revitalised 130 schools and two colleges, benefitting over 63,000 individuals. This initiative included the creation of smart classrooms, STEM labs, WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene) facilities, and libraries.

### Project deliverables

- Sanitation and clean water facilities
- Hygienic washrooms
- Digital classrooms
- STEM labs and computer systems

### Highlights

- States covered: 6
- Total beneficiaries: 63,000+
- Institutions transformed: 130 schools and two colleges

## Case study

# #2 BANK OF AMERICA



### Revolutionizing the education of 1,25,000 beneficiaries

Bank of America partnered with Yuva Unstoppable to transform 392 schools, setting up 313 smart classrooms and providing 480 resource centers with devices like tablets and disability-support equipment. The electronic tablet initiative reached 14,918 students, while 25,000 ration kits and 1.24

million COVID-19 vaccines supported local communities. These efforts impacted the lives of over 1,25,000 students.

### Project deliverables

- Digital classrooms
- Tablet distribution programmes
- Covid vaccine
- Ration Kit

### Highlights

- Total beneficiaries: 1,25,000+
- Schools transformed: 392

## Case study

# #3 MERCEDES-BENZ INDIA PRIVATE LIMITED



## Empowering girls' education in Pune

In 2022, Mercedes-Benz and Yuva Unstoppable joined forces to transform 19 girls' schools in Pune, Maharashtra, benefitting 15,412 students. These initiatives support the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), with a focus on quality education, clean water, sanitation, and sustainability.

## Project deliverables

- WASH infrastructure in 19 schools
- Smart classrooms in six schools
- Google future classrooms in three schools
- Installation of solar panels in 16 schools
- Rainwater harvesting systems in 12 schools

## Timeline

- 2022-23: Initial upgrades in three schools
- 2023-24: Expanded the efforts to 16 schools

## Highlights

- Total beneficiaries: 15,412+

## Case study

# #4 HDFC BANK PARIVARTAN



## A nationwide educational transformation

In 2023, through a strategic partnership with HDFC Bank Parivartan, Yuva Unstoppable transformed 775 schools across 24 States and 4 Union Territories, impacting over 1.5 million students.

The initiative included the installation of 913 smart classrooms and 2,978 solar street lights, with the entire project completed in just six months.

## Project deliverables

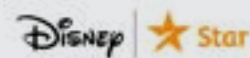
- Smart classrooms
- Solar-powered streetlights

## Highlights

- Total educational institutes transformed: 2,871
- Geographical reach: 24 States and 4 Union Territories
- Total beneficiaries: 1.5 million+

## Case study

# #5 DISNEY



## Inspiring educational excellence

Disney's partnership with Yuva Unstoppable enhanced infrastructure and co-curricular opportunities. The initiatives included the installation of smart classrooms, STEM labs, libraries, and rainwater harvesting systems.

## Timeline (2019-2024)

77 schools were transformed through various initiatives, including the installation of WASH facilities, smart

classrooms, STEM labs and multi-sports grounds etc.

## Project deliverables

- Smart and Google Future Classrooms
- STEM labs and science labs
- New classrooms and compound walls
- Sports grounds and equipment
- Rainwater harvesting and sanitation facilities

## Highlights

- Total beneficiaries: 1,000+ students
- Schools transformed: 77

## Case study

# #6 FORTIS HEALTHCARE



## Revolutionising girls' education

Since 2022, Fortis revolutionised 246 schools, impacting over 1,15,000 students by addressing challenges such as inadequate sanitation for girls, lack of access to digital resources, and the limited availability of clean drinking water. Its commitment to improving educational access and infrastructure created safe and supportive learning environments. These transformative efforts led to

increased enrollment and attendance improved personal hygiene, and enhanced student morale cum engagement. By upgrading school facilities, Fortis empowered students and created opportunities for brighter futures.

## Project deliverables

- State-of-the-art wash facilities benefitting over 8,000 students

- Smart classrooms implemented in 221 schools, enhancing education for 1,07,000+ students
- Provision of clean and safe drinking water facilities

## Highlights

- Total beneficiaries: 1,15,000
- Schools transformed: 246

## Case study

# #7 H.T. PAREKH FOUNDATION



## Overview

Since 2018, the H.T. Parekh Foundation, a philanthropic organisation committed to support education, healthcare and community development, Yuva Unstoppable to transform 155 schools, improving the lives of over 44,000 students. This collaboration showcases the foundation's dedication to address critical gaps in school infrastructure, fostering a healthy and conducive learning

environment for the under-served. The foundation achieved significant outcomes, such as increased enrolment and attendance, creation of safe hygiene spaces and enhanced student morale.

## Initiatives

- Enhanced 155 schools with upgraded infrastructure, including WASH (water, sanitation, and hygiene) facilities, sports grounds and newly constructed classrooms.

- Improved 17 schools by providing tailored solutions, such as WASH facilities, drinking and dishwashing areas, smart classrooms and library rooms.
- Addressed critical challenges in schools, including inadequate sanitation for girls, lack of digital resources and poor classroom conditions.

## Case study

# #8 CITIUS TECH



## Overview

Since 2022, Citius Tech, a leading healthcare technology solutions provider, partnered Yuva Unstoppable to transform 13 schools, positively impacting over 9,341 students. This collaboration reflects Citius Tech's commitment to enhance educational infrastructure and providing new opportunities for digital and holistic learning in under-served communities.

Before Citius Tech's intervention, these schools faced critical challenges, including inadequate sanitation for girls and a lack of digital resources. Through this partnership, enrolment and attendance increased, personal hygiene spaces were provided and student morale enhanced.

## Initiatives

- Equipped five schools with state-of-the-art WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene) facilities, benefiting 5,946 students.

- Introduced Google Future Classrooms in 13 schools, opening new digital learning horizons for 9,341 students.
- Enriched nine schools with STEM Labs, enhancing learning opportunities for 7,773 students.
- Provided sports equipment to two schools, improving physical development for 3,625 students.



# OUR VERIFICATION **PARTNERS** PROVIDE THE CHECKS, CONTROLS AND BALANCES.

THIS MAKES IT POSSIBLE TO MAINTAIN THE DESIRED  
**OUTCOME** ACROSS HUNDREDS OF LOCATIONS

## Overview

We have progressively deepened our investment in processes, systems and documentation.

We have created a framework of checks and balances that enhances de-risking and systemic credibility.

We engaged prestigious verification partners, enhancing the credibility of our initiatives and reported outcomes.

We possess an insight into the complement of checks and control mechanisms that enhances integrity, accountability and responsibility.



Is our process review partner



Is our process review partner and audit partner



Is our finance and tax audit partner



Is our impact assessment partner



Is our WASH infra design partner



Designed our impact assessment framework

# OUR PAN-INDIA PRESENCE



# WE WOULD NOT HAVE GOT HERE WITHOUT THE **POSITIVE** FEEDBACK OF ALL THOSE WHO CAME, SAW AND APPRECIATED

## Overview

Yuva Unstoppable well-wishers comprise the influential, credible and prominent.

These individuals have engaged with Yuva Unstoppable at junctures or continue to be involved.

Their engagement generated upsides that became credible testimonials.

"We possess the human assets to not just change the country, but to change the world. We need invest in it for our own selves."

**Rakeysh Omprakash Mehra,**  
*Indian filmmaker*

"Yuva Unstoppable has done a great job by combining the elements of *sewa*, *satsang* and *smaran* to bring about a positive change in society."

**Deepak Chopra,** *celebrated author*

"I prefer to stay connected with Yuva Unstoppable because it does real work."

**Chetan Bhagat,** *Indian author*

"The reason why YUVA Unstoppable is 'unstoppable' is because YUVA-ites are self-motivated."

**Mr. Narendra Modi,** *Prime Minister of India*

"HDFC Bank Group brought about positive changes in schools through Yuva Unstoppable. With Yuva Unstoppable, we transformed 400 schools and benefitted over 1,50,000 children across India. The entire community benefits from the Yuva Unstoppable model."

**Bharat Shah,** *Chairman, HDFC Securities*

"When I see Amitabh transforming municipal schools and setting an objective of 10,000 schools - which he will certainly achieve - I find someone who puts himself in the service of others, and someone who finds it hard to leave the suffering behind."

**Paul Polman,** *Former Global CEO, Unilever*

"Yuva Unstoppable is doing a fantastic job for children, particularly its amazing campaign to build lavatories for girls in schools. Yuva Unstoppable is giving children equal access to opportunities."

**Jeffrey Archer,** *widely acclaimed English novelist, short story writer, playwright and former politician*

"Today what Yuva Unstoppable is giving to kids, tomorrow they must pass on to others. This is the value system Yuva Unstoppable instills. The most important thing it has done is build trust: with kids, teachers, principals, and government."

**Ronnie Screwvalla, Founder and CEO of UTV Group**

"I am happy that corporates are talking about municipal schools. Amul recruits 60-70% staff from rural India who have been educated in municipal or government schools. Yuva Unstoppable is spreading rural India awareness to a privileged society."

**RS Sodhi, Managing Director, Amul India**

"I congratulate Team Yuva Unstoppable in having launched the 1901<sup>st</sup> Yuva Unstoppable school. Even as it was working on the tablet-based learning model, our tablet team supported Yuva Unstoppable with specifications suited for its classrooms."

**Rahul Agarwal, CEO, Lenovo India**

"I am particularly enthused by Yuva Unstoppable's new teaching methods like digital education. With the work of Yuva Unstoppable and its partners, India will be a transformed country."

**Nadir Godrej, Co-Chairman, Godrej Industries**

"I am glad the corporate world has come forward to invest in school transformation. Through Yuva Unstoppable, they have spread smiles across millions of children."

**Anurag Thakur, Member of Parliament**

"I would like to congratulate Amitabh Shah and Yuva Unstoppable on behalf of the government for doing fabulous work in the field of education and infrastructure."

**Vijay Rupani, Former Chief Minister, Gujarat**

"I had the good fortune of meeting young Yuva Unstoppable volunteers and was amazed with what they achieved."

**Venkatesh Kini, Former President, Coca Cola, India**

"What Yuva Unstoppable is doing is a lesson for all. KPMG would love to be a part of its journey."

**Arun Kumar, Chairman and CEO, KPMG India**

"What I like about Yuva Unstoppable is the way it connects people - a fantastic platform and an opportunity for social work."

**Dr. Priti Adani, Chairperson, Adani Foundation**

"Establishing an organisation with kindness as a focus is a beautiful mission."

**Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam, Former President of India**

"Education is the greatest charity. No one is more worthy than children. When we invest in children, we build a better future. Yuva Unstoppable is doing exactly that."

**Amish Tripathi, Indian diplomat, columnist, and best-selling author**

"Yuva Unstoppable has reached municipal schools and the time has come when we can foresee that with appropriate equipment and infrastructure, sports will go a long way in these schools."

**Anil Kumble, former Indian cricketer**

"Yuva Unstoppable is doing an exceptional job by building toilets. We will help them enhance awareness and be a part of its cause as much as we can."

**Sir Ian Botham, former English cricketer**

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**PART 3**

# **THE SOUL OF YUVA UNSTOPPABLE LIES IN ITS GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK**





# THE CORE OF OUR **GOVERNANCE** FRAMEWORK LIES IN BEING INNOVATIVE, EFFECTIVE AND FLEXIBLE

We have created an open-ended governance framework that absorbs all global social sector developments, keeping us contemporary.

We reconciled rapid rollout with quality education with scale – a national game-changer.

We have gone against the long-standing conviction that genetic lottery – being born into the right family – is the only ticket to success.

We have successfully demonstrated that millions of marginalised children do not seek charity – they only need an opportunity.

We have blended empathy with, corporate structure with the philanthropic passion to create visible change.

We have redefined in-school educational infrastructure through a holistic approach extending to student sanitation and hygiene.

## Overview

Yuva Unstoppable's governance framework has been directed at transparency, accountability, and effective project management.

Overseen by a Board of Trustees, supported by designated committees,

the governance discipline comprises monthly reviews and quarterly Board Meetings.

Yuva Unstoppable's robust operating structure emphasises transparency through regular Management Information System (MIS) reporting,

powered by an advanced IT system. Real-time updates on major projects are accessible through an online portal, empowering stakeholders to stay informed of project progress and impact.

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## Initiatives

Yuva Unstoppable's governance has been strengthened through initiatives ensuring efficiency, transparency, and social impact.

**Uniqueness:** The NGO delivers unique value through differentiated programmes, innovative approaches, and impactful services, reinforcing its identity and reputation.

**Donor involvement and impact assessments:** Supported by esteemed donors, Yuva Unstoppable conducts impact analyses and monitors schools on a merit-based system to assess results, boost student attendance, and enhance performance.

**Transparency and compliance:** Periodic audits by reputed firms, full financial disclosure, and adherence to regulatory standards ensure transparency. A structured compliance calendar and review meetings uphold accountability.

**Digitisation and online integration:** Operations are fully digitised through a centralised portal, streamlining approvals and monitoring. Partnerships with organisations like Sattva and CSRbox enhance project effectiveness, with assessments by LSE evaluating impact.

**Cost-effective operations:** With one of the lowest administrative cost ratios among NGOs of similar scale, maximum

resources are directed toward impactful initiatives.

**Risk management:** A proactive approach includes selecting reliable service providers, committing to feasible projects, and maintaining a zero-penalty, litigation-free record, ensuring responsible project execution.

**Discipline:** A culture of audits and compliance ensures stability, transparency, and risk mitigation, enabling consistent execution despite challenges.

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## Outlook

Yuva Unstoppable's governance framework positions the organisation for long-term impact. The organisation aims to deepen its governance practices, updating its compliance structure, digitizing operations through

a planned ERP system, and making all approval processes online for enhanced accountability. Yuva Unstoppable is committed to raising educational standards by evolving projects to the next level, and using data-driven insights to shape strategy. With the support

of major corporate partners, Yuva Unstoppable is equipped to expand its reach, drive systemic change, uphold its mission to transform schools and positively impact the lives of young marginalised students across India.

# OUR CORE TEAM



## **Amitabh Shah**, *Founder and Chief Inspiration Officer*

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After completing his MBA from Yale University, Amitabh declined a Wall Street offer to work on the real streets of India. He founded Yuva Unstoppable 23, to empower youth to become changemakers. He is the youngest Indian to receive the U.S. Government's Ellis Island Award, previously won by President Bill Clinton, Muhammad Ali, Indra Nooyi, Malala Yousafzai, and other legends. Amitabh believes that 'Gratitude, Self-Belief, and Compassion' are the three pillars of a meaningful life. Yuva Unstoppable has empowered more than 7 million vulnerable individuals, directly and indirectly, including 4,200 schools with improved sanitation, water, access to technology, scholarships, nutrition, and vaccination. He remains unstoppable in his mission.



## **Abhi Shah**, *Founder and Non-Executive Chairman*

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Abhi Shah, an acclaimed entrepreneur and philanthropist, is the founder and former CEO of Clutch Group, a global AI-powered analytics company that was named to the Inc. 5000 list of fastest-growing companies in America and successfully merged with a BlackRock-backed corporation. He serves on the boards of AML RightSource, a global fintech leader in financial crime solutions; Class Valuation, the largest U.S. provider of appraisal management solutions; Ulteig, an engineering leader in the clean energy, power, transportation, and water sectors; and Esquire Solutions, a legal tech company. He was nominated to the NYSE Board Network and the NASDAQ Center for Board Excellence.

Mr. Shah has been recognized as EY Entrepreneur of the Year, Maverick of the Year, and Executive of the Year by the American Business Awards; a Gold Winner at the Best in Business International Awards; National Champion for the U.K. by the European Business Awards; and Business Icon of India. He has been featured on CNBC, Bloomberg, and Fox Business, and in the Wall Street Journal, Barron's, the Financial Times, and a Harvard Business School case study.

He holds an MBA from Harvard, an AI certification from MIT, and an NACD Board Leadership Fellowship, and he completed the Eisenhower Leadership Development Program led by former U.S. President George H.W. Bush. Mr. Shah also serves as Chairman of his family foundation, Yuva Unstoppable, which has transformed over 7,000 impoverished municipal schools and impacted the lives of millions of underprivileged children, with partners including the Gates Foundation.



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**Pavan Jain, *Chief Operating Officer***

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As one of the founding members of Yuva Unstoppable, Pavan started as a volunteer and formally joined in 2010. He oversees overall management and operations, motivates volunteers, organises awareness drives, and engages with partners. With an MBA in Leadership and Project Management from Auckland University, Pavan declined a job offer from Telstra Clear to focus on social change in India, contributing significantly to Yuva Unstoppable's growth. He previously served as the Senior Programme Manager for Times Foundation in Rajasthan.



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**Parth Vasavada, *Chief Philanthropic Officer***

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A founding member of Yuva Unstoppable, Parth believes that love and happiness can bring about a revolution. He oversees fundraising and strategy for the organisation and is a gifted orator, active in TEDx Talks and UN Conclaves. His passion for discovering unsung heroes led him on a peace tour across eight nations. Parth designs innovative campaigns focused on maximizing results and spreading hope and happiness through Yuva Unstoppable's initiatives.



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**Utsav Patel, *Chief Administration Officer***

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Utsav, with a Master's in Computer Application and a Diploma in Accounting and Business Management, manages Yuva Unstoppable's financial health and executes business strategies. A technology enthusiast, he has been with Yuva Unstoppable since 2010, believing that children have the power to bring about societal change.



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**Hemang Joshi, *Head, School Transformation Programme***

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With a Master's in Commerce and a Master's in Education, Hemang joined Yuva Unstoppable in 2005 as a volunteer. He now leads the infrastructure upgradation project, ensuring the use of the latest technology to enhance educational facilities. His journey with Yuva Unstoppable began as a volunteer, and it has transformed his passion into a dedicated career in improving education for children.



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**Swati Shah, *Head of Human Resources (Project Udaan Scholarships Programme)***

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Swati has spent the past decade growing Yuva Unstoppable's Project Udaan scholarship program. With an MBA in Human Resources and a background in corporate work, she helps students with personal and professional development. Swati oversees volunteer engagement, personnel management, and employee motivation. She leads Project Badlav, which, along with the Udaan and Badlav scholarships, nurtures young talent and helps them achieve their potential.



# Our **Advisory** Board



**Bharat D. Shah**

Bharat D. Shah is the Chairman of HDFC Securities, 3M, Exide Industries, and Tata Sky, and a founding member of HDFC Bank. With decades of experience in the corporate sector, he has played a key role in shaping the growth and strategic direction of multiple leading companies. His leadership and vision have contributed to the success of these organisations, making him a respected figure in India's business landscape.



**Carrie Morgridge**

Carrie Morgridge is an American philanthropist and author, hailing from the CISCO family, which signed the Giving Pledge alongside Bill Gates and Warren Buffett. As the Vice President of the Morgridge Family Foundation, she plays a pivotal role in overseeing the foundation's philanthropic initiatives, with a focus on education, sustainability, and community development.



**Dilip Cherian**

Dilip Cherian, widely known as India's 'Image Guru,' is the co-founder of Perfect Relations, South Asia's largest image management and public affairs consultancy. With over two decades of experience in the industry, he has built a reputation for shaping the public image of leaders, organisations, and brands, playing a critical role in strategic communications across South Asia.



**Jamil Khatri**

Jamil Khatri, formerly the head of KPMG's global accounting advisory services practice, was the only professional within the Big Four to lead a global business unit from India. A highly respected figure in the accounting and advisory fields, Jamil has been instrumental in guiding multinational companies on critical financial and accounting issues, cementing his role as a global thought leader in the industry.



**Mohit Burman**

Mohit Burman is the promoter of Dabur, owner of the Punjab Kings IPL cricket team, and a serial entrepreneur. Known for his entrepreneurial spirit and business acumen, he has made significant contributions to the growth of Dabur, one of India's leading consumer goods companies. His passion for sports and business has also led him to successfully manage an IPL franchise, combining his love for cricket with entrepreneurship.



**Nrupesh Shah**

As the founder of Nrups Family Office, Nrupesh manages wealth exceeding ₹5,000 crore with exceptional performance. A respected speaker, he frequently shares insights on capital markets, economics, and corporate governance across major platforms like CNBC TV18, ET Now, and Bloomberg, with over 60 media appearances. His philanthropy includes Project Udaan and Nrups Visamo+, which support the education of 3,000+ underprivileged children, along with initiatives like the Eye Vision Project and medical assistance for disadvantaged families.



**Paul Polman**

Paul Polman, Global CEO of Unilever and UN-appointed SDG Advocate, serves as a Global Ambassador for Yuva Unstoppable. With his extensive experience in the fast-moving consumer goods (FMCG) industry, he has led Unilever's commitment to sustainability and long-term value creation. His advocacy for the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) aligns with his deep dedication to corporate responsibility and positive social impact.



**Prashanth Prakash**

Prashanth Prakash is a Partner at Accel, a leading venture capital firm that has invested in high-growth startups such as Swiggy, Flipkart, Vedantu, and Urban Company, among other unicorns. Known for his expertise in scaling businesses, Prashanth has been instrumental in helping these companies grow into industry leaders, further cementing his reputation as a top investor in India's startup ecosystem.



**R. Balakrishnan (R. Balki)**

R. Balakrishnan, popularly known as R. Balki, is an acclaimed Indian filmmaker, screenwriter, and former Group Chairman of the advertising agency Lowe Lintas (India). With a career spanning across advertising and filmmaking, Balki is known for creating thought-provoking films that resonate with audiences, as well as his leadership in the advertising industry, where he shaped some of India's most memorable campaigns.



**Rahul Agarwal**

Rahul Agarwal is the former CEO and Managing Director of Lenovo South Asia, the world's largest PC maker. Under his leadership, Lenovo South Asia strengthened its market position, achieving significant growth and driving innovations in technology and consumer products. Rahul is recognised for his strategic vision and operational expertise in managing one of the leading tech companies in the region.



**Raj Nooyi**

Raj Nooyi, a Global Ambassador for Yuva Unstoppable, has over 35 years of experience working with leading global companies such as HP, TCS, and IBM, focusing on improving supply chains. His expertise in logistics, procurement, and supply chain management has made him a key advisor to major organisations, helping them optimise operations for efficiency and sustainability.



**Ritu Chabbaria**

Ritu Chabbaria is a Board member of Finolex Industries and a member of the Hinduja family. With her extensive experience in corporate governance and strategic leadership, she plays a significant role in shaping the growth and operations of Finolex Industries, one of India's leading manufacturers of electrical and telecommunication products.



**VVS Laxman**

VVS Laxman, a former Indian cricketer, is now a cricket commentator. One of India's most celebrated batsmen, Laxman was awarded the Padma Shri in 2011, one of the country's highest civilian honors. Known for his stylish and composed batting, Laxman continues to influence the world of cricket through his commentary and analysis.



**“THE OBJECTIVE BEHIND  
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FROM MARGINALISED  
BACKGROUNDS TOWARDS  
OUTPERFORMANCE”**

## Overview

At Yuva Unstoppable, we believe that there is only one consistently dependable factor that lifts families out of poverty: Education.

## Power of education

Education provides unprecedented life-transforming opportunities. Education makes it possible to climb economic classes. Education leads to improved life quality. Education is a social equaliser.

In view of this, we are committed to extend educational opportunities to children and young adults from underprivileged backgrounds.

**In line with this goal, we introduced Project Udaan in 2015 – a dedicated scholarship programme for meritorious students from underprivileged families across India.**

This programme covers educational expenses, including school fees, tuition expense, books and stationery. This support makes it possible for families to keep their children in school without interruption.

Yuva Unstoppable's involvement extended beyond expense coverage to soft skills training, mentorship, career counselling and corporate sessions. Yuva Unstoppable graduated from a donor to a partner.

## Inception

The introduction of the Right to Education Act made education accessible for all Indian children. This benefited those hailing from under-privileged backgrounds the most.

What was once a privilege now became a delivered fundamental right.

However, this provision applied only till a child reached 14 years of age, following which children from underprivileged families dropped out of school either because their parents could not afford further education or because their parents now wanted them to earn a living. To ensure that these children

completed their education and realised their potential, there was a need to make higher education more accessible.

Udaan was conceived to address this need.

## Transparency

To fulfill this objective, Yuva Unstoppable set in place a rigorous system to ensure that only the most deserving candidates benefited.

**Yuva Unstoppable launched a web portal for scholarship applications, document upload, and online approvals, automating the shortlisting process and ensuring that the selection was independent of biases of caste, creed, colour and region. Virtual interviews were conducted with the child and parent, deepening the due diligence.**

## Success

Yuva Unstoppable launched Udaan not to play the role of a benefactor but to emerge as a friend, philosopher and guide.

This was visibly demonstrated during the pandemic, when institutions switched to online classes. When hundreds of students across government schools did not possess a smartphone or tablet, without which their education would have been interrupted, Yuva Unstoppable collaborated with Lenovo to distribute more than 10,000 electronic tablets to marginalised students. Besides, Yuva Unstoppable distributed rations to student homes, supporting their families during a challenging phase. It counselled parents to remain invested in their children's education.

Yuva Unstoppable collaborated with coaching institutes – local and prominent - to prepare students for competitive examinations at free or discounted rates. This personalised approach and other student-centric initiatives helped grow our student network from 40 in 2015 to 5,000+ in 2024. More than 550 are now studying in renowned government

and semi-government institutions; 51 were accepted at the prestigious Indian Institute of Technology.

## Robust governance

Yuva Unstoppable's governance framework is built on the principles of transparency, accountability, and efficient project management, guided by a Board of Trustees and supported by specialised committees. The organisation maintains strong oversight through regular Board meetings, detailed MIS reporting, and a centralised IT platform that offers real-time updates on project progress. Dedicated to driving social impact, Yuva Unstoppable engages donors, conducts thorough impact assessments, and adopts innovative strategies to create meaningful community values. Transparency is a cornerstone of Yuva Unstoppable's operations, ensured through regular audits by reputable firms, strict adherence to compliance standards, and a comprehensive financial disclosure policy. By digitizing its processes, **Yuva Unstoppable has streamlined operations and improved monitoring, leveraging expertise from partners such as CSRbox and the London School of Economics.** A disciplined approach to risk management, ethical practices, and strategic expansion enables sustainable growth and lasting impact. Yuva Unstoppable's unwavering commitment to financial integrity and accountability reinforces its reputation as a trusted leader in the non-profit sector, dedicated to transforming lives.

## Outlook

As we grow our Udaan student network to 10,000 in a few years, we will continue to ensure our students possess on-demand skills that graduate them into responsible and employable citizens of tomorrow.

**Nrupesh Shah**, *Founder, Project Udaan and Member, Advisory Board*

# STRENGTHS OF YUVA UNSTOPPABLE



## Overview

In two decades since inception, Yuva Unstoppable has transformed the lives of over seven million beneficiaries and empowered them to make positive social change. Making change on such a large scale was possible because it remained passionate about its mission and built strengths that helped it achieve milestones in a short span.



# OUR STRENGTHS

## Passionate workforce

As a volunteer-driven organisation, Yuva Unstoppable has attracted like-minded individuals across the social spectrum who are passionate about empowering India's youth through education.

## Trust

Yuva Unstoppable emphasises on transparent and efficient governance. The organisation established clear protocols for decision-making, accountability, and the management of resources, ensuring that all actions and funds are aligned with the organisation's mission.

## Partner management

Yuva has a strong Pan-India vendor network with 40+ KYC-verified vendors, each with over eight years of experience. Supported by six project managers and 30+ field personnel, Yuva ensures efficient execution, completing projects within three months. With a surveyed pool of 2,000 schools, it is prepared for rapid deployment.

## Diversified and reputed management

Yuva Unstoppable's diverse management team includes experts in social work, education, corporate leadership, and governance. Their experience and commitment provides strategic direction, ensures effective execution, and drives long-term success.

## Economies of scale

Yuva Unstoppable's volunteers are engaged in delivering education, providing mentorship, organizing community events and more. This volunteer-driven model allows Yuva Unstoppable to scale programmes quickly while keeping operational costs low.

## Collaborative approach

Yuva Unstoppable collaborates with communities, schools, corporates, government agencies, and NGOs to maximise impact. By leveraging resources and expertise, it drives sustainable change in education, sanitation, and health through strategic partnerships.

## Geographical presence

Yuva Unstoppable possesses a wide geographical presence, with programmes spanning India. The organisation's initiatives reach urban and rural communities addressing children and youth in diverse socio-economic contexts, helping create a more equitable society.

## Endorsed by reputed brands

Yuva Unstoppable's credibility is reinforced by partnerships with renowned organisations like the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Disney etc.. These collaborations expand resources, increase influence, and raise awareness of its mission and impact.

# OUR UNIVERSE OF POSITIVE CHANGE

"I used to hate coming to school. The toilets used to stink and the taps had no water. But Yuva Unstoppable changed that. Now I look forward to coming to school everyday."

**Aditi, student, Shri Narayan Rao Acharya Vidyaniketan**

"I always wanted to be doctor but my parents could not afford the fees. I almost gave up until someone told me about Udaan scholarship. I am currently in my third year of MBBS and plan to open the first hospital in my village."

**Sanika, student, Chalala Kanya School**

"While I was preparing for NEET, my mother was hospitalised with stage-3 breast cancer. I had a nervous breakdown. I would have quit studies, had it not been for Yuva Unstoppable's support and counselling."

**Rahul Desai, student, Airport High School**

"The smart classes improved my son's academics. He now ranks 10<sup>th</sup> in class; earlier his rank was 25<sup>th</sup>."

**Meera, parent**

"With no electricity, attending school during summer was unbearable. The new light and fans in our classroom has been a relief and helps concentrate better."

**Nikhil More, student, Adarsh Vidyalaya Kurund**

"I was a Udaan student. I am now a software engineer, dividing my time between my job at Wipro and volunteering at Udaan."

**Anaya Pawar, volunteer**

"I wanted to become an engineer but my parents could not afford the high coaching fees. Thanks to Udaan, I am now study in India's leading coaching institute free of cost!"

**- Deepak, student, Jijamata Jejuri**

"Thanks to the smart classes I am able to find my lessons interesting and all concepts are clear to me."

**Kunal, student, J.V.S.S. Anuvikas Vidyalaya**

"The STEM labs helped develop my interest in science. I dream of becoming a scientist one day!"

**Aishwarya, student, Shri Chhatrapati Shivaji Vidyalaya**

"We always wanted to have a sports ground like big schools. Thanks to Yuva Unstoppable, we got it!"

**Pankaj, student, Shri Raghubir Madhyamik Vidyalaya (Hindi Medium)**

"Thanks to Yuva Unstoppable, I look forward to the games period now."

**Sneha, student, Ambikabai Dharmaji Jadhav Kanya Vidyalay & Junior College**

"I cannot wait to practice what I have learnt in our new science lab."

**Aryan, student, Seva Ashram Vidyalaya**

"During the lockdown, I wanted to quit studies to support my family. But Yuva Unstoppable's ration distribution programme helped us during a difficult time and motivated me to continue."

**Priya, student, Shri Katoba High School**

"Regular sessions in the new sports ground improved concentration and mental agility, enhancing my academic performance."

**Vikram, student, Shri Nageshwar High School**

"Yuva Unstoppable's distribution of nutrition and personal hygiene kits during Covid was god-sent. It helped maintain the personal hygiene and dignity of women in our neighbourhood."

**Yash, student**

"Solar panel installation ensured uninterrupted teaching in smart classrooms and saved the school money."

**Harsh, teacher, Mulund Vidyamandir**

"Regular power cuts forced us to suspend classes mid-lesson. Following solar energy installation, we were able to complete the syllabus."

**Payal Makwana, teacher, Prempara Primary School**

"Thanks to the tablet learning programme, I stayed up-to-date with my studies and scored 590 marks in my NEET examinations."

**Rishi, student**

"When I was unable to clear NEET, I was demotivated. Yuva Unstoppable's career counselling motivated me by showing alternate careers that I could pursue."

**- Manish, student, Shri Chhatrapati Shahu High School**

"The inclusion of sanitation facilities and modernised classrooms has boosted our daily attendance."

**Tanya Fernandes, teacher, Holy Mother English High School**

"I no longer just read about concepts in textbooks; I actually get to see and touch real-world applications."

**Yash, student, Bharatmata School**

"Yuva Unstoppable renovated the toilets in our Anganwadi centre. As a result, our staff now feels comfortable to use them."

**Sakshi, anganwadi worker**

"Thanks to the tablet given to me by Yuva Unstoppable, I could continue studies even during the lockdown."

**Vaishnavi Shinde, student, Raje Sambhaji Vidyalaya**

"My child used to hate going to the anganwadi. After the renovation, she looks forward to go there."

**Omkar Bhosale, parent**



PART 4

# HOW WE HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE





FLAGSHIP PROJECT

# OUR SCHOOL TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME



## Reality

**~14.7**

Lakh, total number of schools in 2023-24

**1.52**

Lakh, total number of schools with no functional electricity in 2023-24

(Source: The New Indian Express, Economic Times, Ministry of Education)

## What Yuva Unstoppable delivered

**22**

Number of school building projects undertaken since inception

**5**

Number of States covered

**7,500+**

Number of students benefitted

**3**

Number of school building projects undertaken in FY24

## SDG addressed



### #10 Reduced inequalities

Yuva Unstoppable ensures equitable access to school resources and amenities, fosters zero discrimination, and promotes inclusive development.

## Overview

Yuva Unstoppable's school building project is a transformative initiative aimed at improving the educational infrastructure in under-served and marginalised communities across India. Recognizing the critical role that a well-equipped learning environment plays in shaping student successes, the project focuses on renovating existing schools and constructing new facilities where needed. These efforts include providing essential amenities such as access to clean drinking water, well-maintained sanitation facilities, and modern, well-ventilated classrooms equipped with adequate lighting and furniture.

The initiative extends beyond basic infrastructure, integrating elements that foster a holistic learning environment. This includes the introduction of technology-enabled learning spaces, science laboratories, libraries, and sports facilities, which help nurture both academic and extracurricular excellence. By ensuring that schools possess the infrastructure to support comprehensive education, the project directly contributes to improved attendance rates, higher engagement levels, and better academic outcomes for students.

Yuva Unstoppable collaborates with corporate partners through Corporate Social Responsibility initiatives, as well as local communities and government agencies. This multi-stakeholder

approach not only ensures the success of the project but also long-term sustainability. These partnerships allow for the continuous maintenance of the schools and the provision of resources that keep the schools functional and future-ready.

The school building project is a part of Yuva Unstoppable's larger vision to empower underprivileged youth by creating educational environments where they can thrive. By transforming dilapidated schools into vibrant centers of learning, Yuva Unstoppable is contributing to the brighter future of countless children, fostering a generation of educated, skilled and empowered youth prepared to lead and uplift communities.

# #1 WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH) PROGRAMME



## Reality

**89,982**

Total number of Indian schools with no boys' toilet in 2023-24

**52,649**

Total number of Indian schools with no girls' toilet in 2023-24

## SDG addressed



### #6 Clean Water and Sanitation

Yuva Unstoppable provides separate toilets for boys and girls, improves hygiene and sanitation, ensures access to safe drinking water, and helps reduce waterborne diseases.

(Source: The New Indian Express, Economic Times, Ministry of Education)

## What Yuva Unstoppable delivered

**2,000**

Number of WASH projects undertaken since inception

**25**

Number of States covered

**286**

Number of WASH projects undertaken in FY24

## Overview

Yuva Unstoppable's school transformation project includes a comprehensive WASH (water, sanitation, and hygiene) initiative aimed at enhancing the learning environment for students in underprivileged communities. By improving school infrastructure, particularly in sanitation,

hygiene, and access to safe drinking water, the project has led to significant health and educational outcomes.

Yuva Unstoppable's WASH initiative has transformed schools into safe, hygienic, and child-friendly spaces, ensuring that students' basic needs are met. By improving sanitation, providing clean drinking water, and enhancing the

environment for mid-day meals, the project has positively impacted the health, attendance, and educational outcomes of thousands of students. This initiative reinforces the organisation's belief that a well-maintained school infrastructure is the key to unlocking student potential and driving educational success.

### 1. Sanitation and hygiene facilities

**Renovation of toilets:** Yuva Unstoppable focuses on upgrading sanitation facilities by constructing or renovating toilets, ensuring they are child-friendly and gender-segregated. This ensures privacy and cleanliness, which has been crucial in boosting attendance, particularly among girls.

**Handwashing stations:** The project promotes hygiene through the installation of handwashing stations with soap dispensers, encouraging students to adopt proper handwashing practices. This has reduced the incidence of hygiene-related diseases, improving the overall health of students.

**Impact on attendance:** Improved sanitation has not only enhanced health but also increased school attendance, as students are no longer deterred by poor facilities.

### 2. Access to safe drinking water

**Water purification systems:** The initiative has installed water purification systems in schools, ensuring students have access to clean and safe drinking water. This has significantly reduced the risk of waterborne diseases such as diarrhea, leading to better health outcomes.

**Health benefits:** By providing purified water, the project addresses one of the primary causes of illness in these communities, leading to improved student attendance and engagement in school activities.

### 3. Mid-day meal shade

**Hygienic dining spaces:** The addition of MDM shades in schools ensures that students have a clean, shaded area to eat their meals, free from exposure to heat or unsanitary conditions. This fosters better nutrition intake, which is vital for students' physical and cognitive development.

**Enhanced nutrition:** A comfortable dining environment encourages students to consume their mid-day meals, which are essential for maintaining energy levels and concentration throughout the school day.

### 4. Holistic impact on learning and health

**Conducive learning environment:** By addressing fundamental needs such as sanitation, safe drinking water, and nutrition, the WASH initiative helps create a more conducive environment for learning. This holistic approach leads to higher student engagement, improved academic performance, and overall well-being.

**Empowerment through hygiene awareness:** The project not only addresses infrastructure but also fosters a culture of cleanliness and healthy habits. Students become ambassadors for good hygiene practices, sharing their knowledge with families and communities, thereby expanding the impact beyond the school walls.

"Our school struggled with small, poorly maintained washrooms that caused significant inconvenience for both students and staff. Thanks to Yuva Unstoppable, this is no longer the case!

The newly built washrooms are spacious, clean, and beautifully designed, with modern black-and-white tiles that our students absolutely love. The space now feels welcoming and hygienic, making a positive impact on everyone's daily experience.

Even our continuous water supply issues have been resolved, which has made a world of a difference.

We are grateful to Yuva Unstoppable for bringing about a meaningful change in our school. Its efforts have transformed not just our infrastructure but also the morale of our students and staff. We hope it continues this amazing work in schools across the country!"

- Reena Tambar, sanitation worker at MP Bhuta School

# #2 DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME



## Reality

**~7.23**

Lakh, total number of schools with no computers for teaching purposes in 2023-24

(Source: The New Indian Express, Economic Times, Ministry of Education)

## What Yuva Unstoppable delivered

**4,000+**

Number of digital classrooms across India

**25**

States covered by digital classrooms

**13**

Lakh, number of students benefitted

**1,702**

Schools with smart classrooms in FY24

## SDG addressed



## #4 Quality Education

Yuva Unstoppable's digital classrooms improve the quality of education, fostering innovation and creativity among students.



## Smart class programme

Yuva Unstoppable's Smart class programme integrates modern technology into classrooms, transforming traditional lessons with interactive whiteboards and educational software. This approach enhances engagement, comprehension, and retention, making learning more effective. A key goal is to bridge the digital divide, providing marginalised students access to high-quality resources and empowering them with individualised learning experiences. The programme fosters active participation, critical thinking, collaboration, and creativity, ensuring students have the tools and support needed to succeed in a digital world..

## Google Future Classroom (GFC)

Building on the Smart Class programme, the Google Future Classroom (GFC) project extends Yuva Unstoppable's commitment to advancing digital learning. Using the flipped classroom model, students engage with online content like videos and modules outside class, freeing up in-class time for discussions, collaborative projects, and teacher support. This active learning approach promotes independent exploration, critical thinking, and digital literacy, while also developing teamwork, responsibility, and creativity. By integrating technology, Yuva Unstoppable empowers students with the skills needed in a fast-changing world.

KPMG Advisory Services Private Limited evaluated Yuva Unstoppable's impact, with 31 school respondents in Gujarat and Maharashtra highlighting a strong integration of the digital classrooms into the teaching-learning process and schools' digital ecosystem.

"Before Yuva Unstoppable's intervention, we lacked even basic facilities like benches, boards, or smart technology. But now, with the Smart Class, learning has become more engaging, and efficient. Students no longer struggle with note-taking, and teachers find it easier to explain complex topics."

**- Jyoti Varia, Principal from Mumbai Public School**

## Difference between GFC and smart class

Feature	Smart Class	Google Future Classroom (GFC)
Technology used	Digital content, smart boards, and multimedia	Chromebooks, online tools, and cloud-based learning
Personalisation	Standardised content delivery through digital means	Students can explore and learn at their own pace using Chromebooks
Trainer support	No dedicated trainer	Includes a Google-certified trainer for one year
Interactive learning	Limited interaction, primarily teacher-led presentations	Hands-on experience with Chromebooks and online collaboration

### What the evaluation revealed

**87%**

Respondents that found these initiatives relevant

**85%**

Respondents that found these initiatives effectiveness

**80%**

Respondents that believe these initiatives helped improved learning efficiency

**76%**

Respondents that found these initiatives to be sustainable

**98%**

Teachers and principals that indicated increase in learning outcomes

**98%**

Teachers and principals that indicated an increase in enrollment

**96%**

Teachers and principals that indicated an increase in attendance

# #3 SOLAR PROJECTS



## Reality

# 1.52

Lakh, total number of schools with no functional electricity in 2023-24

## What Yuva Unstoppable delivered

# 3,478

Number of solar lighting programmes

# 2

Number of States covered

# 17

Number of solar panels installed in FY24

(Source: The New Indian Express, Economic Times, Ministry of Education)

## SDG addressed



### #11 Sustainable Cities and Communities

Yuva Unstoppable's initiatives support sustainable and green school transformations, creating inclusive, safe, resilient infrastructure that enhances community well-being.

#### Overview

The solar project significantly impacted underprivileged communities across India by providing sustainable energy. Installing solar panels in schools and community centers addressed energy needs, reduced reliance on conventional sources, and improved infrastructure. This ensured reliable power for lighting and basic appliances, enhancing educational quality by providing well-lit classrooms and extending study hours, boosting academic performance. The use of solar energy also promoted environmental sustainability by lowering

carbon emissions. With only 5.3% of government schools having solar panels, many rely on unreliable grid supply and fossil fuels, contributing to a higher carbon footprint. This initiative offers a dependable, eco-friendly power source, as Yuva Unstoppable's promotes renewable energy awareness, inspiring students and staff.

#### Initiatives

- Yuva Unstoppable facilitated the installation of 5-10 KW capacity solar panels in selected schools to provide a sustainable energy source.

- Solar panel systems were connected directly to essential building equipment, such as lights and fans, ensuring power availability even during grid outages.
- Yuva Unstoppable's solar street lights project was aimed to benefit under-served communities by installing solar-powered street lights. This initiative improved safety, extended productive hours and reduced carbon footprint in rural and urban areas.

#### A Teacher's Vision at GMI School, Pune

Vaishali Wagh, a dedicated teacher at GMI School in Pune, sought to create the best learning environment for her students. However, she faced challenges, including water scarcity during the dry season, unreliable toilets, and tight budgets. The garden, a point of pride for the children, struggled to thrive, and electricity costs added to the strain.

Then came a transformative change: the installation of solar panels and a rainwater collection system. For Vaishali, this was more than just a solution—it symbolised a new beginning. The school's water supply became reliable, keeping toilets clean and functioning, and students were healthier and happier. The garden flourished, replacing withered plants with vibrant greenery, and the school gained a sustainable, cost-effective energy source through the solar panels.

This shift also had a profound impact on classrooms. With constant power, students could now use computers and other educational tools without disruption. Technology became an integral part of the learning process, and the school's environment improved in ways Vaishali had once only dreamed of.

What began as a vision for a better learning space turned into a thriving, sustainable community where students and teacher could grow together.

# #4 MULTIPURPOSE SPORTS GROUND



## Reality

**~2.60**

Lakh, number of schools with no playground in 2023-24

(Source: The New Indian Express, Economic Times, Ministry of Education)

## What Yuva Unstoppable delivered

**56**

Number of sports grounds projects since inception

**10**

Number of States covered

**15**

Number of sports ground projects undertaken in FY24

## SDG addressed



### #3 Good Health and Well-being

Yuva Unstoppable promotes sports activities to keep children fit and healthy, improves overall well-being and health, and fosters discipline and growth in learning.

#### Overview

Yuva Unstoppable's multipurpose sports ground project has made a significant and transformative impact on underprivileged communities throughout India by promoting physical fitness, teamwork and community engagement through the construction and renovation of sports grounds in schools and neighborhoods. These facilities are designed to provide safe and accessible spaces where children and youth can actively participate in various sports and recreational activities, encouraging a healthy lifestyle while nurturing leadership skills, discipline, and self-confidence.

Recognizing the vital role of structured physical activity in youth development, Yuva Unstoppable ensures that these sports grounds are equipped with facilities and amenities. By supplying essential sports equipment and organizing training sessions led by professional coaches, the initiative helps

students enhance their physical abilities and gain a deeper understanding of different sports. Participants receive mentorship, learning not only the techniques of their chosen sports but also life values such as perseverance, teamwork, and respect for others—qualities that extend beyond the playing field.

Moreover, the sports grounds serve as vital gathering places that foster social integration within the community. Students from diverse backgrounds come together, form teams, and bond over their shared passion for sports, creating an atmosphere of inclusivity and camaraderie. This collaborative spirit helps break barriers related to caste, creed, and gender, promoting mutual respect and understanding among participants. In addition to providing a venue for sports, these facilities host community events, cultural gatherings, and health awareness campaigns, enriching community life and contributing to holistic development.

These events create opportunities for residents to engage with one another, share experiences, and learn about the importance of healthy lifestyles, ultimately reinforcing the community's commitment to well-being.

Through these comprehensive initiatives, Yuva Unstoppable's multipurpose sports ground project not only enhances access to sports facilities but also creates environments that support physical, mental, and emotional growth. The project fosters a strong sense of community and empowerment among students and residents alike, equipping them with the skills and values necessary to thrive in all aspects of their lives. As participants discover their strengths and build self-confidence through sports, they are also instilled with a sense of purpose and resilience, preparing them to face future challenges with grace and determination. In essence, this initiative is about more than just sport; it is about building a healthier, more connected, and empowered community.

"I am deeply grateful to Yuva Unstoppable and the Spandana team for recognizing the importance of sports in the growth and well-being of students. Many of our students come from less privileged backgrounds, where access to basic sports facilities is a luxury. Until now, their only chance to play was on Sundays at BMC playgrounds, open to all.

But today, seeing these facilities in their own school, their happiness is beyond words. They no longer have to wait for Sundays. The biggest transformation I have seen is in girls—they were once quiet, but now they step forward with confidence. They are learning games like chess and teaching their friends so they can all play together. Watching them grow has been inspiring."

- Chhaya Vaje, Principal, Barve Nagar Marathi Shala



# #5 STEM LAB PROJECTS





#### What Yuva Unstoppable delivered

# 82

Number of STEM lab projects undertaken in FY24

# 231

Number of schools benefitted

#### SDG addressed



#### #4 Quality Education

Yuva Unstoppable's STEM projects enhance education quality, inspiring innovation and creativity among students.

#### Overview

The STEM lab project had a transformative effect by bringing modern science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education to under-served schools across India. By setting up equipped STEM laboratories, the project enhances hands-on learning opportunities, fostering curiosity, creativity, and innovation among students.

These labs are equipped with advanced tools, computers, and educational software, allowing students to engage in practical experiments and projects. This interactive learning approach deepens their understanding of STEM subjects while developing critical thinking, problem-solving, and creativity. It empowers students to explore STEM concepts in a supportive setting, preparing them for future academic and career paths in science and technology fields.

The STEM labs project encourages collaboration between students and teachers, cultivating a culture of inquiry and exploration. By bridging the digital divide and broadening educational access, Yuva Unstoppable is helping create a brighter future for students from disadvantaged communities, equipping them with skills in an increasingly technology-driven world.

'We are grateful to Pernod Ricard for its generous support in enhancing science education at our school in Vichalag. Through its contribution of science models, instruments, and improved seating arrangements, our students now have the opportunity to engage in hands-on learning, making science more interactive and exciting.

Models such as the Newton disk, Solar System, Bioviewen, Lungs model, and Water Turbine have deepened student understanding, allowing them to grasp complex concepts. These resources have not only sparked curiosity but also instilled a love for science.'

– **Principal, Rajkiya Balika Ucha Prathmik Vidyalaya, Behroor**

# #6 RAINWATER HARVESTING PROJECTS



## Reality

**~10.54**

Lakh, number of schools with no functional rainwater harvesting management system

(Source: The New Indian Express, Economic Times, Ministry of Education)

## What Yuva delivered

**40**

Number of rainwater harvesting projects undertaken since inception

**7**

Number of States covered

**2,700**

Number of students benefitted

**17**

Number of rainwater harvesting projects undertaken in FY24

## SDG addressed



### #6 Clean Water and Sanitation

Yuva Unstoppable ensures access to safe drinking water and helps reduce waterborne diseases.

#### Overview

Yuva Unstoppable's rainwater harvesting project improves water availability and sustainability in under-served communities across India. By installing rainwater harvesting systems in schools and public spaces, the initiative reduces reliance on unreliable water sources, addresses water scarcity, and promotes environmental conservation.

With only 18.2% of government schools equipped with rainwater harvesting, many struggle with water shortages, impacting the health and hygiene of students. To combat this, Yuva Unstoppable introduced 'Varsha-jal', mineralised precast concrete water tanks with capacities of 10,000 liters or more, providing a sustainable water source for drinking and daily use.

This initiative ensured consistent water access, lowered dependence on external supplies, and reduced costs. Additionally, educational programs raised an awareness of water conservation, fostering long-term sustainability and responsible water use within school communities.

"The rainwater harvesting facilities implemented in our school have significantly enhanced our water self-sufficiency. Through this initiative, we have successfully collected 62,540 liters of water, making our campus both self-reliant and environmentally sustainable.

Beyond benefiting our students and staff, this project has raised substantial awareness about water conservation among neighboring schools. It has also inspired others to adopt similar sustainability practices, reinforcing the vital role of environmental responsibility in education."

— **Principal, Kai. Sundarbai Rathi Girls School, Laxmi Road**

## #7 MURT PROJECTS



### SDG addressed



### #9 Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure

Yuva Unstoppable's infrastructure project enhances the quality of living, fostering innovation and creativity.

Yuva Unstoppable's MURT (Medical, Urban Renewal, and Transformation) project has significantly improved healthcare access and urban infrastructure in India's under-served communities. By establishing medical clinics, mobile health units and conducting health camps, the project has provided essential medical services to residents.

Infrastructure enhancements include renovating community centers, improving sanitation facilities, and developing public spaces, creating safer and more hygienic environments. The project empowers communities through health education, vocational training, and initiatives promoting women's and youth empowerment.

MURT has uplifted living standards, enhanced community health, and fostered socio-economic development in urban slums, impacting thousands of lives positively.

# #8 COLLEGE TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME



## What Yuva delivered

4

Number of college transformation projects undertaken since inception

9,000+

Total number of students benefitted

## SDG addressed

4

QUALITY EDUCATION



## #4 Quality Education

Yuva Unstoppable's enhanced college infrastructure improve

the quality of education, fostering innovation and creativity among students.

## Overview

The Yuva Unstoppable college transformation programme is committed to enhancing the academic environment and educational experience in government first grade colleges across various districts. Central to this initiative is the improvement of water and sanitation facilities, which includes constructing new toilets and ensuring access to clean drinking water. These essential upgrades are vital for maintaining a hygienic learning atmosphere.

In addition to addressing sanitation needs, the programme focuses on enhancing laboratory facilities. By equipping colleges with modern laboratory equipment, students are

provided opportunities to conduct practical experiments and gain hands-on experience in their respective fields, crucial for their academic and professional development. Infrastructure development is a priority, with efforts directed towards repairing and maintaining classrooms and buildings, as well as providing suitable furniture for both students and faculty members. A well-furnished and well-maintained environment is essential for fostering academic excellence.

Safety and security are emphasised through the installation of signage and construction of compound walls. These measures create a secure campus environment for students, staff, and

faculty, ensuring a peace of mind while they focus on their education.

Through these comprehensive initiatives, the Yuva Unstoppable College Transformation Programme aims to significantly improve the quality of education and overall educational experience in government first grade colleges. By addressing critical infrastructure needs, including water and sanitation, laboratory facilities, and maintenance of educational spaces, the programme seeks to cultivate an environment conducive to academic growth, empowering students to achieve their potential.

# #9 **CLASSROOM** CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS





## Reality

# 1.52

Lakh, total number of schools with no functional electricity in 2023-24

## SDG addressed



### #17 Partnerships for the Goals

Yuva builds holistic partnerships with schools, implementation partners, philanthropists, and corporations to strengthen sustainable development.

(Source: The New Indian Express, Economic Times, Ministry of Education)

## What Yuva delivered

# 38

Number of classroom construction projects undertaken since inception

# 10

Number of States covered

# 16,700+

Number of students covered

# 8

Number of classroom construction projects undertaken in FY24

## Overview

Yuva Unstoppable's classroom construction project is a transformative initiative aimed at bridging the educational gap in underprivileged communities across India.

Recognizing the essential role that a supportive learning environment plays in a child's development, the project focuses on constructing and renovating classrooms to provide modern, vibrant, and well-equipped spaces for students.

This project's impact extends beyond the physical structures—it helps build a sense of pride and ownership among students and their communities. By providing students with a better learning environment, Yuva Unstoppable empowers them to envision a brighter future, fostering self-confidence and ambition. These enhanced educational spaces act as catalysts for social change, inspiring the entire community to invest in its children.

Yuva Unstoppable's classroom construction project is a part of a larger mission to address educational inequities in India. The organisation believes that creating quality educational infrastructure is foundational to unlocking the potential of every child, no matter their background. Through its ongoing work, Yuva Unstoppable aims to transform not only schools but entire communities, creating a ripple effect that will positively impact generations to come.

## Key features

**Building and renovation:** Yuva Unstoppable focuses on constructing new classrooms and renovating dilapidated ones, ensuring that students have access to safe, comfortable, and conducive learning spaces. These classrooms are designed to be child-friendly, with proper lighting, ventilation, and ergonomic furniture to enhance the learning experience.

## Collaboration with key stakeholders:

The project thrives on a collaborative approach, bringing together local communities, government bodies, and corporate sponsors under Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) programs. By fostering partnerships, Yuva Unstoppable ensures that projects are funded, locally supported, and sustainable across the long term.

## Boosting academic and social

**outcomes:** The improved classroom infrastructure directly impacts student engagement, attendance, and academic performance. Studies have shown that children are more likely to attend school regularly and participate actively in class when their learning environment is safe, comfortable, and stimulating.

FLAGSHIP PROJECT

# PROJECT UDAAN



## Reality

# 3.7

Million, number of school dropouts in India due to financial constraints, 2023-24

## What Yuva delivered

# 5,000+

Number of students granted scholarships since inception

# 4,132

Number of scholarships granted in FY24

# 1,623

Number of female beneficiaries

(Source: The New Indian Express, Economic Times, Ministry of Education)

## SDG addressed



### #1 No poverty

Yuva Unstoppable's Project Udaan enhances literacy, reduces poverty and empowers students, family and community



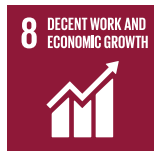
### #5 Gender Equality

Yuva Unstoppable supports equitable and inclusive development, promoting gender-neutral environments and ensuring equal access to resources and amenities.



### #10 Reduced Inequalities

Yuva Unstoppable supports the education of underprivileged students, reducing inequality across societies



### #8 Decent Work and Economic Growth

Yuva Unstoppable promotes access to quality education which improves employment prospects and contributes to economic growth and corporations to strengthen sustainable development.

## Educational scholarship programme

Yuva Unstoppable's UDAAN scholarship project transformed the lives of underprivileged students across India. By providing financial aid and educational support, UDAAN enables deserving students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds to pursue their academic dreams and realise their full potential. The scholarships cover critical educational expenses such as school fees, tuition, book, and stationery, relieving the financial burden on families and ensuring that talented students can continue their education.

The vision of the UDAAN scholarship project is to empower young individuals to lead positive change in society. By providing financial support, mentorship and access to opportunities, Yuva Unstoppable enables students to unlock their potential and become future leaders, innovators, and change-makers in their respective fields.

Through this initiative, Yuva Unstoppable is building a brighter future, not only for the students it supports but for the nation as a whole, fostering progress, development, and equality across communities.

### Key features

#### Comprehensive financial support:

UDAAN addresses the fundamental financial barriers that prevent deserving students from completing their education. By covering key expenses such as tuition, learning materials and other educational essentials, the programme ensures that students have the resources they need to succeed academically.

#### Holistic student development:

Beyond financial aid, UDAAN focuses on the overall growth of its scholars. The programme offers various opportunities for skill-building, mentorship, and career guidance. These initiatives are designed to help students not only excel academically but also prepare

for professional challenges. Through mentorship sessions, students are connected with accomplished individuals from various industries, who provide guidance, motivation, and advice on career paths.

#### Monitoring and support:

The programme consistently monitors the progress of scholarship recipients, ensuring they are making the most of the opportunities provided. Regular check-ins and evaluations help identify areas where additional support may be required, enabling students to overcome challenges and stay on track.

#### Capacity building and exposure:

UDAAN goes beyond academic support by equipping students with life skills and career readiness. Through specialised courses and awareness sessions, scholars gain exposure to opportunities that broaden their horizons and build their capacities. This comprehensive approach fosters not only academic success but also personal development.

# HOW PROJECT UDAAN HAS TRANSFORMED DESTINIES



"My mother is an anganwadi helper; my father passed away when I was young. Despite a 99.25 percentile in 12<sup>th</sup> grade, our financial situation could not support my coaching classes for engineering. Then I discovered Yuva Unstoppable. *Unke scholarship ne mujhe apne engineering sapno ko pursue karne ki prerna mili.* Yuva provided essential educational supports. I graduated with a degree in computer science engineering from a state government college. After completing my internship with DEV IT, I am preparing for the GATE exam while working as a Yuva student coordinator."

**Parth Verma, Yuva student co-ordinator**

"Yuva ne jo mere liye kiya hai uske liye grateful ek bahot hi chhota shabd hai. During my first term in Government Medical College (Ahmedabad), the first pandemic wave forced a lockdown. Yuva gave me a tablet, ensuring that my education did not suffer. My mother was diagnosed with Stage-I breast cancer; I went through a mental breakdown. *Iss mushkil waqt mein Yuva mera sabse bada supporter raha.* Its mentoring empowered me to remain positive. The result is that I became a medical officer at a local clinic and was also able to clear my NEET PG with 99.12 percentile. Yuva made it happen!"

**Vidisha Ramani, Medical Officer**

"My class coordinator introduced me to Yuva Unstoppable during my first year of a B.Sc. in Nursing. Its programmes enhanced my confidence and communication capabilities. Living and studying in Mumbai – I am from Palghar – was expensive. Yuva assisted with my rent, travel and other expenses. I plan to pursue a career with the Maharashtra Public Service Commission."

**Neha Patel, first year B. Sc. Nursing student**

"In my village there is no hospital within 20 km. Since childhood, I had aspired to become a doctor and build a clinic in my village. This was a distant dream because of financial constraints. In class XI, I heard about Yuva and enrolled. I regained my confidence. During Covid, Yuva provided me an electronic tablet, which facilitated my studies. I am now preparing for NEET 2025."

**Shubhanshu Verma, NEET aspirant**

"Even after scoring 87% in class X, I was apprehensive. I wanted to pursue a career in medical science but my parents - father shopkeeper, mother homemaker - could not afford the medical college fees. *Uss waqt bahut pareshan rehte the... kaise kya hoga kuch nahi samajh aa raha tha.* Thanks to Yuva, I got into Aakash Institute – one of India's foremost medical coaching institutes at no cost. When I become a doctor, I hope to serve those who cannot afford healthcare."

**Priyanka Ghosh, NEET-UG aspirant**

"My mother is an anganwadi helper and my father is a handicapped alcoholic... *paiso ke wajah se padhaai mein bahut dikkat hoti thi.* It was my dream to become a doctor but my mother was not encouraging. The dream of sitting for a NEET examination looked all but over. My teacher informed me about Yuva Unstoppable. Yuva gave me a scholarship. I am now a student of Sanjay Ghodavat IT and Medical Academy and dream to become a doctor."

**Samiksha Santosh Yadav, Class 12 student**

"My father was diagnosed with cancer when there were two months left for my Class 10 examination and NEET. I would study at the hospital; my father did not survive. I secured 99.49% in my Class 10 exams and scored 516 marks in NEET. I secured admission to a private medical college. Since I could not afford the five-year fees, I dropped out. In my second NEET attempt, I scored 567, securing an admission in GMEIS Medical College, Gandhinagar. The college fees of ₹3,30,000 proved daunting. I heard of Yuva Unstoppable. Yuva helped with a scholarship for my college education and guided me through my college journey."

**Margie Sutaria, MBBS third year student**

# YUVA UNSTOPPABLE'S PLACEMENT **SUCCESS**

The Yuva Unstoppable scholarship programme achieved a milestone by successfully placing 54 students in renowned companies, providing excellent career opportunities.







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Medical College



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# ANGANWADI PROGRAMME



# 450+

Number of anganwadi centres transformed since inception

# 150

Number of infrastructure uplifted

# 10,000+

direct beneficiaries

# 102

Number of anganwadi centres built in FY24

## SDG addressed



### #3 Good Health and Well-being

Yuva Unstoppable's school transformation initiatives enhance student well-being, raise the standard of living, and contribute to reducing hunger and poverty.



### #4 Quality Education

Yuva Unstoppable facilitates early childhood development, preparing young children for formal education

## Overview

The Yuva Unstoppable Anganwadi programme has made strides in transforming early childhood education and care in under-served communities across India. Focusing on the holistic development of children, the initiative has improved the infrastructure, education, and health services of anganwadi centers (AWCs). Yuva Unstoppable has renovated numerous AWCs, creating safe and child-friendly environments equipped with modern amenities. These upgrades include improved sanitation facilities, vibrant classrooms, and secure play areas, all of which contribute to fostering a nurturing and conducive learning atmosphere for young children.

## Key impacts

**Child health improvement:** Through the AWCs, essential healthcare services such as immunisations, growth monitoring, and early health issue detection are provided. This proactive approach leads to enhanced child health and well-being, ensuring early interventions for any developmental concerns.

**Enhanced maternal health:** The programme plays a crucial role in promoting better maternal health by advocating for healthier birth spacing, which reduces risks associated with closely spaced pregnancies. AWCs offer nutritional guidance during pregnancy, improving maternal health outcomes. The programme also addresses maternal anemia through targeted interventions, ensuring that mothers receive the necessary nutritional support.

## Early childhood development:

The programme fosters cognitive development and prepares children for school by providing access to early learning initiatives, digital learning tools, and educational toys. These resources help nurture children's intellectual growth and readiness for formal education.

## Infrastructure improvements:

YUVA Unstoppable is committed to upgrading AWC facilities, creating safe and conducive environments for children, mothers, and Anganwadi workers. The programme emphasises the importance of clean drinking water, provides essential ration kits sourced from local vendors, and ensures that Anganwadi workers receive proper training. These infrastructure and resource improvements enhance the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the services delivered.

"I am delighted with the new Anganwadi in our area. My children love coming here—the colorful paintings, toys, and friendly environment have made learning fun and engaging.

Earlier, they felt uninterested in the dull surroundings, but now they eagerly watch educational poems and lessons on TV. They excitedly share what they have learned, like proper hygiene and self-care. I have also seen progress in their development; timely vaccinations have ensured their good health."

- **Shakuntala Patel, mother**

## Case study

# STRENGTHENING ANGANWADIS IN KASHI: A U.P. NUTRITION COLLABORATIVE



## 53

percentage of targeted AWCs' revamped with a range of new features designed to create a safe and green environment for children

### Overview

In January 2025, Zerodha Broking Services Limited and Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF) partnered Yuva Unstoppable to develop sustainable learning spaces and improve nutrition, health, and educational outcomes for children attending Anganwadi Centers (AWCs) in Kashi district, Uttar Pradesh.

Zerodha will lead the project's implementation by transforming AWCs into environmentally sustainable spaces. This will include providing necessary amenities such as clean drinking water, well-ventilated area, and solar panels or access to electricity.

BMGF will focus on ensuring the provision of high-quality Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) and Maternal, Infant, and Young Child Nutrition (MIYCN) services, specifically targeting the health of pregnant women, lactating mothers, and children aged 0-6 years.

The project will address various components of the public health ecosystem affecting MIYCN, including Anganwadi Centers, the supply chain of fortified foods, healthcare institutions (CHCs, PHCs), training for Frontline Workers (FLWs), community awareness, and overall institutional strengthening.

### Objectives

- Create an enabling environment that fosters the growth and development of children aged 3-6 years by establishing environmentally sustainable learning spaces and promoting a sense of responsibility toward protecting nature.
- Improve the health and nutritional status of adolescent girls, pregnant women, lactating mothers, and children aged 0-6 years through quality healthcare, nutrition, and Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE).

### Project goals

- Cover 330 anganwadi centers.
- Transform 65 anganwadis into multi-intervention hubs, by developing green learning materials and providing appropriate teacher learning materials.
- Train anganwadi workers in early childhood education, providing hands-on support, fostering community awareness and parent engagement.

### Initiatives

- Undertook capacity building sessions for AWC workers to deliver high-quality early childhood education and care.
- Organised community engagement activities such as parent teacher meetings (PTMs), *godbharai* (traditional baby showers), and *annaprashan* (first feeding ceremonies) to foster community relationships.

# NUTRITION



21,600

Nutrition kits  
distributed in FY24

78,400

Number of  
beneficiaries in FY24

## SDG addressed



### #3 Good Health and Well-Being

Yuva Unstoppable's nutrition support programme for

pregnant women prevents maternal complications and facilitates healthy infant growth.

## Overview

Proper nutrition during pregnancy and lactation is crucial for the health of mothers and babies. YUVA Unstoppable's Suposhit Maa Abhiyan provides essential nutrients to support immunity, prevent malnutrition, and ensure healthy development. This initiative improves health outcomes, reduces infection risks, and promotes healthier births, paving the way for stronger future generations.

## Benefits of pre-natal nutrition

**Support fetal growth:** Provide essential nutrients for organ formation and development.

**Reduce birth defects:** Lower the risk of congenital disabilities with folic acid and iodine.

**Boost brain development:** Aid cognitive growth with Omega-3, iron, and choline.

**Prevent maternal complications:** Lower the risk of anemia, gestational diabetes, and preeclampsia.

**Enhance maternal health:** Strengthen immunity, energy levels, and overall well-being.

**Ensure healthy birth weights:** Reduce low birth weight risks for better long-term health.

**Lay a strong foundation:** Support lifelong physical and cognitive development.

"Pregnancy was a challenging time for me, filled with difficulties and uncertainties. When I learned about the Suposhit Abhiyan, an initiative by Mr. Om Birla, I found hope. I registered immediately and began receiving monthly nutrition kits and regular medical check-ups. This support gave me the strength I needed, ensuring both my baby and I remained healthy. Today, I look at my child with gratitude, knowing this initiative made all the difference. I thank Mr. Om Birla and the American Indian Foundation for this life-changing support."

- Sulochana Yadav, Kota





PART 5

# THE IMPACT OF OUR INITIATIVES





# LSE IMPACT ANALYSIS: SCHOOL TRANSFORMATION PROJECT

## Overview

Yuva Unstoppable's school transformation initiatives, including digital classroom programs and WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene) infrastructure improvements, were subjected to a comprehensive

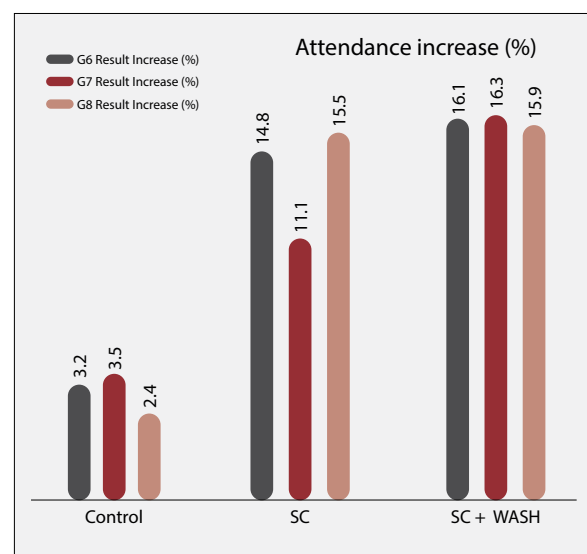
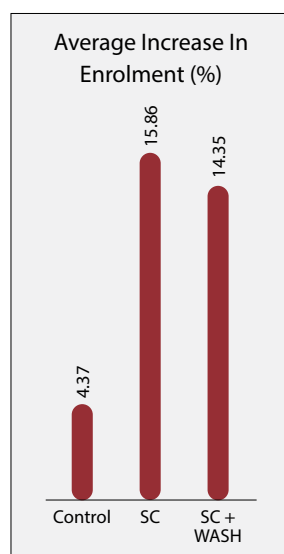
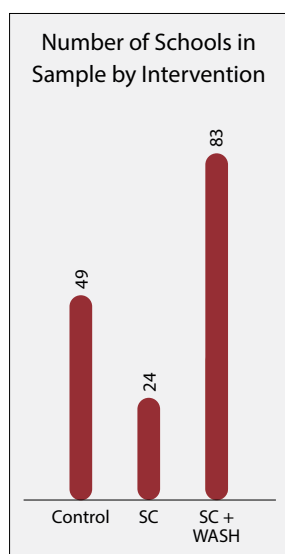
impact analysis by London School of Economics (LSE). The study evaluated the effectiveness of interventions in enhancing educational outcomes in under-served government schools.

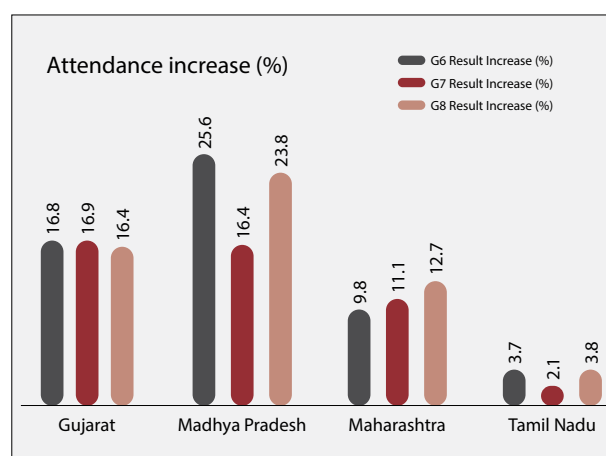
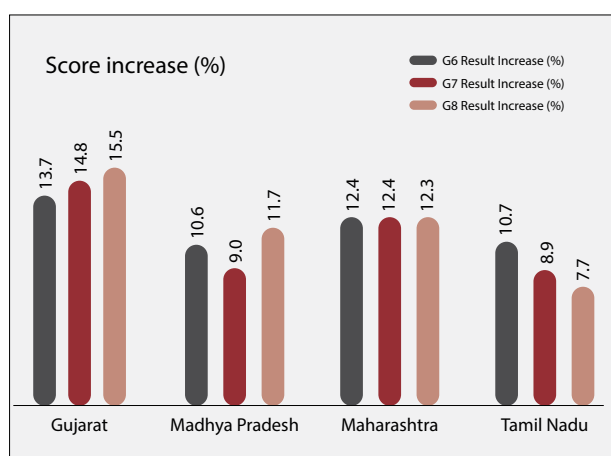
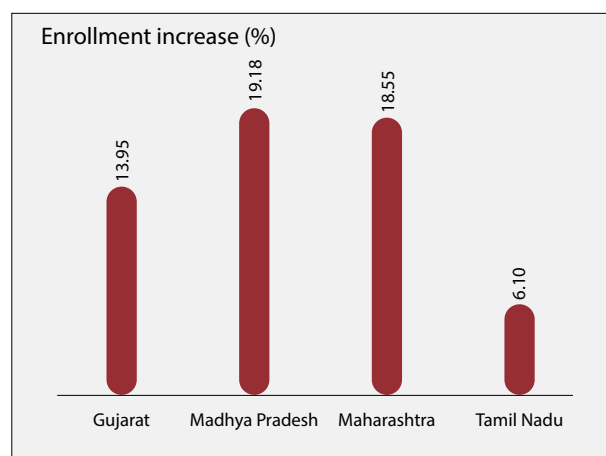
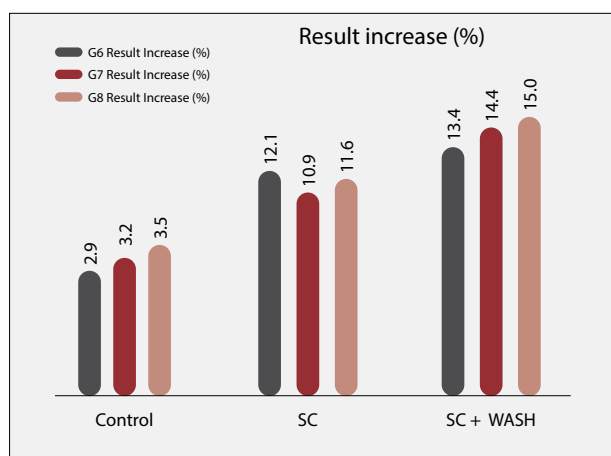
The LSE impact analysis highlighted the success of Yuva Unstoppable's

interventions and provided a framework for ongoing scaling and improvements. The data-driven insights will inform Yuva Unstoppable's work, enabling the organisation to strengthen programmes and transform education for under-served communities.

## Methodology

- The LSE analysis utilised a robust evaluation framework, focusing on the outcomes of Yuva Unstoppable's interventions in 156 schools across four Indian states (Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, and Maharashtra).
- The study divided schools into groups: a control group and an intervention group. The control group (49 schools) served as a baseline, while the intervention group (107 schools) had received either the Smart Classroom (SC) or the combined WASH and SC interventions.
- The analysis involved quantitative and qualitative data, including pre and post-surveys, student attendance, enrolment records, and test scores. The data from the intervention schools were compared with the baseline data from the control schools to measure impact on student outcomes (enrolment, attendance, academic performance, and teacher engagement).
- The study assessed the effectiveness of the digital classroom initiatives, including the K-Yan (Knowledge Vehicle) technology, which transforms traditional classrooms into interactive learning environments. The analysis measured the outcomes of the WASH interventions on student health, absenteeism, and overall school hygiene.





## The LSE study's findings

### Student outcomes

- 4x improvement in learning outcomes in maths, science and other subjects
- 15% improvement in overall attendance
- 14% increase in attendance in schools with WASH interventions
- 16% increase in attendance in schools with WASH and smart classroom interventions

### Teacher outcomes

- Process of training, adaptation and engagement with Yuva and equipment provides additional skills for teachers
- Use a theoretical framework proposed by Coe et al (2014) to examine teacher outcomes
- Using qualitative feedback from the operational team at Yuva Unstoppable, we operationalise the framework to offer insights into how the smart classroom impacts teaching

### Outcomes on inclusion

- Yuva Unstoppable's projects focused on low-income, urban schools, often serving children from the families of labourers, farmers, and essential service workers (SDG 4 of quality education)
- Digital classrooms and improved sanitation enhanced holistic education
- Multimedia content made learning more interactive and effective

## Benefits to Yuva

The LSE impact analysis proved invaluable to Yuva Unstoppable:

One, it provided empirical evidence to validate the effectiveness of its programs. By demonstrating the correlation between Yuva Unstoppable's school

transformation efforts and improved educational outcomes, the analysis helped build credibility and trust with donors, partners, and other stakeholders.

Two, the findings offered Yuva understanding of how interventions

(WASH and Smart Classrooms) improved student attendance, enrolment and academic performance.

Three, the state-wise results allowed Yuva to refine its approach and interventions to the specific needs of regions.

# BANK OF AMERICA'S IMPACT ANALYSIS OF THE **TAB-BASED** LEARNING AT YUVA UNSTOPPABLE



## Overview

The pandemic catalysed online learning, impacting students in government schools who lacked access to smart devices, affecting attendance.

To address this challenge, Yuva Unstoppable tied-up with Lenovo and HDFC to distribute free tablets to the students. This tab-based blended learning initiative aimed to bridge this

digital divide, allowing equitable access to education and fostering an interactive, multimedia learning environment.

Bank of America (BoA) undertook an impact analysis across 4,018 students in Gujarat and Maharashtra. The BoA impact analysis not only highlighted the success of Yuva Unstoppable's interventions but also provided a framework for ongoing improvement.

## Methodology

- Monitoring student attendance, assignment completion, and engagement levels.
- Collection of data related to monthly attendance, assignment submissions and engagements before and after Yuva Unstoppable.
- Conducted comparative analysis between tablet-enabled and non-tablet-enabled classrooms.

## Before Yuva Unstoppable

**40%**

Students unable to attend online classes due to a lack of personal devices

**35%**

Students who had to share devices with family members

**19**

Average monthly assignment submissions before tablet distribution

**10+**

Days, duration of students attending online classes before tablet distribution

## After Yuva

**57**

Average monthly assignment submissions after tablet distribution

**21+**

Days, total duration of students attending online classes after tablet distribution

**80%**

Students who believed that tablet learning enhanced their analytical skills

**75%**

Students who reported improved independent functioning after tablet distribution

**60%**

Teachers who observed increased collaboration and motivation to attend school after tablet distribution

**63%**

Teachers who reported higher engagement in tablet-based sessions compared to only 9% in a traditional setting

**80%**

Improvement in analytical skills of students from tablet-enabled schools compared to only 35% in a traditional setting

**60%**

Improvement in independent functioning of students from tablet-enabled schools compared to only 30% in a traditional setting

**60%**

Improvement in motivation of students from tablet-enabled schools compared to only 30% in a traditional setting

# Our **success** stories



**Dr. Vidisha Ramani**

"My journey has been one of determination, and none of it would have been possible without the unwavering support of Yuva Unstoppable. Coming from a family where both my parents worked as diamond laborers, earning less than ₹1 Lakh annually, the dream of becoming a doctor seemed distant. However, Yuva Unstoppable's support in 2017 gave me the foundation I needed to pursue my aspirations. I topped my state with a 99.99% in my 12th exams and cleared the medical entrance exams on my first attempt. Today, as a graduate of Govt. Medical College, Ahmedabad, and having cleared NEET with 99.12%, I earn six times what my family did. Yuva gave me wings to soar, and I am now on my way to becoming an MD (Medicine)."



**Varsha Sinha**

"My path to becoming a Chartered Accountant was challenging, but it was defined by resilience and the unwavering belief of those who supported me, especially my mother. After losing my father, my mother and I faced significant financial and emotional hardships, yet my dream remained steadfast. Yuva Unstoppable's scholarship was pivotal, providing the resources I needed to stay focused on my goals. Today, I am a Chartered Accountant, and I know that this achievement is the result of hard work, perseverance, and the support that made all the difference."



**Dr. Jasmin Prajapati**

"My journey to becoming a doctor was marked by personal and financial challenges. While caring for my father, who struggled with chronic kidney disease, I also supported my mother and younger sister. Despite these hardships, my dream of becoming a doctor never wavered. Thanks to Yuva Unstoppable's scholarship, I was able to focus on my education and eventually graduate as a doctor. Today, I serve as a General Physician in the ICU at Civil Hospital, Ahmedabad, where I care for those in need. My story is a testament to how education can transform lives."



**Abhishek Anand**

"My dream of studying at IIT Delhi seemed impossible, given the financial struggles my family faced. My father had a small clerical job, and my mother was a housewife. I refused to give up. Yuva Unstoppable's scholarship was a game-changer, providing the support I needed to push through the toughest times. Today, I am studying at IIT Delhi and none of this would have been possible without Yuva Unstoppable's belief in me. It helped to turn my dreams into reality and I will remain forever grateful."