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"I'll be a pilot and travel the world." Hitakshi





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Being Grateful



Dear changemakers,

As we continue our mission to nurture India's future flagbearers, I express my heartfelt gratitude to our esteemed partners. Your staunch support and commitment to Akshaya Patra's vision have been crucial in helping us achieve our goals.

In the last quarter, we witnessed remarkable examples of collaboration and generosity. While some of our partners pioneered sustainable energy solutions, others enhanced our meal preparation and delivery capabilities by investing in our kitchen infrastructure.

Moreover, our partners have gone beyond financial support, demonstrating their commitment to our cause through volunteering activities. By spending quality time with our beneficiaries, engaging them in fun activities, empowering them through insightful sessions and promoting their overall well-being, they have attested their boundless love and care for our nation's children.

What we are today is a validation of the power of collective impact. Your trust in Akshaya Patra inspires us to strive, and your contributions have a tangible impact on the lives of thousands of children.

Thank you for believing in our mission and joining us in fostering a 'Nourished India, Educated India'. Together, we WILL create a brighter tomorrow!

Ever grateful, Akshaya Patra family on behalf of 2.25 million children

In the spotlight

130 students receive scholarships for higher education

About 130 students selected from multiple government and government-aided schools received ₹25 lakh in scholarships under the education empowerment initiative 'Scholarship Programme' in August 2024. The Akshaya Patra Foundation initiated the scholarships in association with the Dr Majeed Foundation. The scholarships will support 75 students graduating from classes 11 or 12 and 55 students pursuing bachelor's degrees, covering their complete academic fees and further providing them with a chance to pursue higher education with financial assistance.



Akshaya Patra starts feeding in Baragaon block in Varanasi

After serving government school children in Sewapuri and Harhua blocks of Varanasi, Akshaya Patra's centralised kitchen in the city added the Baragaon block for the current academic session. Akshaya Patra's Varanasi kitchen was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2022 to provide hot, nutritious to primary school students in the city.



Adani Wilmar Limited contributes three meal delivery vehicles in Ahmedabad



Adani Wilmar generously contributed three new food distribution vehicles to Akshaya Patra in Ahmedabad, Gujarat. These vehicles will deliver over 6,600 meals every day to 48 schools across the city, reinforcing the joint commitment to nurturing the health and education of children.

Mr Angshu Mallick, MD & CEO; Saumin Sheth, Chief

Operating Officer; Ashok Kumar, Business Head, Food Service Division; Priya Agarwal, Manager; and Mandar Chitre, Assistant Manager, attended the vehicle flag-off event in Ahmedabad.

Adani Wilmar also pledged its continued support for the mid-day meal programme, aiming to reach 1,734 beneficiaries across 9 schools throughout Ahmedabad.

Cordis accelerates Akshaya Patra's efforts towards sustainability

In a significant step towards sustainability, the Cordis team visited Akshaya Patra's Thane kitchen in Maharashtra to flag off an electric vehicle sponsored by them. This eco-friendly initiative will enhance the efficiency of our feeding endeavour.

During their visit, the Cordis team took a comprehensive tour of the kitchen to gain a deeper understanding of Akshaya Patra's operations. This hands-on experience allowed them to witness firsthand the impact of their support.





Corteva Agriscience flags off nine meal delivery vehicles in Kandi

Corteva Agriscience inaugurated nine food distribution vehicles at our Kandi kitchen in Telangana, strengthening our endeavour to nourish children. Top leaders, including the South Asia head, attended the event and praised Akshaya Patra's initiatives and commitment to quality.

These Tata Ace (diesel) vehicles will deliver nutritious meals to 90 schools every day, benefitting over 18,000 children across the region.

Adama India Pvt Ltd supports Akshaya Patra's mission

Adama India Pvt Ltd reinforced its commitment to nourishing India's future with a generous contribution of ₹55 lakhs towards kitchen renovation and equipment upgrade in Warangal, Telangana.

This support will enhance our Warangal kitchen's efficiency.





Maanaveeya powers Akshaya Patra's sustainability efforts

Maanaveeya Development & Finance inaugurated a 37kW solar panel installation at our Narsingi kitchen in Telangana, reinforcing their commitment to sustainable development.

As a valued partner since 2019, Maanaveeya has pioneered eco-friendly initiatives across our Telangana kitchens, reducing our carbon footprint and enhancing efficiency.

Akshaya Patra is now in Chikkajala, Karnataka

This Chikkajala kitchen was inaugurated on 30 September 2024. It is Akshaya Patra's fifth kitchen in Bengaluru, the tenth kitchen in Karnataka, India and the 75th kitchen in the country. The new unit will serve nutritious mid-day meals in over 200 government and government-aided schools, impacting the lives of over 35,000 children and their families.

We express our deepest gratitude to the Thakkar Family Foundation, founded by Mr Janardan Thakkar and Ms Linda Thakkar, for generously sponsoring the Chikkajala kitchen construction.





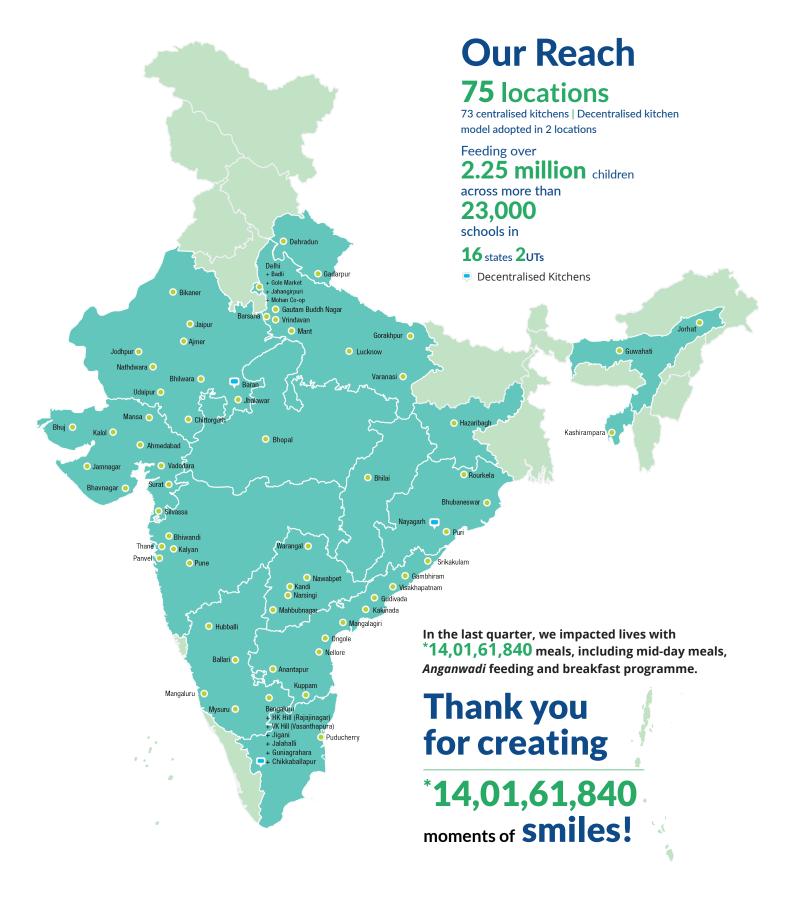






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MEALS SERVED



Meals served

ANDHRA PRADESH —	Meals Served
Anantapur	1,42,718
Gambhiram	8,32,508
Gudivada	3,42,371
Kakinada	7,27,913
Kuppam	15,50,514
Mangalagiri	14,88,414
Nellore	9,46,215
Srikakulam	12,11,840
Visakhapatnam	18,96,258
Ongole	1,29,789
ASSAM ————	
Guwahati	7,08,346
Jorhat	3,38,240
CHHATTISGARH —	
Bhilai	16,09,281
DELHI —	
Badli	9,29,318
Gole Market	3,69,369
Jahangirpuri	10,85,402
Delhi Mohan Co-op	14,32,824
DAMAN & DNH ——	
Silvassa	38,42,606
GUJARAT ———	
Ahmedabad	43,16,130
Bhavnagar	11,87,951
Bhuj	16,35,534
Jamnagar	13,41,927
Kalol	17,42,573
Mansa	13,51,428
Surat	1,00,14,788
Vadodara	53,97,122
JHARKHAND ———	
Hazaribagh	1,50,954

KARNATAKA —		
Ballari	65,55,674	
Chikkajala	Yet to start feeding	
HK Hill - Bengaluru	48,64,469	
VK Hill - Bengaluru	52,02,842	
Jigani	29,01,578	
Jalahalli - Bengaluru	7,27,742	
Hubballi	79,29,122	
Mangaluru	9,09,659	
Mysuru	12,82,685	
(includes Mahadevapı	ura)	
MADHYA PRADESH	ı ———	
Bhopal	21,36,641	
MAHARASHTRA -		
Bhiwandi	12,05,981	
Kalyan	4,19,756	
Panvel	7,38,450	
Thane	5,52,600	
Pune	4,37,276	
ODISHA —		
Bhubaneswar	50,75,714	
Nayagarh	12,78,185	
Puri	24,68,022	
Rourkela	23,74,760	
PUDUCHERRY —		
Puducherry	29,01,243	
RAJASTHAN —		
Ajmer	10,79,933	
Baran	3,21,675	
Bhilwara	7,93,260	
Bikaner	10,41,236	
Chittorgarh	7,06,302	
Jaipur	57,39,641	
Jhalawar	6,30,137	
Jodhpur	5,95,784	
Nathdwara	21,02,223	
Udaipur	10,48,652	

TAMIL NADU —	
Chennai	1,92,840
TELANGANA ———	
Hyderabad	52,76,501
Narsingi	16,90,431
Mahbubnagar	6,81,980
Nawabpet	12,69,215
Warangal	4,23,432
TRIPURA -	
Kashirampara	56,460
UTTAR PRADESH ——	
Gorakhpur	8,58,749
Lucknow	63,12,966
Mant	10,63,574
Barsana	3,11,442
Varanasi	40,22,948
Vrindavan	56,13,123
Gautam Buddh Nagar	2,68,592
UTTARAKAND ———	
Dehradun	11,82,546
Gadarpur	1,93,466





Revering togetherness

Wells Fargo crafts learning resources for children

An incredible in-house volunteering event with Wells Fargo featured a turnout of 400 volunteers in Bengaluru. They participated in model clock-making and poster-making activities. This was a paid volunteering initiative which contributed in dollars on the Benevity platform. The volunteers showcased their creativity with the most unique and creative clock models and posters, which will double as helpful teaching aids in government schools.

In July 2024, 200 Wells Fargo volunteers in Hyderabad crafted time learning clocks to help teachers better illustrate the concept of time to children.





RWS designs posters for improved learning outcomes

RWS Group's Mumbai team made a meaningful impact in July, as 50 volunteers crafted engaging educational posters during an in-house activity. These vibrant visual aids will stimulate learning and inspire our young beneficiaries.



Hafele spends quality time with children

In July 2024, 40 volunteers from Hafele embodied the spirit of giving back, visiting Akshaya Patra's beneficiary school in Kalyan, Maharashtra. Through interactive activities, they crafted eco-friendly paper pens with students, fostering creativity and sustainability. They also served mid-day meals, spreading love and care.







ABB employees join forces to serve MDM

ABB's Delhi team took to the field in July 2024, serving wholesome meals to government school students. Notably, senior leaders from the Administration and Human Resources departments joined the effort, demonstrating ABB's commitment to giving back.

Infogain delights children with handcrafted bags

Infogain's 22 volunteers from the Noida office and five volunteers from the Gurgaon office in Uttar Pradesh transformed old t-shirts into reusable tote bags. This hands-on workshop not only promoted eco-friendly practices but also fostered creativity and teamwork. These vibrant, handcrafted bags were gifted to children, fostering a personal connection between our volunteers and the recipients. Through the activity, participants repurposed textile waste, contributing to environmental conservation while learning a valuable and practical skill.





Deutsche Bank gifts exam pads and empowers children with insightful sessions

In August, 30 Deutsche Bank volunteers in Bengaluru dedicated their time to Akshaya Patra's Jigani kitchen, preparing and serving nutritious mid-day meals to students. They also distributed exam pads to support upcoming exams and engaged with children, sharing laughter and inspiration.





In Jaipur, 25 volunteers made a meaningful impact at an Akshaya Patra beneficiary school. They conducted sessions on personal safety (good touch and bad touch) and environmental awareness, culminating in fun games and activities that promoted social interaction, happiness and invaluable life





Western Digital promotes STEM education with kaleidoscopes

In August 2024, 100 Western Digital volunteers crafted kaleidoscopes to be distributed to the students. These models promote STEM education while being teaching aids to teachers.

Teleperformance celebrates festival with a heartfelt gesture

On 14 August 2024, 30 Teleperformance volunteers came together on their office campus to craft *rakhis*. These handmade *rakhis* were then distributed to school children in Kalyan, Maharashtra, spreading joy and warmth during the festive season.



Evoke Technologies employees spread joy and nourishment

On a heartwarming visit to a beneficiary school in Kandi, Telangana, 22 Evoke Technologies employees served midday meals to government school students. This activity sparked smiles among the children and the volunteers alike, fostering a sense of connection and supporting education through nutrition.





Adobe's creative efforts for children

Over 80 employees at the Adobe office unleashed their creativity at a clay pot painting event as part of their CSR volunteering activity organised by Akshaya Patra. The event in Delhi brought together team members to paint and decorate clay pots. Romia Malhotra, Senior Administrative Assistant at Adobe, also participated in the event. It was a fun-filled activity of artistry and teamwork. The vibrant masterpieces created are a testament to the positive impact made through this collective effort, fostering a sense of social responsibility and camaraderie among employees.

ADOBE's 107 volunteers came together to create kaleidoscopes for children in government schools. The event was a huge success, with senior leadership from Adobe also joining in to witness the enthusiasm and creativity of the volunteers. The event was a delightful display of teamwork, compassion and innovation, showcasing the power of collective effort to make a positive impact.





A day of love, laughter and learning with LG

As part of LG's 'Life is Good Nutrition Programme', 14 volunteers from LG came together to bring joy and nutrition to children. The event in Delhi and Vrindavan kicked off with the distribution of mid-day meals, providing the children with a nutritious and wholesome treat. Deepika Kukreti, DGM, Corporate Communication

& CSR, LG, also participated in the event. The excitement continued with a fun-filled painting activity, where the children's creativity and imagination knew no bounds. The volunteers also distributed colouring kits to the children. The beaming smiles on the children's faces said it all - a day filled with love, laughter and nourishment.



Bank of America sparks smiles in Delhi



15 dedicated volunteers from Bank of America came together to make a difference in the lives of government school children. The team visited Akshaya Patra's beneficiary school in Delhi and served nutritious mid-day meals to the excited students, bringing smiles to their faces. They distributed colouring kits to the children and took a kitchen tour to witness first hand the meticulous preparation and effort it takes to support lakhs of children every day.

Medtronic's safety and sustainability sessions for children

12 Medtronic volunteers joined forces with Akshaya Patra to organise a rewarding volunteering event. The team delivered two impactful sessions - one on 'good touch and bad touch' to educate children about personal safety and boundaries and another on environmental awareness to instil the importance of sustainability. Following the sessions, the volunteers served a nutritious mid-day meal to the children, bringing smiles to their faces.



Salesforce extends care with green gifts for children

Salesforce participated in an in-house volunteering event and transformed old newspapers into colourful pens, chalk boxes, flowers and vases. They also poured their hearts into writing uplifting notes for children in government schools. These handmade creations and heartfelt messages bring joy to young minds, inspiring them to dream big and achieve their full potential.



Micron's gifts colour young lives with confidence





20 volunteers from Micron toured the Kandi kitchen in Telangana and created colourful motivational cards for government school children in September 2024. The cards read messages about keeping an optimistic outlook and believing in oneself that will inspire children to persevere and spark bright smiles on their faces.

Celanese delights children with presents for fun and fitness

15 enthusiastic volunteers from Celanese came together in September 2024 to serve nutritious mid-day meals to government school children and distributed sports kits to aid their physical and mental well-being. They also spent some quality time interacting with the children through fun games and activities.



NTT inaugurates the new GHS Lakshmipura school building



NTT DATA, a global digital business and IT services leader, in collaboration with The Akshaya Patra Foundation, inaugurated the newly built government school in Lakshmipura, Bengaluru. The school serves

241 students, with a gender distribution of 131 boys and 110 girls, providing them with a nurturing environment to thrive academically and personally.

Highlights of the new facility:

• **Innovative design:** The school's circular structure maximises energy efficiency and sustainability while covering a total built-up area of 902 square meters.



• **Health and nutrition:** A kitchen garden on the premises allows students to participate in growing organic produce, encouraging healthy eating and sustainable living practices.



- Physical and security measures: The school's commitment to safety is evident in the installation of CCTV systems, modern toilet facilities and extensive outdoor sports areas, ensuring a safe and conducive learning environment that will reassure all stakeholders.
- Water conservation: The school's commitment to sustainability is further underscored by the inclusion of a rainwater harvesting system, a feature that is sure to inspire.
- Enhanced learning tools: Students have access to a computer lab and a well-stocked library equipped with modern educational technologies.





75 NTT employees volunteered for two days with students at GLPS Lakshmipura's new building in Bengaluru, Karnataka, to set up kitchen gardens. 50 NTT employees also volunteered at the VK Hill and HK Hill kitchens for two days.







Children spend time at Western Digital corporate office

A team of 95 students and three teachers from GGPUC Basavanagudi, GPUC Audugodi and GPUC Madiwala in Bengaluru visited Western Digital's corporate office for industrial exposure, aimed at providing them with insights into the corporate world and potential career paths.



GPUC Malleshwaram students receive digital tablets to support learning

100 students from three schools received digital tablets in Thane, Maharashtra, and 60 newly enrolled GPUC Malleshwaram students in Bengaluru, Karnataka were trained on tablet and app usage.



Revering togetherness

Ingersoll's leadership learns about Akshaya Patra's operations in Delhi

In July 2024, Ingersoll's senior leadership, including Silky Puri, Chief Strategic Head, and Aditi Mehrotra, Marketing & CSR Head, toured Akshaya Patra's centralised kitchen in Delhi. 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.



LSEG dedicates time and effort at the Ballari kitchen

In August 2024, 35 London Stock Exchange Group (LSEG) volunteers engaged themselves in Akshaya Patra's Ballari kitchen operations, assisting in meal preparation and serving mid-day meals to students at a beneficiary school. Through interactions with kitchen staff and government school children in remote areas, they gained valuable insights into Akshaya Patra's commitment to nourishing children.



UKB Electronics lauds the power of MDM

Mr Manoj Katiyal, MD, and Mr Sudhir Jain, CFO from UKB Electronics Pvt Ltd, toured Akshaya Patra's DMC Delhi kitchen in August 2024. They were pleased to witness the scale and efficiency of our meal preparation and applauded the spirit of our kitchen team in serving wholesome mid-day meals to thousands of children every day.





BHEL- GE inaugurates rice silos at Akshaya Patra, Kandi

In September 2024, Dharmesh Save, MD; Rajasree B, Dy MD; Prabhakar K, CFO; and Ravi P, CSR SPOC from BHEL- GE, visited the Kandi kitchen in Telangana and inaugurated rice silos. Rice silos is an essential kitchen equipment that helps store rice required to prepare mid-day meals.

SA Consultant Group experiences Akshaya Patra's mission firsthand

The leadership team from the SA Consultant Group visited Akshaya Patra's kitchen, witnessing firsthand the meticulous preparation of nutritious mid-day meals. They were impressed by the state-of-theart facilities and the efficiency of the operations. Following the kitchen visit, they proceeded to a nearby government school, where they participated in serving the meals to the children. Seeing the joy and excitement on the faces of the young beneficiaries, they experienced the profound impact of the programme.



Black Rock dedicates a day to serving children

100 dedicated volunteers from Black Rock embarked on a journey from Gurgaon, Haryana to Vrindavan, Uttar Pradesh, driven by a shared purpose - to make a difference in the lives of others. Their first stop was two government schools, where they distributed mid-day meals and gifts to children, bringing smiles and joy to their young faces. The volunteers then made their way to Akshaya Patra's kitchen, where they donned aprons and got hands-on experience in pre-processing for the mid-day meals. After a fulfilling session of cooking and learning, they took a comprehensive kitchen tour, gaining insight into the organisation's remarkable efforts in providing nutritious meals to thousands of children. The day culminated in a spiritual and serene temple visit, where the volunteers sought blessings and reflected on the day's experiences.



News bites

Budget lays a strong foundation for building future-ready workforce: Industry leaders



Shridhar Venkat, CEO, The Akshaya Patra Foundation: The 2024-2025 budget brings positive direction for education and nutrition in India. The National Means cum Merit Scholarship Scheme has received a significant boost, with ₹2,377 crore allocated for 2024-25. Together, these initiatives will help talented

students from economically weaker sections continue their education beyond schooling, reducing dropouts and nurturing potential.

The PM POSHAN (formerly Mid-Day Meal) scheme has been allocated ₹12,467.39 crore for 2024-25. This

represents a significant 24.67% increase from the revised estimate of ₹10,000 crore in 2023-24. This substantial investment in our children's nutrition is heartening.

These strategic allocations, coupled with the five-year extension of the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY), form a comprehensive approach that

directly addresses multiple Sustainable Development Goals. By combating hunger and promoting education, we are making significant strides towards SDG 2 (Zero Hunger), SDG 4 (Quality Education) and SDG 10 (Reduced Inequalities). This budget takes us another step closer to achieving the Zero Hunger SDG and ensuring quality education for all.

Courtesy: government.economictimes.indiatimes.com

Three Akshaya Patra kitchens in Telangana to use renewable energy

The Akshaya Patra Foundation, in collaboration with HSBC Global Service Centres, India, launched three new sustainability projects at its kitchens in Kandi (Sangareddy), Narsingi (Rangareddy) and Warangal in Telangana. These kitchens will make use of a 165-kW solar plant and a 2,000 kg capacity biogas plant. The energy conservation units are expected to generate clean, renewable energy, reducing CO2 emissions by approximately 152 tonnes annually. These kitchens supply hot, nutritious mid-day meals to 18,803 beneficiaries.



Courtesy: deccanchronicle.com



Hope to aspirations



Ujjal 5th standard, Guwahati, Assam

I want to become a cricketer. I have crossed 100 runs in test matches and I am also the team captain.



Yashaswi GH 9th standard, Bengaluru, Karnataka

We receive food in sufficient quantity. It is piping hot, with the right amount of spices for the best taste.



Dharamveer 7th standard, Bikaner, Rajasthan

I want to become an IAS officer and develop Bikaner into a big city.



Hitakshi 7th standard, Vadodara, Gujarat

I will become a pilot and fly a plane high in the sky. I want to travel the world.

Our government partners

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Government of Uttarakhand

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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