



# Vision

For Reliance, social commitment is strongly driven with the philosophy of 'We Care'. While addressing the nation's multifaceted development challenges, the central philosophy is the commitment to enhance the quality of life of people from marginalised and vulnerable communities. Through Reliance Foundation, the aim is to create replicable and scalable models of development through an integrated approach. These CSR initiatives are carried out in the true Reliance spirit of maximising social value for all, towards sustainable development.



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Jagannatha Kumar



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**In pursuit of our defined vision, we collaborate closely with government entities, civil society organisations and communities. Our motivation stems from Reliance method of forging social impact—creating innovative solutions for the social and development sectors that align with sustainable development goals and India's national priorities.**

**~76 Million**  
People reached cumulatively

**595 districts reached, including 55,500+ villages and urban locations**

## Introduction

# Towards a future where every individual achieves their potential

At Reliance, we believe that a spirit of innovation and bold approaches can make a difference in people's lives. Our activities throughout the year reflect the approach 'Reliance for All – Growth for All, Care for All, Access for All'. The year FY 2023-24 presented numerous opportunities to innovate for a future where every individual, especially the most in need, has an enabling environment to achieve their potential.

Throughout the year, we embarked on a range of CSR initiatives at the community level, while we continued our journey of building world-class institutions. Reliance also adopted innovative approaches to accelerate India's progress towards the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs), undertaking transformative social development projects in Rural Transformation, Education, Health, Women Empowerment, Sports, Disaster Management and Arts, Culture

and Heritage. These initiatives, implemented by the Reliance Foundation, extend beyond our plant locations to embrace entire nation.

During the past year, Reliance significantly expanded its support for education, spanning from strong early childhood education programmes to higher education and lifelong learning opportunities. We forged new partnerships and refined our approaches to enhance stakeholder capacity. Reliance Foundation also rolled out one of India's largest and most comprehensive scholarships programmes for higher education.

Reliance is intensifying efforts to empower women and girls across different spheres, from grassroots to leadership levels, enhancing women's agency and capacity across education, sports and technology adoption.

Building momentum for India, Reliance's sports initiatives range from the grassroots to a large Olympic

mission. Anchored by a focussed vision and strong values, our goal is to strengthen the entire sports ecosystem and bring global attention to India's Olympic aspirations.

In times of disasters, Reliance Foundation has stepped forward to offer immediate relief and rescue. Working alongside volunteers and communities, we focus on resilience and adopt approaches, including nature-based solutions against hazards.

The progress and impact through our CSR initiatives reaffirm Reliance's commitment that 'We Care'; contributing to India's national priorities and building a hopeful future for all.

During the FY 2023-24, Reliance contributed ₹1,592 crore as part of various impactful CSR initiatives across the country.

**Programmatically, as of March 2024, the total number of people reached is as follows:**

**20.27 Million+**  
Rural Transformation

**22.90 Million+**  
Sports for Development

**9.29 Million+**  
Health

**20.18 Million+**  
Disaster Management

**1.79 Million+**  
Education

**860,000+**  
Women Empowerment

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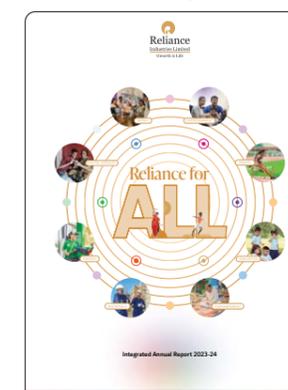


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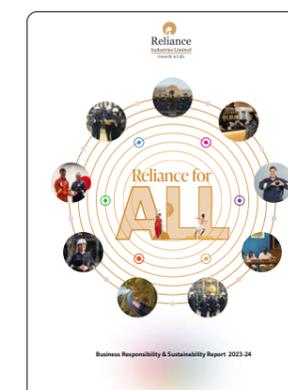
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**2.6 Million+**  
Individuals reached  
across India

**3.7 Million+**  
People to whom livelihood  
advisories were disseminated

Aimed at empowering rural communities, the Rural Transformation programme of Reliance Foundation continued to evolve through FY 2023-24, keeping with emerging challenges, especially related to climate change. During the year, the programme focused on climate resilience and sustainable rural livelihoods reaching 2.6 million+ people.

Driving impact at scale across diverse landscapes, the programme also established sustainable and replicable models for livelihoods, combining hands-on engagement with digital outreach. These initiatives are backed by focused partnerships for technical support and implementation.

# Rural Transformation



## Building Climate Resilience, Harvesting Prosperity

During FY 2023-24, Reliance Foundation continued to progress towards enabling climate-resilient villages. By introducing new knowledge, trainings and facilitating resource availability for converting knowledge into practice, a comprehensive strategy has helped create 1,229 climate-resilient villages across 24 districts in eight states of India.

For the sustainability of these efforts, a cadre of local youth is being nurtured and trained as Climate Champions. During the year, 900 local people were identified and are being equipped with knowledge about natural resource management and livelihoods. These champions have been sensitising communities and enhancing their resilience.

**900**  
Individuals identified as  
Climate Champions

### Promotion of Climate Smart Agricultural Practices

Small and marginal farmers are most vulnerable to climate change impact. Therefore, making agricultural systems climate-resilient is a key focus area of Reliance Foundation's efforts.

During FY 2023-24, Reliance Foundation enabled farmers to adopt climate-smart agricultural practices, including soil management, climate-resilient crop varieties improving, their water-use efficiency, integrated pest and nutrient management and mechanisation of farm operations. About 39,000 hectares of land have been brought under these improved farming practices, bettering the livelihoods of over 53,278 farmers. Reliance Foundation also provided information and awareness advisories to over 37 lakh farmers and fisherpersons across India to enhance knowledge and build improved practices.

One of the initiatives to enhance sharing of knowledge among rural communities is Digital Farm Schools (DFS) – groups of farmers and fisherpersons brought together in-person and through digital platforms.

Reliance Foundation's DFS have significantly accelerated the uptake of locally relevant climate-resilient practices and technologies, such as tolerant and resistant varieties, less water-intensive sowing techniques and crops, mechanical and biological pest control, optimising crop calendars, alternate cropping, scheduling irrigation, etc., among nearly 33,000 farmers in diverse agro-climatic zones.

The shared knowledge among members of the DFS has been aggregated into localised packages of practices for 10 crops and is currently made available to over 3.4 million farmers.

**39,000+** Hectares  
Farmland brought under improved  
farming practices

**10%+**  
Increase in crop productivity from  
adopting best practices

### Measuring Climate Resilience – the CRI Tool

Climate resilience is the ability of a system to withstand and recover from climate shocks by adapting to changing conditions. It involves absorbing disturbances, recovering from them and maintaining essential functions. This applies to ecosystems, communities and infrastructure, and being resilient ensures they can continue to function sustainably despite challenges.

Reliance Foundation has rolled out a Climate Resilience Index (CRI), a dynamic tool that measures the level of climate resilience of an area, including the community and their interactions within the

ecosystem. This index is derived from the following:

1. Climate Change Awareness, Community Preparedness, Social Cohesion
2. Production and Agricultural Practices
3. Water Governance and Resource Management
4. Producer Networks, Marketing and Risk Management
5. Women's Empowerment
6. Diversified Livelihoods and Food Availability
7. Bio-physical – Forests and Plantations





~285 Lakh cubic metres

Enhanced water harvesting capacity

972

Villages benefited from improved access to drinking water

### Community-based Water Resource Management

To facilitate improved water resource management, various community-based approaches are adopted.

During the past year,

- Participatory assessment of natural resources and creation of management plans in over 1,500 villages where the Rural Transformation programme is working.
- Based on these analyses, water harvesting capacity was enhanced by nearly 285 lakh cubic metres through the renovation of water harvesting structures and groundwater recharge across 868 villages.
- Over 100 low-cost, community-driven water harvesting structures called Bori Bandhan were created, resulting in assuring the irrigation in more than 650 acres of farmland in Shahdol and Kotma districts of Madhya Pradesh in the areas of the CBM project.

Reliance Foundation worked on ensuring last-mile availability of water within homes in 1,486 villages across different locations. Over 17,000 households were supported in grey water management for reuse or recharge.

### Food Basket Diversification

Reliance Foundation works to diversify diets at the household level with nutrition awareness, setting up of nutrition gardens and providing training. Nearly 50,000 households were impacted through nutrition awareness and training programmes.

Additionally, promotion of biofortified varieties of wheat, pulses and millets have significantly contributed to improving the availability and utilisation of diverse nutritious crop varieties.



### Improving Incomes Through the Strengthening of Agri-value Chains

During FY 2023-24, Reliance Foundation worked in 24 crop value chains to help farmers achieve higher productivity, improve their farming practices and realise higher incomes. Improved seed varieties of soybean, mustard, wheat, chickpeas, turmeric and other crops were introduced to over 18,000 farmers.

18,000+

Farmers introduced to improved crop varieties



### Promoting Millets for Climate Resilience, Income and Nutrition

Millets are known as nutritious and climate-resilient cereals. However, the millet cultivation area in India has reduced to less than a third over the last few decades. To revive and encourage the production and consumption of millets, Reliance Foundation has been working with millet farmers to enhance crop productivity, value addition, enable access to markets and consumption.

One such initiative is the millet value chain intervention in Mandla, Madhya Pradesh, where Reliance Foundation convened stakeholders like NABARD, GIZ, ICRISAT and Columbia University to help develop economic incentives to encourage millet farming and consumption. Reliance Foundation is also partnering with HarvestPlus to encourage biofortified pearl millet cultivation in Rajasthan and help women's groups market ready-to-eat millet-based foods in Patan, Gujarat.

#### SPOTLIGHT

##### Seeds of Tomorrow

Reliance Foundation convened a national millet stakeholder event in New Delhi in December. Policymakers, farmer representatives, development sector stakeholders, researchers and industry representatives discussed the need for greater collaboration, increased farmer-focused efforts and successes and challenges in practice and policy across India's millet landscape.

### Enhancing Livelihoods with Tech and Improved Farming Practices

Enabling communities' access to technology, Reliance Foundation supported smallholder farmers in accessing and using agri-tech like drones, boom sprayers, satellite guidance, seed drills for sowing, transplanters, digital transactions in farmer collectives and AI-based grain grading. Agricultural technological interventions were implemented on more than 39,000 hectares of agricultural land during the year.

During FY 2023-24, the Rural Transformation programme, disseminated livelihood related advisories to over 3.4 million farmers, for improved incomes. By adopting digital means, Reliance Foundation provided scientific, data-driven knowledge on agriculture, agri-allied and fisheries.



3.4 Million+ Farmers reached with livelihood advisories

### Strengthening Farmer Producer Organisations (FPOs)

During the year, Reliance Foundation worked with over 150 farmer collectives, building capabilities, linking them to markets and helping them in improving their governance. These farmer collectives transacted with more than 97,000 farmers for over C143 crore, experiencing, on average, 13.7% better market returns compared to the local market.

#### SPOTLIGHT

##### Nurturing Local CEOs for FPOs

Reliance Foundation established FPO-LEAD (FPO Leadership Excellence and Development), a unique initiative that seeks to nurture a pool of CEO-ready talent for FPOs. FPO-LEAD is designed as an experiential blended management training, combining internships, continuous mentoring and industry interactions.

Small and marginal farmers, constituting 86% of all farmers, face significant market challenges as they cannot operate at scale individually. Farmer collectives such as FPOs have the advantages of aggregation. However, the lack of skilled human resources, particularly CEOs, is inhibiting the success of FPOs.

The FPO-LEAD is imparting real-time business skills to village youth and preparing them for CEO roles in FPOs. Reliance Foundation aims to nurture at least 3,500 potential CEOs in collaboration with national institutions such as NABARD and NRLM.





## Diversification of Income Sources and Women’s Enterprises

The Rural Transformation programme aims to bring income stability to households and diversify their income sources. Women play a key role in these efforts. Taking a livelihood cluster development approach to enable farm diversification into agri-allied and non-farm-based livelihoods, Reliance Foundation worked with over 7000+ women SHGs and collectives during the year.

Reliance Foundation promotes women and rural entrepreneurship by conducting microenterprise development trainings to support business planning and financial linkages. Women across 81 clusters in various sub-sectors, including dairy, goatery, handicrafts, fisheries, lac production, non-timber forest products (NTFP) and horticulture, realised increased incomes through Reliance Foundation’s interventions.

The programme also helped strengthen access to technology and digital literacy among women. It equipped over 84,000 women with digital literacy skills and supported them in accessing advisories through various platforms, including mobile phones. Further, digital advisories focusing on kitchen gardens, mushroom cultivation, backyard poultry and livestock keeping reached 20,675 women in FY 2023-24.

**7,000+**  
Women SHGs benefitted through livelihood development initiatives

### SPOTLIGHT

#### Vegetable Production Cluster Enhancing Income

The Rural Transformation programme is enabling farmers, especially women, to take up vegetable cultivation through 21 vegetable production clusters across multiple states. The initiative involves intensifying vegetable production, dissemination of improved package of practices, enabling adoption of technology, collectivisation, primary level processing and strengthening input-output market linkages for better returns. Through this cluster development approach, over 16,000+ vegetable growers were supported in increasing their incomes.

**An assessment of this initiative showed that it resulted in a 21.4% increase in net annual income from an acre of land.**

## Expanding Livestock and Fisheries

Reliance Foundation also supported 3.02 lakh marine fisherpersons by providing advisories sourced from its knowledge partner, INCOIS. This resulted in sustainable, safe and economical fishing practices.

While working with fishing communities, end-to-end support was provided to women-led fishing enterprises operating in Odisha’s community and individual ponds. These interventions involved improving feed and fodder management, breed improvement, strengthening linkages with local markets and fish health management, which resulted in increased productivity, higher incomes and reduced mortality, especially in goats.

**3.02 Lakh**  
Marine fisherpersons supported through advisories



### CASE STUDY

#### Enhancing Incomes in Dairy

To augment dairy-based livelihoods sustainably and strengthen the dairy sub-sector, Reliance Foundation is helping farmers access technologies like artificial insemination with sex-sorted semen for livestock. Through this technology, farmers can increase the number of superior heifers, accelerate the genetic improvement of their herds for better milk production and earn higher incomes without increasing the herd size undesirably.

Sex sorted insemination is being made available to farmers in collaboration with BAIF Livelihoods, NDDB-NDS promoted Mahi Dairy Company and the departments of Animal Husbandry in Rajasthan, Gujarat and Telangana.

Through this initiative, 452 animals were inseminated, providing opportunity for enhancing livelihoods through breed improvement.



### CASE STUDY

#### Strengthening Livelihoods of Marine Fisherfolk

Reliance Foundation disseminates information about Potential Fishing Zones (PFZ), sourced from INCOIS, to promote sustainable, safe and economical fishing. PFZs are regions in the sea where fish are likely to be found, along with other information that helps ensure safe and sustainable fishing and hygienic handling of fish. Reliance Foundation also conducts awareness and stakeholder discussion programmes to help fisherpersons avail of these information services. Reliance Foundation, along with INCOIS, hosted a national stakeholder programme in August for Maharashtra’s fishing community for the western region.

incurring loss of fuel, labour, food and ice that we carried to freeze fish. Now, after getting information from Reliance Foundation on Ocean State Forecast, I can plan my trips. Last year, I did not venture into the sea when I learnt that wind speed was four times higher. This saved me about ₹20,000 in fuel cost.”

Santosh Mohan Dorlekar from Gawde Ambere village in Ratnagiri district, Maharashtra, who has been fishing for more than 25 years, says, “Earlier, due to sudden changes in sea conditions, I used to return to shore from midway,





### Skilling for Bright Futures

The Skilling and Employment initiatives of Reliance identify, mobilise and empower youth from marginalised sections, ensuring they actively participate in India's growth trajectory. It empowers youth with necessary skills, connecting them to career opportunities in sectors such as service and retail.

Over 14,000 youth were trained during FY 2023-24, with over 90% linked to various jobs in the retail sector. The programme contributes to the UN SDGs for Quality Education, Decent Work and Economic Growth.

In February, Reliance Foundation and the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) announced a strategic partnership to create courses with future-ready skills for 500,000 Indian youth. This partnership entails the development of a curriculum focused on equipping youth in fields including EdTech, cybersecurity, artificial intelligence (AI), environmental sustainability, policy analysis and much more.

**14,298**  
Total youth trained

**13,315**  
Total youth placed

**93%**  
Youth linked to retail sector jobs

CASE STUDY

#### Suyash's Journey: Skilled to Succeed

Suyash Sanjay Mohite, a 26-year-old from Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, found his life transforming through Reliance Foundation Skilling and Employment programme. Motivated by his ambition to excel and uplift his family's living standards, Suyash learned about this programme from a friend. He recognised the value of enhancing his knowledge and skills to advance his career in the sales domain.

Hailing from a family of modest means, Suyash faced numerous obstacles. However, his determination and the opportunities facilitated by Reliance Foundation became a turning point in his life.



Today, Suyash is proud to be a fashion consultant for a renowned brand. His monthly earnings have helped fulfil his

dream of contributing to his family's income while also providing a sense of accomplishment.

Reliance Foundation is playing a key role in facilitating linkages to financial services and social security schemes through awareness camps and documentation support. Over 65,000 individuals (60% women) were

supported in accessing financial services and social security schemes through the Rural Transformation programme. Overall, bank linkages worth ₹113 crore were facilitated during the year. Access to bank accounts, loans,

insurance, government schemes and other financial products and services helped rural communities make their livelihoods resilient.

CASE STUDY

#### Mission Sahyog's Strategic Success

Mission Sahyog, an award-winning initiative led by the Model Economic Township and Reliance Foundation to bridge access gaps to social security, has made significant progress in 11 villages of Haryana's Jhajjar district. The initiative aims to empower marginalised individuals by increasing their access to government welfare policies.

Employing a three-pronged strategy – awareness, support and capacity building – nearly 1,900 families have been connected to various government schemes. These include Aayushman Card, E-Shram Card, Atal Pension Yojana, Sukanya Samridhi Yojana, and more. Through Mission Sahyog, benefits of over ₹4.91 crore were realised by its community members.





**9.2 Million**  
Individuals reached  
since inception

**~7.1 Lakh**  
Consultations provided through  
Health Outreach initiatives in  
FY 2023-24

Guided by its 'Health for All' motto, which is rooted in Reliance's 'We Care' philosophy, Reliance Foundation works to enhance access to quality and affordable healthcare in India. During FY 2023-24, Reliance Foundation's healthcare initiatives reached over 2 lakh individuals, contributing to individual and community well-being.

These initiatives make primary to tertiary care accessible to the most vulnerable sections of the society, complementing the quaternary care provided by Sir H. N. Reliance Foundation Hospital and Research Centre. Awareness enhancement efforts at the community level are tightly woven into the programme. Reliance Foundation's health outreach initiatives have reached more than 9.2 million people since inception.

# Health



## Taking Essential Healthcare to the Last Mile

Reliance Foundation bridges healthcare gaps in rural areas through Mobile Medical Units (MMUs), Static Medical Units (SMUs), Community Health Centres (CHCs), community health camps, telemedicine consultations, door-to-door screenings and counselling initiatives. In FY 2023-24, about 7.1 lakh consultations were provided, addressing public health issues like anaemia, malnutrition, tuberculosis, HIV/AIDS and cancer.

The MMUs are key to healthcare services at the last mile. Of the 2.4 lakh consultations that took place during the year through the Sir H. N. Reliance Foundation Hospital's Health Outreach programme covering 75 communities in Mumbai, Navi Mumbai, Palghar and Bhiwandi, more than 61,000 consultations were facilitated by the MMUs.

### Healthcare Outreach Initiatives

- Anaemia and malnutrition
- Tuberculosis
- HIV/AIDS
- Cancer
- Vision and dental care
- Orthopaedics
- Gastrointestinal issues



In Madhya Pradesh's Shahdol and Kotma, MMUs serve 150 villages in the CBM project locations. During the year, over 1 lakh primary and preventive healthcare consultations were provided through MMUs. Reliance Foundation also partnered with Shahdol district's health department to organise targeted and multi-specialty health camps pertaining to eye care, orthopaedic, gastrointestinal issues and dental problems to the benefit of more than 1,000 people.

In Jhajjar, Haryana, MMUs served 20 villages, providing over 32,000 consultations. Reliance Foundation conducted health camps with 40 specialised healthcare services at the village level. Reliance Aarogya Clinic was established to provide primary healthcare, focusing on construction workers, and offers specialised medical services virtually.

In Vadodara, Gujarat, MMUs provided healthcare services in 13 villages, offering over 13,500 consultations and medication free of charge. Specialised medical camps, including a mega medical camp in Aangadh village focusing on dental and oral health, and a multi-specialty camp in Undera village, added to the medical

services provided by MMUs. First-aid training in primary schools and CPR training on World Heart Day were part of the awareness creation efforts taken up during the year.

In Gadimoga, Andhra Pradesh, Reliance Foundation supported patients visiting a PHC facility built in 2016 through the KGD6 project. A mega medical camp at the facility treated 360 patients. In Jamnagar, villagers from 24 surrounding villages benefitted from 2 lakh+ consultations and a free ambulance service transported victims of road accidents and medical emergencies. In Nagothane, Maharashtra, an MMU served 11 villages, and an emergency ambulance service started in December 2023 improved healthcare accessibility.

**2.4 Lakh+**  
Consultations through Sir H. N. Reliance Foundation Hospital's Health Outreach in Mumbai

**4.6 Lakh+**  
Consultations across other locations

## Advancing Healthcare with Compassion and Care

Sir H. N. Reliance Foundation Hospital and Research Centre is a 360-bed multi-specialty quaternary care hospital in Mumbai that provides care in Cardiac Sciences, Gastroenterology & Hepatobiliary Sciences, Liver Transplant, Nephro-Urology, Neuro Sciences, Oncology, Orthopaedics & Spine, and Woman & Child Health. It is equipped with state-of-the-art medical technology and has the finest professionals in medicine providing world-class care. From its physical design to its daily functioning, Sir H. N. Reliance Foundation Hospital is providing 'Patient and Family Centric' clinical care across the hospital which is standardised across all socio-economic strata.

Recognised as one of India's top healthcare facilities, the Sir H. N. Reliance Foundation Hospital and Research Centre Hospital continued to see a rise in the number of admissions, OPD consultations and surgeries during 2023-24. Despite an increase in the number of high-end surgeries, the Hospital is committed to ensuring recovery in minimal time; it recorded 1,598 short-stay surgeries (less than 24 hours stay) during the year.

The Hospital reached 1.34 lakh individuals through its Health Outreach programme, which aims to strengthen primary healthcare in under-served communities in Mumbai and Navi Mumbai. An assessment of the economic impact of the programme showed it has resulted in savings of ₹2 crore in out-of-pocket expenditure on non-communicable disease management and secondary consultations during the year, and an estimated ₹228.5 crore in future saved costs due to timely screening and diagnoses.

Reliance Foundation Sports Science and Medicine team supports more than 300 elite athletes in its various programmes across the country. Besides this, the Sir H.N. Reliance Foundation Hospital's Sports Medicine Department has catered to more than 300 recreational, masters and junior athletes across the year in various sports.

### CASE STUDY

#### Holistic health support for excellence in table tennis

The Sir H.N. Reliance Foundation Hospital Sports Medicine team has been supporting India's ace table tennis player Manika Batra holistically. Manika has qualified for the Paris Olympics.

Having custom designed a programme to help her become stronger, fitter and make timely recovery from injuries, the team tests Manika's fitness regularly.

Her nutrition plan is minutely detailed by the Hospital's sports nutritionists every week depending on her competitions, travel, rest and recovery. The Hospital's sports physicians provided health consultations as required, and a sports psychologist helped in enhancing her mental resilience and self-belief.

Manika is grateful for the support of the team, which has helped her seal her hard work.



### CASE STUDY

#### Rising Strong: A Journey of hope and triumph over cancer

Radha resides in Dharavi with her husband Prakash Shinde. Both of them worked earlier as a caretaker and cook, respectively, but life took an unfortunate turn when they lost their jobs.

Radha began experiencing episodes of dry cough, breathlessness and loss of appetite for which she approached the Sir H.N Reliance Foundation Hospital's Health Outreach team. Subsequently, she was referred to the hospital for a free OPD consultation.

Following preliminary investigations, she was admitted to the hospital for

drainage of a mediastinal (inside of chest between the lungs) cyst.

A follow-up CT scan of the abdomen revealed a lump in the left kidney. This finding did not frighten Radha; she chose to view cancer as a fierce opponent that she would overcome.

Radha underwent a Lap Left Radical Nephrectomy surgery at the hospital. Her positive outlook and unwavering faith in her body's ability to heal were vital in her battle against cancer.



## Caring for Children

One of the key focus areas for Reliance Foundation's healthcare initiatives is addressing malnutrition among children. A targeted multi-location effort identifies malnutrition and works to reverse it to ensure healthy growth and progression into adulthood.

More than 8,800 children were screened for malnutrition in Mumbai. Of these, 266 children were newly diagnosed with malnutrition, with 235 found to have Moderate Acute Malnutrition and 31 children Severe Acute Malnutrition. The families are being supported in improving the nutritional status of the children.

Under Reliance's CSR initiatives in Shahdol, as part of a Malnutrition Control Programme, health check-ups and supplements were provided to over 321 children with severe or moderate acute malnutrition. Eighteen children who were being supported managed to successfully reverse malnutrition. Three anganwadis were supported to become malnutrition-free.

In Nagothane, 'Zero Mission', a comprehensive programme aimed at eradicating malnourishment in children, was implemented. About 128 malnourished children were enrolled and 28 children who were screened were being treated.

Reliance Dhirubhai Ambani Early Intervention Centre at Tallarevu in Gadimoga cared for 65 children with disabilities. Physiotherapy services are also provided at the Centre, and its staff conducted a door-to-door survey to identify more children in need of support. A series of counselling sessions were conducted for family members of newly identified children needing support.

**15,000+**  
Children screened for malnutrition under Health Outreach Programme



## Ensuring the Wellbeing of Girls and Women

Reliance Foundation focused on some key interventions to support the health and wellbeing of girls and women.

Of over 24,000 women and girls, aged 15 to 49 years, who were screened for anaemia during the year by Sir H. N. Reliance Foundation Hospital's Health Outreach Programme, about 18,000 were found to be anaemic. They are receiving counselling, free treatment and regular follow ups.

In Jamnagar, Gujarat, to create awareness about cervical cancer among women of Sikka village, an awareness session was conducted in association with the Department of Community Medicine, Shree M. P. Shah Medical College. An antenatal camp was also held in January.

Towards promoting safe deliveries and reducing maternal and infant mortality, 253 women in Shahdol were provided PNC kits to promote institutional deliveries. To prevent and treat anaemia in girls, more than 800 girls studying in two residential schools were frequently checked. Students found to be anaemic were provided nutritional supplements. About 127 girls recovered from anaemia.

In Vadodara, a year-long initiative enhanced menstrual hygiene awareness for over 1,000 adolescent girls from 15 primary schools and women in villages around Vadodara

Manufacturing Division. An awareness session on care during and after pregnancy was held for 185 new mothers along with the distribution of grain kits.

In Gadimoga, an awareness programme covered prenatal and postnatal care, early childhood education and shared preventive health measures for 110 women along with nutrition kits. Another programme that focused on physical and emotional changes during adolescence involved 165 girls aged 12-18 years from Gadimoga and Bhravapalem.

At a women's health camp in Nagothane in February, Smt. Aditi Tatkare, Minister for Women and Child Welfare, Maharashtra, joined in the awareness programme where check-ups, free medical treatment and menopause-related informational support were provided.

**36,205**  
Women and girls screened for anaemia

**24,479**  
Anaemic women and girls receiving treatment

## Improving Access to Cancer Care

To facilitate early cancer detection, Reliance Foundation has been screening individuals in vulnerable communities to reduce the burden of oral, breast and cervical cancers. Screenings camps were held during the year and people suspected of having cancer referred for further investigations and follow-ups.

Through the Sir H. N. Reliance Foundation Hospital's Health Outreach Programme, more than 92,000 individuals were assessed during the year in and around Mumbai. About 8,500 people were identified as high risk and guided further.

Reliance Foundation supported Dr. Abaji Thatte Sewa Aur Anusandhan Sanstha in Nagpur, Maharashtra, to establish the state-of-the-art National Cancer Institute (NCI). The Institute provides affordable high-quality cancer treatment to people from socially or economically disadvantaged backgrounds. Opened in August 2017, NCI is the sole comprehensive cancer care centre in central India committed to elevating care standards and expediting patient recovery through technology.

Reliance Foundation also supported the establishment of a comprehensive cancer care unit at Rotary LG Haria Hospital in Vapi, Gujarat. More than 300 individuals are expected to benefit directly from the Centre's facilities.

**8,000+**  
Screened for cancer through Sir H. N. Reliance Foundation Hospital Health Outreach Programme in and around Mumbai

**146**  
Suspected for cancer through Sir H. N. Reliance Foundation Hospital Health Outreach Programme



## Drishti: A Vision for Change

Reliance Foundation Drishti is committed to caring for the vision of people most in need. This year, Drishti marked its 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Over 6,000 children and grandchildren of Reliance employees participated in the annual art and essay competition, organised in more than 35 locations.

In 2023, Reliance Foundation Drishti's Braille newspaper in Hindi completed a decade of transforming lives with 4,200 copies distributed across 15 countries.

Sir H. N. Reliance Foundation Hospital, through its Health Outreach programme, recently started ophthalmology screenings in Nagothane. Over 1,500 children and staff at Reliance Foundation Primary School were screened, with plans to extend screenings to other nearby schools.

Reliance Foundation supported R.N.C. Free Eye Hospital in procuring auto-perimetry and topography machines, aiding in the treatment of glaucoma and providing crucial data for corneal surgeries. These machines have significantly improved eye care services, benefiting over 800 people from marginalised communities in south Gujarat.

In Jhajjar, eyeglasses were distributed to over 750 people to improve their vision. Forty-two individuals were

supported in undergoing cataract surgery at the district hospital. In Shadhol, 1,263 people were screened for eye related problems. Eye glasses were provided to 924 people and 147 individuals were referred to the district hospital for cataract surgeries.

**Reliance Foundation Drishti celebrated 20 years of providing vision care.**

**Drishti's Braille newspaper in Hindi completed 10 years; 4,200 copies distributed across 15 countries.**



## Addressing Hunger and Nutritional Challenges in Communities

Addressing the critical requirement for food and nutrition security, Reliance Foundation supported three initiatives for nutrition in Mumbai implemented by Akshaya Chaitanya – Swasthya Ahara, Paushtik Ahara and Bal Shiksha Ahara.

Swasthya Ahara provides nutritious meals to families of inpatients in public hospitals, alleviating financial strain

and freeing up resources for essential medical expenses.

Paushtik Ahara and Bal Shiksha Ahara aim to eradicate classroom hunger to foster an environment where every child can thrive. Over 6,900 students, 55,000 patients and more than 93,000 hospital staff and relatives benefit from these efforts.

In a different initiative, the Sir H. N. Reliance Foundation Hospital's Health Outreach programme fosters nutrition-seeking behaviour in the communities it serves through initiatives such as the Indian Poshan League (IPL). It encourages women to cook nutritious and low-cost millet-based recipes, selecting the best recipes to be showcased in a special recipe booklet.



## Strengthening Healthcare Infrastructure

Reliance Foundation supported Sri Venkateswara Institute of Medical Sciences (SVIMS), Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh, with critical healthcare infrastructure upgrades in gastroenterology, cardiology and oncology. This support benefits more than 30,000 people annually.

Through Reliance Foundation's assistance, Kasturba Vaidyakiya Rahat Mandal (KVRM), Valsad, Gujarat, acquired a state-of-the-art MRI machine, revolutionising diagnostic capabilities in the region.

This equipment has been instrumental in conducting precise and timely examinations, particularly focusing on brain, spine and limb issues, benefiting over 3,500 patients annually in south Gujarat.

**30,000+**  
Patients supported annually through critical healthcare upgrades at SVIMS, Tirupati

**3,500+**  
Patients benefitting from access to MRI facilities at KVRM, Valsad





**60,000**

Submissions for Reliance Foundation Scholarship

**48%**

Reliance Foundation Scholars are girls

**0.8 million+**

Children reached through LiftEd for strengthening Foundational Literacy and Numeracy

At the heart of Reliance's vision lies the recognition that education is the cornerstone of social and economic development. With a holistic approach that spans primary, secondary and tertiary education, Reliance Foundation is laying the groundwork for a generation of empowered individuals equipped with the knowledge, skills and a mindset to thrive in an ever-evolving world.

Through world-class institutions, Reliance Foundation aims to develop models that inspire and catalyse transformation across the education landscape. Whether through scholarships, infrastructure development, or skill-building initiatives, Reliance Foundation believes in creating an inclusive environment where every young person has the opportunity to thrive and succeed.

# Education



## Strong Foundation for Life-Long Learning

### Early Childhood Care and Education

Through its Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) programme, Reliance Foundation seeks to lay a strong foundation for life-long learning and development of children.

ECCE goes beyond academic learning to promote complete development, including social-emotional skills, creativity, critical thinking and physical well-being. By prioritising ECCE, India can unlock the full potential of its youngest citizens and build a stronger, more resilient society for generations to come.

Reliance Foundation's works with the Integrated Child Development Services across different states to support, strengthen and contribute towards ECCE. The ECCE programme aims to build capacity development models

and initiatives as well as work on providing an enabling environment at the anganwadis for children and their teachers.

In FY 2023-24, the programme engaged with stakeholders across regions. In Uttar Pradesh, Reliance Foundation worked with anganwadis in Varanasi to create play-based learning environments. Trainings were conducted for anganwadi workers that emphasised play-based learning and focused on cognitive and language development. Seventy-five anganwadis were also developed in the district. In addition to developing the learning infrastructure, Reliance Foundation provided quality books and teacher learning material to further support play-based learning. These efforts have reached over 4,200 children.

Partnerships were formalised with the governments of Maharashtra and Telangana to implement the programme in these states and demonstrate good practices in capacity building and community engagement for enhancing preschool education outcomes.

**ECCE programme works with the Integrated Child Development Services across different states**

**75 Anganwadis developed and 100 Anganwadi workers trained on play based learning pedagogy**





CASE STUDY

**Lamya's story, Deipur Anganwadi Centre**

Five-year-old Lamya from Deipur village, Varanasi district, Uttar Pradesh, spends more than three hours at her village Anganwadi every day. Lamya's mother, Vandana Gupta, says, "The Anganwadi in our village has been important for Lamya's early childhood development and learning. She has inculcated many good habits at a young age from the Anganwadi, such as respecting elders, sharing and caring for her friends, eating healthy, importance of cleanliness and so much more."

The Deipur center is a model Anganwadi. The Anganwadi Karyakarta here, Rani Devi, explains, "After the Anganwadi centre in Deipur got a permanent place in the local primary school, Reliance Foundation came in to improve it. Now there are books that help us teach children important values in early life. There are teaching and learning material for building cognitive and motor skills in children. We also have a smart TV that enables digital learning and there is outdoor play equipment that children love and look forward to using every day. I have been a proud Anganwadi Karyakarta and with the support of Reliance Foundation, I am content that the children of my village will have a bright future."

**Foundational Literacy and Numeracy to Transform Education**

Reliance Foundation is a founding member of LiftEd (Learning and Innovation in FLN to Transform Education), a multi-partner consortium that was launched this year. LiftEd is an initiative set to positively impact 4 million children in India over five years. It is a first-of-its-kind initiative that aligns with the Govt's NIPUN Bharat Mission, aiming to achieve foundational literacy and numeracy (FLN) goals for all children in India in primary schools by 2025.

In line with Reliance Foundation's vision, LiftEd aims to provide children with a strong start to their educational journey by fostering innovation in FLN. Its dual approach involves on-ground and at-home interventions. The initiative's



on-ground education partners are collaborating with state governments and school facilitators in Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, Delhi NCR, Uttar Pradesh and Bihar to train and build the capacity necessary to improve FLN in public school children across grades 1-3.

The EdTech Accelerator seeks to catalyse innovative at-home and community-based FLN solutions, working with state governments to institutionalise remote learning and scale products.

**Through eight diverse learning interventions, the EdTech Accelerator has supported, LIFTed reached 8 lakh children this year.**

**Promoting Excellence in Primary and Secondary Education**

**Dhirubhai Ambani International School**

Continuing its commitment to educational excellence through quality schooling, Reliance also provides world-class education through the Dhirubhai Ambani International School (DAIS) to about 1,090 children every year, with nearly 200 teachers experienced in national and international curricula.

A K-12 school founded in 2003, Dhirubhai Ambani International School (DAIS) is an IB World School, offering IB Primary Years Programme (PYP) in LKG to Class V, IB Middle Years Programme (MYP) in Classes VI to VIII and IB Diploma Programme in Classes XI and XII. The School also offers the Indian Certificate of Secondary Education (ICSE) and the International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE) in Classes VIII to X.

In the 2023 IGCSE board examinations, 83.3% of all grades achieved were A\* and A grades. The School's ICSE average score was 97%. In the IB Diploma examinations, 11 students earned a perfect score of 45, topping IB schools worldwide, while

the school's average score was 39.4 points. The IB Diploma graduates of 2023 earned admission to 23 of the top 30 universities worldwide.

DAIS was ranked among the Top 10 Schools in the World (outside of the USA and the UK) by HSBC Hurun Global High schools ranking in 2023, among the top 20 IB Schools globally by Education Advisers Ltd. UK for the 5<sup>th</sup> consecutive year (2019 to 2023).

Ranked the No. 1 International School in India by Education World for 11 consecutive years (2013 to 2023), DAIS continues its quest for global excellence in education for students in India.

**~560**

**Awards won by DAIS students at the district, state, national and international levels**



**DAIS was recognised as a Microsoft Showcase School for the 3rd consecutive year in 2023-24**

**DAISPOR 2024: Nostalgia and Networking**

The DAIS Alumni Meet 2024, DAISPOR, was held at the Dhirubhai Ambani International School in January 2024. The event was attended by over 600 alumni and their spouses travelling from over 20 countries.

The keynote address by the Chairperson, Smt. Nita M. Ambani, highlighted how DAIS has lived its vision and mission and emerged as a centre of excellence ever since its establishment 20 years ago. Smt. Ambani also reminisced about cherished memories of school life, such as Sports Day, DAIS Fete, Night School, Annual Day and Graduation Day.

The programme was meticulously crafted to benefit current students benefits by learning from the experiences of the alumni. Panel discussions on 'Careers and

College' saw the alumni share their experiences and advice regarding their interesting and eclectic careers, colleges and admissions processes.



**Nita Mukesh Ambani Junior School**

A state-of-the-art campus with flexible learning spaces, the Nita Mukesh Ambani Junior School (NMAJS) was unveiled in Mumbai this year. NMAJS provides comprehensive facilities for sports and co-curricular activities, as well as experiential learning. The infrastructure is designed to be adaptable and facilitate flexibility in seating, learning experiences, teaching methods and curriculum.

With its natural light-filled environment and energy-efficient architecture, the NMAJS campus embodies all facets of a green building. Its futuristic curriculum is designed to prepare the future generation for the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

**Reliance Foundation Schools**

Reliance Foundation Schools aim to provide high-quality education, focusing on academic excellence and holistic development. The 13 Reliance Foundation Schools in Jamnagar, Surat, Vadodara, Dahej, Koparkhairane, Lodhivali, Nagothane and Mouda educate about 14,000 students each year.

**Celebrating Academic Excellence and Beyond**

- In Reliance Foundation Schools affiliated to the CBSE, 97.5% of students passed Class 12, with 65.61% of them securing distinction. Over 99% of the students passed Class 10, with 72.48% securing distinction in 2022-23.
- In Reliance Foundation Schools affiliated to the Maharashtra State Board, 98.83% students passed Class 12 (Science and Commerce), and 98.72% of them passed Class 10 in 2022-23.
- In Reliance Foundation Schools affiliated to the Gujarat State Board, 80.95% of students passed Class 12 (Science and Commerce), and 90.11% of them passed Class 10 in 2022-23.

In 2023-24, students also excelled in sports and co-curricular activities, achieving remarkable success with over 31 international awards, 94 national awards and 491 accolades at the zonal, state and district levels.

**31**  
International awards won by students of Reliance Foundation Schools

**94**  
National awards won by students of Reliance Foundation Schools

**491**  
Accolades received by students of Reliance Foundation Schools at various levels

**Reliance Foundation Schools shine in 2023-24**

**Education Today's 'India School Merit Awards 2023'**

- Kokilaben Dhirubhai Ambani Reliance Foundation School, Jamnagar, was ranked No. 1 in India under the CBSE category for 'Integrated Learning'.
- Reliance Foundation School Koparkhairane ranked No. 1 in India under the CBSE category for 'Co-curricular Education'.
- Reliance Foundation School Nagothane (English Medium) ranked No. 1 in India under the CBSE category for 'Co-Curricular Education'.
- Reliance Foundation School Mouda ranked No. 1 in India under the CBSE category for 'Holistic Education'.

In the **EducationWorld India School Rankings 2023-24**, five Reliance Foundation Schools -Jamnagar, Lodhivali (English Medium), Koparkhairane, Surat (English Medium) and Mouda were highly ranked.

11 schools were recognised as **'Microsoft Showcase School'** for 2023-24.



**Supporting Underprivileged Students to Pursue Schooling**

Through the 'Mission Navodaya' programme at MET, Jhajjar, Haryana, Reliance Foundation supported 23 students securing admission to the prestigious Navodaya schools. The mission helps primary school-going children to gain admission by preparing them for the schools' entrance exam. Through a similar effort in Shahdol and Kotma, Madhya Pradesh, 22 children were supported in clearing entrance exams of various residential schools.

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Recognising the unique challenges that girls face in pursuing education, targeted support initiatives are underway in multiple locations. Twenty girls who had dropped out of school and were being supported by Reliance Jamnagar Open Schooling Project appeared for the NIOS secondary examinations (Class 10) and passed with good results in June 2023. Till date, the initiative has helped over 160 students clear their secondary

examinations. Many of these students went on to pursue further education, jobs or are now self-employed.

In Shahdol, a bus service dedicated to help girl students commute to school and return proved beneficial for nearly 464 students from 21 villages. This is a crucial intervention as it helps girls stay in school.

Additionally, to help school-going students from disadvantaged backgrounds become sufficiently equipped to pursue schooling, education materials such as books and bags were distributed to students in multiple places, including Gadimoga, Jhajjar, Nagothane, Shahdol and Vadodara, benefiting over 43,000 students.

**Education and Sports for All**

Reliance Foundation's Education and Sports for All (ESA) initiative fosters holistic development and equal opportunities in education and sports for children with disabilities and children from disadvantaged with backgrounds. It leverages technology, capacity building, and strategic partnerships.

In FY 2023-24, Reliance Foundation collaborated with 14 non-profit organizations dedicated to pre-primary education, girl empowerment, mainstreaming children with special needs, and instilling life skills through sports. This collective effort has positively influenced over 1 lakh underprivileged children nationwide.

Furthering ESA's commitment to quality education, a fully-equipped Digital Learning Van has been deployed has been reaching children in 11 government schools in Mumbai and Thane districts, Maharashtra.

To spread cheer and keep children motivated, more than 1.2 lakh children from disadvantaged backgrounds celebrated various occasions during events organised by Reliance Foundation.



**STEM Centre Transforms Learning**

MET and Reliance Foundation's efforts also resulted in a STEM Mini Science Centre in five government higher secondary schools in Jhajjar, Haryana. This transformative initiative has directly impacted about 1,500 students, fostering a hands-on and interactive learning environment in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

**Encouraging Excellence In Teaching**

To celebrate India's teachers and motivate them to strive for excellence, Reliance Foundation has been recognising teachers, through Reliance Foundation Teacher Awards. This initiative contributes to efforts to strengthen learning in schools by distinguishing teachers who excel in the Teaching Professionals Olympiad (TPO), organised by the Centre for Teacher Accreditation (CENTA).

The top three national-level performers and the top 1,000 teachers overall were recognised with awards. Over five years, Reliance Foundation has impacted and motivated nearly 48,000 teachers contributing to support the overall teaching - education ecosystem.

**~48,000**  
Teachers impacted and motivated over the last five editions

**Inspiring Educators to Excel**

"It has been a learning process as it made me think deeper into my teaching methodologies and review them. This recognition motivates me to further work to support the strengthening of the education system and challenge myself."

**Isha Jain**

B.K. Birla Public School, Kalyan, Reliance Foundation Teacher Awardee

"The award is both a professional milestone and a personal source of pride. Professionally, it is a recognition of my teaching expertise, motivating me to continuously enhance my pedagogical skills. Personally, it boosts my confidence and reaffirms my dedication to nurturing young minds for a brighter future. I am grateful to Reliance Foundation for its pioneering efforts in recognising and celebrating teachers, as well as motivating them."

**Prashant Kumar Singh**

Directorate of Education, Delhi, Reliance Foundation Teacher Awardee



**Empowering Dreams**

Ananya’s fascination with studying the human body and her keen desire to help the needy have always driven her. Caring for people in need of medical help gives her a deep sense of satisfaction.

As a first-year medical student at Maulana Azad Medical College, Delhi, Ananya was thrilled to be a recipient of Reliance Foundation Undergraduate Scholarship. “It was exhilarating to know that I was selected for Reliance Foundation Undergraduate Scholarship. This scholarship will support my education and enable me to acquire the necessary supplies for my medical degree. I am keen on medical research and aim to pursue a career in neurosciences. I am grateful to Reliance Foundation for granting me this scholarship,” said Ananya.

**Ananya**  
Reliance Foundation Scholar

**Nurturing India’s Youth Through Higher Education Opportunities**

**Scholarships**

To bridge educational access gaps, Reliance Foundation has instituted holistic scholarship programmes that provide financial and mentoring support to talented students. Reliance Foundation Scholarships offer interactions with experts, industry exposure, volunteering

opportunities and generous financial support for both undergraduate and postgraduate studies.

Inspired by Shri Dhirubhai Ambani’s belief in the power of investing in youth for national progress, Reliance has been awarding scholarships to meritorious students for over 25 years, significantly impacting over 23,000 young individuals across India.

The undergraduate scholarships are designed as merit-cum-means awards, while the postgraduate scholarships aim to identify future leaders in science and technology by supporting India’s brightest minds.

In FY 2023-24, Reliance Foundation awarded scholarships to 10,000 undergraduate (across two cohorts) and 100 postgraduates, marking a significant increase in applications with over one lakh submissions from across the country.

Notably, about 48% of Reliance Foundation Scholars are girls, and 246 are students with disabilities. The scholars represent 557 districts across India and are pursuing their education at over 2,000 institutions.

**From Hardship to Hope**

Gowtham Ambati’s journey has been far from easy. Hailing from Parchur in Andhra Pradesh, where he completed his secondary education, Gowtham’s determination led him to NIT Uttarakhand. It was there he discovered his purpose to contribute meaningfully to the world through specialisation. The Energy Science and Technology programme at IIT Hyderabad presented the perfect opportunity to do just that, embarking him on a new journey.

“The road to IIT Hyderabad was challenging. Achieving good grades and securing admission, required hard work and it was financially challenging to cover tuition, housing and other expenses. Fortunately, Reliance

As one of India’s most extensive higher education scholarship initiatives, Reliance Foundation’s scholarship programme specifically recognises excellence in specific streams of study.

Moreover, the vibrant network of Reliance Foundation Scholars has a lasting impact on their personal development and career trajectories. This year, we introduced a scholar engagement platform, enhancing connections among current and past scholars while providing opportunities for continuous learning and mentoring.

**23,000+**  
Young individuals across India positively impacted by Reliance scholarships

**520 districts and over 2,000 institutions represented**

Foundation Postgraduate Scholarship allowed me to pursue my dreams. The Scholarship not only eased my financial burden, but also introduced me to a diverse community of students from across India, expanding my outlook and honing my interpersonal skills,” reflected Gowtham.

**Gowtham Ambati**  
Reliance Foundation Scholar



**World-class Educational Institutions**

**Jio Institute**

A multidisciplinary higher education institution dedicated to the pursuit of excellence in education, Jio Institute is bringing together global scholars while providing an enriching student experience through world-class education, highly relevant research platforms and a culture of innovation. Jio Institute offers three one-year, full-time, residential postgraduate programmes in Artificial Intelligence & Data Science, Digital Media & Marketing Communications and Sports Management. Since its establishment in 2022, Jio Institute has been contributing to the UN SDG 4 of accessible and equitable Quality Education.



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**Education Thought Leadership**

Jio Institute’s Educational Leadership Programme is designed to enhance the skills of teachers, empowering them to drive positive change in education through targeted training and professional development.

This year, Jio institute collaborated with the Principal’s Training Institute (PTI) for ‘**Creating an Effective School Programme**’ for K-12 school leaders.

Jio Institute organised masterclass throughout the year, with 24 sessions open to all, and five sessions specifically tailored for K-12 school leaders. These sessions covered a diverse range of topics, from industry insights to leadership strategies, and were attended by over 5,500 participants.

Jio Institute also hosted three conclaves and invited over 100 eminent personalities from industry and academia to interact with the students.

**Research & Development and Innovation**

Recognising the fundamental role of research in nation-building, Jio Institute strategically aligns its projects and initiatives with India’s unique needs and challenges. In its second year, Jio Institute has made significant strides in research, **with 25 papers published** and indexed in Scopus.

**Executive Education**

Jio Institute recognises executive education as vital for refining leadership skills, staying updated with industry trends, and ensuring career growth and innovation.

This year, a series of programmes for professionals from diverse industries were organised. These include

- A three-day Marketing Analytics course for marketing professionals;
- A five-day Artificial & Data Science – Perspective, Pedagogy & Practice for faculty, delivered in collaboration with the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE);
- A two-day Data Visualisation course for retail leaders;
- A Buying & Merchandising Management Development Programme for senior management leaders;
- A three-day Effective Leadership and Communication course
- A Business Analytics programme for middle-level leaders.

**Jio Institute Digital Library’s (JDL) Special Collections**

Jio Institute Digital Library’s Special Collections initiated two projects:

- **Temples of India:** Comprehensive documentation of historical temples up to the 18<sup>th</sup> century CE. The project has documented 13 temples in Rajasthan, under the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), covering their evolution, historiography, architectural styles, symbolism and other facets.
- **Mumbai Archive Project:** Documenting cultural identities and expressions of the indigenous and migrant communities of the Mumbai Metropolitan Region.

**Collaborations**

Jio Institute has collaborations with several institutions of international repute, including the University of Toronto, Canada; University of California, San Diego, USA; University of Manchester, UK; and Nanyang Technological University, Singapore, for academic and research exchanges. These collaborations encompass study abroad programmes, student and faculty exchanges, and joint research projects with Jio Institute.



**1 Million+\***  
Individuals reached

For Reliance Foundation, women's empowerment is not just a goal; it is a global imperative that drives transformative change and shapes an equal future. Grounded in our Founder & Chairperson Smt. Nita M Ambani's belief, "What women can't do, cannot be done," Reliance Foundation's interventions range from grassroots projects to large-scale initiatives, all aimed at empowering women.

These efforts underscore the Foundation's pivotal role as a catalyst for positive change, reflecting a steadfast commitment to nurturing a world where every woman and girl can thrive and contribute meaningfully to society.

Diverse initiatives for women's empowerment include enabling digital empowerment through skill building, nurturing leadership capacity and ensuring equal access and unwavering support for women, laying the groundwork for a sustainable and prosperous future for all.

# Women Empowerment



\*Includes women reached through Rural Transformation, Health and other women empowerment efforts.

## WomenLead India Fellowship

Acknowledging the vast potential of women as catalysts for change, Reliance Foundation, in collaboration with Vital Voices Global Partnership, launched the WomenLead India (WLI) Fellowship in October 2022.

Equipped with leadership skills and mentorship provided by the WLI Fellowship, these female Fellows become agents of change within their communities and beyond. Additionally, the Fellowship places a strong emphasis on networking and peer learning, enabling women to establish a robust network of like-minded leaders.

In the inaugural round, Reliance Foundation and Vital Voices supported 50 dynamic and mission-driven women leaders from various sectors. Following the Fellowship, 84% of the Fellows reported increased confidence in taking on new leadership roles, 87% enhanced their ability to

innovate and 84% improved their capacity to support others in their leadership journey.

The Fellows join Reliance and Vital Voices' global network of women leaders who are driving social change.

**84%**  
Fellows reported increased confidence in being leaders

**87%**  
Fellows enhanced their ability to innovate

**84%**  
Fellows improved their ability to support others in their leadership journey

### CASE STUDY

#### Building Networks, Changing Lives

Revathi Radhakrishnan, a participant in the inaugural WomenLead India Fellowship, was a television journalist who later founded Vanavil Trust in Nagapattinam following the 2004 tsunami.

Dedicated to uplifting children and women from nomadic tribes through education and empowerment, the Fellowship exposed her to knowledge, resources and crucially, a network of women leaders. Fostering connections with like-minded women, Revathi stressed the significance of this network and noted, "Women support women."

The WomenLead Fellowship helped Revathi's journey, refined her skills and fostered a supportive community. Her experience highlights the programme's capacity to empower women leaders to lead more effectively through exposure and skill development.



## WomenConnect Challenge India

By 2026, India is projected to have 1 billion smartphone users, with significant demand emerging from rural areas. Prioritising women in digital inclusion and empowering women to improve their lives impacts their families and communities.

Reliance Foundation and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) launched the WomenConnect Challenge India to identify and support innovative organisations bridging the digital divide and fostering women's empowerment. The project aims to enhance women's access to digital technology, leading to positive outcomes for them and their communities.

**Since 2020, Reliance Foundation has supported 17 non-profit organisations that are implementing digital inclusion projects. Over 5 lakh women and community members were reached till March 2024 directly and indirectly across two rounds of WCC India.**

Round 2 initiatives that were ongoing during FY 2023-24 have reached more than 1.6 lakh women across seven states and one Union Territory (UT). These projects focus on digital literacy, entrepreneurship promotion and financial inclusion. Grantees participate in a vibrant Community of Practice, fostering collaboration and driving innovative gender-inclusive digital transformation.

**5 Lakh+**  
Women impacted through digital inclusion projects since 2020

**1.6 Lakh+**  
Women & community members reached during FY 2023-24

### CASE STUDY

#### One Woman's Digital Journey

Samreen, a micro-entrepreneur from Rajasthan embarked on her entrepreneurial journey a year ago as a grocery shop owner, driven by her determination to support her family and fulfil her aspirations. Despite early successes, she faced unexpected challenges, primarily in effectively managing her shop's finances.

Upon joining the Digi-Sashakt project implemented by ACCESS Development Services and funded through Round 2 of the WomenConnect Challenge India programme, she identified the absence of digital payment options as a significant barrier to her business's growth. Through participation in digital literacy sessions, she gained the knowledge needed to implement digital payments, which led to a noticeable increase in daily sales. With support from the project team, she also successfully registered her shop as a Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME), gaining access to various government schemes.

Samreen's journey through the project was transformative. She became confident in expressing her ideas, forged friendships with fellow women entrepreneurs and actively engaged in her club's WhatsApp group, acquiring invaluable insights.

With guidance from her 'Buddhi Money Didi', a mentor assigned by the project, she took significant steps to secure her daughters' financial futures, showing a strong commitment to enhancing the financial health of both her household and her business.



**84,000+**  
Rural women empowered through digital literacy skills

## Empowering Women Entrepreneurs in Rural India

Reliance Foundation, in collaboration with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF), is implementing a joint effort aimed at empowering 1 million women entrepreneurs across multiple Indian states. This initiative aims to strengthen women's collectives, pioneer and scale innovations, and establish replicable models of entrepreneurship within women-led enterprises. Through partnership with the states of Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat and Odisha, the programme aims to boost women's incomes through entrepreneurship.

Operating in close partnership with the rural livelihood missions of each state, the initiative is carried out by carefully selected local non-governmental organisations (NGOs) serving as implementation partners. Reliance Foundation leads on-the-ground execution, ensuring seamless coordination and alignment with government efforts while providing essential technical expertise.

At its core, the project aligns with the National Rural Livelihoods Mission's (NRLM) objective of enabling 30 million rural Self-Help Group (SHG) women to achieve an annual income of at least ₹1 lakh.

Its three-pronged strategy includes:

- Strengthening production:** This involves enhancing the quantity and quality of commodities and services across farm, off-farm and non-farm sectors, as well as refining skills in non-farm sectors.
- Value addition and marketing:** This includes providing training in grading, sorting, primary processing and facilitating access to new markets and supply chains through collective action.
- Creating an enabling environment:** This involves supporting access to working capital, fostering financial literacy and facilitating linkages with government programmes, technology providers and markets.

The programme emphasises capacity building and documentation of learnings for replication.

During FY 2023-24, the programme reached 3.46 lakh women across 27 districts in three states. The supported women initiated income-generating activities. Notable achievements include support for scaling and diversification of farm-based livelihoods, promotion of improved agricultural practices, incubation of collective enterprises and facilitation of market linkages.

**3.46 Lakh**  
Women supported

### Off-farm Livelihoods

Livestock is a critical source of livelihood for many rural households as it helps in diversifying incomes.

Over the past year, Reliance Foundation, through its Rural Transformation programme supported over 48,500 women in dairy, goat farming poultry and other off-farm activities. This was achieved through an integrated approach that involved establishing women collectives, owned and managed livestock development centres and goat resource centres. These centres provide veterinary services such as artificial insemination, deworming and vaccination by trained cadres of Pashu Sakhis (friends of animals).

These efforts aim to increase the scale of enterprises, enabling households to transition from subsistence livelihood activities to women-led enterprises.

**48,500+**  
Women supported in off-farm activities

### CASE STUDY

#### From Struggle to Success, the Inspiring Journey of Sukhbati Pal

Sukhbati Pal, aged 56, lives with her husband in Shivpuri village of Tikamgarh District, Madhya Pradesh. They own only 0.5 acres of agricultural land without irrigation facilities. Limited farm production compelled them to rely on wage labour, leaving them vulnerable due to age and health conditions. They struggled to meet household and health expenses with their inadequate income.

A glimmer of hope emerged when Sukhbati started goat rearing. Despite having lost a couple of goats in the past, she regained confidence in 2023 after attending a 'Pashu Pathshala' (animal school) organised in collaboration with the Animal Husbandry department.

Sukhbati learned scientific goat management and, with regular guidance from community support persons, increased her herd size from three to 11 goats.

### Non-farm Livelihoods and Furthering Digital and Financial Literacy

More than 8,000 women were supported in non-farm enterprises, including non-timber forest products like sal leaves, mahua, hill brooms, as well as stitching, handicrafts and micro businesses. This support was provided through skill development and facilitating access to quality raw materials, product diversification, standardisation and market linkages.

Recognising financial and digital inclusion as key drivers in entrepreneurship, 62,000+ women received training in digital and financial literacy to enable them to effectively manage their finances.

**62,000+**  
Women supported in acquiring digital and financial literacy skills



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**Her Circle**

Her Circle, founded by Smt. Nita M. Ambani, is an inclusive, collaborative, diverse and interactive socially-conscious digital movement for Indian women. It aims to be a safe space for growth and is rapidly becoming one of India's fastest-growing digital platforms for women.

In FY 2023-24, Her Circle launched a series of impactful initiatives and collaborations aimed at empowering women. These efforts focused on promoting inclusive development through strategic projects and programmes that promote body positivity, embrace life-affirming attitudes, foster entrepreneurship, celebrate craftswomanship and drive positive societal transformation through the Her Circle narrative of Equity, Diversity, Sustainability and Empowerment.

**592 Million+**  
Women reached since 2021

**300 Million+**  
Women reached in FY 2023-24

**4.5 Lakh+**  
Registered 'Her Circle' platform users

*\*The reach numbers indicate total reach via multiple Her Circle campaigns and platforms (online, offline, and social). The reach numbers are not unique but cumulative.*



**The Her Circle EveryBODY Project: Promoting Inclusive Development**

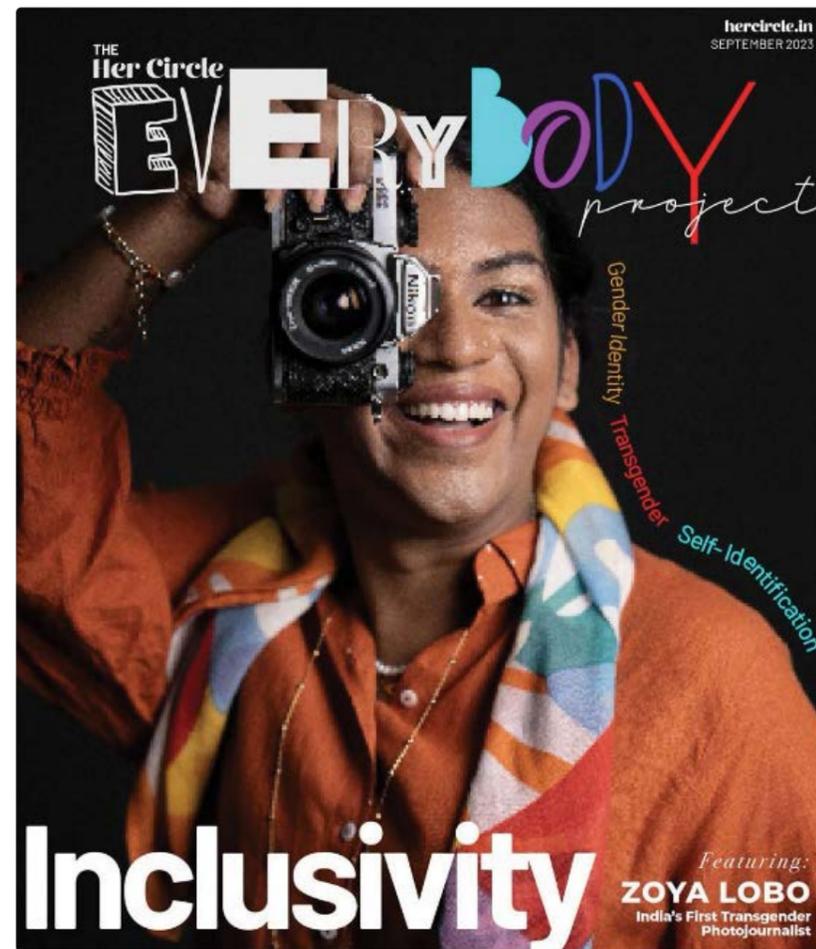
In March 2023, Smt. Nita M. Ambani, Founder-Chairperson of Her Circle, launched 'The Her Circle EveryBODY Project' to celebrate body positivity and encourage the acceptance of everyone. This movement aims to create a circle of kindness and non-judgemental acceptance.

As part of the year-long initiative, Her Circle collaborated with social media influencers and neurodiversity advocates to raise awareness through real-life stories and short films. The project featured stories of individuals like Pooja and Norah, with Norah having been diagnosed with Down Syndrome at birth. Together, she and her mother shared how they shifted the frame of reference to redefine general perception of abilities.

Zoya Lobo, India's first transgender photojournalist and an advocate for inclusivity and empowerment within the transgender community, and Sweta Mantrii, who addresses the stigma and inaccessibility associated with disability using comedy as a medium to break stereotypes about people with disabilities, were also part of this initiative.

Tanvi Geetha Ravishankar, plus-size model and influencer, promoted inclusivity and encouraged women to gain confidence as well.

Her Circle also collaborated with other influencers including Virali Modi, Neha Parulkar, Neelakshi Singh, Apeksha Dusija, Roma Maity, Aastha Shah, Prableen Kaur and Nishriin Parikh to help women combat negativity and encourage self-acceptance.

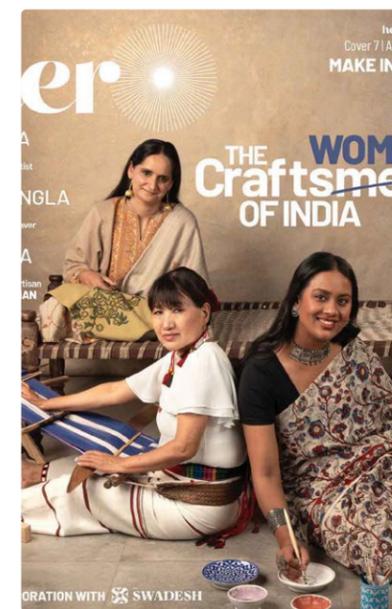


**Crafting Change: Supporting Indian Craftswomen**

Her Circle's Make in India special initiative was a tribute to the remarkable craftswomen of our country and their distinct crafts, weaving one powerful narrative – Make in India.

Her Circle collaborated with SWADESH, which stands for artisans, their craft, their art and their creativity. Aringla, a loin loom weaver from Manipur; Sahiba, an embroidery artist from Kashmir; and Garima, a blue pottery artisan from Rajasthan came together to showcase their craft, innovation and the local-to-global heritage that India's diversity stands for.

Their stories of empowerment through skill development were narrated in special videos.



**Sustainable, Zero-Waste Shoot**

On World Environment Day, Her Circle successfully carried out a zero-wastage shoot for the second consecutive year. From location to catering, styling to the use of natural light, every element in this shoot adhered to sustainable and mindful practices. The location was industrial in nature yet sustainable in the space of energy conservation. The shoot featured Kalki Koechlin, an iconic sustainability advocate who believes in going minimal for maximum impact.

**Her Circle, NITI Aayog Collaborate for Women Entrepreneurs**

In 2023, Her Circle entered into a long-term partnership with the Government of India's Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP) by NITI Aayog to work together on initiatives to promote and encourage women entrepreneurship and development.

Under the State Support Mission of NITI Aayog, WEP's mission is now being taken to different parts of the country to facilitate impact at the grassroots level. Her Circle was the Digital Media Partner for the Workshop on Enabling Women-led Development – Western Region, held in Goa.



**Prioritising Women's Self-Care**

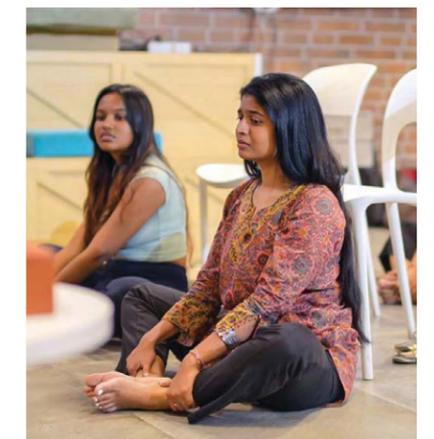
Encouraging women to prioritise self-care, Dr. Firuza Parikh, Director of the Well Women Centre at Sir H. N. Reliance Foundation Hospital, explained the purpose of the Centre and discussed the technologies it provides through the Her Circle platform.

**Expert Mentorship Through Her Circle HIVE**

Her Circle HIVE is a platform that offers Her Circle users the opportunity to learn, interact and be mentored by experts. To support this endeavour, Her Circle HIVE collaborated with wellness expert Anshuka Parwani and entrepreneur Dr. Jaishree Sharad to conduct exclusive mentorship sessions and interactions for the training and development of Her Circle users.

Her Circle won the UNFPA-supported, Laadli Media & Advertising Awards for Gender Sensitivity 2023. The award was received for the social insight documentary 'Her Burden: Women & India's Water Crisis'.

The women empowerment initiatives that span across Reliance Foundation's various thematic areas are an integral part of its social initiatives and non-negotiable as part of the framework – from women in farming to sports and other areas of development.





**22.9 Million+**  
Children and youth positively impacted in India over the last 10 years

**33,000+**  
Students from 1,702 Indian educational institutes engaged through Reliance Foundation Youth Sports (RFYS) and Reliance Foundation Jr. NBA

Reliance Foundation's Sports for Development programme focuses on strengthening the sports ecosystem in India, beginning at the grassroots. This initiative aims to promote holistic development and support the well-being of various stakeholders within Indian sports.

Emphasising inclusivity and diversity, the programme embodies Reliance's core philosophy of We Care: Reliance for **All – Growth for All, Care for All, Access for All.**

The Sports for Development programme places a strong emphasis on establishing long-term partnerships and developing infrastructure at the grassroots level, which ultimately contributes to the growth of sports, athletes and comprehensive development nationwide. It supports athletes in their well-being, education and nutrition, guiding them towards holistic development.

# Sports for Development



Reliance Foundation is making sports accessible for all through a variety of initiatives. These range from the Jr. NBA programme and the ESA game, to the development of football in Kashmir and Mizoram, as well as supporting the endurance programme in Ooty, Tamil Nadu.

**For the greater good of both the country and the world, Reliance Foundation's sports initiatives are closely aligned with the UN SDGs.**

**237**  
Medals won at the national level

**65**  
Medals won at the international level by athletes supported by Reliance Foundation

**3,500+**  
Schools and colleges registered under RFYS and Jr. NBA programme

**235**  
Athletes under comprehensive high-performance support across sport programs

**11**  
Young footballers from Reliance Foundation Young Champs in FY 2023-24 secured professional contracts



Let me say this with utmost humility - India's potential is limitless. In the years ahead, young Indians are destined to achieve global excellence in every sphere of human endeavour, including sports. This aspiration is not just a dream but also the collective resolve of 1.4 billion Indian hearts and minds.

**Smt. Nita M. Ambani**

IOC member and Founder-Chairperson, Reliance Foundation, shared these thoughts on India's potential during the opening ceremony of the International Olympic Committee session in Mumbai.



Image credit: Greg Martin/IOC



I'm really deeply impressed by Reliance and her (Mrs. Ambani's) team because you see kids from all over India in this centre. And most of them are coming from underprivileged families and they are being offered education and schooling. But at the same time, they are given the opportunity to train and to prepare for becoming an athlete, a high-level athlete. This is something that exactly reflects our Olympic values and our approach, which we have in our strategies. But to see it on such a scale and being done, you know, by a private entity, which is Reliance Foundation, guided by our colleague - that's really very, very impressive and very encouraging also for the future of sport, of Olympic sport in India.

**Thomas Bach**

President, International Olympic Committee.

## Big Gains in the Olympic Movement

The year 2023-24 emerged as a landmark year for Indian sports, highlighted by the return of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) session to India after a hiatus of 40 years.

Smt. Nita M. Ambani, Reliance Foundation Founder-Chairperson and an IOC member, played an integral role in bringing the session back to India. The opening ceremony was graced by the Honourable Prime Minister of India, Shri. Narendra Modi, who articulated India's ambition to host the 2036 Olympics, signalling the country's keen interest in hosting the world's biggest sports event.

In a significant move, Reliance Foundation signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the IOC to expand the Olympic Values Education Program (OVEP) in India. This initiative is designed to boost children's participation in sports, encouraging them not only to compete but also integrate the core values of sports into their daily lives.

In February 2024, at the National Inter-District Junior Athletics Meet, which attracted participation from over 7,000 athletes, an OVEP programme was implemented to enhance awareness of Olympic values among the young.

Further, under the guidance of Smt. Nita M. Ambani, Reliance Foundation and IOA will host the first-ever India House at the Paris Olympics in 2024, marking a significant step in promoting India's presence and engagement on the global Olympic stage.

Three athletes supported by Reliance Foundation—boxer Lovlina Borgohain, javelin thrower Kishore Jena and table tennis player Manika Batra—have secured their spots at the Paris Olympics, with additional athletes from the Foundation athletes expected to qualify.

Among the athletes setting their sights on the Olympics is Jyothi Yarraji. Jyothi has cemented her status as India's leading hurdler, clinching gold at the Asian Championships and silver at

the Asian Games in the 100 meters hurdles event.

Bapi Hansda from the Odisha Reliance Foundation High Performance Centre is another athlete demonstrating considerable promise. Bapi made history by becoming the first Indian to win silver in the men's 400 meters hurdles event at the Asian Youth Athletics Championships in Uzbekistan, leading the charge of promising young athletes.

Reliance Foundation athletes have continued to excel on the global stage, securing a total of 12 medals at the Asian Games, with 11 athletes winning a medal.

Through its partnership with the Athletics Federation of India and the Indian Olympic Association, Reliance Foundation is making significant contributions in the fields of sports science, medicine, physiotherapy, mental health and strength and conditioning, all aimed at scripting another successful chapter in India's Olympic journey.

## Launch of NAC and Indoor Athletics Centre

Reliance Foundation has continued to deliver on its promise of building sporting infrastructure with the inauguration of the National Athletics Centre in Navi Mumbai. Additionally, it played a key role in the establishment of the Indoor Athletics Centre in Odisha. This state-of-the-art facility will serve as the new home of the Odisha Reliance Foundation Athletics High Performance Centre.



### CASE STUDY

#### Kishore Jena's Olympic Quest

Kishore Jena launched his javelin career into new heights, transitioning from volleyball to javelin throw, a switch that yielded remarkable results in 2023.

Jena not only broke through at the international level but also became one of the first Indians to secure a spot at the Paris Olympics, thanks to his exceptional performance at the Asian Games, where he led the standings for some time.

As an athlete at the Odisha Reliance Foundation High Performance Centre athlete, Jena has benefited from expert guidance, which has been instrumental in his development. Over the year, he not only won numerous medals but also repeatedly surpassed his personal best, becoming the second Indian ever to throw the javelin beyond 87 meters.



Jena's debut at the World Championships was memorable, finishing fifth with a best effort of 84.77 meters. Carrying this confidence to the Asian Games, he clinched silver with a career-best throw of 87.54 meters, before rounding off a great season with a bronze medal at the National Games.

## Women and Sports

Numerous initiatives under Reliance Foundation's Sports for Development programme are designed to encourage women and girls in sports. During FY 2023-24, women continued to be at the heart of the Foundation's sports initiatives.





### Simply Periods Initiative

Reliance Foundation collaborated with the Simply Sport Foundation (SSF) for the Simply Periods initiative. This partnership was aimed at raising awareness about menstruation and its impact on athletic performance.



### Women Leading Olympic Charge

The Olympics Scholarship Programme run by Reliance Foundation featured more than 50 percent women in 2023, and they were at the forefront of success.

Lovlina Borgohain became the first athlete to qualify for the Paris Olympics 2024, showcasing remarkable skill and dedication.

Additionally, Tilottama Sen became the youngest Indian shooter to earn an Olympics quota for India in shooting.

### ESA Day Inspires Girls

To celebrate inclusivity and motivate children to participate in sports, Reliance Foundation annually observes its Education and Sports for All (ESA) Day in April. This event provides underprivileged children with the opportunity to aspire to larger arenas by watching an IPL match in Mumbai.

In 2023, ESA Day was dedicated specifically to women and girls, aiming to encourage girls to participate in sports. Over 19,000 girls from across Mumbai watched the match between Mumbai Indians and Kolkata Knight Riders, leaving with unforgettable memories and strong motivation to pursue sports.

Smt. Nita M. Ambani, speaking about the ESA Day dedicated to girls, stated, "Today's match is a celebration of women in sports. I want to highlight that girls have the right to education and sports. I hope all 19,000 girls here today, and those watching on TV, have the courage to follow their dreams and achieve whatever they desire. This is why we have invited them all here today—to just feel inspired and take courage back home."

**19,000+**

**Girls from Mumbai inspired to participate in sports**



### Junior NBA's 10th Year

The hugely successful Junior NBA programme returned for the 10<sup>th</sup> consecutive year in 2023, featuring the National Championship for boys and girls in the U-12 and U-14 categories.

Additionally, the NBA and Reliance Foundation provided further training opportunities to standout players in Aizawl, Mizoram, and Chennai, Tamil Nadu. Ten boys and 10 girls from each city were selected to participate in fortnightly weekend clinics throughout the year.

### CASE STUDY

#### Uvena Fernandes: Breaking Barriers in Football

The inspiring journey of Wing Commander Uvena Fernandes highlights the significant strides made by women in football. Her unwavering dedication led her to become the first Indian woman to officiate a FIFA World Cup final, a remarkable achievement for the nation.

Uvena participated in a two-day workshop organised on December 4-5, 2023, by Reliance Foundation Youth Sports (RFYS) and the All India Football Federation (AIFF). Held in Mumbai, the workshop trained female referees for the Indian Women's League (IWL). Uvena was among the 24 referees and six match officials who participated in the workshop.

Before her remarkable officiating career, Uvena represented India as a footballer. After joining the Indian Air Force as an Air Traffic Controller, she transitioned to refereeing to stay connected with football.

Uvena's story serves as a testament to the power of perseverance and dedication, while also shining a light on India's footballing talent and the growing prominence of women.



### Developing the Football Ecosystem

Reliance Foundation is committed to advancing football in India through various initiatives and skill development programmes. These include a professional academy and tournaments for both boys and girls, starting from the under-6 age-category up to under-21.

The Foundation's tournaments traverse the length and breadth of India, impacting over 13,000 children in the country and focusing on strengthening the football system from grassroots to elite level.

Additionally, Reliance Foundation provides annual grants to Indian Super League clubs to support their grassroots programmes.

**13,000+**  
**Children impacted through football programme**

**Reliance Foundation Young Champs**

RFYC is a professional football academy that offers holistic development and education, alongside high-quality skill training in the sport.

**Converting Dreams to Reality**

In a first, 11 graduates from the 2023 batch of the RFYC Academy signed professional contracts with clubs in the Indian Super League (ISL) and I-League, turning their dreams into reality.

Apart from competing in the Next Generation Cup, which provides exposure to international competition, the Academy's students visited Japan and Italy.



**Next Generation Cup**

During the Next Generation Cup held in India, RFDL's top four teams competed against international clubs, including those from the Premier League.

Speaking about Reliance Foundation presents Premier League Next Generation Cup, Neil Saunders, Director of Football, Premier League, said, "This tournament really has some football development outcomes for not just the Indian players, but for the English teams as well. I think that in itself points to the quality increase of football in India."



**Reliance Foundation Youth Sports**

Reliance Foundation Youth Sports (RFYS) is India's leading grassroots football tournament for schools and colleges. RFYS has adopted a multi-pronged approach to developing India's football ecosystem, including increasing female participation across categories, developing coaches and match officials, and expanding its reach to Kashmir, thereby shaping the state's football aspirations.

**RFYC Naupang League**

A grassroots football tournament in Mizoram, the second edition of the RFYC Naupang League kicked off in September and successfully organised 2,430 matches across the season.

**Reliance Foundation Development League (RFDL)**

India's largest Under-21 age group football league, its second season expanded to nine regions, with over

50 teams competing in over 300 matches, making it the largest U-21 league in the country.

The third edition of RFDL kicked off in February 2024, penetrating further into the country, with teams from Bihar, a region that is not a traditional football stronghold, competing against top teams in India.

CASE STUDY

**Building Career Pathways for Budding Talent**

Mohammed Sanan achieved his dream of becoming a professional footballer when he signed a three-year contract with the ISL club Jamshedpur FC. A graduate of RFYC, Sanan not only improved his technical skills but also learned the essential soft skills for team sports. Sanan has become one of the key players for his team this season, scoring against some of the toughest opponents in the ISL.

Reliance's CSR interventions reflect a deep commitment to sports and are one of India's largest contributions to the sporting ecosystem, building sporting excellence year-on-year to fulfill the aspirations of a nation.





**1.7 Million**

Vulnerable individuals reached through early warning advisories

**91,000+**

Individuals received short/ mid-term humanitarian support

**94,000+**

Saplings planted in eight states to promote nature-based solutions

Reliance Foundation leverages collaborative action and technology to safeguard lives and livelihoods, aligning with the Sendai framework and the Prime Minister of India's 10 Point Agenda on Disaster Risk Reduction.

Reliance Foundation's Disaster Management programme collaborates with government departments, NGOs, research institutions, national and state disaster management authorities, military and paramilitary forces, Inter Agency Group and others to provide support in times of need.

Over the past decade, the programme has taken six approaches, including leveraging technology, risk assessment through GIS/remote sensing, risk communication, risk reduction, resilient livelihood practices, volunteer engagement and response and recovery.

# Disaster Management



**Responded to seven disasters across 13 states**

**~5,500**

Livestock treated and saved from flood related morbidities and mortality

**1,800+**

Volunteers supported the Disaster Management programme

## Response and Recovery

### Balasore Trains Collision (Odisha, June)

After the tragic train collision near Bahanaga Bazar in Odisha's Balasore district on June 2, 2023, Reliance Foundation acted as a first responder, joining national and state emergency teams. They provided essential supplies like face masks, gloves, water and food to rescuers.

Additionally, Reliance Foundation announced a 10-point relief programme, including six months of dry ration kits for over 180 households, psychosocial counselling, free one-year mobile connectivity, wheelchair support, livestock-based livelihood support and job-led skill training. These efforts aimed to provide immediate, mid-term, and long-term support to the affected communities.

The Sneha Srujan campaign for children, parents, teachers, school management committee (SMC), and alumni in the Bahanaga block fostered a strong sense of school readiness among children and helped adults overcome their trauma.

### Biparjoy Cyclone (Gujarat, June)

When the Biparjoy cyclone struck coastal Kachchh in Gujarat in June 2023, Reliance resolved to assist people affected by it. Reliance Foundation had been monitoring the cyclone since it began taking shape in the Arabian Sea.

Life-saving information was disseminated to more than 2 lakh people who were likely to be affected by the cyclone. Reliance Foundation worked with disaster management authorities, civil society organisations and the communities themselves to mitigate damage and raise preparedness for the storm's aftermath.

To help communities recover after landfall, it took up distribution of relief material reaching affected people. With support from teams from Reliance's Jamnagar refinery, 68,700 food packets were distributed to individuals in temporary shelters and shelter homes in six districts.

**2.9 Lakh**

People received early warning alerts and preparedness advisories to protect lives & livelihoods





**Raigad Landslide (Maharashtra, July 2023)**

Immediately after the landslide in Raigad on July 19, Reliance Foundation stepped up to respond and coordinated a rescue effort with the support of volunteers from Reliance and the community, HAM radio experts, veterinarians and the Disaster Management and Research Foundation (DiMaRF). Despite the difficult terrain, Reliance team reached the spot and took part in rescue operations, ensuring water and food supply to rescuers.

**Glacial Lake Outburst Flood (Sikkim, October 2023)**

In October 2023, a Glacial lake outburst flood in Sikkim's South Lhonak Lake caused loss of life, affected livelihoods and damaged infrastructure. To help high-altitude residents facing sub-zero temperatures after their homes were destroyed or filled with silt, Reliance Foundation provided bedding and winter kits to 1,370 households. It collaborated with district administrations, municipal bodies, ward representatives and local volunteers for this effort.

**1,370**  
Households provided bedding and winter kits

**Floods (Tamil Nadu, December 2023)**

In December 2023, Thoothukudi and Tirunelveli districts of Tamil Nadu received precipitation equal to the average annual rainfall in a single day. Kayalpattinam reportedly recorded 946 mm in just one day, the highest-ever rainfall recorded in plains of Tamil Nadu. The rains significantly damaged agriculture and livestock. Reliance Foundation treated 5,495 livestock animals and distributed dry ration and sanitation kits to 3,560 households across 56 villages.



“All affected families had to move with children to safe shelter and stayed there for a week. The heavy rain and flooding affected farming, goats and cows. Reliance Foundation voluntarily came forward to provide medical assistance to the animals. We will never forget the camp where all the cows suffering from foot rot and other conditions were treated and provided with vaccination.”

Farmer Nagalingap Perumal, Thottiyar, Thoothukudi District



**Enhancing Nature-based Solutions**

Reliance Foundation helps communities implement Nature-based Solutions (NbS) to reduce the risks of disaster and climate-related issues. These efforts include promoting site-specific solutions and approaches, such as creation of bio-shields to naturally build resilience, regenerate the landscape and shield livelihoods from shocks such as droughts.

Mangroves are essential bio-shields, and Reliance Foundation is helping coastal communities become self-sufficient in enhancing their mangrove cover by helping in the establishment of community-led mangrove nurseries. A nursery established in Balasore, Odisha, has yielded more than 10,500 saplings for plantation. The stocking of saplings through nurseries helps replenish plants at plantation sites and contributes to sustaining mangrove conservation efforts.

As part of a larger effort to enhance the bio-shield cover, 94,000+ seeds/mangrove hypocotyl have been planted in 16 districts across eight states. This includes mangrove plantation in the coastal states of Odisha and West Bengal, Miyawaki forest and

cactus plantation for livestock fodder in Gujarat, coconut plantation in the coastal region of Kerala, Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu, and plantation along river boundaries in Assam.

In the Sundarbans, women in Rupamari village, North 24 Parganas district, are boosting mangrove cover through Reliance Foundation's efforts to de-risk storm vulnerable areas of West Bengal. Led by Ms. Juthika, a SHG leader, the women are working to reduce disaster risks and enhance coastal biodiversity. Juthika oversees 100+ SHGs, managing daily loan disbursements. Despite minimal financial gain, she finds respect and joy in her work. Thanks to her leadership, the SHGs enthusiastically participate in mangrove plantation and training events.

**9,500**  
Mangrove saplings yielded by a nursery in Odisha

**59,800+**  
Mangrove saplings planted in Odisha and West Bengal

**Nurturing First Responders**

Volunteer engagement is most essential for providing immediate assistance after disasters and supporting long-term recovery. Volunteers also play a crucial role in fostering community resilience by leveraging specialised skills and raising public awareness.

Reliance Foundation engages with employees across Reliance and with members of the communities it serves to help build capacity for response and resilience. Community volunteers are supported in capacity enhancement for implementing NbS and school safety programmes. They play a crucial role in mock-drills. This year more than 1900+ volunteers supported Reliance Foundation's Disaster Management programme.

CASE STUDY

**Sharmim Akter Choudhury, a Young Star of her Community**

Sharmim Akter Choudhury from Kazidahar Part-I in Cachar district of Assam is currently studying law and volunteers as 'Apada Mitra' in her region. Her village is highly flood-prone, with limited safe shelters and existing school infrastructure is used in emergency situations. Sharmim has witnessed her community struggling to access food and shelter during floods in recent years.

Determined to make her community better-prepared for disasters, Sharmim enrolled in NDMA's Apada Mitras programme in 2020. The initiative aims to promote a culture of volunteerism for Disaster Risk Reduction and Response through a trained volunteer force—Apada Mitras—a 15-day residential programme held at the district level.

Following her training, Sharmim started supporting the Cachar District Disaster Management Authority with capacity-building and mock-drill programmes in her circles (a cluster of villages). She attended many trainings, gained skills in search and rescue operations, emergency transportation for handling casualties, first aid, fire safety and improvised life saving techniques during disasters. Reliance Foundation works with Sharmim to train the youth in her region.

"I advocate supporting young girls so they can protect themselves and their families. I focus on bringing more young girls into the training programmes and acquire basic skills. I also aim to train 300 people from my village. Every household should have at least one family member trained in disaster management."



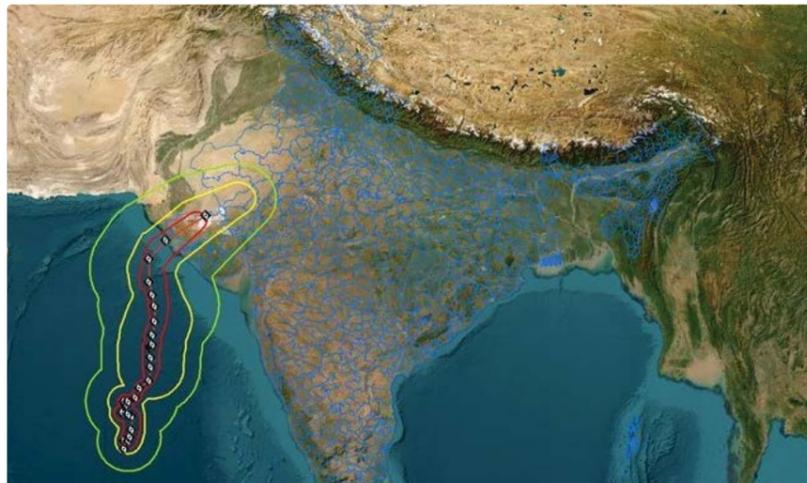
**1,197**  
women volunteer  
trained

**Impact Based Forecasting and Early Warning**

To provide advanced support to India's disaster management landscape, Reliance Foundation is working on transitioning from Early Warning Systems (EWS) that provide weather forecast information, like quantum of rainfall cyclone disturbance wind speed, etc., to Impact-Based Forecasting and Warning Services (IBFWS) that can forecast the impact of a disaster.

When cyclone Mocha was heading towards Bangladesh and Myanmar in May 2023, Reliance Foundation's IBFWS projected damage to 330 houses in Mizoram. After landfall, the disaster management authorities reported damage to 230 houses.

A more extensive IBFWS exercise during cyclone Biparjoy predicted damage to 2,000 houses in Gujarat while 2,167 houses were reported damaged by the authorities. Through its IBFWS effort, Reliance Foundation is refining its advisories and coordinating with other organisations to enhance preparedness and response.



Owing to advances in technology, IBFWS can forecast the impact on vulnerable groups of people like pregnant women, damage to homes and infrastructure like roads, forecast the extent of livelihood loss and point out locations where water inundation and storm surge is likely, based on digital elevation model and more.

**Enhancing Future Disaster Management Strategies**

The Centre for Environment and Regional Development (CERD), New Delhi, conducted a comprehensive independent study of Reliance Foundation's Disaster Management programme. The study was further reviewed by the National Institute of Disaster Management (NIDM).

The CERD report mentions, "The core principle underlying Reliance Foundation's interventions lies in leveraging advanced communication technologies, fostering coordination and encouraging multi-stakeholder participation. Over the course of a decade, Reliance Foundation's

disaster management programme has successfully established impactful interventions across key thematic areas, aligning with the principles of the Sendai Framework on Disaster Risk Reduction, SDGs and national priorities. The study underscores Reliance Foundation's potential to assume a leadership role in disaster management within the private sector."

The NIDM study was presented during a Reliance Foundation-hosted roundtable discussion titled 'Disaster Management from the Ground Up: Effective Preparedness,

Response, and Mitigation' in September 2023. The roundtable emphasised the demystification and simplification of community-based risk communication, the importance of mainstreaming livestock issues in DRR, school safety and increasing access to children and school teachers, the role of the private sector in complementing government initiatives in disaster management, and strategies to shape future opportunities for the private sector.

**Strengthening DRR at the Regional Level**

Reliance Foundation hosted a series of roundtable discussions to provide a platform for stakeholders to further the discourse on disaster management. One of these roundtables was held in October 2023 in Kolkata, organised for the East and North-East regions with a focus on Assam, Bihar, Odisha and West Bengal.

Discussions included Tsunami-readiness at the grassroots, implications of hazards specific to the region, school safety programmes, mainstreaming gender in DRR, implementing of disaster development plans, DRR in the MSME sector and approaches to early warning systems.

Moving forward, Reliance Foundation aims to enhance the role of technological applications in forewarning and preventing the impact of disasters as well as build community resilience at the field level in collaboration with the government's disaster management agencies.





The belief in art's power to transform livelihoods, educate people across generations and instil pride in India's rich cultural heritage guides Reliance Foundation's efforts to preserve traditional art forms. These efforts are aimed at providing a global platform for India's heritage and talented artisans.

Recognising culture as the bond between arts and heritage, Reliance Foundation supports communities in their cultural endeavours and actively participates in cultural events.

In FY 2023-24, Reliance Foundation continued its mission to encourage artisans by providing platforms to showcase arts and promoting traditional Indian heritage to national and global audiences.

# Arts, Culture and Heritage

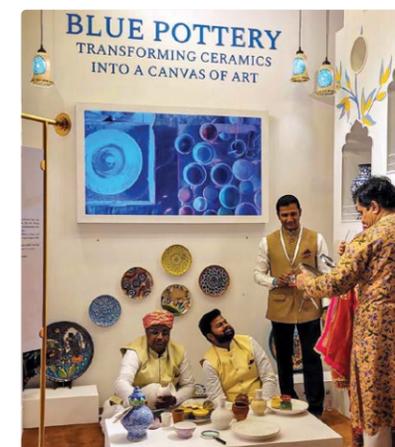


## Promoting Traditional Arts

Under the vision and leadership of its Founder and Chairperson, Smt. Nita M. Ambani, Reliance Foundation constantly reimagines ways to protect and promote Indian Arts, Culture and Heritage. One such effort is providing Indian artisans infrastructure, platforms and opportunities to showcase their work, preserving India's cultural inheritance for future generations. India's extraordinary legacy reaches a wider audience through specific initiatives by Reliance Foundation.

**Swadesh, born from this commitment to promote traditional artists and artisans, aims to showcase their talent and skill to a global audience, bringing visibility to India's age-old arts and crafts.**

This was seen during the inaugural exposition of Swadesh at the Nita Mukesh Ambani Cultural Centre (NMACC) in Mumbai. By reimagining the conventional artists' space, Reliance Foundation supported Swadesh's efforts to engage audiences and showcase skilled artisans in action. It facilitated direct engagement between traditional artisans and their customers and audiences.



SPOTLIGHT



### Art for Livelihood

Reliance Foundation has supported unique and iconic Indian regional art forms and crafts over the years, including 'Pichwai', 'Banarasi' weaving, 'Pattachitra', 'Sozni' embroidery, Blue Pottery, 'Kal Baffi', 'Paithani' and candles made by individuals with vision impairment at Sunrise Candles.

With continued promotion and support, these artisans are now accessing markets through Swadesh's retail initiative, which is not only helping in art preservation but also in improving livelihoods.

The 'Palagai Padam' Tanjore painting expo from Tamil Nadu showcased extravagant gold foil depictions of deities. Visitors were also captivated by the intricate zari patterning of 'Venkatagiri' weaves, the 'Tholu Bommalata' leather shadow puppetry from Andhra Pradesh, and the unique 'Patola' weaves of Gujarat.



CASE STUDY

Weaving the Exquisite Banarasi

Banarasi weaves often depict nature-inspired themes such as flowers, foliage and animals in their designs. Crafted from fine silk and embellished with pure gold and silver zari, these textiles feature distinct motifs inspired by Indian and Persian designs. The intricate floral and foliate motifs, such as Kalga, Bel, Jaal, Koniya and Shikargah, distinguish the famous Banarasi saree.

Ramji, aged 57, a resident of Sarai Mohana village near Varanasi, is a master artisan who learned weaving from his father as a child. Almost every household in his village of 25,000 people is involved in weaving. He has mastered the art of weaving Banarasi silk and is on a mission to share his knowledge to preserve the art by

uniting weaver families and ensuring work for all. Recently, he trained 75 women. According to Ramji, it can take up to two months to weave a Banarasi saree.

**“Swadesh shined a spotlight on the art of weaving a Banarasi saree. It felt like our art was hidden until now. With her presence, involvement and support, Smt. Nita Ambani is championing our cause in ways we cannot. With this support, the younger generation is also eager to embrace the art.”**

Mohammed Haroon, aged 62, was forced to take up weaving at the age of 15 when his father passed away, but he embraced it wholeheartedly. A resident of Kaman Gadha in Varanasi, he quickly mastered the craft and can even set up a loom.

“At Swadesh, many people appreciated our skills because of the art. The recognition that artists are receiving at Swadesh because of their association with the initiative will greatly benefit the art forms and attract new artisans,” he said.



Preserving Heritage and Celebrating Diverse Cultures

To preserve traditional built heritage, Reliance Foundation is renovating the renowned Kalighat Temple in Kolkata, the seat of West Bengal’s reigning deity. The entire temple complex is being restored to its original grandeur.

Celebrating India’s diverse culture, Reliance supports cultural activities across states, including village festivals like those in Gadimoga and Bhairavapalem in Andhra Pradesh, Hoshiyarpur’s ‘Nature Fest’ promoting local culture, and Navratri celebrations in Vadodara, including Bal Gopal Garba for children up to 14 years of age and a cultural programme, honouring the 91<sup>st</sup> birth anniversary of Reliance’s Founder-Chairman Shri Dhirubhai H. Ambani, for children from 14 primary schools.

For Classical Music, Dance and Legends

Over the years, Reliance Foundation has supported numerous initiatives to bring classical music to audiences across India.

‘Bolava Vitthal’, organised by **Pancham Nishad**, is a prime example of this dedication. Since its inception in 2005, this soul-stirring concert of devotional folk music has enraptured audiences nationwide, featuring luminaries such as Kishori Amonkar, Suresh Wadkar, Aruna Sairam and Shankar Mahadevan.

The **Kumar Gandharva Pratishthan**, a pillar of Indian classical music, pays homage to the legendary Kumar Gandharva, celebrating his pioneering contributions. In support of his legacy, Reliance Foundation supported a two-day music festival in Mumbai, commemorating the centenary of this iconic maestro.

**Margazhi Maha Utsavam**, a soul-stirring tribute initiated by Grammy Award Winner Vikku Vinayakram, is a musical extravaganza in Chennai,

celebrating talent and tradition. This festival showcased the collective genius of 60 musicians through 15 enchanting concerts, featured seasoned maestros and emerging virtuosos.

**Maharashtra Lalit Kala Nidhi** commemorated the 100<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of the late Padma Bhushan Pandit C.R. Vyas in December. The event featured stellar performances by luminaries such as Padma Vibhushan Ustad Zakir Hussain, Padma Bhushan Ustad Rashid Khan and other esteemed artists, paying homage to the legacy of the musical icon.

Reliance Foundation supported **Bhandira Tree’s** endeavours to showcase the ancient traditions and mystique of Odisha’s Jagannath culture through theatrical performances. Their evocative plays narrate the enchanting saga of Lord Jagannath’s earthly descent, delving into the intricacies of Odia language, literature, music, architecture and cuisine, all woven together by the sacred thread of Jagannath culture.





**5.09 Lakh+**  
Saplings planted by Reliance volunteers across India

**19,000+**  
Employee volunteering hours

Employees across Reliance participated in various volunteering initiatives organised by Reliance Foundation in FY 2023-24.

During the year, Reliance Foundation undertook several impactful initiatives, demonstrating its commitment to environmental sustainability, community engagement and societal welfare.

The 'Growth for All, Care for All and Access for All' mindset was demonstrated by Reliance volunteers during all the initiatives.

# Volunteering & other initiatives



## Plant4Life Campaign

'Plant4Life' campaign, a community-driven environment initiative by Reliance Foundation to enhance green cover and to care for the Earth, was launched on the occasion of World Environment Day on June 5, 2023. It was launched with a mass plantation campaign at multiple sites and continued till December 31, 2023.

The Plant4Life campaign aimed to build a buzz around environment conservation and community involvement. Through this campaign,

a strong momentum was built by Reliance's community of volunteers imbuing the spirit of 'We Care'. The campaign also focused on the regeneration and restoration of common lands, thereby contributing towards mitigating climate change.

**The initiative led to over 5.09 Lakh saplings planted with over 19,000+ volunteering hours.**

Mass plantation campaigns were structured across RIL plant locations and within communities where Reliance Foundation works, and seed ball making across multiple cities with employee volunteers to increase green cover. Over 61,000 seed balls made by employees were disbursed in open fields by NGO partners.



### CASE STUDY

#### Easkki Pandi: Volunteer Extraordinaire

Volunteers play a crucial role in Reliance Foundation initiatives, as they bring diverse skills, passion and support, amplifying impact and extending reach into communities.

In the past year, Easkki Pandi, Territory Head – HSEF Operations Mumbai 1, Reliance Retail Limited, was seen in many avatars. Braving a landslide in Raigad to rescuing people to narrating stories to children and serving hot meals to patient's family members, he has been a regular volunteer in Reliance Foundation's initiatives.

Easkki desires to set an example for peers, colleagues and the younger generation, which is evident from the fact that he has participated in almost all the volunteer-driven initiatives of Reliance Foundation, ranging from the Serve a Meal campaign to Plant4Life campaign to Raigad landslide disaster management to Kahani Kala Khushi campaign. For a few of the activities, he also encouraged his team to join.

Easkki stated, "Serving the community during my time off is a highly rewarding and heartening experience, leading to a sense of accomplishment

and a stronger connection to the world around me. I am thankful to Reliance Foundation for providing the opportunity to serve communities."



## Kahani Kala Khushi

Over 1,000 children from disadvantaged communities in Mumbai enjoyed a day of excitement, joy and inspiration through stories at Jio Presents Hamleys Wonderland™. Facilitating the children's activities and volunteering at the venue was Ms. Isha Ambani, Director on Boards of RIL and Reliance Foundation, who joined Reliance employee volunteers in cheering the children through fun-filled events of the day that culminated with a storytelling session.

This event with children marked over 75 days of Reliance Foundation's 'We Care, We Volunteer – Kahani Kala Khushi' campaign, where over 1,200 Reliance employees volunteered to engage more than 17,000 children from underprivileged backgrounds across 25 cities of India through storytelling and art.

Spreading joy among children from disadvantaged communities has been



happening for over a decade. This year's effort combined storytelling, culture and art for the children that Reliance Foundation supports through numerous organisations. Volunteers engaged children with age-appropriate

stories that helped them imaginatively discover India and express their ideas through art. The art kits and materials, along with story books provided to the children, aimed to sustain their interest.

### The Joy of Volunteering

"What started off as volunteering, I now call 'visiting family' because of the unconditional love that I have received from the kids. This is what keeps driving me to be a part of such wonderful activities. The gleam in their eyes and their enthusiasm to just spend some time (may it be

singing, dancing or even learning math) with us, makes me equally enthusiastic and excited to learn and grow with them," said Srishti Singh, a toy and game designer who volunteered.

"The storytelling session was very interesting. When I came home, I told my younger brother what I had heard at school. He liked it too. So now I am getting inspiration to read different things," said Aditya Gupta, a 6<sup>th</sup> grade student who is associated with the NGO MELJOL.

## Serve a Meal

Reliance Foundation's 'Serve A Meal' volunteering initiative demonstrated its commitment to community welfare by serving over 58,000+ nutritious meals to relatives of patients in government hospitals across Mumbai. With the involvement of 829 volunteers contributing 1,564 volunteering hours, the initiative helped ease the financial burden on families during illnesses.



## Vantara: Deep Commitment to Animal Welfare

Reliance Industries and Reliance Foundation announced the Vantara (Star of the Forest) programme in February. The programme is an umbrella initiative that focuses on rescue, treatment, care and rehabilitation of injured, abused and threatened animals, both in India and abroad.

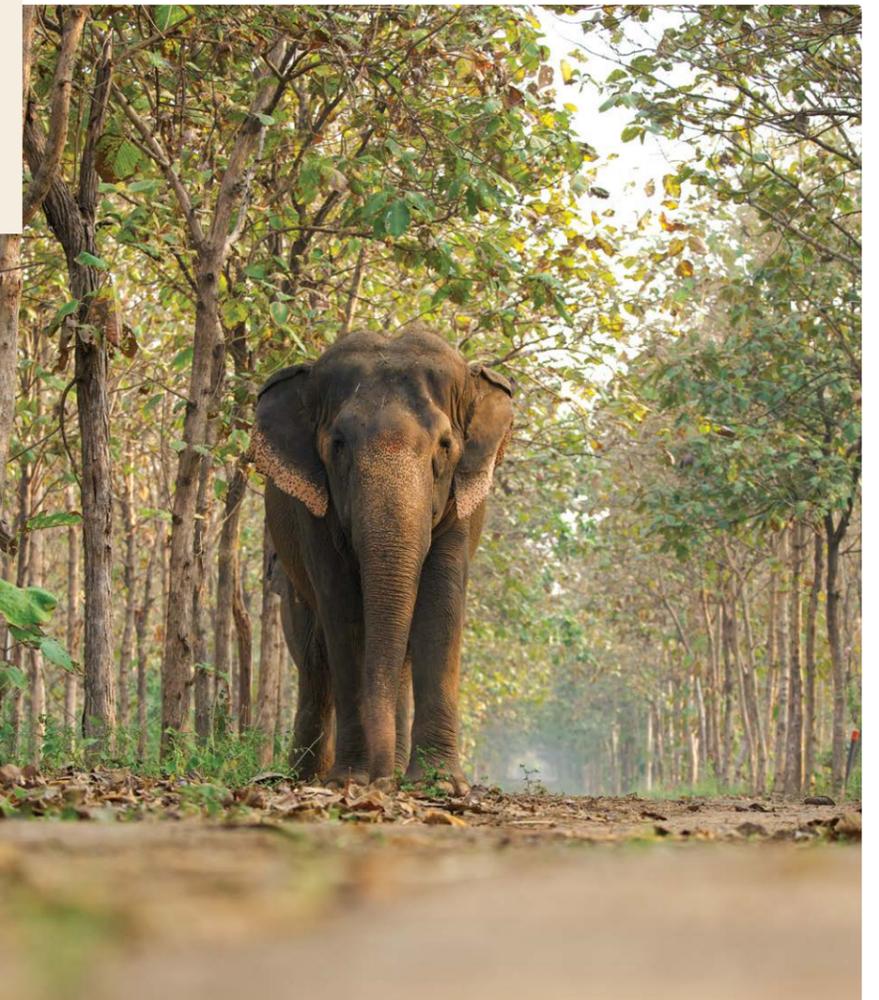
### Vantara's Conservation Oasis

Spread over 3,000 acres within the green belt of Reliance's Jamnagar Refinery Complex in Gujarat, Vantara aims to be one of the leading contributors to conservation efforts globally. By working with leading experts in animal care and welfare, Vantara has converted the space into a jungle-like environment that mimics the natural, enriching, lush and verdant habitat for the rescued species to thrive in.

The Vantara initiative, the first of its kind in India, has been conceptualised and birthed under the passionate leadership of Shri Anant Ambani, Director on the boards of RIL and Reliance Foundation. Vantara's focus is on creating best-in-class animal conservation and care practices, including state-of-the-art healthcare, hospitals, research and academic centres. Within its programmes, Vantara also focuses on integrating advanced research and will be collaborating with reputed international universities and organisations.

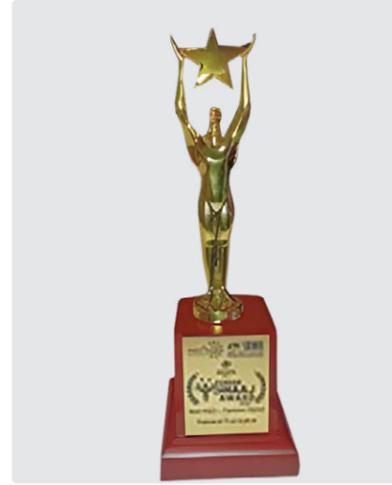
Over the last few years, Reliance's support to wildlife initiatives has rescued more than 200 elephants and thousands of other animals, reptiles and birds from unsafe situations. It has undertaken initiatives in key species, including rhino, leopard and crocodile rehabilitation. Vantara has also taken part in foreign rescue missions under strict legal and regulatory frameworks in India and internationally.

Reliance Foundation believes that the rescue and conservation of animals must go hand-in-hand with greening initiatives. The Vantara programme envisages a continuing greening of Reliance refinery areas and has already greened thousands of acres of land.



# Recognition for CSR initiatives

Our impactful initiatives during the year has been acknowledged with multiple recognitions.



**2023 Global Leadership Award for Philanthropy and Corporate Social Responsibility**

Reliance Foundation Founder and Chairperson Smt. Nita Ambani was honoured by the US-India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF).

**Rotary Award**

Reliance Foundation Founder and Chairperson Smt. Nita Ambani was awarded the 'Citizen of Mumbai' Award 2023-24 by the Rotary Club of Bombay for her contributions to healthcare, education, sports, arts and culture.

**CII Sports**

- Smt. Nita Ambani, Founder and Chairperson of Reliance Foundation, was honored and awarded at the CII Scorecard 2023 event held on December 4, 2023, in New Delhi, with the 'Sports Leader of the Year – Female' award for her exemplary leadership in driving India's sports story.

- Reliance Foundation was also awarded with the 'Best Corporate Promoting Sports in India' award for setting a benchmark for excellence in sports.

**Golden Peacock Award for CSR, 2023-24**

Reliance Industries Limited won the award for 'Nature-based Solutions for Disaster Risk Reduction'. The awards jury was headed by Hon'ble Justice M.N. Venkatachaliah, former Chief Justice of India.

**International Nutri Cereal Convention**

Reliance Foundation received the prestigious distinction of 'Best NGO, Farmer Impact' award during the International Nutri Cereal Convention (INCC) 5.0, encompassing work done on the millet value chain.

**MarCom Awards 2023**

Reliance Foundation won a Gold Award for its Digital Women Leaders film. It was one of two Indian entries to receive the global award.

**Business Excellence Awards 2023**

Reliance Foundation was recognised by Hybiz TV at an event in September 2023 for its social interventions. Hybiz TV is a Hyderabad-based media house with a large digital media subscriber base.

**10<sup>th</sup> National Awards for Excellence in CSR & Sustainability**

Reliance Foundation bagged an award in the category 'Best Solution for Community Care in COVID-19'.

**Business World – 7<sup>th</sup> Edition Healthcare Excellence Awards 2024**

Awarded to Sir H.N. Reliance Foundation Hospital for Institutional Excellence in Multi Speciality Hospital and Healthcare Impact Person recognition for Dr. Tarang Gianchandani.

**Certificate of Gratitude for Reliance Foundation in Odisha Train Accident Response During Zilla Mahotsav and Pallishree Mela – 2024**

Presented in gratitude by Dattatraya B. Shinde, IAS, Collector, Balasore for exceptional bravery and selflessness after the train accident in Bahanaga.

**6<sup>th</sup> Edition Navbharat Healthcare Summit and Awards**

Awarded to Sir H.N. Reliance Foundation Hospital recognised as the Best Multi specialty Hospital in India, Healthcare Leader of the Year – Dr. Tarang Gianchandani, Best Hospital for Organ Transplant in India, Best Hospital of the Year in Quality and Patient Satisfaction.

**The Times of India All India Multispeciality Hospitals Survey 2024**

Ranked Sir H.N. Reliance Foundation Hospital **first among hospitals in India**, in the west region and in Mumbai.

**Best CSR Impact Award by UBS Forums**

Awarded to Reliance Foundation's Disaster Management programme's Geospatial Hub – Prediction & Mitigation (Impact Based Forecasting & Warning Services).

Reliance MET was honoured with an award under the 'Best Innovative CSR Project in the Education Sector (Mission Navodaya Program)' by **UBS Forums**.

**Andhra Pradesh State AIDS Control Society, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada**

State-level best CSR award from the Project Director, Andhra Pradesh State AIDS Control Society.

**CII Water**

'Reliance Foundation – Bharat India Jodo' Kamareddy cluster (TN) received appreciation certificate for 'Noteworthy Project' in 'Water

Management' in the 'Beyond the Fence' category.

**Gujarat State AIDS Control Society**

RIL – Hazira's HIV & TB Control Centre (Reliance ART Centre) was honoured with the 'Best ART (Anti-Retroviral Therapy) Centre Award' by the Gujarat State AIDS Control Society (GSACS), Health & Family Welfare Department, Govt. of Gujarat on World AIDS Day, December 1, 2023 in Ahmedabad.

**CII FPO Summit 2023**

Reliance Foundation mentored farmer collectives – Banas FPC and Chorad FPC from Patan, Gujarat won in the Market Linkages and Membership Engagement categories respectively.

Across the pillars of Rural Transformation, Education, Health, Women Empowerment, Disaster Management, Arts, Culture and Heritage, and Environment as per the Company's CSR policy, this Report presents the key activities and impact of focus.

The Company is driven by a deeper mission of commitment to build a stronger, inclusive India. The belief that what is good for India is good for Reliance, the efforts of Reliance Foundation, led by its Founder and Chairperson, Smt. Nita Ambani, exemplify this vision at every stage of the life cycle of India's most-at-need communities.

Reliance Foundation has been striving to build a sustainable future for all, enabling a positive environment where every individual may achieve their potential. By reaching out to the most marginalised and vulnerable communities, we aim to continue to transform lives, with the underlying spirit that 'we care for all'.



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