ABOUT US

Youth for Seva (YFS), founded in April 2007, is a nation-wide volunteering movement that inspires youth to volunteer, and provides them with meaningful opportunities to serve the community.

OUR VISION
Self-reliant society powered by socially conscious individuals.

OUR MISSION
To build and facilitate movement of organized volunteering for societal well-being.

VALUES

- Nation first
- Patriotism
- Integrity
- Respect
- Innovation

FOCUS AREAS

- EDUCATION
- HEALTH
- ENVIRONMENT
- LIVELIHOOD

IMPACT

**Community Partners**

- Education: 10,932
- Health: 5,885
- Corporate Projects: 3,312,296
- Livelihood: 2,858

**Others**

- Education: 18,817
- Health: 14,892
- Corporate Projects: 4,256
- Livelihood: 2,511

*Other Activities: Activities at Partner NGOs, Nandini Palace, Jeevika Patna, Muzi Akki, clothes distribution to the needy, water cloth & blanket distribution, Kisan kirti & food distribution, flag hoisting, Republic day celebration, etc in Kurnool at Kurnool Me, Nellai, Ascali, Blood donors directory creation & Slum visit.*
COVID was an apocalypse......almost, but small enough for the human spirit to get the better of it.

We stepped out from the confines of our homes and offices and reached out to communities to provide succor in these trying times. On-ground activities gained steam, and we were able to physically reach out to people. Raising awareness about vaccination, making vaccines accessible and getting people vaccinated was a tough task, which our volunteers, sponsors and donators came together for. Our activities worked like magic for many which rekindled hope and positivity all around.

We proudly present to you the activities and stories of this quarter: July - September 2021.

COVID-Relief Activities (Quarterly) :
A Shift towards a safer world

This quarter we focused our efforts towards a shift from online activities to on-ground activities. Preventive measures were prioritized and we conducted multiple vaccination drives across the country. Awareness activities and distribution of safety essentials continued throughout this quarter. We created holistic changes in the society, worked towards replenishing forest cover, engaged in distributing grocery items and medicines, helped students, and created opportunities for people who lost their livelihoods to the pandemic.
EDUCATION

NMMS*- National Means Cum-Merit Scholarship

NMMS is a prestigious scholarship awarded by the Central government to meritorious government school students across the country. We noticed that multiple lockdowns, family and financial issues often lead to students dropping out just before finishing their basic education. Keeping this in mind our program caters to students of class 8 studying in state government schools and government-aided local body schools. We aspire to encourage and support them to complete their secondary school education without any financial woes.

Other activities*: Notebook Distribution, awareness sessions, summer camp, spoken English club, Each One Teach One program.

**Higher-education scholarship disbursed to 282 students.
Our volunteers help students bridge this gap and understand their academic concepts properly. They prepare students for the future by connecting with schools and conducting multiple orientation sessions for the children. Upon selection for the scholarship, each student is awarded 12000 INR every year until they complete their pre-university education. To achieve this an extensive, 3-months’ training is provided to these students by our trained, passionate volunteers.

In addition to this teacher orientation and training sessions are also being conducted to enable teachers to bridge the last mile gap. This is a program which has started giving good results and is motivating us to reach higher.

We are putting our efforts towards expanding this program to 55 cities across 8 states. This year we aim to train 40,000 students and a greater number of teachers through this flagship program.

10th Grade Exam Coaching

Youth for Seva joined hands with the government to ensure safe conducting of the exams. We worked with multiple stakeholders. Students were worried as the format and examination process changed. To ease their anxiety, our volunteers conducted mock exam sessions and instilled confidence in the students. Free online coaching classes were conducted for over 3 months for more than 3000 students across Karnataka. The volunteers included subject experts from government departments, as well as our general and corporate volunteers.

‘Vidya Chetana’ & ‘Vidya Chetana Aalamban’

‘Vidya Chetana’, A program under Youth for Seva, was started in 2009 to support underprivileged families educate their children by acting as a platform to connect donors to beneficiaries.

‘Vidya Chetana Aalamban’, The objective of this project is to support children who have lost their parent(s) or guardian due to the COVID pandemic. We received thousands of applications for the VC Aalamban scholarship. Our volunteers have been working diligently to verify the information and conduct need assessment. In all humility we want to ensure that deserving beneficiaries can fulfill their dream of higher education.

4,860 Student Registrations for Scholarship

341 Volunteers engaged in Need Assessment

(Vidya Chetana - 1,695 & Vidya Chetana Aalamban - 3,165)

(Vidya Chetana - 47 & Vidya Chetana Aalamban - 294)

I would like to describe my Volunteer experience when I signed up for YOUTH FOR SEVA (YFS)’s project called Alamban.

The project is aimed to help students by sponsoring their education expenses till they graduate (for those who lost either of their parents or both due to COVID-19).

I was supposed to call the applicants who submitted forms to YFS seeking financial help and verify the details on their livelihood at the moment.

I spoke to one of the applicants who lost her husband 2 months back and is now struggling hard to meet the expenses. She has 2 daughters and currently his brother is helping her. I spoke to her for almost an hour getting information on how the studies are going and how she’s meeting the daily expenses. She’s been trying to find a job for the past 2 months but she hasn’t succeeded yet (she’s not educated and it’s her first time looking for a job).

She was thinking to commit suicide and kill her daughters as well and I was freezeed for a moment listening this. I tried my best to console her and asked not to take such extreme steps. I explained to her the importance of education and how her kids will become her strength in the next couple of years.

Although I am not a counsellor but I felt I did pretty well in explaining to her and changing her thoughts. She felt so happy after we spoke and promised me that she’ll not think of committing suicide ever again.

I am feeling so nice that I could save lives by talking to them. Thanks to Salesforce and YOUTH FOR SEVA (YFS) for giving me this opportunity.
Corporate-driven Education Projects

In collaboration with our corporate partners, we have been implementing many education-related projects like “School Adoption Program, School Excellence Program, Lab on Wheels, and Employability Skills Mentorship Program. Our Learning centers, set up across India, along with virtual classes have enabled teachers to coach students in Science, Mathematics, and English. A few of these initiatives were put on the back burner owing to restrictions on movement due to the pandemic.

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<td>Lab on Wheels</td>
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<td>H&amp;H Session</td>
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<td>School Kit Distribution</td>
<td>266</td>
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<td>Skill Development Center for Youth</td>
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Our environment sustained us through the lockdown and we continued replenishing it through our initiatives. With enthusiastic support from our student and corporate volunteers, we conducted Seed Ball Making, Each One Plant One, Lake cleaning, and created awareness about environmental issues.

ENVIRONMENT

1,47,490 Saplings Planted

12,500 Seedballs

1,439 Volunteers

Medicinal Plants & Herbarium competition

Save Tree Save Water Competition

Others*: Eco friendly Ganesha, Eco friendly Raksha Bhandana, River day celebration, Cleanliness drive
HEALTH

5,885
Community Partners

179
Volunteers

40
Seva Kendra

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<td>Health Screening - 10th grade Supplementary Exam</td>
<td>1,887</td>
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<td>Health Camps</td>
<td>552</td>
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<td>Others Activities**</td>
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*TET - Teacher Eligibility Test

** Other activities: Vaccination awareness, Blood donation camps, MH & motivation camps, E-shram Card registration support.
Vaccination Drives

We conducted and supported multiple vaccination drives across the country. We engaged in creating awareness and making vaccines accessible to everyone to defeat Corona and transition to a safe country. We were able to help thousands of underprivileged people from slums, marginalised families, migrant labour to get their first doses and while many completed both their doses too.

- **62,866** No. of people vaccinated
- **6,223** Vol. Hours
- **1,064** Volunteers
- **213** Locations
10th grade examination - Health screening

Youth for Seva joined hands with the Government of Karnataka in this crucial initiative to ensure COVID appropriate behaviour and medical screening of the students for a safe conducting of the exams. We supported 22 districts out of which we did not have existing operations in 15 of them. With a volunteer force of almost 3,000 consisting of students, doctors, faculty and general volunteers, we screened over 1,18,000 students. The volunteers would reach the centres early in the morning and be prepared to guide the students and parents. Their presence assured the parents of their children's safety and many expressed their gratitude. Such small gestures lit up our faces too!

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<th>Online coaching for over 3000 students</th>
<th>Distribution of 1.32 lakh N-95 masks</th>
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<td>Doctors and trained volunteers to conduct the screening</td>
<td>COVID 19 screening for all the students and teachers</td>
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LIVELIHOOD

We inaugurated 2 Food Processing Units (FPUs) in Jagalur & 1 in Dharwad as part of the Livelihood project. This endeavour is aimed at creating employment opportunities for the villagers and effective utilization of available human resources.

In order to hand-hold and steer women towards financial independence we established Sewing Machine Centres (Jagalur -2, Dharwad -1, Gudibande -1, Hyderabad -1). Many women, across age groups, have appreciated and come forward in support of this program as a step towards a life of dignity.

Our other major initiatives like ESMP (Employability Skills Mentorship Program), computer training, and workshops to improve financial literacy were conducted across our various chapters.

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*Undergoing Training
Corporate Volunteers Engagement

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Celebrations

**Independence Day**
We commemorated our nation's independence with celebrations and festivities across the country. We organised an insightful session with chief guests Commander V K Jaitly and Cmdr Sunil Jetly. Competitions for Dance, Essay writing, singing etc. were also organised across regions.

**Teacher’s Day**
We were exhilarated to celebrate and honour our gurus during this day. Volunteers visited several schools and greeted the teachers. It was a day of fulfilment for all members of YFS. Teachers took part in our cleanliness drives and grocery distribution initiatives as well.
Regional Roundup

Regular classes were conducted for spoken English, basic math and Vidya Mitra. Sessions were conducted for NMMS and GMAT training. Blood donation, 10th grade screening, Telemedicine project and Vaccination drives were also conducted. Awareness sessions were conducted for Seva Bastis to encourage people to get vaccinated.

Activities undertaken in this chapter were: Classes for spoken English, career guidance NMMS/NTSE orientations and Each One Teach One, Vaccinations, Blood requirements filling and Mask distributions (52,000 to Telangana Police Dept.), PPE kits distribution, plantation drives, rain water harvesting, compost making and Kitchen Gardening were organised too.

In the chapters of Delhi, Noida, Bhopal and Dehradun, Abhyasikas, Classes for NMMS, English Speaking Classes, Navodit Prize Distribution, School Kit Drive and Alamban (Vidya Chetana) registrations were conducted. Blood donation, Masks distribution, Health Camp, Covid Mini Kits, YFS Covid-19 Help Desk, Mental Health & Motivational sessions, COVID vaccination camp were facilitated. Cleanliness drive and Sapling plantation were also organized.

In the chapters of Odisha, Visakhapatnam, Vijayawada, Kalwakutty, Warangal, Nalgonda multiple activities were organised. Chatsali, Abhyasikas, NMMS training and VC Aalamban registrations were conducted. Blood donation, Grocery distribution and Vaccination drives were organized, Plantation drives, Seed ball making, cycling activities were some of the other activities that were arranged.

In the chapters of Hubli, Sirsi, Vijayapurua, Belagavi, Turnkur, Mysore, Mandya numerous activities were facilitated. Online activities such as Vidya Mitra coaching, SSLC exam screening, and NMMS awareness programs were conducted. Activities were conducted for Swachata Abhiyana, Sapling plantation, Gowshala cleaning. Blood donation, Vaccination drives and Mask distribution were conducted in priority. Musti Akki Abhiyana, ESMP, VDCB were continued this quarter. Engineer’s Day, Kargil Vijay Diwas were celebrated.
Dedication

We express our sincere gratitude to our volunteers who have worked tirelessly to make a difference in the life of many. We received unconditional support from our sponsors and partners who supported our vision of a self-reliant society. We had the opportunity to connect with different partners at different steps of the activities and it would have not been possible without their generous support. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of them!

Volunteers Spotlight

Success Story

In Medchal district, ZPHS Kushaiguda is an active participant of all our activities. For NMMS every year around 30 students take the exam, and at least 7 students get the scholarship. They took part in virtual training and have made the concept of YFS “experience the joy of giving” their own by contributing Rs.500 from their first year scholarship for the past 3 years. They funded a setup of an arts and crafts studio by purchasing 2 sewing machines for their juniors to learn the basics of stitching. Students who cracked 18-19 (16 Students) exam all the 16 students have joined Govt Jr College, and identified the challenges and gifted Fans and Almirah to college. Youth For Seva specially thanks the volunteer Mr Sameer and teacher, Mr Ram Kishore for inculcating the values of YFS in the students.
The efforts of our volunteers and well wishers brought impact in the lives of many. A glimpse of the activities that were covered in media:
VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

Youth for Seva has designed several volunteering models to enable individuals get involved in the community despite their time constraints. Volunteering is made easy as it caters to the individual's interests and convenience w.r.t. time availability and location.

Weekday Volunteering
- Make your weekends meaningful!
- Volunteer when you can!

Weekend Volunteering
- Volunteer everyday for one month or more

Seva Internship
- Volunteer everyday for six months or more

Seva Fellowship
- Volunteer everyday for six months or more

Virtual Volunteering
- Skill based online volunteering

Way Forward

Changemakers Fundraiser
At Youth for Seva, we nurture Changemakers who are involved full-time to engage with and enable them to volunteer for various social causes. The Changemakers inspire at least 50 more volunteers to serve and engage them in activities that inculcate the spirit of volunteerism amongst Youth. With your generous support, we would be able to nurture Changemakers & spread Volunteerism in the Society.

Support 1 or more Changemaker today for
- Support for 1 month at - Rs. 20,000
- Support for 3 months at - Rs. 60,000
- Support for 6 months at - Rs. 1,20,000

Telemedicine
Telemedicine project is ready to be launched in the near future for remote consulting which will be executed by the Doctor for Seva team. A team of Doctors will provide free consultation & services to the tribal villagers spread across Karnataka. This project is intended to increase healthcare access for all people from all sections of the society and to make a wider range of primary healthcare services available to rural communities via telemedicine.