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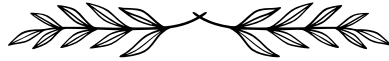
MONTHLY CONNECT

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About Bharti Airtel Foundation

Bharti Airtel Foundation, the philanthropic arm of Bharti Enterprises, is committed to strengthening India's education ecosystem at scale. For over 25 years, 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 4.3 million+ children and overall, 7.8 million+ individuals, reflecting Bharti Enterprises' sustained commitment to nation-building through human capital development.



Monthly Spotlight

Congratulations to our CBSE Class XII Toppers 2025-26

Arts Stream Toppers

Name	Score	School
Kashdeep Kaur	95.8%	Satya Bharti Adarsh Sr. Sec. School, Fattubhila, Punjab
Jobanpreet Kaur	95.6%	Satya Bharti Adarsh Sr. Sec. School, Chogawan, Punjab
Jaspreet Kaur	95.0%	Satya Bharti Adarsh Sr. Sec. School, Sherpur Kalan, Punjab

Commerce Stream Toppers

Name	Score	School
Khushpreet Kaur	97.4%	Satya Bharti Adarsh Sr. Sec. School, Jhaneri, Punjab
Manveer Kaur	95.4%	Satya Bharti Adarsh Sr. Sec. School, Sherpur Kalan, Punjab
Harleen Kaur	94.4%	Satya Bharti Adarsh Sr. Sec. School, Rauni, Punjab

Celebrating Excellence: Class XII Board Results

We are pleased to share the outstanding performance of students from Satya Bharti Adarsh Senior Secondary Schools, Punjab, in the CBSE Class XII Board Examinations 2025-26. Operating under the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model with the Punjab State Government through the Adarsh Scheme, these schools continue to demonstrate strong academic outcomes across Amritsar, Sangrur, and Ludhiana.

Our students achieved an impressive overall pass percentage of 95.99%, significantly exceeding the CBSE national average of 85.20% and the Panchkula region average of 85.73%. A notable highlight this year is the exceptional performance of our girls, who secured all top positions and recorded a remarkable pass rate of 98.58%. 449 students appeared for the examinations, with 41.30% scoring above 80% and 9.98% scoring above 90%, reflecting consistent academic achievement across the cohort.

These results reflect the continued focus on academic excellence across Satya Bharti Schools and reinforce the impact of sustained efforts in strengthening quality education.

Driving Lifelong Impact Through Education

Ms Nuriya Ansari, CEO, Bharti Airtel Foundation, participated in the Philanthropy Asia Summit 2026 in Singapore, joining the panel "Baby to 80: Healthy Minds, Healthy Lives".

She highlighted the need for a lifecycle approach to well-being and emphasised that lasting impact in education requires sustained investment in teachers, strong community engagement, and alignment with public systems.

Reinforcing the Foundation's focus, she underscored the importance of trust, training, and long-term partnerships, alongside continued efforts in teacher development through initiatives such as TheTeacherApp.



KEY HIGHLIGHTS

Satya Bharti School Program

Celebrating Excellence in Sports

Veenu Rani, a Class XII student from Satya Bharti Adarsh Senior Secondary School, Jhaneri, Punjab, has won the gold medal at the first All India Open Inter-School/Academy National Taekwondo Championship 2026. Her achievement reflects strong discipline, perseverance, and commitment, while underscoring the role of sports in holistic student development.



National Cadet Corps – Combined Annual Training Camp (NCC-CATC)

Cadets from Satya Bharti Adarsh Senior Secondary School, Fattubhila, Punjab showcased exceptional discipline, confidence, and team spirit at the NCC CATC (07) 2026 held at ITI Ramtirth. Their enthusiastic participation across activities reflected the values of leadership and resilience that the NCC instills. A special congratulations to Cadet Rajdeep Singh, who was selected as Head of the NCC Charlie Unit and honoured with a medal for his outstanding leadership, and to Cadet Gagandeep Kaur, who brought laurels by securing a winning position in Kho-Kho. Beyond the accolades, the camp served as a powerful learning experience, helping shape responsible, confident individuals ready to lead with purpose.

Young Achievers Make Their Mark at Plaksha University, Punjab

Seven students from four senior secondary schools have secured admission to Plaksha University's 2026–27 summer programs — Young Technology Scholars (YTS) and Young Data Scientists (YDS). Designed for Classes IX–XII, these programs focus on technology and problem-solving through hands-on learning, with selections based on a rigorous screening and interview process.



Blending Music & Technology: Chogawan Leads the Way

Satya Bharti Senior Secondary School, Chogawan secured the top position at the Battle of Bands – AI Music Challenge during Satya Innovation Fest 6.0 held at Sat Paul Mittal School, Ludhiana. The achievement highlights students' ability to creatively integrate music with technology in innovative, interdisciplinary ways.

Quality Support Program (QSP)

Marking Milestones in School Transformation

Bharti Airtel Foundation marked the Program Completion Ceremony for 15 government schools in Jammu under QSP, recognising their transition towards sustainable school transformation. The event was attended by Shri Ajeet Sharma, Chief Education Officer, Jammu, and Shri Anil Bhat, Regional Head, Bharti Airtel Foundation. The Foundation was also acknowledged as a valued education partner by the State School Education Department. Since 2016, over 60 schools have completed five years of support under QSP, with 169 schools currently being supported across Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh.



Classrooms Beyond Walls: Enabling Literacy at Home

This summer, students from government schools across Bahraich, Shravasti, and Lucknow are taking learning beyond classroom walls through the Saksharta Bharti Abhiyan, an initiative adapted from a proven best practice of the Satya Bharti School Program. Stepping into the role of teachers at home, they are helping non-literate family members begin their literacy journey, turning homes into spaces of learning. Implemented in partnership with the Department of Education, Uttar Pradesh, and supported by district administration and education leadership, the initiative will reach around 1,000 parents across 100 schools.



Building Media Literacy and Student Expression

A Media Club workshop was conducted in collaboration with Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti, engaging 167 students and 8 teachers from 10 government schools in Delhi. Led by facilitators from the Ministry of Culture, the sessions focused on short-video production, media literacy, and communication skills. Through hands-on activities, students demonstrated creativity and confidence while gaining exposure to digital tools and platforms.



From School Grounds to the International Stage in Japan

Three exceptional students from our partner government school under QSP, Chief Minister School of Excellence (CM SoE) Girls Bariatu, Ranchi, have been selected to represent India at the U-18 Women's Asia Cup Hockey 2026 in Japan. Their achievement reflects the power of a strong sporting ecosystem, where discipline, determination, and academic rigor go hand in hand. At Bharti Airtel Foundation, we remain committed to nurturing such talent by strengthening sports opportunities for girls through mentorship, structured coaching, and sustained engagement. Our support to the school includes dedicated training interventions and resources that enable young athletes to pursue their dreams with confidence.



Scout and Guide Camp at Government High School, Karamgarh

A three-day Scout and Guide Camp was conducted at our partner institution, Government High School, Karamgarh, under QSP, with enthusiastic participation from 95 students. Participants actively engaged in a variety of activities and successfully completed the Dwitiya Sopan and Tertiya Sopan levels under expert guidance. The school also expressed its appreciation by sharing a letter acknowledging the Foundation's support. The camp played a significant role in fostering leadership, teamwork, discipline, and the overall holistic development of students.





Enabling Future Pathways in STEM

The MANASVI STEM Mentorship Program at IIT Delhi, supported by the Bharti Airtel Foundation, recently concluded a five-day immersion for 50 students, with a strong focus on encouraging girls in STEM. Through mentorship, hands-on learning, and innovation challenges, participants gained valuable exposure to STEM pathways. The program continues to scale, growing from 25 students across seven schools last year to 50 students from 28 schools this year, with a second phase planned for the January winter break.

TheTeacherApp

A Significant Milestone for TheTeacherApp

Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Basic Education, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Shri Sandeep Singh, launched TheTeacherApp at the Uttar Pradesh CSR Roundtable 2026. The event was attended by Shri Partha Sarthi Sen Sharma (Additional Chief Secretary, Basic and Secondary Education, U.P.), Dr Monika Rani (Director General, School Education, U.P.), and representatives from the Bharti Airtel Foundation, including Shri Binu Nair (COO), Shri Amit Taneja (Head – Technology), and Shri Alok Upadhyay (Manager – Partnerships), along with government, education, and CSR leaders. The launch marks a significant step forward in scaling teacher empowerment through technology-driven learning.



TheTeacherApp was also launched, separately, in Bahraich, Uttar Pradesh, in the presence of district education leadership, with participation from Block Education Officers, academic resource teams, school heads, and teachers across the district. The rollout saw strong engagement, with active app adoption and discussions on its AI-enabled features, reflecting growing momentum for technology-supported teaching.

Senior leaders, including representatives from NITI Aayog and Bharti Airtel Foundation, joined virtually to share perspectives on innovation in education. Following recent launches in Balrampur and Shravasti, the Bahraich rollout marks continued progress in scaling TheTeacherApp across districts within a short timeframe.



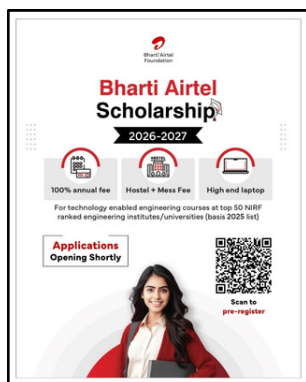
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Highlighting Teacher Well-being

TheTeacherApp Podcast featured a conversation with Dr Sarthak Dave, a psychiatrist and mental health expert, focusing on the realities of stress and burnout among educators. The episode explored often-overlooked warning signs and emphasised the role of schools, families, and communities in supporting teacher well-being, highlighting the need for enabling environments where teachers can thrive both professionally and personally.

The first episode, featuring our Co-Chairman Shri Rakesh Bharti Mittal, saw significant traction, garnering over 1.1 million+ views as of June 8, 2026.

Higher Education and Scholarship

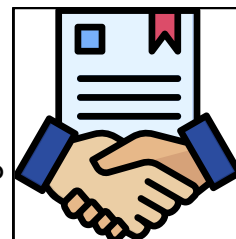


Expanding Access to Scholarships

The Bharti Airtel Foundation opened pre-registration for the Bharti Airtel Scholarship 2026–27, a fully funded program supporting students pursuing engineering at the top 50 NIRF-ranked institutions. The scholarship covers tuition, accommodation, and meals, and provides a laptop to support academic learning. It is aimed at enabling talented students, particularly female students and those from underrepresented communities, to pursue careers in emerging technology fields. Pre-registration will help interested students stay informed about application timelines and next steps.

Expanding the Bharti Airtel Scholarship

The Foundation is expanding Bharti Airtel Scholarship to support more deserving students in higher education. An MoU was signed with Chanakya University, Bengaluru, to offer scholarships to up to 20 students annually from the academic year 2026–27. At Plaksha University, Mohali, it is being scaled up from 20 to 30 scholarships annually, extending support to a larger cohort of students.



Bharti Scholars: Industry Exposure

Scholars from Bharti School of Telecommunication Technology & Management, IIT Delhi, visited the Airtel Network Experience Centre in Manesar, as part of an industry engagement initiative. They gained exposure to emerging technologies and data management in the telecom sector, enriching academic learning with real-world insights.

Volunteering/Partnership

Volunteering for Engaging Classroom Experiences

Twelve volunteers from Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation (SMBC) recently facilitated an interactive learning experience for students at a Delhi government school supported under QSP. Through hands-on activities across classrooms, students engaged in STEM projects, collaborative art, storytelling, and everyday science explorations. The initiative created opportunities for peer learning and creativity, highlighting the value of volunteer engagement in enriching classroom experiences.



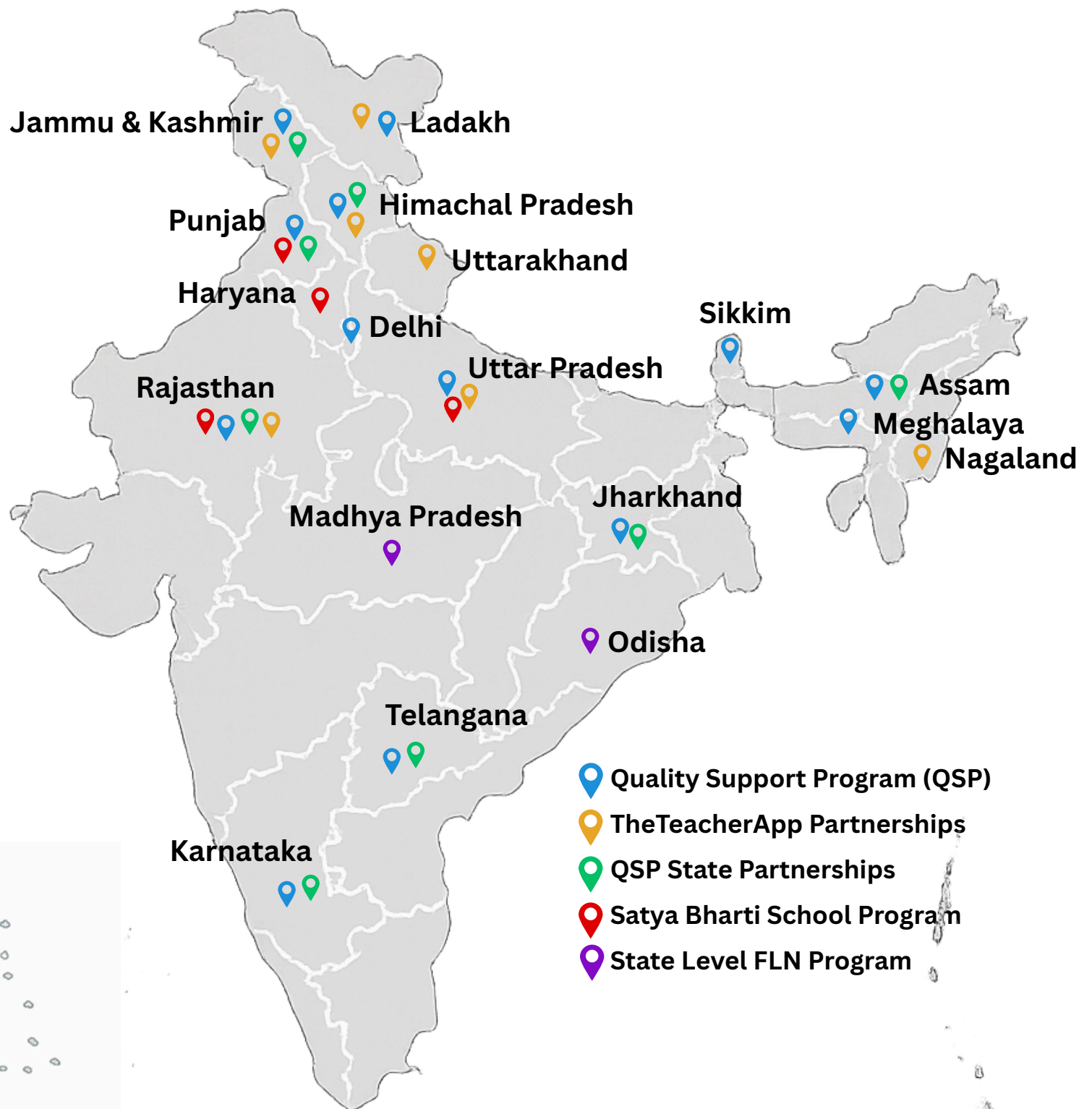
What's Happening Across Programs!

Building Momentum for Stronger Learning Outcomes

The Bharti Airtel Foundation hosted QSP Bootcamps in Bengaluru, Guwahati, Pushkar, and Panchkula, bringing together teams from 12 states to align on the next phase of the program. The sessions focused on strengthening academic practices, advancing teacher development pathways, and integrating life skills into learning. Insights from these bootcamps will inform the program's renewed approach going forward, with a continued emphasis on learning outcomes, competency-based education, and the role of academic mentors in school transformation.



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