



OUR **COMMUNITY** ACTION REPORT

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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
- Pluralism
- Integrity
- Respect
- Innovation

FOCUS AREAS



EDUCATION



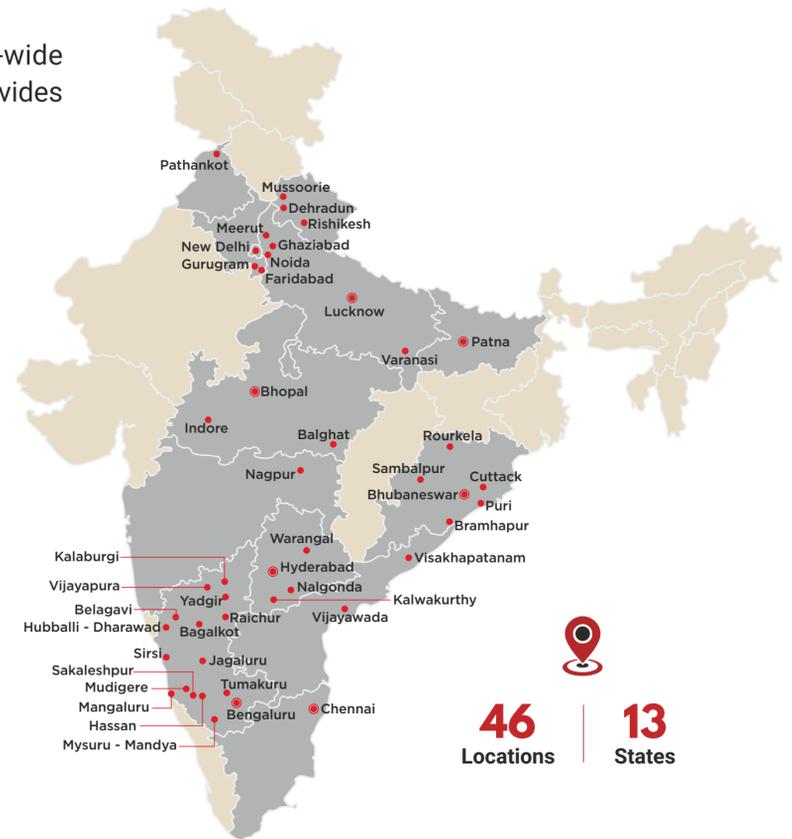
HEALTH



ENVIRONMENT



LIVELIHOOD



46
Locations

13
States

EDUCATION • **52,009**

HEALTH • **11,810**

COVID-RELIEF ACTIVITIES • **56,103**

LIVELIHOOD • **1,166**

CORPORATE PROJECTS • **24,025**

CORPORATE VOLUNTEERING • **990**

COLLEGE VOLUNTEERING • **8,531**

ENVIRONMENT • **3,315**

OTHERS* • **6,354**

IMPACT



2144 • EDUCATION

1337 • HEALTH

778 • COVID-RELIEF ACTIVITIES

504 • CORPORATE PROJECTS

861 • CORPORATE VOLUNTEERING

753 • COLLEGE VOLUNTEERING

506 • ENVIRONMENT

959 • OTHERS*

*Other Activities:

Diya Painting, Volunteering support at Airtel Marathon, Narayana Patra, Flood-relief activities, Water conservation day, Diwali celebration at seva bastis, Swami Vivekananda Jayanti.

Covid-Relief Activities



We have walked a long winding path to reach this far away from Covid, yet not far enough to relax. We should not lower our guard for quite some time now. We are maintaining the acceleration on vaccination drives to ensure that each and every eligible citizen gets this ticket to protection from covid.

Our volunteers and full-time changemakers continue to raise awareness about appropriate covid behavior and help people overcome the fear. Along with this, mask distribution, blood donation camps, health camps, are being executed. In this quarter, we distributed scholarships to 232 college students who had lost their parent(s) to the pandemic.

COVID-Relief Activities (Quarterly) :

A Shift towards a safer world



EDUCATION



Other activities*:

Book distribution, teachers training, career guidance training, Shiksha on Ground, Aalamban registration, speech competition.

NMMS- National Means Cum-Merit Scholarship



By definition Seva is a selfless act of a kind and good human being, but here is an exception. With the NMMS training sessions we take pride in the fact that, in this quarter alone, we have successfully reached over 33,272 students. This is an astronomical number for an effort driven only by volunteers across age groups and interests. The number of teachers being trained to impart the NMMS training is growing steadily. Teachers are eager and willing to guide students towards the scholarship and are serving as the best bridges between government schemes and deserving children.

10
Corporates

2836
Schools

572
Regular
Volunteers

565
Corporate
Volunteers

2699
Teachers
Oriented

649
College
Volunteers

45,999 Total Students Trained



Corporate-driven Education Projects

Many corporate houses have people who hail from small villages, cities and towns and have moved on to bigger cities for better opportunities of education and employment. This often makes them sensitive towards improvement and support for educational needs of children in the rural regions. This is a much-needed gap that we all need to fill in our society.

In this quarter, through School Kit drives (SKD) we were able to reach out to 12K+ students, and other ongoing projects like Lab on Wheels, evening classes in Abhyasikas, Health & Hygiene sessions, and School Adoption Programs had deeper impact on deserving, underprivileged children from across the country.



Program	Community Partners
School Kit Distribution	12,454
Lab on Wheels	6,610
Abhyasika/Learning Centres	5,587
Health & Hygiene Sessions	1,845
School Adoption Program	1,181

Abhyasikas (After School Learning Centers)

Owing to the pandemic our sessions had gone virtual. Even though virtual interactions were need of the hour but they were not personalized. This quarter gave us an opportunity to reconnect with these children in person. We were pleased to meet and interact with the children of Abhyasikas in person.



Enhanced E-learning Enablement (EEE)

EEE is a unique CSR project which aims at providing the latest Digital Infrastructure with smart learning capabilities at Govt. Schools. Government schools are provided with the latest technology smart class equipment, which is a bundled solution from Selco with Solar power back up & content from Next Education with NCERT syllabus for all the classes from 1 to 10. It also has the remote connectivity enabled through the webcam provided & the internet facility built-in with the television. Teachers are trained in using the equipment and eagerly supported by students too. EEE is a perfect example of providing high-quality digital infrastructure to govt. schools, which also serves as an example of renewable energy in action.

61 Schools
31 Completed
30 Work In Progress

Smart Class Installations

Across Karnataka

ENVIRONMENT



964
Saplings Planted



3,315
Community Partners



506
Volunteers



230
Seva Kendras

While Swachh Bharat Abhiyan and plantation drives run all year round, they still draw volunteers in large numbers. These are 2 causes for which happy faces always turn up. In the ROK chapters, it is noteworthy that bottle irrigation awareness and implementation has caught the interest of people. People ranging from farmers to school children to gardening enthusiasts have learnt about its advantages and promoted it in their vicinities.

Apart from this, the Hasiru Payana program is popular among school children. This is a continuous engagement effort where bird watching, nature walks and awareness of the natural world around us are highlighted. Volunteers have contributed towards spreading knowledge of medicinal plants and their use in everyday life. Identification and definition of their use have proven effective in providing simple remedies.

Cleanliness Drives



225
Volunteers



22
Seva Kendras

World Soil Day Programs



2,065
Community Partners



62
Volunteers



173
Seva Kendras

Hasiru Payana



411
Community Partners



154
Volunteers



15
Seva Kendras

Others*



839
Community Partners



65
Volunteers



20
Seva Kendras

Others*: Environment songs, Climathon, bird watching, eco bricks, awareness session on dangers of plastic



HEALTH



11,810
Community Partners



1,337
Volunteers



24
Seva Kendra

In this quarter of the year, we have retained the focus on menstrual health and hygiene and AHAP. Over our course of interaction with teachers, parents, and children, we have noticed that girls are tweaked towards hesitating to talk about their concerns and apprehensions about this natural and normal biological activity. We help young girls gain confidence in us through our sessions and understand their bodies and biology better. These sessions have proved effective and positive for our children.

Program	Community Partners	Volunteers
AHAP & MH Sessions	2,969	116
Blood Donation Camps	658	–
Telemedicine - Medical Kit Distribution	100	–
Training Arogya Mitra workers on Telemedicine App usage	80	05
Eye Screening	7,391	90
Others*	612	240

*Others:

Webinars, Tobacco Free India Campaign, Green Food & Green Health sessions.



LIVELIHOOD

We have been instrumental in steering people towards a better life through our livelihood projects. Recently we set up and inaugurated a food processing unit (FPU) in Somenahalli, Gudibande, Karnataka. Ragi destoning machines were installed in 3 FPUs in Diddige, Anabur and Somenahalli. Training and the know-how of operating these machines and units are also skills that we concentrate on. Over 220 women from rural areas successfully completed their training in tailoring. Many women pick up the skill of sewing quickly owing to their natural bent of mind towards design and detail.

Programs	Community Partners
Sewing Machine Center	220
Food Processing Center	40
Skill Development Center - Women	27
Skill Development Center - Youth	80
Others*	266
TOTAL	633

Others*: E-Shram camps, Fashion Design course, ESMP and EMP programs



Corporate Volunteering

Volunteer Development and Capacity Building -8 series sessions were completed for Danske IT and KPIT employees. From these sessions, Corporates can plan CSR projects that can deliver a greater social impact due to improved volunteer skill level and focused engagement. They can drive an overall improvement in the employee volunteer engagement of the company.

Yesha Kushwah from Thomson Reuters was awarded "The Carla Jones Social Impact Award" for her contribution in Aalamban Need Assessment. She interacted with families who lost their loved ones due to COVID. She empathised with families and collected essential details from them that would help the student gain a scholarship to continue their education.

Since the pandemic, corporate volunteering has been working virtually. The good part of this is, we crossed all borders and connected with volunteers across the country and beyond. Volunteers from Japan, Singapore participated in our activities.

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Program	Community Partners	Volunteers
NMMS	874	528
T-Shirt & Paper Bag Making	-	295
Employability Skills Mentorship Program	24	18
Employability Readiness Program	92	20
TOTAL	990	861

Regional Roundup



BENGALURU

Our approach towards the NMMS programme reached a notch higher over this quarter. We were able to improve the quality of our NMMS training by conducting mock tests for the children. These tests helped the students evaluate their preparations and fill the gaps that were identified. YFS volunteers were taken to the National War Memorial in Bengaluru for a day's visit. The intent of this visit was to nurture patriotism and pride among the youth.



ROK

In the chapters of Hubli, Sirsi, Vijaya Pura, Belagavi, Tumkur, Mysore, Mandya, Udupi numerous activities were facilitated. NMMS training, School Kit Drive, NTSE Training, NSP support, Smart Class teacher's training, MH sessions, eye donation camps, Green Food & Green Health, World Soil Day, Paper Bag making, Harisu Prayana, Clean India Campaign were some of the activities that were arranged.



HYDERABAD

YFS coordinated with the Telangana state police department and formed Safety clubs. These clubs are created to strengthen our women and community through awareness and action for a safer society. Women safety wings work with socially active citizens and YFS volunteers in creating a safe and conducive atmosphere for our women to work and commute.



NORTH REGION

Most of the work in our North region chapter was focussed towards handling the flood situation in Uttarakhand. A large part of our volunteer base and resources engaged tirelessly for days together in putting back the lives the people affected by this calamity. However, our Abhyasika centres did not cease to work, which at times doubled up as support system for children hit by this disaster.



EAST REGION

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

Flood-Relief Activities

YFS is happy to have lived up to its mission of 'building and facilitating a movement of organised volunteering for societal well-being' during the flood situation in Nainital and its surroundings. We stepped in quickly with our volunteers and provided a range of support to people and the government. Our volunteers did not hesitate for a moment to work on the field even during these testing times of the pandemic. We were able to distribute 70 sleeping bags to the homeless and needy. We identified and verified the authenticity of each of the beneficiaries through a detailed and well-coordinated survey. This was essential to avoid duplication of relief work and effective penetration of our support. Our volunteers reached out to people stranded even in the remotest and most isolated areas in and around the flood-affected areas. The local governing bodies recognized our efforts and helped us by providing space for storing our ration kits, medicine kits, and other relief material. Over 1000 ration kits were distributed to people across 4 locations. Our volunteers braved nature and traveled an average of 2-3 hours each day to reach far-flung and disconnected areas. YFS is humbled by the hardships people face and constantly strives to make a life for the less privileged a tad better than we found it.



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



Meet our Youngest Volunteer **Shreyas Veldana**

Is robotics important? Why do you need to learn it? Robotics is the key to the future in any field. Be it medical or sports, some form of robotics is always used. It is very important, but not many people can afford it or their school does provide it as a subject to learn. This is where we come in. My name is Shreyan Veldanda and welcome to Robotics4All.

I am in 10th grade and I love robotics. I also like playing basketball and cricket. Due to COVID-19, since 2020 I haven't been able to go outside much so I have started to shift my focus toward robotics. Only after this, I discovered my passion for it. Recently, I participated in the IYRC competition, and with the help of Leap Robots, I got a silver medal for making the SPM-bot (Solar Power Maintenance bot). Check out more about my robot in the link below.

As part of my research, I realised that opportunities to learn about Robotics is very limited in India. Hence, I have decided to provide that opportunity for kids who are interested but cannot afford it. But I didn't know where to start. That's when I got huge support from Mr. Sunil from "Youth for Seva". I was guided and given contacts of schools where I could teach Robotics. I started my first class at Kokapet Government school where 6th graders welcomed me with open arms. So far, I have spent 3 months where I taught them basic coding using Arduino and BOOYAKA kit. This would not have been possible without support from "Youth for Seva". My sincere thanks to the volunteers and foundation for helping others achieve their dreams.

This is about me and my program. My dream is to spread Robotics to every corner in India so that kids and our country can benefit out of it. You can also be part this mission by volunteering your valuable time. Please reach out to me for any questions. Thank you.

-Shreyan Veldanda.



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 **1 Month** **3 Months** **6 Months**

- ❖ 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

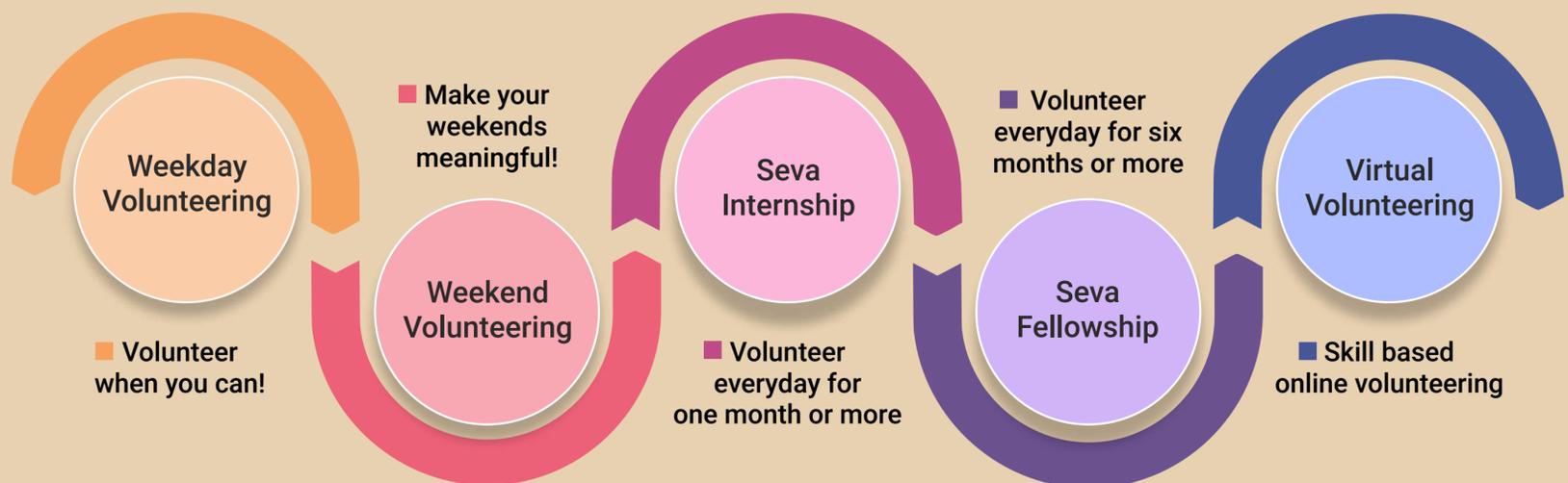
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- **NMMS Examination.**
- **Vidya Mitra - Online coaching for SSLC Students.**
- **Vidya Sarathi - Career Counselling for students.**



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.



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