



The Shibulal Family
Philanthropic Initiatives
Journey towards building an equitable society



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Welcome to the first edition of the SFPI Annual Roundup 2025

From the Editor's Desk

As we look back on the year gone by, I want to take this opportunity to reflect on the multiple facets of SFPI, as a philanthropy, as an identity, and as an institution.



Asha Thomas, COO

Shibulal Family Philanthropic Initiatives

At the Shibulal Family Philanthropic Initiatives (SFPI), our work is guided by the twin compulsions of purpose and participation.

Over the past few years, we have deliberately shaped SFPI as a unifying institutional identity—bringing together distinct programmes, each with its own focus and autonomy, under shared values and a common vision. More than a banner, SFPI offers a way for programmes to see their work within a broader effort towards equity.

SFPI was created to provide stable, long-term support to programmes addressing frontline social challenges. We believe meaningful impact requires continuity, patience, and the freedom for programmes to focus on serving end beneficiaries.

The family office, Innovations Investment Management, plays a central enabling role—strengthening efficiency, transparency, and financial discipline while preserving programme autonomy. Through shared services across key functions and responsible stewardship of resources, it ensures long term sustainability while allowing programme leaders to remain focused on outcomes and impact.

Robust systems for oversight, reporting, and accountability at SFPI, are necessary to endure change and strengthen the credibility and longevity of our work.

Alongside what we do, how we communicate matters. So SFPI is working to create greater visibility. This is not about attention, but about amplifying programme work, the issues they address, and our model of philanthropy—positioning SFPI as a trusted partner in the domains we work in.

This annual roundup captures milestones, celebrations and moments of progress across the SFPI ecosystem—a window into our journey towards equity. We hope it invites you to engage with the work, ideas, and values that shape SFPI.

Message from the Founder

As we bring together this first Annual Roundup of the Shibulal Family Philanthropic Initiatives.

I find myself reflecting less on what we have achieved, and more on who has made this journey possible.



Kumari Shibulal
Founder & Chairperson, SFPI

Philanthropy, as we see it at SFPI, has never been a solitary endeavour. It is built on trust, shared purpose, and the quiet commitment of many individuals and institutions who choose to work together over the long term.

I would like to begin by thanking the leaders and teams across our programs, those working closest to communities and beneficiaries. Your dedication, integrity, and perseverance, often in the face of complexity and uncertainty, are what give meaning to SFPI's existence.

You remind us every day that impact is created not in boardrooms alone, but through sustained on-ground work.

My sincere gratitude also goes to our family office, Innovations Investment Management and the SFPI support teams, who work largely behind the scenes to ensure that our programs are well supported, well governed, and able to function with efficiency and transparency. Your role as enablers, strengthening systems while respecting autonomy, is critical to the long-term resilience of our institution.

I would also like to acknowledge our partners, collaborators, advisors, and well-wishers who walk alongside us, challenging our thinking, sharing their expertise, and helping us expand our work beyond what we can do on our own. Your participation strengthens both our work and our resolve.

As SFPI continues to evolve, my hope is that we remain grounded in humility, guided by purpose, and open to learning from one another and from the communities we serve. This Annual Roundup is as much a reflection of collective effort as it is of progress made.

Thank you for walking along this path with us.



SFPI Roundup!

S. D. Shibulal Joins ICPE 2025 Panel at IIT Ropar, on Physics Education and Industry



Leaders from academia and industry came together to examine the future of physics education at the ICPE 2025 in IIT Ropar.

[Learn more](#)

Mr. S.D. addresses over 3000 students in the 11th edition of the Role Model Series by I.M.U.N.



At the 11th edition of the Role Model Series by I.I.M.U.N. on 18th December 2025, in Mumbai, over 3,000 students came together to engage with ideas that go beyond instant success and social-media fame, thoughts rooted in values, responsibility, and long-term purpose.

[Learn more](#)

A New Cultural Landmark for Bengaluru : S. D. and Kumari Shibulal to Build a New Cultural Centre in Bengaluru



It is high time our city, especially the south of Bengaluru, had a dedicated space for all kinds of art forms, music, culture, and theatre, including stand-up comedies, plus a place to teach all these, all under the same umbrella,” S.D. Shibulal, co-founder of SFPI and co-founder and former CEO, Infosys.

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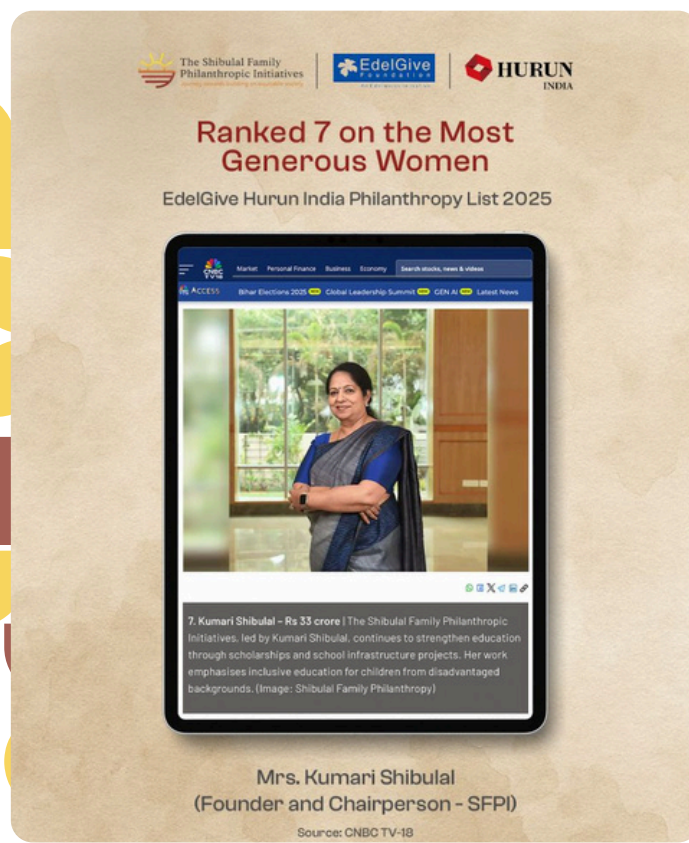
S. D. Shibulal Joins Global Leaders at the Social Outcomes Conference 2025 hosted by the Government Outcomes Lab at the Blavatnik School, University of Oxford



The challenges of today demand solutions that go beyond borders and sectors. S.D. Shibulal has long believed that collaboration, innovation, and technology can accelerate social change when directed towards the public good.

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Kumari Shibulal Featured Among India's Most Generous Women in EdelGive Hurun India Philanthropy List 2025



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Sangamam! 2025: A Year of Culture, Connection, and Continuity



Looking back at Sangamam 2025, a year of meaningful performances, thoughtful curation, and growing engagement with Indian art and culture.

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Navahitam: Bringing Fresh Produce to Underserved Communities



Fresh produce should never be a privilege. Through Navahitam, we work with farmers and wholesale partners to bring fruits and vegetables to underserved communities, ensuring their overall well-being.

[Learn more](#)

SAATHIYA Lite Centre Expands to Meghalaya

A proud milestone, the SAATHIYA Lite Centre arrives in Meghalaya, paving the way for young aspirants to step confidently into the world of hospitality.

[Learn more](#)

Akshayasree! Awards 2024: A Powerful Tribute to Sustainable Agriculture

Akshayasree Award 2024

Celebrating excellence in sustainable farming

From heartfelt stories of perseverance to groundbreaking innovations in farming, Akshayasree Awards were a powerful tribute to those shaping the future of agriculture.

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SAATHIYA! Partners with Meghalaya State Skills Development Society to Strengthen Hospitality Careers

Opening Doors for Meghalaya's Youth!

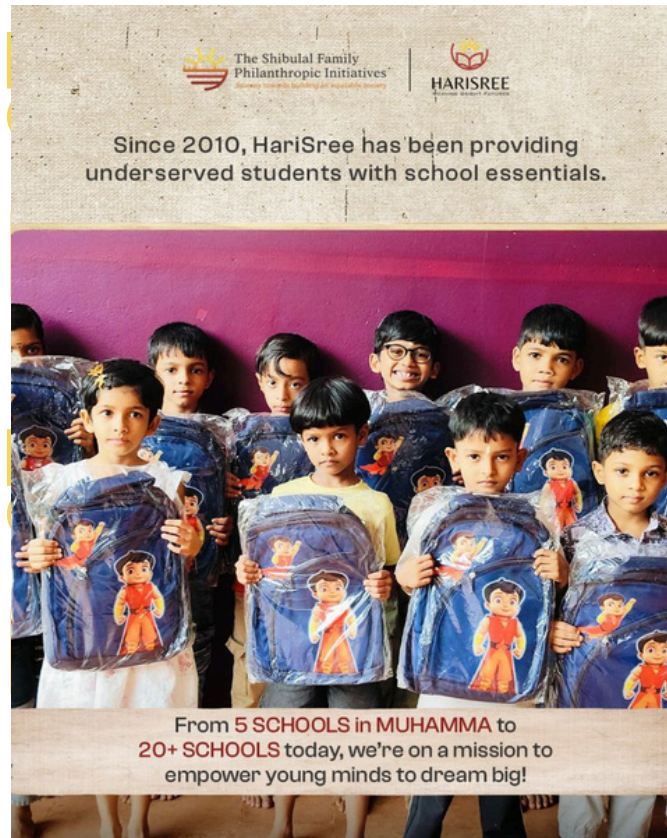


SAATHIYA Academy partners up with the Meghalaya State Skills Development Society (MSSDS)

Strengthening the bridge between skill development and employment, SAATHIYA has partnered with Meghalaya State Skills Development Society through a new MoU.

[Learn more](#)

HariSree: Growing the Journey, from 5 Schools in Muhamma to 20+ Schools Today



Harisree began with a simple idea, to make learning a little easier for children from underserved communities by distributing school bags and books.

[Learn more](#)



Prof. Oliver Günther, President of the University of Potsdam, visited SFPI, Bengaluru, in January 2025, where he met with entity heads to engage in discussions and learn about the programs run under SFPI.

SFPI–TIFR Host Prof. Janet Thornton for Lecture on Structural Biology and AI



SFPI, in collaboration with Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR) organised a thought provoking lecture by Prof. Janet Thornton, bringing together 100 students from biology, biotechnology, biochemistry and related fields across Bengaluru.

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Highlights from the year 2025: ShikshaLokam

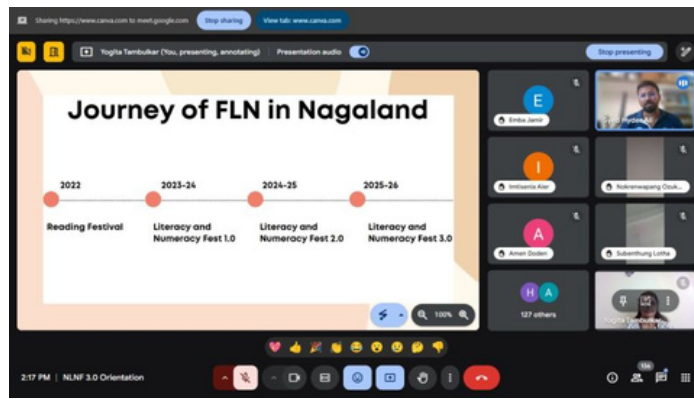
InvokED 4.0 Glimpses



InvokED 4.0 was made special by the people who came together for it. Over two days, we listened, learned, and shared stories of education transformation.

[Learn more](#)

Literacy and Numeracy Fest 3.0 was launched in Nagaland, building on the successes of LNF 1.0 and LNF 2.0



Through our ongoing partnership with the Department of School Education (DoSE) and Samagra Shiksha Nagaland, we've witnessed the impact of Micro-improvement come alive.

[Learn more](#)

SCERT Haryana has been implementing an enrolment programme for the past three consecutive years to increase student enrolment



ShikshaLokam is proud to present Haryana SCERT as another partner in championing the micro-improvement approach with the launch of Aao School Chalein 3.0

[Learn more](#)

ExChange Summit 2025: ShikshaLokam participated in the exChange Summit 2025 in Rio de Janeiro



A gathering hosted by Centre for Exponential Change (C4EC) where stories, ideas and leadership journeys of system orchestrators.

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Schwab Summit 2025: At the Schwab Foundation Summit 2025 in Seoul, ShikshaLokam shared its work with government as a trusted ally, highlighting Shikshagraha and lessons on trust



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Stefan Deercon joins board of Advisors:



We're delighted to welcome Professor Stefan Dercon to our Board of Advisors. A renowned development economist and former Chief Economist at the Department for International Development (DFID) he is also a Jury member for Shikshagraha Awards.

[Learn more](#)

Social Outcomes Conference 2025 at Oxford



We had an exciting opportunity to foster Global Networks with the Social Outcomes Conference 2025 at Oxford!

SD Shibulal – Co-founder, ShikshaLokam & The Shibulal Family Philanthropic Initiatives (SFPI), Neeraj Doddamane – Chief Strategy Officer, ShikshaLokam, Dr. Pratibha Narayanan - Co-founder, Involve, & Sriram Chemuturi – Director, R&D, Mantra4Change were part of the SOC25 at Oxford.

[Learn more](#)

National Workshop on Schooling Building Blocks and Khushboo Awasthi as the member of the working group



The National Workshop on “Schooling: Building Blocks”, convened by the Department of School Education & Literacy (DoSEL) ahead of the 5th National Conference of Chief Secretaries, brought together Education Secretaries, State Project Directors, senior officials from the Ministry and States, and Working Group members for deep conversations on advancing India’s education landscape.

[Learn more](#)

Khushboo Awasthi as the member of the national level committee set up by DoSEL to strengthen SCERTs across India and three days national consultative workshop hosted by NCERT



We are honoured that our COO & Co-founder, Khushboo Awasthi, is a member of the national level committee set up by the Department of School Education and Literacy (DoSEL) to strengthen SCERTs across India.

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One Billion Futures workshop: In partnership with Synergos, ShikshaLokam curated the One Billion Futures workshop, centred on collective action to shape better futures for children and youth across the Global South.



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Launch of Mission SOAR in Nagaland



On Teachers' Day, Hon'ble Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio launched Building Systems for Outstanding Achievements and Reformation, an ambitious state-wide initiative to create a resilient, inclusive, and future-ready education system.

For the Mission SOAR Elevate Foundation, Ignite Education Group, Mantra4Change, NagaEd, Shikha Institute of Education, and ShikshaLokam

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PBL Programme Conclusion with the PBL Fair



Bringing together over 650 students, teachers, and education leaders, the PBL Fair became a vibrant space to showcase creative projects, share stories of transformation, and celebrate learning in action.

The event was graced by Dr Kekhrielhoulie Yhome, Advisor,

School Education and SCERT; Shri Rangumbuing Nsarangbe, Director, Nagaland Board of School Education (NBSE); Dr Bijano Murray Odyuo, Joint Mission Director, and Shri Kelhika Kenye, Deputy Mission Director, Samagra Shiksha, Nagaland.

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Highlights from the year 2025: Shikshagraha

Shiksha Samvaad Bihar



On Jan 18, 2025, over 150 civil society members, education leaders, and market players came together at the Shiksha Samvaad in Patna, Bihar to unite for a shared mission of transforming education for children in the Bihar state.

[Learn more](#)

Shikshagraha Awards 2025

Visit our YouTube channel to watch the ceremony at InvokED 4.0, where we celebrated the work of awardees Xavier Chandra Kumar, Rajitha N, Ranjan Kumar and special mention Muskan Ahirwar.

[Learn more](#)

WEF/ Schwab The Future is Collective Report



Shikshagraha, the movement dedicated to improving 1 million public schools in India, has been featured as a case study in the Schwab Foundation's The Future is Collective report, alongside nine other global social movements, celebrating collective action, shared leadership, and the pursuit of educational equity.

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Shiksha Samvaad
Guwahati

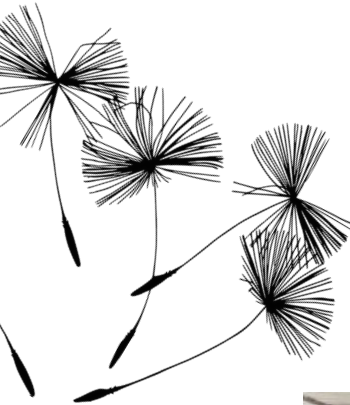
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Shiksha Chaupal III :
Shiksha Chaupal 3 saw
53,000+ participants join
2,300+ chaupals across
1,100 villages in 8 districts

[Learn more](#)

SSIR Feature

A new article by S. D. Shibulal, Co-Founder of The Shibulal Family Philanthropic Initiatives (SFPI) Philanthropic Initiatives, and Dr. François Bonnici, Director of Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship, explores why our current systems often fall short, and how rethinking partnerships can unlock solutions at scale.



[Learn more](#)



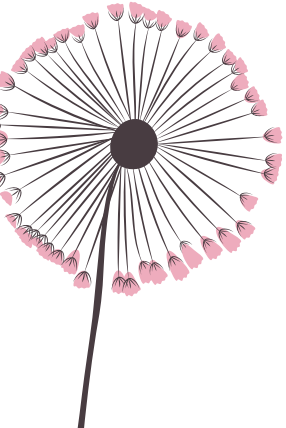
Shikshana Chavadi



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Shiksha Chaupal IV



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STEM Collective kickstarted

The STEM Collective, part of Shikshagraha, brings organisations together to reimagine STEM in public schools as hands-on inquiry and problem solving, with plans for shared resources, district programs, and a growing partner ecosystem to strengthen government schools nationwide.

[Learn more](#)

Shiksha Samvaad - Evidence Edition

Evidence Edition: Evidence Edition brought together researchers, practitioners, and policymakers for a day of discussions, workshops, and collaborative learning, exploring how evidence can drive impact in public education.

[Learn more](#)

Shiksha Samvaad - Environmental Consciousness (CWS)/ Subcollective kickstarted

Shikshagraha welcomes the Centre for Wildlife Studies as a domain expert to co-create environmental education and sustainability resources.

[Learn more](#)

Highlights from the year 2025: Vidyadhan!



"Partnering for Social Impact"

Partnering for Social Impact" was more than just an event; it was a testament to the power of collaboration. Thank you to all 300+ Vidyadhan Champions who joined us on January 29th.

[Learn more](#)

CSR Summit



Vidyadhan was honoured with the “Best Partnership for Social Impact” award in the Excellence in Education and Empowerment category at the prestigious CSR Summit in Hyderabad.

[Learn more](#)

Government of Meghalaya - Vidyadhan MOU



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An MOU between the Government of Meghalaya and the Sarojini Damodaran Foundation for launching the foundation’s Vidyadhan scholarship program in Meghalaya was signed in the office of the Chief Secretary on March 21, 2025.

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Visionary Educator Award at the prestigious CSR & HR Awards 2025 from the Women League Foundation (WLF).



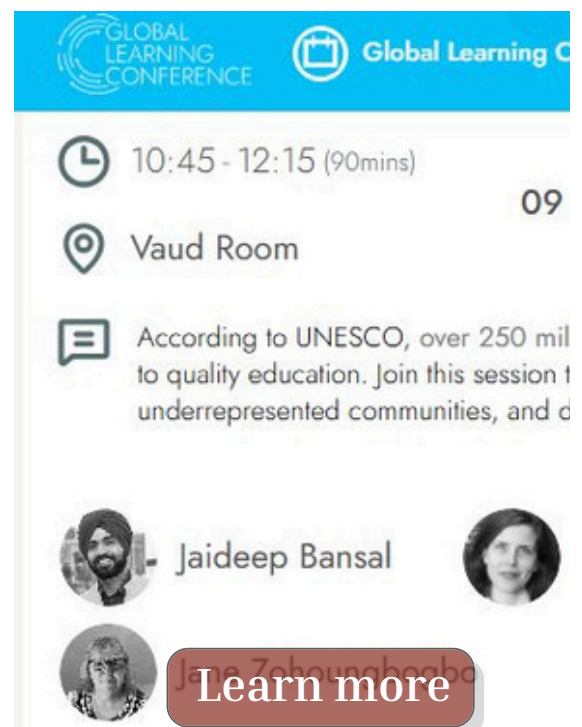
The Chief Operating Officer (COO) of Vidyadhan, Meera Rajeevan has won the Visionary Educator Award at the prestigious CSR & HR Awards 2025 from the Women League Foundation (WLF).

[Learn more](#)

Panelist in "11th Greentech CSR India Awards 2025"



Speaker in Global Learning Conference 2025



Blood Donation Camp - Bangalore

Vidyadhan's 3rd Annual Blood Donation Drive, hosted at Innovations Investment Management Ltd. In collaboration with WISE NGO and Lions Blood Center.

[Learn more](#)

Humanitarian Awards 2025



Vidyadhan has been awarded the Humanitarian Excellence Award 2025 by the I Can Foundation on the occasion of India's 79th Independence Day.

[Learn more](#)

FKCCI Award



Vidyadhan has received an award of Excellence in Education and Skill Development under NGO Category at the FKCCI India CSR & Sustainability Conference & Awards 2025 organized by FKCCI - Federation of Karnataka Chambers of Commerce & Industry,

[Learn more](#)



Social Impact Conference & Awards (SICA 2025)

Mr. Pankaj Tripathi (Principal Consultant, The Shibulal Family Philanthropic Initiatives (SFPI) and Former Joint Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India, spoke at SICA 2025

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12th India CSR & ESG Summit 2025



Her perspective on “education as a multiplier of equity and growth” deeply resonated with the audience, reinforcing Vidyadhan’s mission of breaking the cycle of poverty through access to higher education.

[Learn more](#)

Vidyadhan Partners with Colruyt



Vidyadhan is proud to be associated with Colruyt Group India Private Limited in empowering students all over Telangana, Tamil Nadu, and Puducherry.

[Learn more](#)

Vidyadhan supports education in Uttar Pradesh



Vidyadhan student Kavya participated in the Women's T20 World Cup for the Blind



"Swarna Award" by the Swarna Bhumi Foundation



We are delighted to feature Supreme, an outstanding Vidyadhan alumnus from Kolar, Karnataka, who is changing lives through his organization, Supreme Vikala Chetana Seva Samsthe.

[Learn more](#)

"Partnering for Social Impact" - Pune



Vidyadhan's "Partnership for Social Impact" brought together changemakers, educators, corporate leaders, students and parents to explore bold pathways for strengthening Access, Awareness, and Affordability in higher education.

[Learn more](#)

Highlights from the year 2025: Ankur!



His Excellency Mr. Reuben Gauci, High Commissioner of
the Republic of Malta visits Ankur



Ankur was honoured by the visit of His Excellency Mr. Reuben Gauci, High Commissioner of the Republic of Malta. The visit was a moment of immense pride for the entire Ankur family. During his visit, Mr. Gauci interacted with students and shared his perspectives on fostering a holistic and inclusive educational environment.

Building Financial Awareness for the Future



Ms. Radha Rani, Founder & Managing Partner, Surge Advisors, shared valuable insights with Ankur students, encouraging financial awareness, responsibility, and future readiness.



Insights from a Veteran Corporate Leader



Mr. Sanjay Khaitan, a veteran corporate leader from the Khaitan Group, visited Ankur and shared his experiences and perspectives, offering students valuable exposure to leadership and corporate wisdom.



Ankur Girls Clinch Victory at Carmel Cup 2025



Five girls participated in the CARMEL CUP 2025 Under-17 Girls Volleyball Tournament and secured 1st place. Grade 8 Bhoomika Shivanna was awarded the Best All-Rounder Trophy.



Ankur Annual Breakfast 2025



Shibu Uncle and Kumari Mummy (as called by the Ankur children), made the Annual Breakfast a true Celebration. Their warmth, engagement, and meaningful interactions with the students added deep emotional value to the event. Their presence and time with the children were a profound blessing for the Ankur family, transforming a simple gathering into a collection of cherished, lifelong memories.

Ranjitha Secures 3rd Place at Art Mantram



Grade 10 student Ranjitha secured 3rd place in ART MANTRAM, a Drawing and Painting Competition conducted by the Karnataka Forest Department at Bannerghatta National Park, on the theme “Endangered Species.”

Lalith Secures 2nd Place at Mind Matters



Grade 11 student Lalith secured 2nd place for the topic “If My Thoughts Had a Voice...” under “Mind Matters”, an interschool reel-making competition held at Delhi Public School.

Shantamma Secures Second Prize at SAP Compendium 2025



The SAP Compendium 2025, hosted by Efil-EQUBE SAP Championship Awards 2025 at Sri Kumaran Children’s Academy, brought together five schools with 20 outstanding participants from an initial pool of over 700 participants this year. Grade 10 student Shantamma won the Second Prize.

Arpitha Shines at Interschool Psychology Quiz



Grade 11 student Arpitha S. Jois secured 2nd place in the Interschool Psychology Quiz Competition conducted by Delhi Public School, Electronic City.

Anurag from Ankir Named Best Attacker at Carmel Cup 2025



Six boys participated in the CARMEL CUP 2025 Interschool Volleyball Tournament, representing The Samhita Academy, and secured 2nd place. Grade 12 student Anurag was awarded Best Attacker, receiving an individual trophy.

SFPI in the NEWS!



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The Creative Minds Behind the Newsletter:



Roselin Kiro

Editorial Curator- Roselin Kiro, Senior Manager,
Branding & Communications, SFPI



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Karthik.M

We are delighted to introduce our two creative interns, who joined SFPI this year and played a key role in shaping the design and visual storytelling of this newsletter. Through their creativity, attention to detail, and fresh perspectives, they contributed meaningfully to bringing this edition to life.

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