

MONTHLY CONNECT

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About Bharti Airtel Foundation

Bharti Airtel Foundation was established in 2000 as the philanthropic arm of Bharti Enterprises. The Foundation works in the space of holistic, quality education in rural India, with a special focus on the girl child, and supports higher education programs in partnership with premier institutions. Since its inception, Bharti Airtel Foundation has positively impacted 3.7 million+ children and overall, 7 million+ individuals through its various programs.



Monthly Spotlight

Celebrating Teacher-Led Innovation at CONVOKE 2025 and TLM (Teaching-Learning Material) League Awards!

Bharti Airtel Foundation hosted CONVOKE 2025, our national research symposium that encourages teachers and school leaders to use action research as a tool for strengthening classroom practice and informed decision-making, in line with the vision of NEP 2020.

This year, we celebrated four National CONVOKE winners selected from 151 research papers across 16 States/UTs, and fourteen TLM League awardees chosen from 1,728 creative teaching-learning material entries on TheTeacherApp.

Delivering the valedictory address, Shri Rakesh Bharti Mittal (Vice Chairman, Bharti Enterprises, and Co-Chairman, Bharti Airtel Foundation), recognised teachers as innovators driving transformation in classrooms.

The event also featured addresses by distinguished guests including Shri Manoj Srivastava (Director Training, CBSE), Lt. Col. Jitendra Verma (OSD, Education and Skill Dept., NITI Aayog), Shri Arun Kapur (Pallavan Learning Systems), and Shri Subir Shukla (Founder, IgnusERG). Together, they underscored the importance of evidence-based, teacher-led initiatives in strengthening India's school education ecosystem.

The event brought together teachers, trainee teachers (from B.Ed. and DIET institutes, NCR), policymakers, education leaders, and partners from across India.

Together, we are building a future where every classroom thrives on creativity, research, and collaboration.



Satya Bharti School Program

Since 2006, the flagship Satya Bharti School Program has been providing free quality education to thousands of underprivileged children in rural India. Currently, over 36,000 children are enrolled in 155 Satya Bharti Schools, of which 51% are girls.

Key Highlights

Republic Day Celebration at Satya Bharti Schools

The spirit of India shone brightly across Satya Bharti Schools as students and staff came together to celebrate Republic Day. Campuses were filled with energy and patriotic pride. Through vibrant cultural performances and powerful speeches, our students proudly expressed their love for the nation.



Green School Program

Twenty-six Satya Bharti Schools earned a Green Rating in the Green School Program (GSP) 2025-2026 by the Centre for Science and Environment, New Delhi. The GSP audit empowers students to assess and manage campus resources across air, energy, food, land, water, and waste—driving hands-on, sustainable practices.



World Wide Technology (WWT), IGNIS Innovation

Satya Bharti School, Lordi Dejgara, Rajasthan, clinched first place at the national WWT IGNIS Innovation Challenge by Worldwide Technology with their "Safe Entry Bot" — an IoT-powered solution for automated attendance, instant parent notifications, and scheduled student reminders. Selected from 500+ submissions across India, the team emerged as the First Prize winner.

Avishkaar Game League

SSatya Bharti Adarsh Sr. Sec. School, Sherpur Kalan, Punjab, secured 3rd position at the Avishkaar Game League in New Delhi, which was part of the larger Avishkaar League (Asia's biggest robotics and coding challenge).



Students Writing to Shine

An article by Yadwinder Kaur from Satya Bharti Adarsh Sr. Sec. School, Rauni (Punjab) has been published in NCERT's prestigious magazine, Sapno Ki Udan. This is a remarkable achievement — only the finest student work from across India is selected for publication, making this recognition a testament to Yadwinder's talent and the strength of the Satya Bharti School Program. [Click Here](#)

Quality Support Program (QSP)

The impact of quality education has been further extended through the Quality Support Program (QSP), which has transferred the learnings and best practices of the Satya Bharti School Program to over 4.35 lakh students in approximately 1,100 partner government schools across 12 States/UTs (previously 14) since 2013.

Key Highlights

Green School Program: Fifty-one QSP-partnered schools earned Green School certifications across Delhi, Punjab, Rajasthan, Karnataka, Telangana, Himachal Pradesh, J&K, and Jharkhand, reinforcing student-led climate action and eco-club leadership.



Cleanliness & Civic Pride: Five schools from Jharkhand received the Mukhyamantri Swachh Vidyalaya Puraskar (MSVP).



Young Creators League (YCL): Twenty-seven student innovation projects from Assam, Delhi, Himachal Pradesh, J&K, Ladakh, Karnataka, Punjab, and Telangana were selected for the national-level showcase at Plaksha University, highlighting strong design-thinking and problem-solving skills.

Strengthening Partnership and Commitment: Uttar Pradesh marked a significant milestone with the expansion of the QSP MoU, adding 65 new schools and bringing the total partnership to 100 schools, paving the way for deeper, scalable systemic impact.

Student Exposure Visits and Internships

- Exposure visits to premier institutions such as IIM Ranchi, Science City in Ranchi, IIT Delhi, the Planetarium in Assam, and CSIR-IIIM Jammu enabled students to build confidence, broaden aspirations, and gain early career exposure.
- Over 850 students from 60 schools across eight states (Delhi, Assam, J&K, Rajasthan, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, and Punjab) also completed internships at institutions including the Indian Institute of Handlooms, ITIs, Horticulture Departments, Panchayats, and Post Offices, strengthening their understanding of how these organisations function.



TheTeacherApp

TheTeacherApp is the Foundation's free-for-life digital learning platform used by over 2 lakh educators nationwide. Built on two decades of grassroots insights, it has grown into a national ecosystem offering 2,500+ hours of training, FLN and digital literacy modules, and other content.

Key Highlights

New Partnership - District Administration Sirohi

The Teacher Professional Development Program was launched in Sirohi, Rajasthan, a collaborative initiative by NITI Aayog, Bharti Airtel Foundation, and the District Education Department to empower educators across the district. Senior district leadership attended the event and encouraged teachers to actively use TheTeacherApp for continuous professional growth.



Satya School – TheTeacherApp Training

TheTeacherApp team facilitated a training session for educators at Satya School, Horizon School of Excellence, and Sat Paul Mittal School. These sessions were focused on familiarising teachers with the app's features and exploring collaborative opportunities for content creation, reviewing and knowledge sharing within the platform.

New Feature on TheTeacherApp

Parent Journey – A new feature that offers personalised learning pathways for parents, equipping them with continuous learning opportunities and curated resources to help them actively support their child's educational growth.



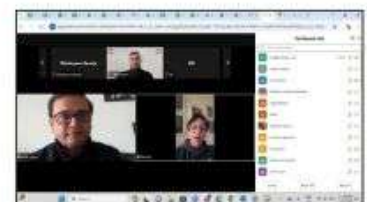
Higher Education and Scholarship

Bharti Airtel Foundation collaborates with premier institutions to advance higher education and provides scholarships to deserving students for continued academic success. Through various scholarship programs, including the Bharti Airtel Scholarship, the Foundation has supported over 2,000 scholars (44% of them girls) since its inception, creating higher education opportunities for children from underserved communities.

Key Highlights

Scholar Connect

Thirty-two Bharti Scholars from IIT Kanpur, IIT BHU, and MNIT Allahabad participated in a Scholar Connect session led by Mr. Amit Gupta (CEO, UPE Circle, Bharti Airtel Ltd.) and Ms. Nuriya Ansari (CEO, Bharti Airtel Foundation). The session focused on career mentorship, skill enhancement, professional development, and networking opportunities for the scholars.



Investiture Ceremony at Jodhpur

An Investiture Ceremony was held at the Airtel Circle Office, Jodhpur for the 2nd cohort of Bharti Scholars. Mr. Sandeep Sarda (Regional Head, Bharti Airtel Foundation) addressed the scholars, emphasising the Foundation's commitment to empowering deserving students from underserved communities.





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