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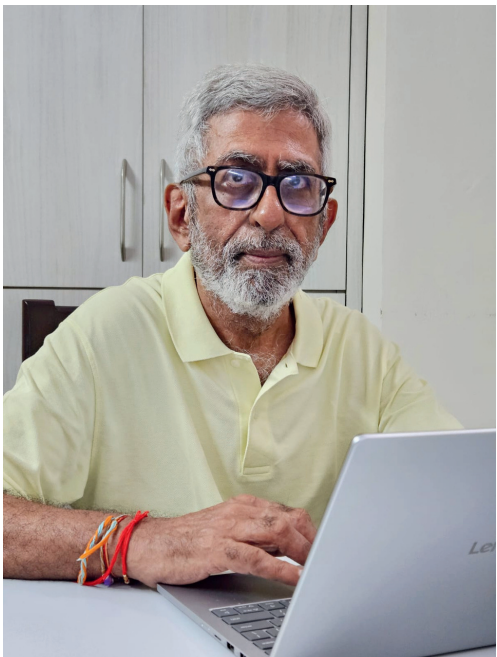


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Founder's Address



Fifteen years ago, Books for All began as a modest idea—a single library in one school. Today, it has footprints across the country bringing the joy of reading and creativity to the remotest villages. What fills me is not just pride, but deep gratitude for every individual who shaped this journey.

Our five Impact Missions now reach thousands of children across India, each mission born from a simple belief: that access to stories, skills, and support can transform lives. Volunteers have been the heartbeat of this movement. Their time, spirit, and commitment have turned vision into reality—quietly, powerfully.

Over the past year, we witnessed exceptional progress. Young adults stepped into their first jobs after gaining vocational skills. Children discovered stories in their own languages through our Wall-Hung Libraries. Visually impaired students, through SPARSH, read and imagined new worlds using Braille and Tactile Books. Behind every milestone is a moment of magic—a child connecting with a story, a family uplifted, a door quietly opened.

These achievements were possible because of the belief and generosity of our extended family—corporates, partners, and individuals who stood by us. Their encouragement and support have helped us reach farther than we ever thought possible.

As we step into the future, we will strengthen internal systems, build capacity, and deepen our understanding through impact assessments. We'll embrace technology and expand our reach through eBook libraries. And SPARSH will grow—with digital tools that will reach out to more visually impaired students with special needs.

Books for All has always believed that books aren't merely pages. They are possibilities. With your continued support, we will keep bringing those possibilities to every child, everywhere.

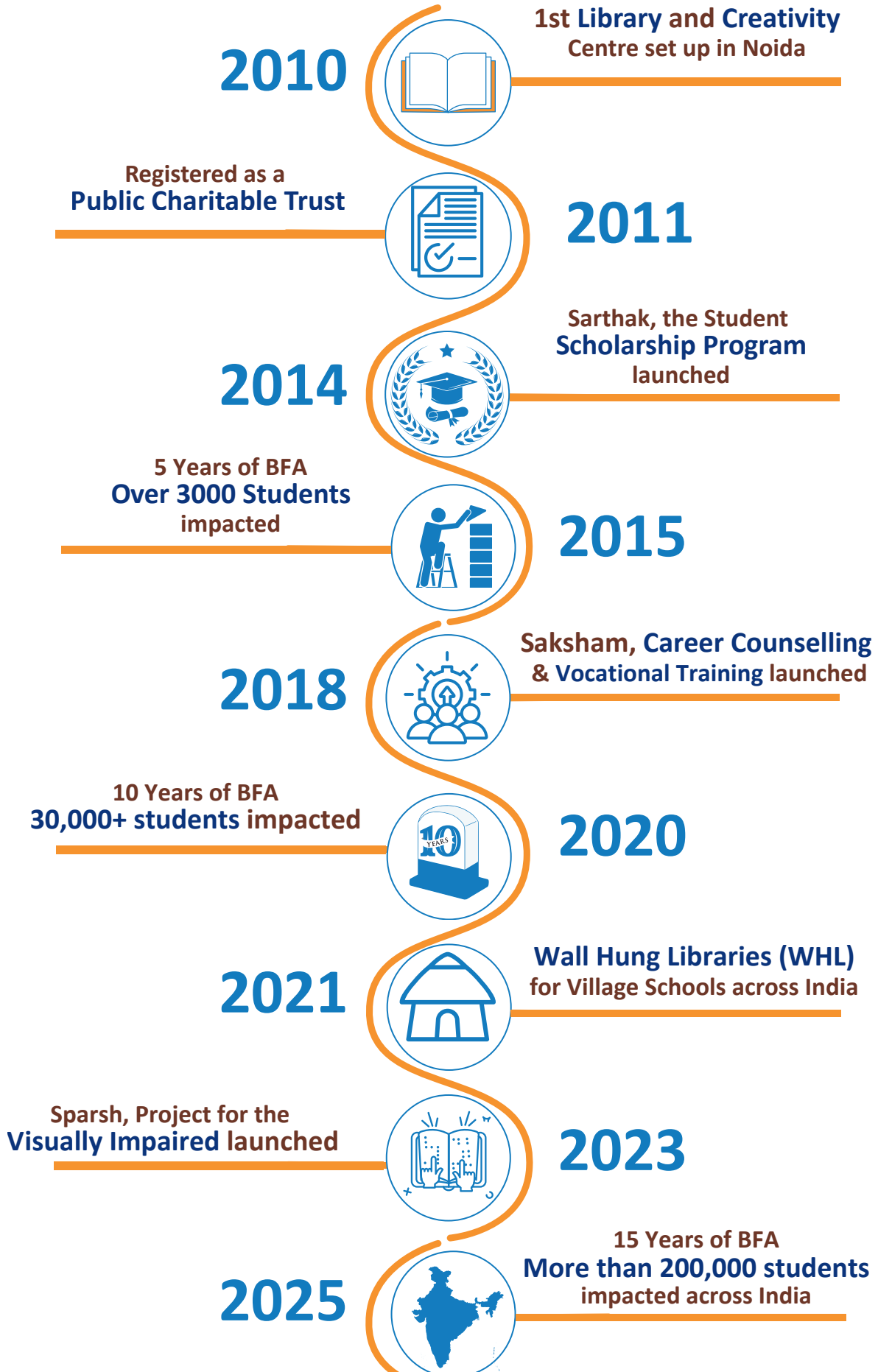
Warmly,
Pravin Bhasin



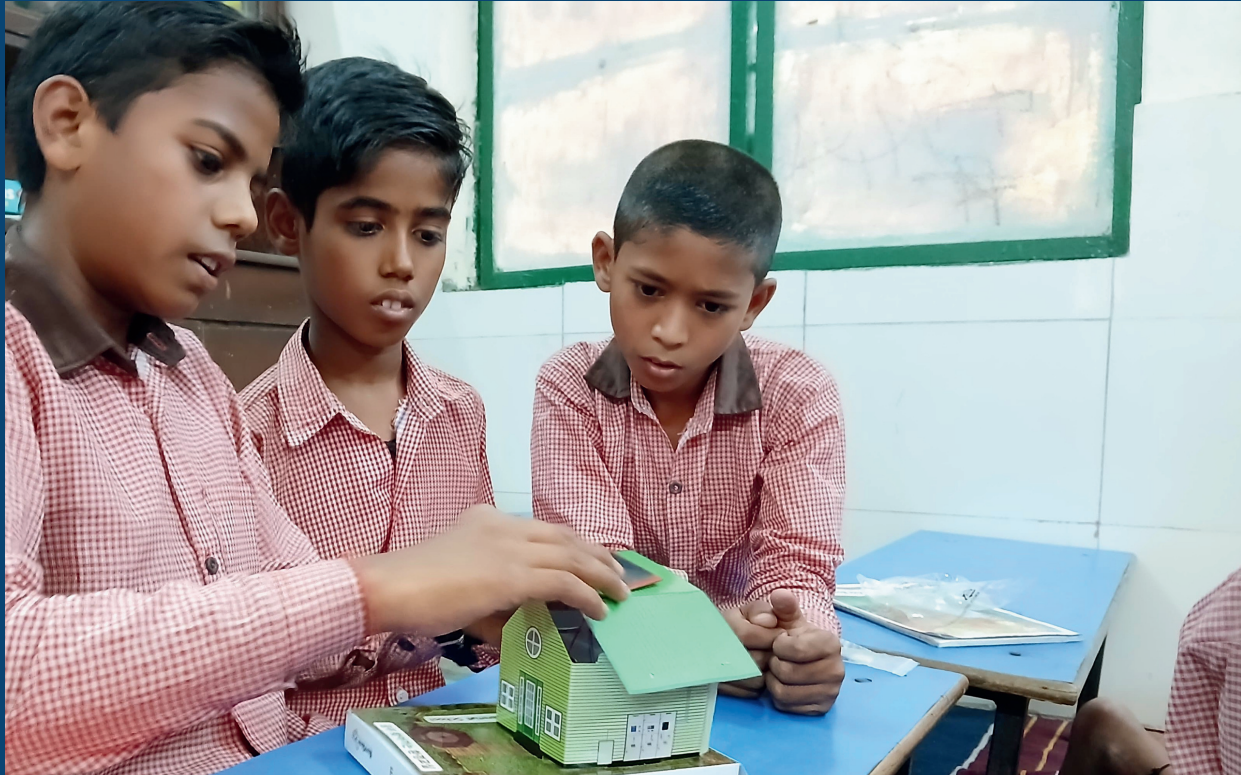


OUR JOURNEY

Annual Report 2024-25



OUR VISION AND MISSION



OUR VISION

At Books For All, we envision a country where a love for learning is ignited in every child and every child aspires to a brighter and more equitable future.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to give the joy of story books to children from less privileged sections of society to inculcate in them a habit of lifelong reading and give reins to their creativity. We aim to equip First Generation Learners with skills that will help them become employed and aspire for career growth. We are committed to work towards inclusivity and equity

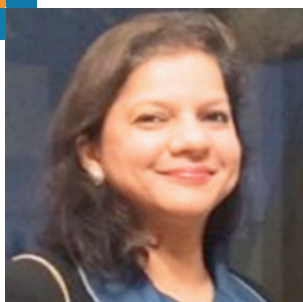
Governing Body

MANAGING TRUSTEES



Pravin Bhasin
Founder President

Pravin Bhasin, Founder & Managing Trustee, is an Engineer with a PG Diploma in Business Management and over 40 years of experience in reputed firms like BHEL, Thermax, L&T, and Reliance Infra. A Power Sector Specialist, he retired in Oct 2014 as Sr. Executive VP, Reliance Infra, and now dedicates himself fully to serving underprivileged children through Books For All.



Deepali Kukreja
Trustee

Deepali Kukreja, with a Master's in Business Economics from Delhi University, is active in children's education and involved in several welfare projects. She has played a key role in developing curriculum and methods to help children read and speak English.



Puja Nath
Trustee

Puja Nath, a graduate from Patna University, is an expert in Child Development. She played a major role in developing creativity in children by organizing plays, dances and public speaking.



Kanchan Bhasin
Trustee

Widely travelled, Kanchan is a seasoned social worker, having taught blind children for several years in Pune. She was also associated as a volunteer with reputed NGO Akakansha (आकांक्षा), involved with educating slum children.

Managing Committee



PRAVIN BHASIN

MEMBER

Mr. Pravin Bhasin, an Electrical Engineer from Thapar Institute (1966), held senior roles in top Indian MNCs, specializing in Power Plant Project Management. He and his wife, Kanchan Bhasin, established the first library at Gejha.



DEEPA SENGAR

MEMBER

Ms. Deepa Sengar, a senior Indian Railway Service Officer (1988 batch IAS and Allied), who took voluntary retirement after vast experience both with Indian Railways and Central Govt. Ministries, is volunteering with Books For All since 2015 as part of Management Committee.



SQUADRON LEADER RAJENDRA GUPTA (RETD.)

MEMBER

Squadron Leader R K Gupta (Retired), a Mechanical Engineer from IIT Kharagpur 1964, took premature retirement in 1984 from Indian Air Force after 20 years of commissioned service. An entrepreneur for close to 30 years thereafter, Mr Gupta is now a part of the Management Committee.



LATA AGARWAL

MEMBER

Lata Agarwal, a senior mathematics teacher who now coaches senior students from home, is a long-standing volunteer of Books for All. She was instrumental in taking up initiatives for literacy, art and craft, organising dance and skits and sports day through the Library and Creativity Centres

Highlights & Key Updates



**Direct
Impact**

2,45,000

Students Impacted Through Our Programs



**WHL
Installed**

781

Wall Hung Libraries Installed



**Scholarships
Granted**

42

Scholarships Granted to Deserving Students



**Vocational
Skills
Imparted**

394

Students Trained in Vocational Courses



**Books
Distributed**

90,000

Total Books Distributed, Including Braille and Tactile



**Volunteer
Engagement**

110

Volunteers Engaged

5

IMPACT
MISSIONS

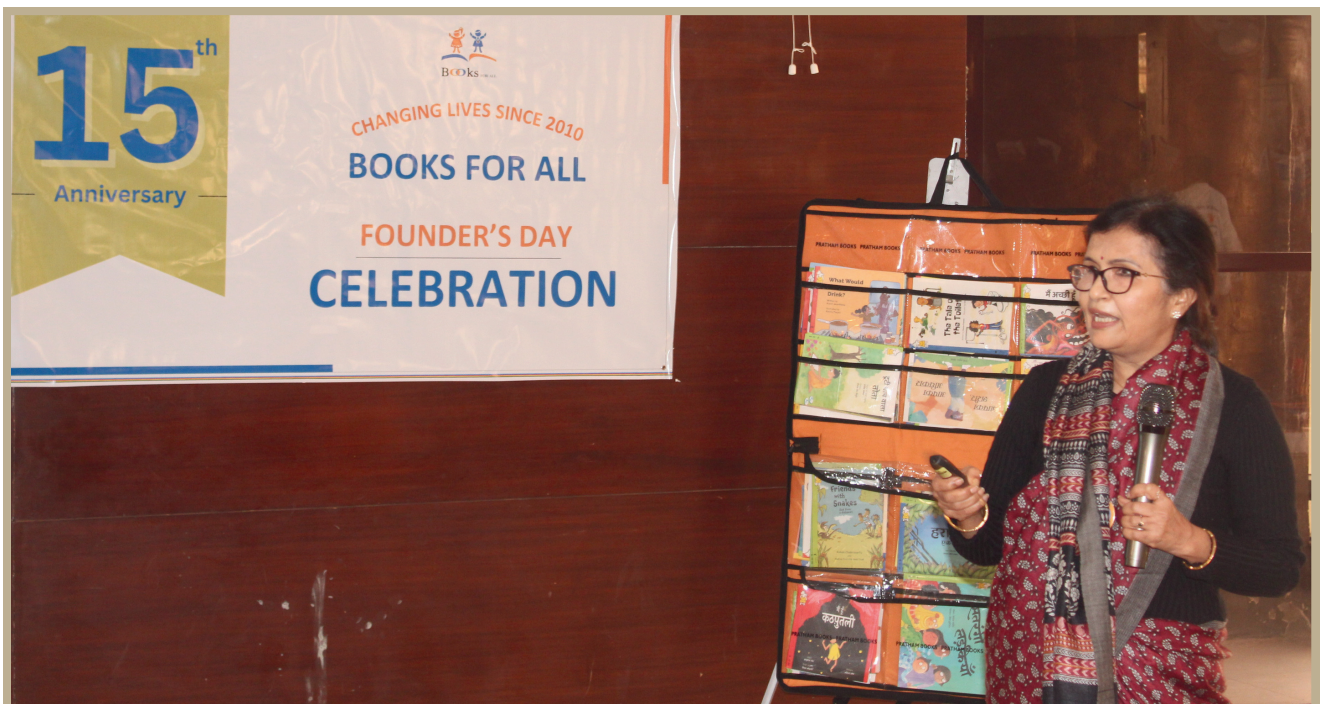
Library
And Creativity
Centres

Sarthak

Saksham

Wall Hung
Libraries

Sparsh



Library & Creativity Centres



In 6 urban village schools across Noida, Books for All has created vibrant spaces where imagination thrives. Each Library and Creativity Centre, led by a full-time Librarian, is more than a room full of books—it's a hub for creative exploration.

Library periods spark a love for reading, while creativity sessions in art, craft, singing, dance, and drama help children express themselves beyond the bounds of their textbooks. Through quizzes, competitions, festival celebrations, and commemoration of national and international days, children experience a richer school life—one that fosters joy, confidence, and curiosity.

These centres are filling gaps left by the conventional school curriculum, nurturing not just learning but the whole child.



Reading Programs

Storytelling and book reading sessions were held regularly to nurture a genuine love for books. These quiet yet consistent moments not only deepened children's engagement with books but also strengthened their understanding of academic texts, supporting both emotional and cognitive growth.

Extra - Curriculars Activities

Throughout the year, children participated in drawing and painting activities that explored themes such as nature, peace, and current affairs. Through colors and lines, they found a voice to express their understanding of the world around them.






Craft sessions, especially around festive occasions—brought joy, encouraged creativity, and provided an inclusive space where every child could feel proud of their imagination. Quiz on different subjects and celebration of national and international days increased the knowledge and general awareness of students while Sports Day brought them cheer!



Total Days
Library Functioned

210
DAYS

Year's Activity Dashboard (FY 2024–25)

ACTIVITY	No of Sessions	HIGHLIGHTS
 Story Books Reading	900	Daily Reading Cycles
 Art & Craft	280	Waste to Wonder, Future Earth, Self Cook
 Special Days Observed	66	Earth Day, Tiger Day, and other National Days
 Sports & Competitions	42	Geography & Math Quiz, Annual & Sport Day
 Exposure Visits	5	Students visited Adobe for Mini Olympiad and other Events

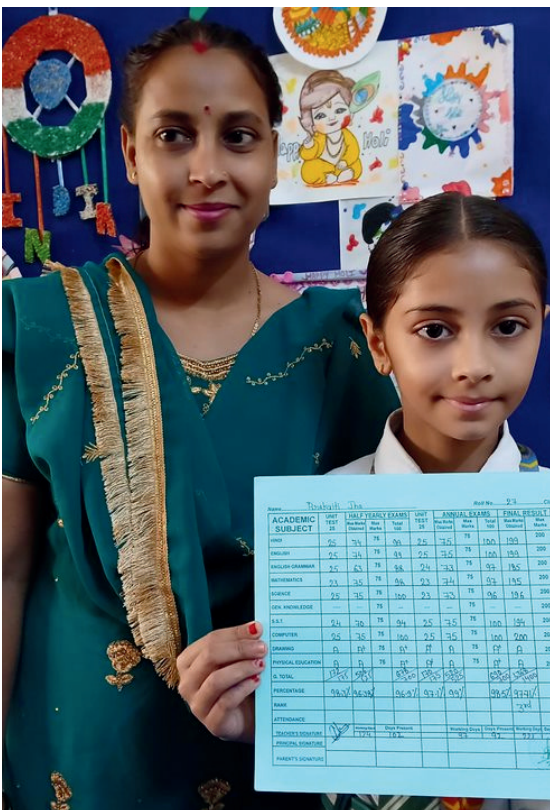
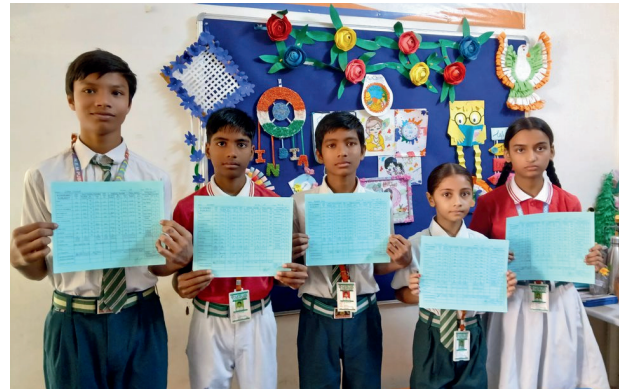


SARTHAK

STUDENTS SCHOLARSHIP

From our Libraries emerge children with a quest for knowledge—curious minds who need the right environment to thrive. Through our sponsorship program, Books for All is supporting 45 such students, most of them girls, by enabling their admission into quality English and Hindi medium schools in Noida.

Every expense—tuition, books, uniforms—is covered through donations from our supporters. But our commitment goes beyond funding: our volunteers mentor each child, offering academic support after school, during holidays, and through life transitions.



Journey so Far

Year of Inception	2014
Students Supported	45
% of Girls Supported	75%
School Types	Eng/Hin
Board Type	CBSE/UP
Students Who Have Graduated from Program	14

“I’m the first in my family to graduate—and now, I help support them.”

Priyanka, beneficiary of BFA Scholarship program, now employed at Sopra Banking.



PRIYANKA'S JOURNEY

A Future Rewritten



Priyanka in 2015
Year of BFA's Intervention



Priyanka in 2025
Confident Employee at an MNC

Books For All proudly celebrates Priyanka's journey—from a curious young girl in 2015 to a confident professional now selected by Sopra Banking, Noida. Overcoming social pressures and family limitations, she stands as a shining example of what long-term support can achieve.

Milestones:

From DU graduates to aspiring engineers, these young scholars are changing the trajectory of their families and communities—one milestone at a time.

2015

Selected for BFA sponsorship while in Class VI; came from a background where girls' education was discouraged.

2016-2021

Continued schooling at Pvt. School with consistent academic and emotional support from BFA mentors.

2021

Completed Class XII with strong academic performance; began college education.

2021-2025

Pursued graduation at DU after clearing CUET, with Sopra Steria as the educational sponsor alongside BFA; received career guidance and mentorship.

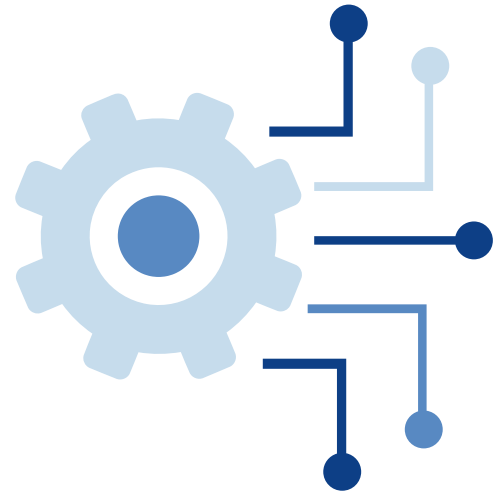
2025

Selected by Sopra Steria, Noida as a professional; now a confident, self-reliant role model.

SAKSHAM

Skilling Youth for Dignified Livelihoods

In the underserved urban villages of Noida, Books for All is bridging the opportunity gap for youth at a critical stage in life stage. Through the SAKSHAM program, we provide career counselling and skill development support to first-generation learners who often have no guidance on what they should do after Class 12.



Many of these students face pressure to take up unskilled jobs that offer little dignity or upward mobility. We help them chart new paths, introducing vocations that build confidence, lead to sustainable employment, and unlock a future of possibilities.

Since its inception, as part of SAKSHAM BFA has counselled over 7,000 students from Hindi Medium Inter Colleges and secondary schools, helping them make informed choices. Of these, 394 students were enrolled in vocational training across disciplines such as:

- Healthcare & Paramedical
- Beauty & Wellness
- IT & Digital Skills
- Automobile & Mechanical
- Fashion & Apparel
- Culinary Arts

PROJECT OUTCOME

TRAINED

311

IN JOBS

247

SUCCESS RATE

79%



PROCESS FLOW



Visit schools and organize career awareness programs such as Career Melas



Provide personalized career counselling to all interested students



Offer skill-based training aligned with students' interests and abilities



Extend support until they secure meaningful employment

7000+
Students
Counselled

Empowering youth with informed career choices

394
Admissions
Secured

Enrolled into skill-based training programs

311
Courses
Completed

Successfully trained for real-world opportunities

247
Job
Placements

Turning skills into sustainable livelihoods

SAKSHAM'S REACH AS ON MAR 2025

Sagar's Old Home



Sagar's New Home

Our Alumni Sagar Prasad Says



"From a modest home in Noida to my own flat — this has become possible only because of Books For All, and I can never repay what they've done for me."

WHL

Wall Hung Libraries

To bring the joy of reading to children in remote, rural and urban villages of the country, Books For All (BFA) uses a simple, scalable, and inclusive solution —the Wall Hung Library (WHL). This is an innovative, low-cost unit that holds about 80-100 curated storybooks in Hindi, English and Regional languages, easily installed on any classroom or corridor wall. These beautifully illustrated, age-appropriate storybooks, with 4 levels, inculcate a culture of reading and imagination among children.



Govt. Sr. Secondary School, Hirab, HP

Each WHL contains

100

beautifully illustrated storybooks



The uniqueness of WHL lies in its books being available in 12 regional languages



Easy to install on classroom or corridor walls — compact and visible



Stories spark creativity, foster inclusion, and support real-life and textbook learning.



Reading made fun, frequent, and for everyone

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These books are more than just pages — they're opportunities. They'll help our children build habits that last a lifetime.

Mr Vaibhav Singh, Principal, GPS-Kanpa, Sultanpur, UP

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SPARSH

Project for Visually Impaired

STORIES IN BRAILLE TOUCHING YOUNG MINDS



Launched in October 2023, the SPARSH project brings Braille storybooks to visually challenged students across India. With engaging narratives and general knowledge books in raised print, Books for All is making storytelling inclusive and joyful—where reading happens through touch, not just sight. Tactile Books, introduced in 2024-25, combine raised images, textured surfaces, and bold shapes empowering Visually Impaired learners to understand stories, math, science and geography.

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS



Braille and Tactile Books

We make Braille and Tactile Story Books available to Visually Impaired Institutions



Multiple Regional Languages

Books are in multiple Indian languages for regional relevance.



Project Milestones – March 2025

Till March 2025, 230+ institutions across 24 states reached.



Inclusive Education

Sparsh promotes inclusive education and partners with schools, NGOs, and experts.






“Books For All has brought a new light of learning into the lives of our visually impaired children. Your tactile study materials not only support their education but also inspire them toward self-reliance. Your compassion is a true beacon for society.”

Mrs. Vijaya Laxmi Joshi, President, PVPS for Visually Impaired, Uttarkashi

2024-25 OVERVIEW








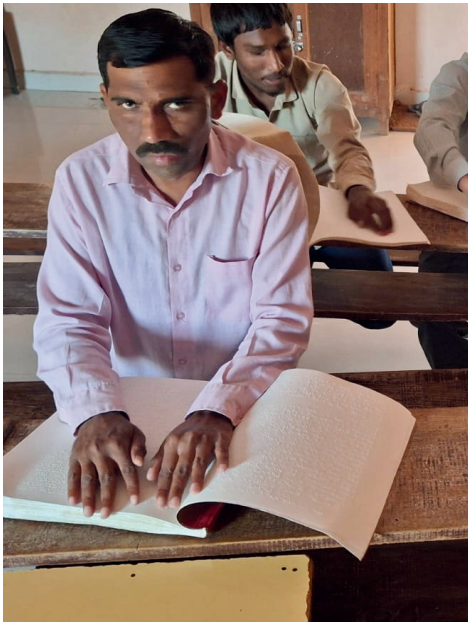
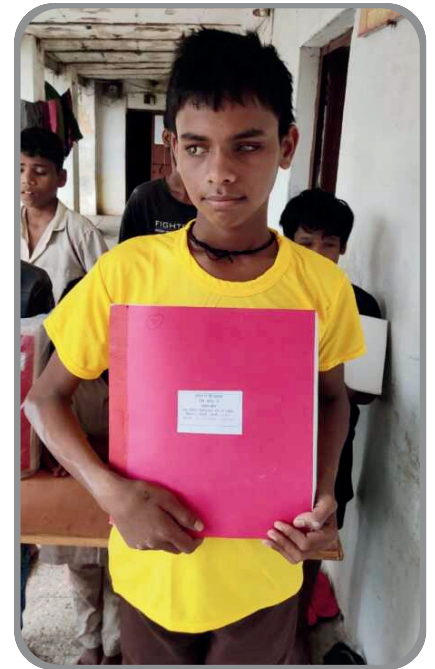
BRAILLE BOOKS

Metrics	Values
 Institutions	149
 Books Delivered	5,140
 States Covered	24
 Languages Covered	7
 Students Reached	6,836








TACTILE BOOKS

Metrics	Values
 Institutions	22
 Books Delivered	139
 States Covered	8
 Languages Covered	2
 Students Reached	1,160



OVERALL IMPACT AS OF MARCH 2025

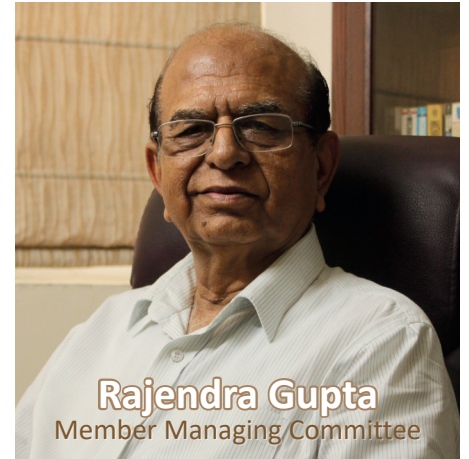
Metrics	Braille	Tactile
 Institutions	212	22
 Books Delivered	6,281	139
 States Covered	24	8
 Languages Covered	7	2
 Students Reached	9,863	1,160



THE CHANGE MAKERS

FROM SQUADRON LEADER TO SOCIAL CHANGEMAKER

A Mechanical Engineer from IIT Kharagpur (1964 batch), Squadron Leader Rajendra Gupta took premature retirement from the Indian Air Force in 1984 after 20 years of commissioned service. He then established and successfully operated his own electrical manufacturing unit in Delhi for over 30 years. Joining Books for All in 2017, he brought entrepreneurial spirit, initiating the impactful Mission Saksham for vocational training of urban youth, aiming to make them job ready.



Rajendra Gupta
Member Managing Committee

This initiative has yielded impactful results. A total of 311 students from various disciplines have already received vocational training, and 247 of them have secured meaningful employment—reflecting a success rate of 79% as they advance in their chosen careers. Of the remaining students, several are still undergoing training, while others have pursued higher studies.

An avid traveller and prolific writer, his latest book, *Rajan's Musings*, is a compilation of life anecdotes presented with wit and humour.

I TRULY BELIEVE THAT THE TIME IS ALWAYS RIGHT TO DO THE RIGHT THING



Ashima Arora
Volunteer

Hello, I'm Ashima Arora, a senior volunteer at Books For All. My journey with Books For All started almost a decade ago when I left my corporate job and wanted to contribute in some other way. I started with teaching underprivileged children along with conducting fun games, quizzes, and competitions for them. Books For All, as an NGO, gives its volunteers full freedom to work and explore various opportunities. Over the years, BFA has expanded and now has many impact missions that strive to bring happiness into the lives of underprivileged children.

I am currently associated with one of their impact missions called Sparsh, which aims to understand and make a difference in the lives of visually impaired children. I am very passionate about helping these children by providing them with books to read and experience the joy of reading. I thank BFA for giving me this opportunity to be associated with them and contribute in whichever small way I can. Thanks again!

OUR MENTORS SPEAK

I have been associated with BFA since 2014. My involvement has been primarily as a sounding board to my dear friend Pravin Bhasin, the founder of BFA.

Through selfless, volunteer and dedicated services, Team BFA has positively impacted the life of thousands of young generations.

My wife Vinay & I have been financially supporting some of their programs. At times, I have gotten some of our batch mates in USA to support some projects.

I view my role more in advisory capacity with focus on succession planning as well as endowment funds to sustain in lean times.



Mr. Vinod Luthra

I am associated with Booksforall (BFA) since last 10+ years.

I have spoken about them to many other social sector organisations for BFA is an exceptional organization which is run and managed fully by volunteers that has exceptional level of transparency in their operations.

I believe that involvement of Samaj is critical for bringing about a positive change and solving many problems that our country faces.

BFA is a testament to – main akela hi chala tha.....

What I have found amazing about BFA team is their willingness to try out new things whenever they see a problem and believe that they can contribute towards mitigating the same.

I always feel energized whenever I have a chat with Team BFA. May our country have thousands of BFAs to tackle the complex problems we face.

Insha allah!



Mr. Ulhas Vairagkar

VOLUNTEER'S VOICES



**Stuti
Mathur**
Sr. Volunteer

“Volunteering with Books for All was a deeply enriching experience, allowing me to contribute meaningfully to society. It gave me a sense of purpose while learning compassion, teamwork, and resilience”



**Aparna
Agarwal**
Well-Wisher

My association with BFA is more than 10-12 years. It has been a beautiful experience for me, as it gives me immense happiness. Mr. Bhasin and his team work very hard and with great sincerity. This platform enables me to do my small bit. I really want to thank everyone here from the core of my heart



**Sudha
Singhal**
Sr. Volunteer

The NGO is doing great work in educating and making underprivileged job ready. I am proud to be associated with them.



**Malavika
Kharbanda**
Sr. Volunteer

I've been associated with BFA for the past 7 years. I've always been passionate about teaching and education and BFA is just the right platform as they are actively involved in learning beyond the classroom. The other verticals of BFA are equally beneficial to the children and provide guidance for their future.

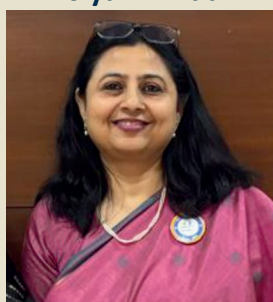
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LOOKING AHEAD

DEEPENING IMPACT & ENHANCING OPERATIONS

As Books for All celebrates 15 years of transforming educational landscapes, we now look forward to consolidating the progress made across our five impact missions.

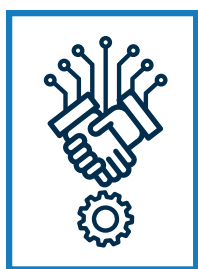
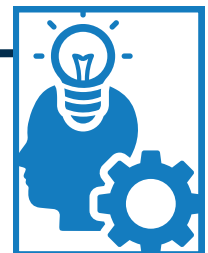


Strengthening Impact Assessment

We are enhancing our systems to measure outcomes more accurately—capturing not just activity, but true impact. This will empower us to refine strategy, foster transparency, and strengthen our accountability to the communities we serve.

Building Capacity for Scale

Through targeted training and collaboration, we will equip volunteers and partners to take greater ownership of initiatives. Building capacity ensures longevity and deeper engagement across geographies.



Leveraging Technology for Better Operations

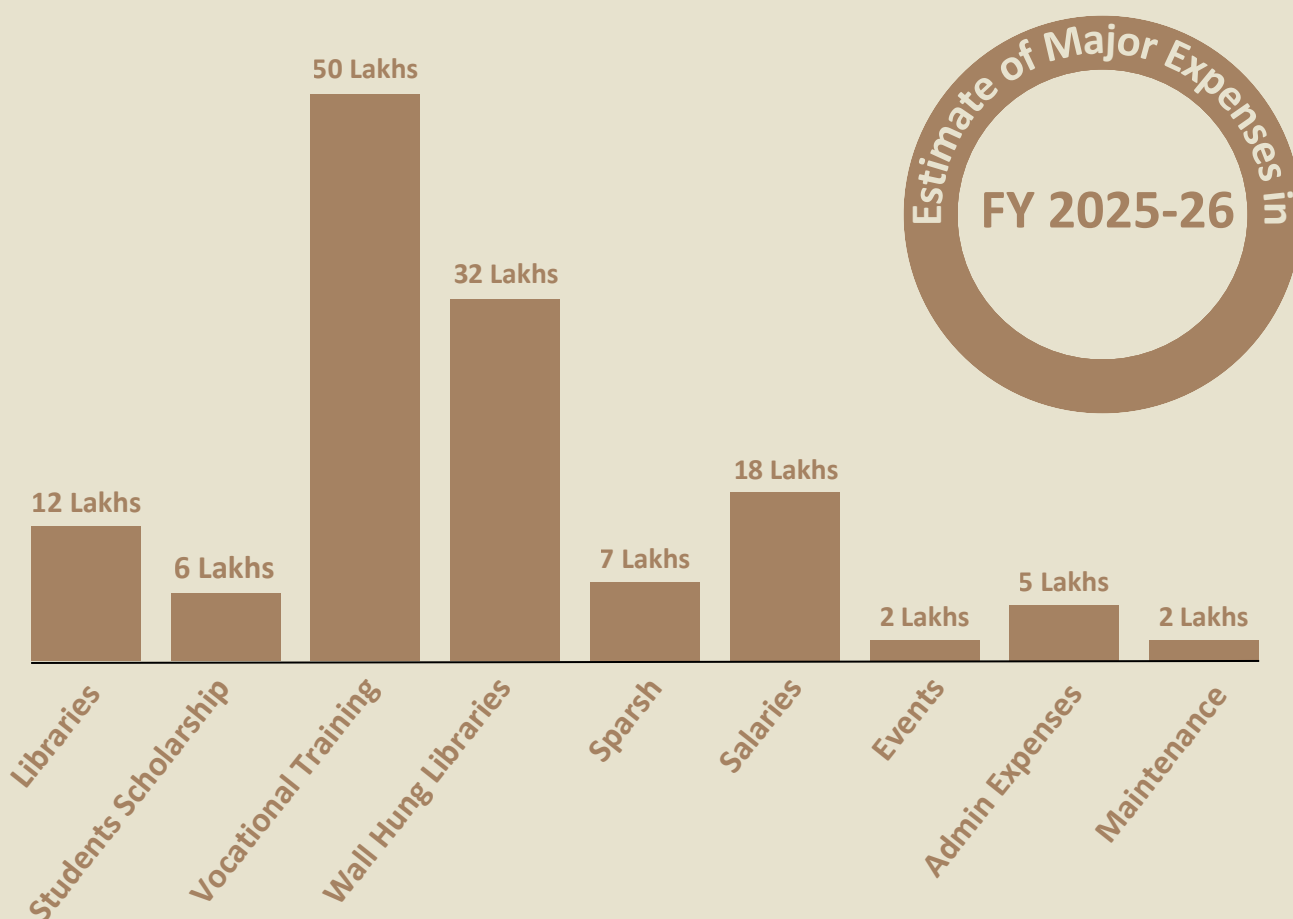
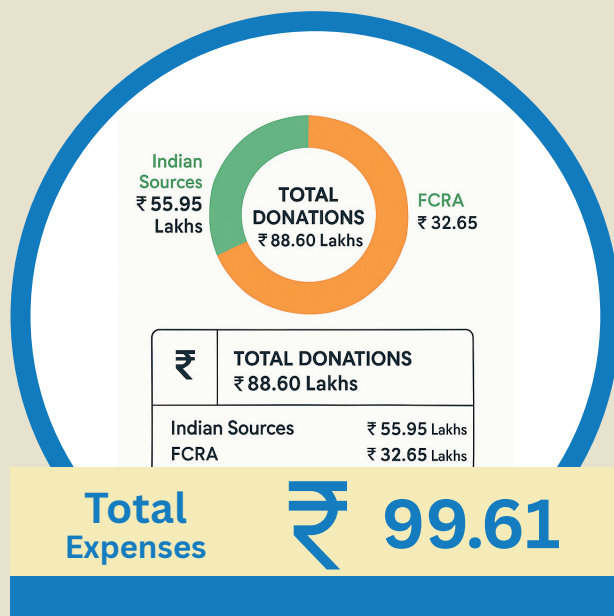
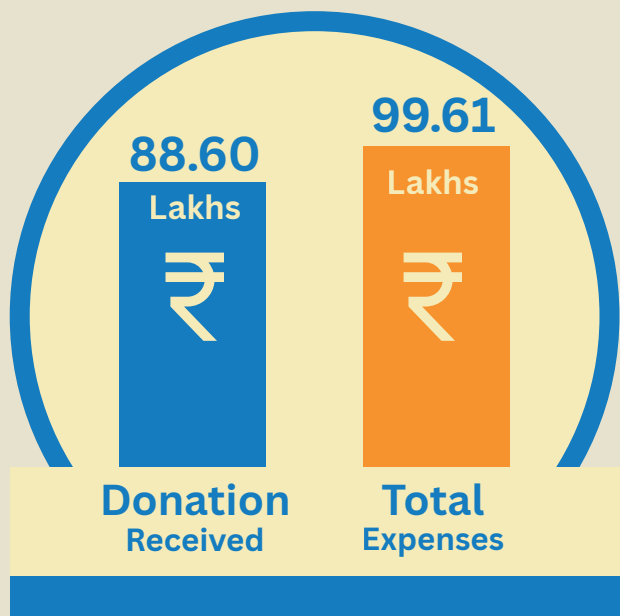
We're embracing digital tools to optimize our processes—from library deployment tracking to volunteer engagement and reporting. Smarter operations mean more time and resources focused directly on the mission.

Expanding Access Through eBooks

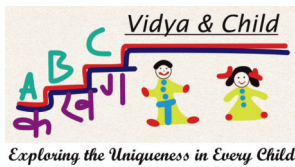
With smartphones widely available, we're exploring an eBook platform that brings quality reading material into students' pockets. Curating multilingual and inclusive content will help ensure learning isn't confined by location or infrastructure.



FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS



OUR PARTNERS



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 Patiala School for The Deaf
 Patiala School for The Blind
 Patiala School for The Deafblind
 Patiala Early Intervention centre for Deaf Infants
 Patiala Vocational Training Center



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