



Bharti Airtel
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About Bharti Airtel Foundation

Bharti Airtel Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Bharti Enterprises, is an institution committed to strengthening India's education ecosystem at scale. Over the past two decades, it has built an integrated model spanning high-quality rural schools, systemic transformation of government schools, national teacher development infrastructure, and fully funded access to premier higher education. Since inception, the Foundation has impacted 3.7 million children and over 7 million individuals, reflecting Bharti's sustained commitment to nation-building through human capital development.



Monthly Spotlight

Bharti Airtel Foundation partners with CK-12 Foundation to power AI-enabled teaching for India's educators

In a significant step towards accelerating AI adoption in India's education ecosystem, Bharti Airtel Foundation has partnered with the CK-12 Foundation, a global nonprofit, to integrate 45+ AI-enabled teaching tools across all K-12 teachers into TheTeacherApp, a free-for-life digital learning platform currently used by over 2 lakh educators nationwide.

Designed to address real classroom needs, the AI-enabled TheTeacherApp will support everyday classroom practice, enabling teachers to save time, enrich instruction, and address diverse teaching requirement with tools that are safe, contextual, and fully aligned with India's evolving education landscape.

The partnership was formally launched in the august presence of Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Hon'ble Union Minister of Education, Shri Sanjay Kumar, Secretary, School Education, Ministry of Education, Government of India, Shri Rakesh Bharti Mittal, Co-Chairman, Bharti Airtel Foundation, and Ms Neeru Khosla, Co-Founder and Executive Director, CK-12 Foundation, reinforcing the shared commitment to strengthening the teaching ecosystem.



Bharti Airtel Foundation at Bharat Bodhan – AI Conclave 2026

Bharti Airtel Foundation participated in Bharat Bodhan – AI Conclave 2026, a national forum focused on advancing dialogue around AI and education. Our CEO, Ms. Nuriya Ansari, highlighted the importance of AI as a tool to enhance human learning, reaffirming that teachers remain central to the education ecosystem. She also spoke about the vision behind TheTeacherApp 2.0, a digital platform, built by listening to real classroom needs, reflecting our commitment to teacher-centred AI that supports preparation, adaptation, and reflection while preserving human connection.



Bharti Airtel Foundation Honoured at TOI National CSR Summit 2026

Bharti Airtel Foundation was honoured with the Institutional Honour – Foundational Contribution to Nation-Building at the Times of India National CSR Summit 2026. The recognition reaffirms the Foundation's enduring commitment to advancing holistic and quality education across India.



KEY HIGHLIGHTS

Satya Bharti School Program

State-Level Academic Achievement

Ms Harnoor Kaur from Satya Bharti Adarsh Senior Secondary School, Rauni, secured 3rd position at the state level in the Dhai Akhar Letter Writing Competition organised by India Post and won a cash prize of ₹5,000.

National Science Day Celebrations

National Science Day was celebrated across all Satya Bharti Schools, engaging students through quizzes, project and model showcases, and hands-on science experiments to spark scientific curiosity.



Alumni Success – Indian Air Force

Shri Diljeet Singh, an alumnus (2023–24) of Satya Bharti Adarsh Senior Secondary School, Jhaneri, has been selected as an Airman (Automobile Technician) in the Indian Air Force and is currently undergoing training in Chennai.

Global Recognition – School Enterprise Challenge

Satya Bharti School, Khanpur, won the Business Pitch Mini Competition, introduced globally for the first time under the School Enterprise Challenge.

Sports Leadership – National Level

Shri Agar Singh Bhati, an alumnus of Satya Bharti School, Sadul Nagar, will captain the All India Woodball Team at the National Woodball Competition in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.



Mathematics Excellence

Three students from Satya Bharti Senior Secondary School, Fattubhila, secured Merit Certificates in the Aryabhata Ganit Challenge 2025, ranking among the top 100 students in the Chandigarh region.

Quality Support Program (QSP)

Strengthening Education Across Army Goodwill Schools

Bharti Airtel Foundation, in partnership with Northern Command, launched new initiatives to strengthen equitable, high-quality education across Army Goodwill Schools (AGS) in Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, marking nine years of impactful collaboration. Key initiatives include TheTeacherApp as the official training partner for AGS educators, the establishment of Career Counselling Cells across AGS, and enhanced exposure for students to Robotics, AI, and emerging technologies.

The initiatives were launched by Lt Gen Pratik Sharma, GOC-in-C, Northern Command, and Shri Binu Nair, COO, Bharti Airtel Foundation. The occasion also saw the unveiling of the revamped AGS website, reinforcing a shared commitment to unlocking opportunities for every learner.



Life Skills Curriculum for Government Schools in J&K

Bharti Airtel Foundation signed an MoU with the State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT), Jammu & Kashmir, to develop and implement a Life Skills Curriculum for government school students across the region. The initiative will equip students with essential life skills such as self-awareness, emotional resilience, stress management, and a growth mindset. The program will also build capacities of state and district resource groups, school leaders, and teachers through webinars and TheTeacherApp. The MoU was signed in the presence of Dr. Naseem Javed Chaudhary, Director SCERT; Dr. Sindhu Kapoor, Joint Director SCERT; Shri Binu Nair, COO, Bharti Airtel Foundation; and Shri Anil Bhat, Regional Head, Bharti Airtel Foundation, reaffirming a shared commitment to nurturing confident, resilient, and future-ready learners across J&K.



Life Skills & Mindfulness Workshop (Himachal Pradesh)

Bharti Airtel Foundation, in partnership with Samagra Shiksha Himachal Pradesh, conducted a two-day training of resource persons, marking the first phase of rollout of the 'Life Skills under Mindfulness' curriculum. The training brought together select resource persons from five districts — Shimla, Bilaspur, Hamirpur, Chamba, and Solan. The resource teams will be cascading the program in their respective districts along with need-based support from Bharti Airtel Foundation for classes 6 to 12.



Student Exposure, Learning & Career Readiness

- **Student Internships:** Over 750 students from 41 schools across 8 states completed internships with organisations such as Magellan Aerospace, KVKs, RARI, ITIs, panchayats, and post offices.
- **Career Guidance:** More than 8,300 students from 122 schools received structured career awareness sessions on subject choices and career pathways.
- **National Science Day:** Students from over 700 schools participated in science exhibitions, model-making activities, quizzes, and fairs.
- **Astronomy & IT Innovation:** Sky-watch events, astronomy clubs, and Inno-Fest in Dumka promoted experiential STEM learning across multiple states.



- **Student Exposure Visit:** Science City, Ranchi: A two-day exposure visit to Science City, Ranchi, engaged 338 students and 27 teachers from 20 government partner schools under QSP. Through interactive astronomy sessions and hands-on science exhibits, students explored STEM concepts, sparking curiosity, scientific temper, and early innovation skills.
- **Teacher Conclave (Delhi):** The conclave brought together over 100 educators, with four classroom-based action research papers presented in collaboration with DIET Pitampura.



Awards, Recognition & Innovation

- **INSPIRE-MANAK:** 190 student projects from 145 schools were shortlisted, with each project receiving ₹10,000 for prototype development.
- **Katha Utsav:** 25 student stories and creative writing pieces were selected for national-level presentation.
- **Sports Achievements:** Students secured district- and state-level awards in handball and other sports.

System Strengthening & Collaborative Platforms

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TheTeacherApp

DSEK Culmination and Phase 2 Launch

At SCERT Srinagar, the Bharti Airtel Foundation and Directorate of School Education Kashmir (DSEK) marked the culmination of Phase 1 and the launch of Phase 2 of its professional development initiative in the presence of senior officials. Phase 1 successfully onboarded 27,550 users and issued over 24,000 certificates. Phase 2 will focus on three key areas -Technological Skills, Sustainability and Life Skills, and Pedagogy and Mentoring Strategies - with a strong emphasis on technology and digital tools.



Teacher Professional Development Program Launch – Haridwar

Bharti Airtel Foundation, in collaboration with NITI Aayog and the District Administration, launched the Teacher Professional Development Program in Haridwar, Uttarakhand. The event was presided over by Shri Lalit Narayan Mishra, Chief Development Officer, and attended by Shri Naresh Kumar Haldyani, Chief Education Officer. Lt. Col. Jitendra Kumar Verma from NITI Aayog joined virtually, along with Shri Bijalwan, Assistant Director, SCERT, marking a collaborative step toward strengthening teacher capacity.



Higher Education and Scholarship

Interaction with Bharti Scholars

Shri Rakesh Bharti Mittal, Co-Chairman, Bharti Airtel Foundation, held an interactive session with Bharti Scholars at JC Bose University, where he discussed their scholarship journeys and urged them to dream big, pursue their goals with dedication, and contribute meaningfully to nation building, while sharing inspiring insights from his own life experience.



Foundation Day – Plaksha University

Plaksha University celebrated its Foundation Day, marking its continued journey in advancing education. Bharti Airtel Foundation has supported the University through the development of the Bharti Academic Building and scholarships for up to 20 deserving students from underserved communities. On the occasion, Shri Sameer Shah, Foundation's Head - Program Operations, interacted with Bharti Scholars pursuing careers in AI, robotics, computing, and data science.



Plantation Drive at JC Bose University of Science and Technology

Forty Bharti Scholars, along with faculty members, participated in a plantation drive at the JC Bose University campus in Faridabad. Embracing the spirit of giving back to society, the scholars pledged to plant five trees each over the year.

A Caring Touch (ACT): Employee Engagement Activities

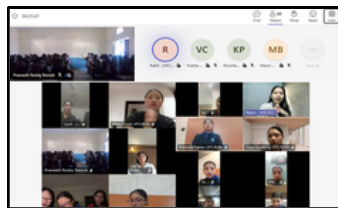


Airtel HR Leadership Team visit Satya Bharti Schools in Jhaneri, Punjab

The Airtel HR Leadership team visited Satya Bharti Adarsh Senior Secondary school and Satya Bharti School, conducting career counselling sessions for Grades 10–12 and participated in a plantation drive. During the visit, students also showcased projects from their Robotics, IT, and Digital Language Labs, highlighting their creativity and enthusiasm for STEM learning.

Building Futures Together: Airtel's Volunteer Engagement

The Bharti Airtel Foundation team recently visited Airtel's Chandigarh office to inspire meaningful conversations around education-focused volunteering. Colleagues from Airtel's Upper North (UN) Circle joined both in person and virtually, sharing impactful mentoring experiences from Foundation schools. The highlight of the session was Circle CEO Shri Anupam Arora speaking about his own volunteering journey and encouraging employees to become changemakers through the ACT Program. The session was filled with energy and fresh ideas, reinforcing a shared commitment to giving back and creating lasting community impact.



Airtel and Partner Organisations Support Career Workshops and Creative Sessions

150 employees of Airtel (from across Airtel circles) and partner organisations engaged with students through career sessions, storytelling, and communication workshops, creating meaningful learning experiences and inspiring young minds.

People & Culture

Family Day at Bharti Airtel Foundation, Gurugram

Family Day at Bharti Airtel Foundation was a joyful celebration of togetherness, bringing colleagues and their families together for a memorable day of lively performances, engaging activities for children, fun games, and delicious food. The laughter and shared moments truly reflected our strong sense of community and were made even more special by the presence of Shri Rakesh Bharti Mittal, Co-Chairman, Bharti Airtel Foundation, whose encouragement added warmth and inspiration.



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