



Mahesh
Foundation
We Care for Uncared

Annual Report

2024-25

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EDUCATION is not
just learning facts,
but **SHAPING LIVES**

The Year in One Glance

The year 2024–25 was one of transformation, resilience, and renewed hope at Mahesh Foundation. Despite challenges faced by underprivileged communities, we stood firmly by our mission—to bring dignity, education, and opportunities to children and families who need them the most.

Together with our partners, donors, and volunteers, we turned compassion into action. Each initiative—whether it was providing school kits, supporting HIV-positive children with nutrition, empowering women with livelihood skills, or organizing life-saving blood donation camps—became a step toward a stronger and more inclusive tomorrow.

What makes this year remarkable is not just the scale of numbers, but the depth of change those numbers represent. Behind every statistic lies a child who dreams again, a woman who walks with confidence, and a community that feels supported.

At a Glance – Our Impact in Numbers:

- **Ashakiran Care Home:**
4,200 children provided with shelter, care, and a nurturing environment where they could heal, learn, and grow.
- **Utkarsha Learning Center:**
3,000 children accessed quality education, mentorship, and after-school support—opening doors to brighter futures.
- **Gokak Care and Support Center:**
81,000 individuals supported with essential services, health interventions, and community care.
- **Aadhar Vidya Program:**
38,000 children gained access to learning resources, educational kits, and ongoing academic support.
- **Community Support:**
5,400 people benefited through initiatives that ensured dignity, welfare, and direct support.
- **Social Responsibility of Youth:**
Over 900,000 individuals sensitized through awareness drives, HIV/AIDS campaigns, and youth-led initiatives—breaking myths and building responsible citizens.
- **MyBlood Charitable Blood Center:**
2,000 donors and recipients connected through our blood bank—saving lives and fostering a culture of voluntary blood donation.



Every drop of effort, every act of kindness, created ripples of change.

This year was not just about programs—it was about people. It was about turning challenges into opportunities, and most importantly, about proving that together, we can create a society where every child, every woman, and every family has the right to dream, grow, and thrive.

Founder's Message



Shri. Mahesh Jadhav
President, Mahesh Foundation

Dear Friends, Partners, and Supporters,

As I look back at the year gone by, I am filled with gratitude and hope. What began as a small initiative to care for children affected by HIV/AIDS has now become a movement touching the lives of thousands across education, health, and community development.

This year, we witnessed resilience in its purest form—from children at Ashakiran Care Home who turned struggles into smiles, to youth leaders who carried our awareness campaigns to people. Every milestone we achieved was possible only because of your faith in our mission.

At Mahesh Foundation, we believe that every child deserves not just survival, but a chance to dream and achieve. The new school building under construction stands as a symbol of this belief—soon, over 2,000 underprivileged children will access world-class education without barriers.

But our journey is far from complete. Together, we must continue to stand for the voiceless, fight stigma, and create opportunities where none exist. I invite you to walk with us into the future, as partners in change, as believers in hope.

With heartfelt gratitude,



Mahesh Jadhav
Founder, Mahesh Foundation

At Mahesh Foundation, we believe that true transformation is not just about what we do, but how we live our values every single day. Our identity is best described as a continuous cycle — a puzzle where every piece strengthens the other.

Values

Compassion, Equity, Integrity, and Empowerment form the bedrock of everything we stand for.

Actions

Translating values into programs in education, health, and livelihoods that touch the lives of the most marginalized.

Impact

Tangible results seen in thousands of children educated, women empowered, and communities uplifted.

Change

Sustainable, generational transformation where dignity, opportunity, and hope replace barriers and stigma.

This cycle never stops — it fuels our journey and keeps us accountable to those we serve.

Every Book Opens a Future

Utkarsha Learning Center: 3,000 children gained quality education.

Aadhar Vidya Program: 38,000 children in government schools supported with resources and kits.

Every Skill Empowers a Woman

Community Support Programs: 5,400 individuals uplifted through training, care, and awareness.

Women's Empowerment Initiatives: Equipping women with opportunities for financial independence and dignity.

Every Home Filled With Care

Ashakiran Care Home: 4,200 children provided shelter, love, and holistic development.

Gokak Care & Support Center: 81,000 lives touched through health care, nutrition, and counseling.

Every Drop Counts

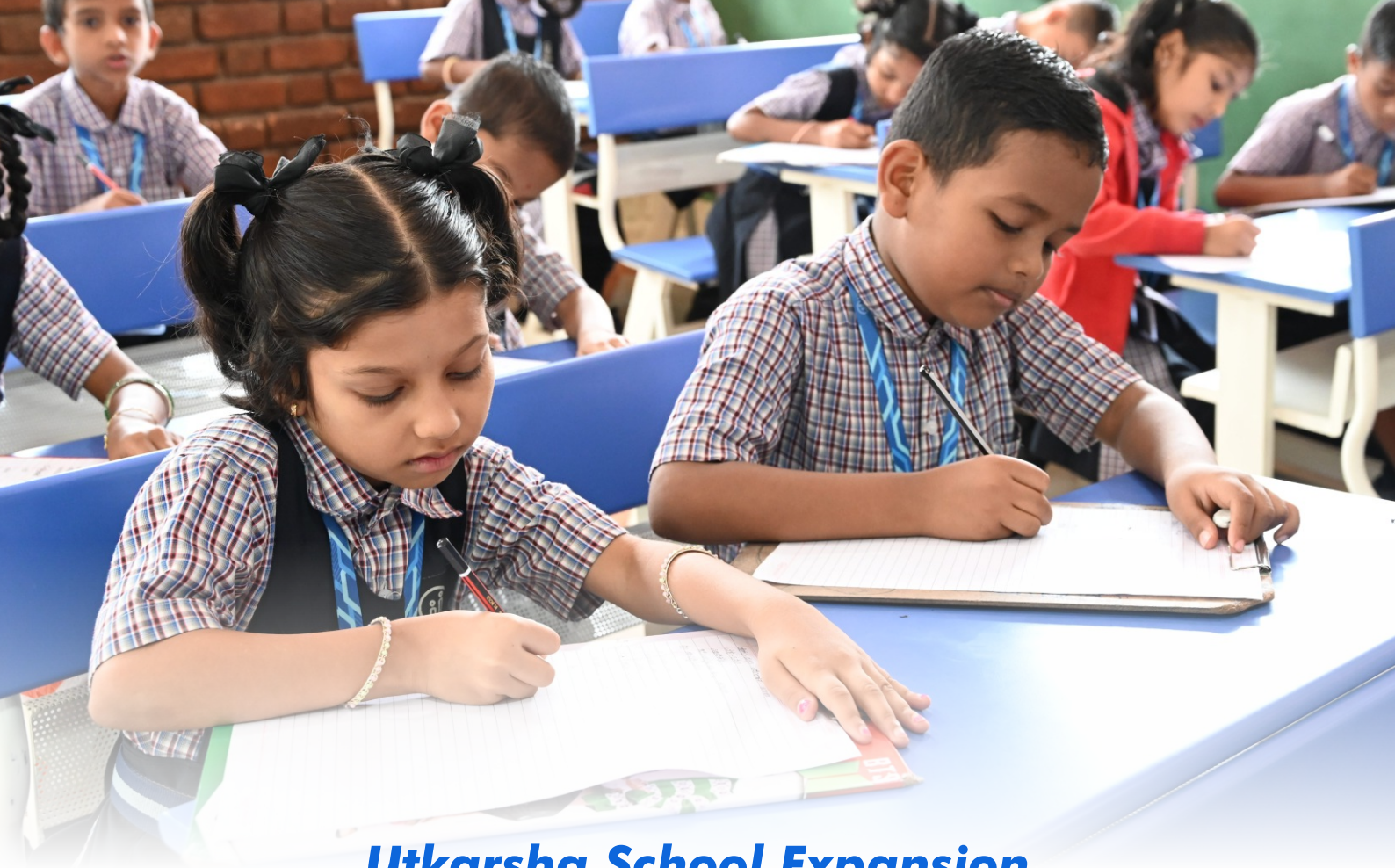
MyBlood Charitable Blood Center: 2,000 lives saved through voluntary blood donations and camps.

Every Young Mind Shapes Tomorrow

Social Responsibilities of Youth Program: 900,000+ youth engaged in awareness, activism, and social responsibility initiatives.

Education





Utkarsha School Expansion

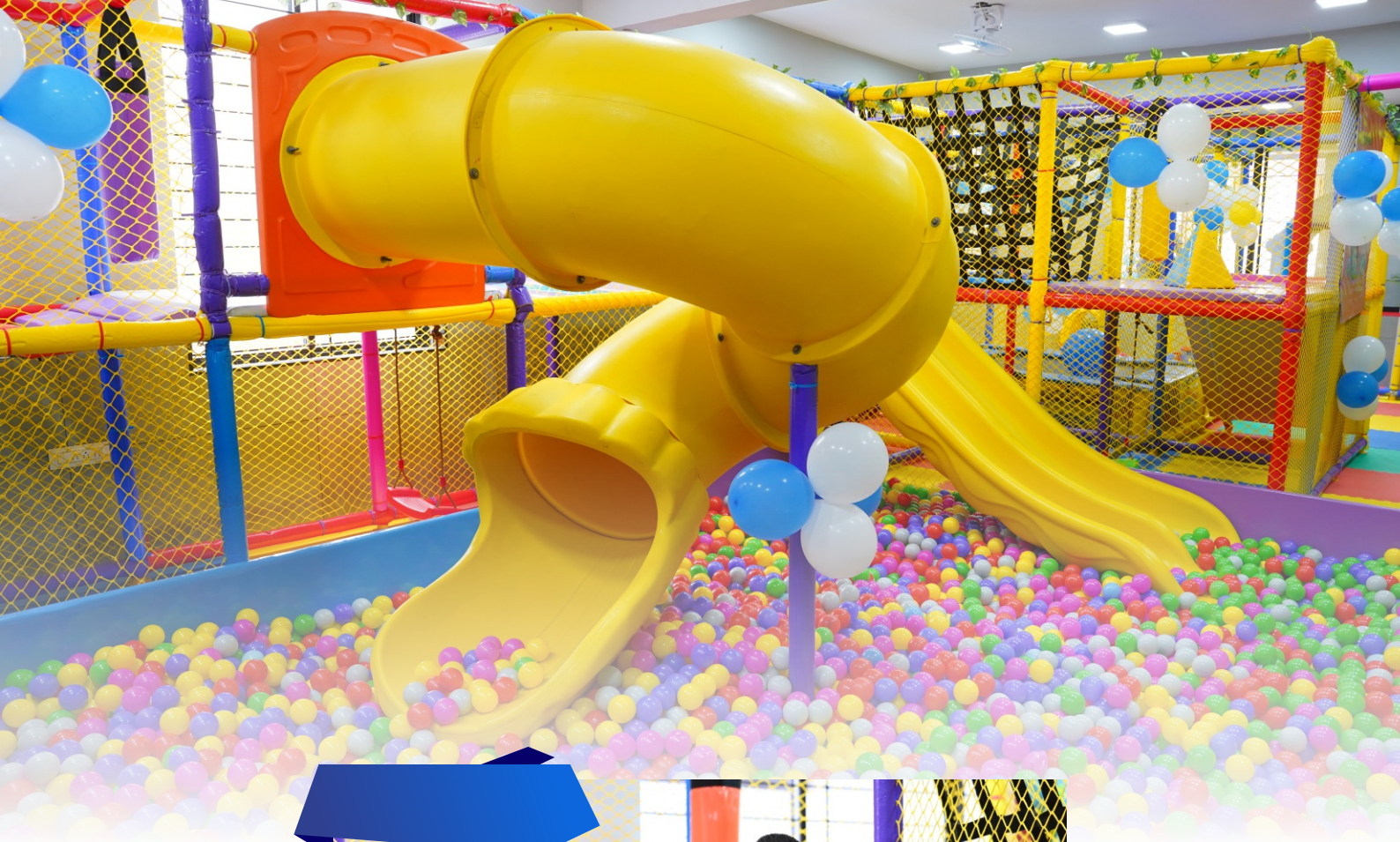
With the expansion, we have successfully expanded our school's reach in the academic year 2024–25, welcoming more than 1,000 students into our fold. The center now combines strong academics with skill-based learning, ensuring every child receives a holistic education. This growth reflects the deep trust of the community and strengthens our mission of empowering underprivileged children. For many families, the school has become a beacon of hope, nurturing dreams of a brighter and more secure future.

School Events

This year, Utkarsha hosted its much-anticipated Annual Sports Day and Examinations. The events were a celebration of students' academic growth, talents, and sporting spirit. Sports activities encouraged teamwork, discipline, and healthy competition, while exams assessed learning progress. Parents, teachers, and community members actively participated, fostering an atmosphere of encouragement. Such events not only highlight achievements but also boost children's confidence, preparing them for greater challenges ahead.

Teacher Development

Recognizing the vital role of teachers in shaping young minds, we conducted specialized training sessions for our faculty. These sessions focused on planning, curriculum design, and innovative classroom implementation techniques. Teachers gained new skills to improve learning outcomes and create interactive environments for children. The trainings also emphasized inclusivity and child-centered approaches. By empowering educators, we ensured that students receive effective guidance and mentorship in their journey of growth.



Astrokidz Pre-Primary School

We launched the Astrokidz Pre-Primary School with the vision of nurturing children at the foundational stage of learning. The program uses activity-based methods that combine fun with education, making early learning joyful and engaging. Children are encouraged to explore creativity, imagination, and curiosity while developing basic academic and social skills. By preparing them for higher classes, Astrokidz builds a strong foundation for future success. It also provides underprivileged children with the same opportunities for quality preschool education as their peers.

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Aadhar Vidya Program

Our Aadhar Vidya Program continued with great impact in government schools during the academic year 2024–25. Over 4,000 children received school kits, books, and essential learning resources that eased the burden on their families. This support encouraged regular attendance, reduced dropouts, and motivated children to focus on their studies. The program also promoted dignity and confidence among children by enabling them to actively participate in school. With every child supported, we are one step closer to breaking the cycle of educational inequality.

Education Support in Bengaluru

Expanding our reach, we introduced an Education Support Program in Bengaluru to serve underprivileged children. This initiative provides academic assistance, resources, and mentorship to children who are most at risk of dropping out. By addressing challenges like financial barriers and lack of learning support, the program fosters school retention. It also creates a nurturing environment that motivates children to dream beyond limitations. The expansion marks a significant step towards our goal of ensuring education for every child, regardless of geography.

New School Building

Construction work commenced on our new school building, envisioned to benefit more than 2,000 underprivileged children. The modern facility is designed to include spacious classrooms, science and computer labs, libraries, and activity zones. This infrastructure will provide children with the same opportunities and learning environments as any top school. It symbolizes our commitment to equity in education, where no child is left behind. Once complete, the school will stand as a hub for knowledge, innovation, and holistic child development.



Health





Ashakiran Care Home

The Care Home continued to welcome and support children in need, offering them a safe environment filled with love, care, and essential facilities. Alongside shelter and nutrition, children received dedicated support in education, health, and recreation. Regular life skills and personality development sessions were conducted to help them grow into confident individuals. Emotional well-being was given special focus through counseling and engaging activities. With each child, Ashakiran stands as a symbol of hope and transformation.

Recognition from Authorities

District Child Protection Officers (DCPOs) and Child Welfare Committees (CWCs) visited the Care Home regularly to review our practices and progress. Their visits ensured transparency, accountability, and adherence to child protection standards. These authorities consistently appreciated our holistic approach to child development and welfare. Their recognition not only validates the quality of our services but also motivates us to scale our impact. Such support strengthens our resolve to provide the highest standards of care.





MyBlood Charitable Blood Center

The MyBlood Charitable Blood Center organized several blood donation drives throughout the year, creating a strong network of donors and volunteers. Through these efforts, over 2,000 individuals directly benefited from timely blood support, often in critical situations. The center actively promoted awareness on the importance of voluntary blood donation, encouraging community participation. Each camp became a platform for saving lives and building compassion. By bridging the gap between donors and recipients, MyBlood continues to be a lifeline for many.

Enhanced Facilities

This year, MyBlood Blood Center was upgraded with advanced equipment to strengthen efficiency and safety. The enhancements improved blood collection, testing, and storage capacities, ensuring quality and reliability. With better infrastructure, we can now cater to more patients and hospitals with timely supply. These upgrades also mean improved donor experiences, faster processing, and better monitoring systems. It marks an important step towards building a technologically sound and future-ready blood center.





Blood Collection Vehicle

A major milestone was the addition of a new Blood Collection and Transportation Vehicle, inaugurated by PWD Minister Satish Jarkiholi. This specially equipped vehicle enables safe and efficient collection of blood from different locations, expanding our reach. It also ensures that blood can be transported under optimal conditions, preserving quality standards. The vehicle makes it possible to conduct more frequent camps across rural and urban areas. This mobile facility strengthens our ability to respond to emergencies quickly, ultimately saving more lives.



Livelihood & Women Empowerment





Nayi Umeed BPO Center

We launched the Nayi Umeed BPO Center with the vision of creating dignified employment opportunities for women from underprivileged backgrounds. The center provides hands-on training in digital and communication skills, preparing women for sustainable jobs in the service sector. Many women who once struggled for financial stability are now contributing to their families with confidence. This initiative is not just about employment—it's about independence, dignity, and a brighter tomorrow.



Akka Café

The Akka Café was introduced as a unique livelihood initiative run entirely by women, blending entrepreneurship with community service. It offers women a platform to showcase their abilities while earning a steady income. Beyond financial independence, it builds their confidence, leadership skills, and self-worth. The café has quickly become a symbol of empowerment, where every meal served carries the story of resilience and hope.



Events & Recognitions



Festival Celebrations

Children celebrated Independence Day, Republic Day, Ganesh Chaturthi, Diwali, Holi, and New Year with enthusiasm and togetherness. Each festival was marked with cultural programs, songs, dances, and community gatherings, creating an environment of belonging. For many children, these celebrations were the first time they experienced traditions in such a joyful way. These moments not only nurtured cultural pride but also gave them cherished memories of childhood.



National Recognition

Mahesh Foundation was honored at the National Family Summit in New Delhi for its pioneering role in promoting family-based care for vulnerable children. This recognition placed us on a national platform, reinforcing the importance of our care model. It also validated years of tireless work by our staff and partners to create a child-friendly environment. The award inspires us to further strengthen our systems and extend our reach to more children in need.

20 Years of Free ART

This year marked 20 years of providing free Anti-Retroviral Therapy (ART) at our Gokak and Raibag Centers, a milestone in the fight against HIV/AIDS. The celebration honored the doctors, volunteers, and caregivers who pioneered treatment and support for affected families. Survivors and beneficiaries shared their stories of resilience, making the event truly memorable. It was both a tribute to the past and a renewed commitment to ensuring care and dignity for all.

Mission Vatsalya Training

Under the Mission Vatsalya Program, we organized specialized training sessions to strengthen child protection mechanisms within our Foundation. Staff members were equipped with knowledge of policies, child rights frameworks, and effective practices for child care. These sessions built confidence and consistency in handling sensitive cases. The training reaffirmed our responsibility to safeguard every child under our care and align with national standards of protection.



Exposure Visits

We hosted students from multiple schools, colleges, and institutions, offering them firsthand exposure to grassroots social work. Through interactive sessions, they engaged with children, caregivers, and community initiatives, gaining practical insights into social challenges. Many students expressed that the visit inspired them to take part in social service and community leadership. Such visits also help build awareness and strengthen the next generation's commitment to social responsibility.

The Road Ahead



The Road Ahead

As we step into the future, our journey continues with greater determination and vision. One of our biggest dreams is nearing reality with the **Hillside International School**, a world-class facility under construction that will provide quality education to over **2,000 underprivileged children**. This school will serve as a foundation of opportunity, giving children the tools to learn, grow, and thrive.

Looking further, we envision the **Lakeside Institute for Higher Education**, a center designed to open doors for **4,000 young minds** to pursue advanced studies. This initiative will bridge the gap between school and meaningful careers, ensuring that our children do not just dream of a future, but actively build it.

Alongside education, we continue to strengthen healthcare. The **expansion of our MyBlood Charitable Blood Center** will allow us to serve more patients, upgrade our facilities, and reach underserved communities with timely and safe blood support.

Our road ahead is ambitious but clear: to educate, to empower, and to heal. With your support, we will transform possibilities into realities and ensure that every child, youth, and family walks toward a brighter tomorrow.



Transforming Lives Through CSR Initiatives

A Note of Gratitude

At Mahesh Foundation, we believe that meaningful change is possible when compassionate hearts and purposeful actions come together. Our esteemed partners whose unwavering support has empowered us to transform lives and bring hope to thousands of underprivileged children. Each collaboration featured here reflects not just a corporate commitment, but a shared vision for a better, more inclusive society. We are deeply grateful to our CSR partners for walking this journey with us and helping us turn dreams into reality.

General Insurance Corporation of India (GIC Re)

General Insurance Corporation of India (GIC Re) has been a key partner of Mahesh Foundation. Their generous support contributed to the construction of the new school building, two school buses, and supported the Nayi Umeed BPO Center for women.

*Construction of New School Building
Two School Buses for Underprivileged Children
Nayi Umeed BPO Center for Women*



The New India Assurance Co. Ltd:

The New India Assurance Co. Ltd has extended valuable support to Mahesh Foundation by contributing a Blood Collection & Transportation Vehicle, enhancing access to healthcare services for the needy.

Blood Collection & Transportation Vehicle



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SBI Funds Management Limited:

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Blood Collection & Transportation Vehicle



Tourism Finance Corporation Of India Ltd.:

Tourism Finance Corporation of India Ltd. has empowered Mahesh Foundation's educational and sustainability initiatives by installing a solar power plant at the new school, promoting clean and renewable energy.

Solar Power Plant for New School



Multi Commodity Exchange of India Limited (MCX):

Multi Commodity Exchange of India Limited (MCX) has supported Mahesh Foundation by funding the construction of classrooms at the new school and skill center, helping to create a nurturing space for education and skill development for underprivileged children.

Construction of Classrooms at New School & Skill Center



RailTel Corporation of India Limited:

RailTel Corporation of India Limited has extended compassionate support to Mahesh Foundation by providing nutrition support for HIV-positive children, contributing to their better health, well-being, and overall quality of life.

Nutrition Support for HIV-positive children



RITES Limited:

RITES Limited has supported Mahesh Foundation by providing an SDP (Single Donor Platelet) machine for the MyBlood Charitable Blood Bank, enhancing its capacity to offer critical and timely blood component support to patients in need.

SDP Machine for MyBlood Charitable Blood Bank



UTI Infrastructure Technology and Services Limited (UTIITSL):

UTI Infrastructure Technology and Services Limited (UTIITSL) has contributed to Mahesh Foundation by donating a new school bus, ensuring safe and reliable transportation for underprivileged children to access education without obstacles.

New School Bus for Underprivileged Children



MSTC Limited:

MSTC Limited has supported Mahesh Foundation by providing an SDP (Single Donor Platelet) machine and a Hematology Analyzer for the MyBlood Charitable Blood Bank, significantly enhancing its diagnostic and blood processing capabilities to serve patients more effectively.

SDP Machine & Hematology Analyzer for MyBlood



State Bank of India:

State Bank of India has extended its support to Mahesh Foundation by providing drinking water and living facilities for children, ensuring a healthier and more comfortable environment for their growth and well-being.

Drinking Water & Living Facilities for Children



Canara Bank:

Canara Bank has contributed to the learning environment at Utkarsha School by donating school desks, helping create a more organized and student-friendly classroom setup.

School Desks for Utkarsha School



SFS Group India Private Limited:

SFS Group India Private Limited has been a strong and consistent partner of Mahesh Foundation, supporting a wide range of impactful initiatives. They have supported classroom construction, playing a vital role in empowering underprivileged children through education.

Construction of classrooms.



Ingersoll-Rand (India) Limited:

Ingersoll-Rand (India) Limited has supported Mahesh Foundation by donating a new school bus, helping underprivileged children access education safely and conveniently through reliable daily transportation.

New School Bus for Underprivileged Children



CRIF High Mark Credit Information Services Pvt. Ltd.:

CRIF High Mark Credit Information Services Pvt. Ltd. has supported Mahesh Foundation through the Blood Bank Enrichment Program, enhancing the capabilities of the MyBlood Charitable Blood Bank to provide improved and timely blood services to those in need.

Blood Bank Enrichment Program



ANZ Operations and Technology Private Limited:

ANZ Operations and Technology Private Limited has supported Mahesh Foundation by donating a Blood Collection and Transportation Vehicle, strengthening the reach and efficiency of the MyBlood Charitable Blood Bank in serving patients across the region.

Blood Collection and Transportation Vehicle



GIA India Laboratory Pvt. Ltd.:

GIA India Laboratory Pvt. Ltd. has supported Mahesh Foundation by donating a Blood Collection and Transportation Vehicle, enhancing the mobility and outreach of the MyBlood Charitable Blood Bank.

Blood Collection and Transportation Vehicle



PNB Housing Finance Limited:

PNB Housing Finance Limited has extended its support by providing a Blood Collection and Transportation Vehicle for the Dharwad district, improving access to essential blood services in the region.

Construction of classrooms.



Brother International (India) Private Limited:

Brother International (India) Private Limited has supported Mahesh Foundation by providing education support for underprivileged children, helping them access quality learning opportunities and build a brighter future.

Education Support for Underprivileged Children





Mahesh Foundation has been blessed with the generous support of its valued CSR partners in 2024-25, whose collective contributions have created a meaningful impact in the lives of underprivileged children, HIV-positive individuals, and women. Organizations like Dassault Systèmes, Ramboll India Pvt. Ltd., The Belgaum Aqua Valves Pvt. Ltd., Vayavya Labs Pvt. Ltd., SNEX Technology Services Private Limited (StoneX), Sanspareils Greenlands Pvt. Ltd., Go Fashion (India) Limited, PIL (India) Private Limited, IDBI Trusteeship Services Limited, Sunbeam Merchantile Ventures Pvt. Ltd., Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited, Capco Technologies Private Limited, IDEAL Fastener India Pvt. Ltd., Satish Sugars Limited, Forrester Research India Private Limited, Hind Offshore Private Limited, IQVIA RDS (India) Private Limited, SLB Limited, Epiroc Mining India Limited, State Bank of India (Regional Office, RBO 2 Belagavi), United Fashion Apparels Pvt. Ltd. (Subsidiary of United Mills), Abhishek Alloys Pvt. Ltd., Workie Private Limited, have all played key roles in strengthening the Foundation's mission.



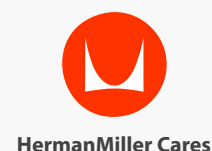
Existing CSR Partners (Govt. Public Sector)



Existing CSR Partners (Private Sector)



Existing CSR Partners (Private Sector)



Our Program Partners



Gratitude Wall

We dedicate this space to express our heartfelt gratitude. To our donors, for believing in us. To our partners, for walking beside us. To our volunteers, for giving time and energy selflessly. To our children and women, for trusting us with their dreams. Each name and each act of kindness is etched in our Gratitude Wall, reminding us daily that compassion is the greatest force for change.





Together We Can

Our journey has taught us that change is never built alone — it is always the result of hearts and hands coming together. Every milestone we celebrate is proof of what's possible when communities unite for a cause greater than themselves. The future may hold challenges, but with your support, there is no limit to the lives we can transform.

Together, we can. Together, we will.



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