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Mithali Raj teams up with Akshaya Patra as Goodwill Ambassador



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Clean Slate Carnival enters Asia Book of Records and India Book of Records

SPOTLIGHT

Indonesian delegate expresses interest in mid-day meal execution



## Being Grateful



Dear changemakers,

The new financial year brings new hopes, possibilities and opportunities. Last year, we added six new kitchens to our network. We also raised our sustainable energy utilisation to 30% of the total energy we use to prepare and deliver meals, significantly reducing our carbon footprint.

In the coming days, we look forward to establishing our international chapter in Singapore to aid our feeding programme in India. It will not only serve as a platform to extend our reach but also foster international collaboration in our mission.

I extend my deepest gratitude to all our partners who support our feeding programmes, volunteer to usher in more smiles and fund our sustainability initiatives to pass on a cleaner world to our children. This steadfast alliance stands as a testament to their unwavering commitment and profound belief in our cause.

Ever grateful,  
Akshaya Patra family on behalf of 2.2 million children

### In the spotlight

## Indonesian delegate visits India to learn best practices in serving MDM



In April 2024, Mochammad Firman Hidayat, Deputy Coordinating Minister of Maritime Resources, Indonesia, commended the Mid-Day Meal Programme (PM POSHAN Abhiyaan) and expressed interest in its adoption. A working tour of Akshaya Patra's kitchen facilities was also organised for him in Bengaluru.

## FedEx empowers Akshaya Patra kitchens with 7 EVs



As a global leader in logistics and delivery services, FedEx took a significant step towards social responsibility and sustainable development. The company donated seven electric vehicles (EVs) to Akshaya Patra in Panvel, Delhi and Narsingi, a move that will enhance the efficiency of meal distribution processes in the kitchens. This, in turn, will allow the Foundation to allocate more resources towards its core mission of feeding and empowering children while reducing its carbon footprint. In addition, FedEx's support for mid-day meals for 5,50,000 children further demonstrates its commitment to making a positive impact on communities.

## Gemini funds renovation project and contributes EVs at Narsingi



The renovation project at Akshaya Patra's Narsingi Kitchen, which will significantly enhance the facility's capabilities, has been made possible through the generous financial support of Gemini Edibles & Fats India, the firm behind Freedom brand oil. It will increase its capacity from serving 37,000 to 50,000 beneficiaries daily.

Gemini also flagged off three meal delivery electric vehicles (EVs) in a celebratory event. The addition is also a step towards sustainable development, aligning with the Foundation's commitment to environmental stewardship. It will improve efficiency, reduce carbon footprint and lower operating costs. By showcasing these initiatives during the inauguration, Gemini sent the community an essential message of environmental responsibility and innovation. Mr P Chandrashekhara Reddy, Senior Vice President (Sales & Marketing), Gemini Edible & Fats India Ltd, graced the event.

## Mithali Raj joins forces with Akshaya Patra as Goodwill Ambassador

Ms Mithali Raj, the esteemed former captain of the India women's national cricket team (2004-2022), joined us as The Akshaya Patra Foundation's 'Goodwill Ambassador'.



## Clean Slate Carnival enters Asia Book of Records

In a record-breaking initiative across 99 government schools in Bengaluru, The Akshaya Patra Foundation and Cargill Business Services (CBS) India painted over 1,000 blackboards. The event occurred on 23 May 2024 and entered the Asia Book of Records and India Book of Records. The event's success was a shining example of what teamwork and grit can achieve.

This 100% volunteer-driven activity saw the presence of multiple volunteers from Akshaya Patra as well as CBS. We witnessed the presence of Indian and global leaders from Cargill, including Aparna Rao, CBS India Center Lead, and Matthew Wood, Senior Director, Sustainability Digital, Data & Analytics. Shridhar Venkat, Chief Executive Officer of The Akshaya Patra Foundation, along with members of Akshaya Patra's leadership team, also participated in the event.



## Meals served

Meals Served	
<b>ANDHRA PRADESH</b>	
Anantapur	56,490
Gambhiram	3,60,374
Gudivada	1,94,154
Kakinada	3,32,344
Kuppam	6,88,058
Mangalagiri	6,88,292
Nellore	4,31,000
Srikakulam	5,50,252
Visakhapatnam	8,53,602
Ongole	1,22,807
<b>ASSAM</b>	
Guwahati	17,74,571
Jorhat	4,32,965
<b>CHHATTISGARH</b>	
Bhilai	2,16,554
<b>DELHI</b>	
Badli	5,01,626
Gole Market	1,46,340
Jahangirpuri	6,09,119
Delhi Mohan Co-op	7,47,408
<b>DAMAN &amp; DNH</b>	
Silvassa	16,38,627
<b>GUJARAT</b>	
Ahmedabad	23,67,024
Bhavnagar	5,63,595
Bhuj	7,19,135
Kalol	9,13,227
Mansa	6,79,419
Surat	48,92,842
Vadodara	33,63,798
<b>JHARKHAND</b>	
Hazaribagh	73,191
<b>KARNATAKA</b>	
Ballari	6,88,470
HK Hill - Bengaluru	4,34,228
VK Hill - Bengaluru	4,90,634
Jigani	3,03,395
Jalahalli - Bengaluru	77,193
Hubballi	8,88,099
Mangaluru	1,53,440
Mysuru	84,384
<b>MADHYA PRADESH</b>	
Bhopal	5,21,608
<b>MAHARASHTRA</b>	
Bhiwandi	1,84,310
Kalyan	1,31,280
Panvel	2,65,988
Thane	1,65,488
Pune	1,44,850
<b>ODISHA</b>	
Bhubaneswar	17,32,450
Nayagarh	4,90,568
Puri	10,16,416
Rourkela	9,73,936
<b>PUDUCHERRY</b>	
Puducherry	10,51,204
<b>RAJASTHAN</b>	
Ajmer	6,43,664
Baran	1,79,840
Bhilwara	4,33,676
Bikaner	6,36,263
Chittorgarh	3,43,994
Jaipur	35,08,475
Jhalawar	3,41,597
Jodhpur	3,50,016
Nathdwara	11,82,828
Udaipur	5,70,951
<b>TELANGANA</b>	
Kandi	26,94,784
Narsingi	6,91,142
Mahbubnagar	3,06,138
Nawabpet	5,68,612
Warangal	12,30,527
<b>TRIPURA</b>	
Kashirampara	22,425
<b>UTTAR PRADESH</b>	
Gorakhpur	7,41,972
Lucknow	44,07,767
Mant	7,08,165
Barsana	2,13,260
Varanasi	21,57,659
Vrindavan	38,40,927
Gautam Buddh Nagar	5,94,411
<b>UTTARAKAND</b>	
Dehradun	9,55,815
Gadarpur	4,72,076



## Dignitary visits



Shri Jaggesh, a Member of Rajya Sabha, visited the first kitchen of Akshaya Patra in Rajajinagar, Bengaluru.

## Revering togetherness

# Salesforce ushers in smiles in schools and kitchens

In April 2024, the Salesforce volunteer team embarked on a new engagement activity: painting tins. By transforming oil tins into vibrant containers, they not only reduced waste but also enhanced the aesthetic appeal of schools and Akshaya Patra's kitchen in Kandi, Telangana.



Enthusiastic volunteers toured the Kandi Kitchen in Telangana in April 2024 and helped in pre-processing raw materials to prepare the mid-day meals. This experience helped them understand the various steps involved in food preparation at Akshaya Patra and the importance given to hygiene, organisation and efficiency during the process.

# Deutsche Bank contributes for a brighter and greener future

In April 2024, 200 Deutsche Bank employees from Pune crafted over 800 paper pens for government school children. It was Akshaya Patra's first activity with the Pune team.



70 dedicated volunteers in Mumbai created educational posters and paper pens, directly aiding the beneficiaries' learning. These materials, based on topics from the school syllabus, will be prominently displayed in the classrooms, and the pens will be distributed to children.



50 volunteers in Mumbai took a proactive step by creating Math and English worksheets for government school children. These worksheets, designed to boost the brain development of the beneficiaries, will help them learn better, paving the way for a brighter future.



50 volunteers created seed balls and posters for Earth Day. This in-house contribution at their office campus was a significant step towards realising a greener planet for our children and spreading awareness about biodiversity through posters.

## Morningstar's creative efforts for children

1,200 Morningstar volunteers contributed invaluable time and effort to various activities supporting Akshaya Patra and its beneficiaries. In April 2024, they skillfully crafted vibrant cloth bags and soft pillows from used materials at their Mumbai and Delhi offices. They also created educational posters from their Panvel office in Maharashtra and painted colourful murals on the school walls.



## CISCO's 'EAT for a CAUSE' campaign

150 volunteers from CISCO took part in a hunger relief event in April 2024. They began their engagement with 'EAT for a CAUSE', a unique initiative that set the tone for the day. This was followed by seedball making and pulse cleaning activities that required immense energy and dedication. Their compassion and enthusiasm were palpable throughout the event, and they were particularly delighted with the meal they had a hand in preparing.



## CISCO designs posters for improved learning outcomes

In May 2024, a strong team of nearly 50 volunteers came together at CISCO's campus to create themed posters on a diverse range of topics, from floral anatomy to the water cycle. This collective effort aimed at enhancing learning outcomes in the classroom, showcasing the power of teamwork and community engagement.



## Swiss Re readies the school for children

In April 2024, 21 Swiss Re volunteers made a significant contribution to school rejuvenation during the Clean Slate Carnival event. This annual event, conducted by Akshaya Patra, is a crucial step in preparing the government schools before the children return.

29 enthusiastic volunteers from Swiss Re upcycled old notebooks to be distributed to our beneficiaries. They enjoyed learning a novel method of recycling old notebooks while contributing to students' welfare.





## Marsh McLennan promises a safer planet to children

In May 2024, 198 Marsh McLennan volunteers demonstrated their resolve for a greener world by making paper pens for government schools at their Mumbai and Pune offices.

## Deloitte celebrates their impact through floor walk

Deloitte conducted a floor walk across seven floors on its campus and presented Akshaya Patra's work to raise awareness about its goals, values and achievements. Close to 1,000 employees were a part of this initiative that took place in April 2024. It aimed to provide stakeholders an opportunity to witness the work Deloitte does first-hand and its impact on the community. Additionally, it sought to foster transparency and accountability within the organisation. The event was followed by Akshaya Patra's presentation of Deloitte's contribution over the past decade to foster a sense of pride among the employees.



## Marmon welcomes children back to school with handcrafted bags

In May 2024, 45 Marmon volunteers participated in an in-house activity: recycling used materials into tote bags. These vibrant, handcrafted bags, a labour of love, were gifted to children when they returned to school, fostering a personal connection between our volunteers and the recipients.

## Dell assembles school bags for 'Back to School' season

In May 2024, Dell's team of 100 volunteers assembled school kits with essentials like bags, notebooks, pencils, erasers, sharpeners and scales for 100 Akshaya Patra beneficiaries. This initiative, which positively impacts the students as well as the volunteers, is a testament to Dell's commitment to social responsibility.



## Salesforce empowers children with time management skills

In May 2024, 75 Salesforce volunteers presented a time learning clock model to benefit teachers and students with practical skills in time management. Through individual and group practices of the clock model, teachers can effectively illustrate the concept of time, enabling students to grasp its significance in their daily routines. This hands-on approach will foster a deeper understanding of time, enabling students to develop essential skills that are invaluable for their academic and personal growth.



## Elastic delights children with learning aids



20 Elastic volunteers made a significant impact on a beneficiary school in June 2024. They distributed essential stationary items such as calculators, geometry boxes, crayons, etc., and their interactions with the children left a lasting impression.

## A knowledge exchange with HGS

In June 2024, 16 employees from HGS embarked on a learning journey at the Mysuru kitchen, gaining valuable insights into its feeding operations. They then shared their knowledge with the children at a beneficiary school, discussing topics of general awareness. To conclude the day, the volunteers served hot and nutritious meals to the students.



## Philips promotes STEM education with kaleidoscopes

In June 2024, 60 volunteers from Philips participated in an enjoyable kaleidoscope-building activity in the presence of the CIO and its team from Netherlands. They crafted 83 kaleidoscopes to be distributed to the students. These models promote STEM education while being teaching aids to teachers.



# Franklin Templeton gifts school kits to children

In June 2024, 25 volunteers from Franklin Templeton in Vikarabad, Telangana, led by Ms Lakshmi Doddapaneni, CSR head, visited a beneficiary school in Hyderabad. They distributed 130 school kits, each containing a bag, three notebooks, pencil, pen, scale, water bottle and a food plate, providing comprehensive support to the students.



## Optimising education with NEST

The National Endeavour for Student Transformation (NEST) is the flagship initiative of The Akshaya Patra Foundation. It engages in the government education system to enhance the quality of education, create an environment which will contribute to improved learning outcomes and build an enjoyable schooling experience.

In the last quarter, support from our determined donors helped supplement the learning of some of our beneficiaries through digital resources and school rejuvenation projects.

## Digital education programme



Close to 15 digital education beneficiary schools were awarded gratitude certificates for their enthusiastic cooperation during the programme implementation. We also onboarded 100 additional students from three high schools in Thane to benefit from this programme.

## School rejuvenation

We completed the first phase of construction for GLPS Lakshmipura, Bengaluru.

## Events

We celebrated the first-ever International Play Day with 50 students from GLPS Medarahalli, Bengaluru and conducted personal hygiene sessions for 60 students from Sri Champakadhama Swamy School, Bannerghatta, Bengaluru.

## Revering togetherness

# Edward Lifescience helps staff understand heart health

In April 2024, 14 Edward Lifescience volunteers visited the Lucknow Kitchen. They then conducted an awareness session on heart health, distributed school bags and served mid-day meals to beneficiaries.



# Franklin Templeton's leadership visits Narsingi Kitchen

In April 2024, the leadership team of Franklin Templeton, led by Mr Alok Sethi, EVP, Head of Global Operations, visited the Narsingi Kitchen in Telangana to take a closer look at the operations and hand over their contribution for mid-day meals. The visiting team, which included Mr Kedar Kasture, Head of India Services Company; Mr Gaurav Garg, Director of Global Payroll and Finance Shared Services; and Ms Naga Lakshmi Doddapaneni, Department Coordinator, showed Franklin Templeton's enduring support towards improving child nutrition and education in India.

# Swiss Re dedicates time and effort at Akshaya Patra's Kandi Kitchen

In April 2024, 17 Swiss Re volunteers visited the Kandi Kitchen in Telangana. This experience not only enabled them to understand the various steps involved but also highlighted the importance of hygiene, organisation and efficiency in the kitchen setting.



## Dynata takes a closer look at mid-day meal preparation in Kandi



20 Dynata volunteers toured the Kandi Kitchen in Telangana in May 2024 and actively participated in the pre-processing of raw materials for the mid-day meals. This immersive experience deepened their understanding of the food preparation procedure at Akshaya Patra and the effort put into making clean and wholesome meals for children.

### News bites

## Nissan Motor India & Akshaya Patra's Partnership

Addressing the food and nutrition needs of underprivileged children in New Delhi, Nissan Motor India collaborated with The Akshaya Patra Foundation. This partnership has had a significant impact, providing 50 lakh nutritious meals to over 49,000 students, enhancing their academic performance and overall well-being.

- [thecsrjournal.in](https://thecsrjournal.in)



## Hope to aspirations



**B. Navyashree**  
7th standard, Z.P. Girls High School,  
Kuppam, Andhra Pradesh

*"I want to join the IAS ranks to give the people I serve a good future and a life of dignity."*



**Anuj Kumar Yadav**  
5th standard, Cantonment Board Model  
Primary School, Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh

*"I want to become an IAS officer to help children from socioeconomically challenged families get quality nutrition and education."*



**Gungun Kashyap**  
5th standard, Government Public School,  
Gadarpur, Uttarakhand

*"I want to become an English teacher and share knowledge with those without access to education."*



**Abhijit Parmar Vijaybhai**  
8th standard, Raipura Primary School,  
Vadodara, Gujarat

*"My goal is to become an electrical engineer because it is my father's dream."*



## Our government partners

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Government of Gujarat



Government of Jharkhand



Government of Karnataka



Government of Madhya Pradesh



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The Foundation hopes to continue its endeavours and build efficient partnerships with the government to serve more people.

Note - The list of states is in an alphabetical order.

## Our changemakers of the quarter

We are thankful to the 30,000+ corporates, philanthropists and individual donors for their generous contribution and continued support. We are privileged to have you onboard and work towards our mission to serve 3 million children each day.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the government and all our well-wishers who contributed to make this quarter successful.





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