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Freedom, Unity and Service

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Every act of service creates an opportunity for change, and every volunteer contributes to building a more compassionate and inclusive society. At Youth for Seva, we believe that collective action and the spirit of selfless service can create lasting impact in communities. This quarter, we celebrate the dedication of our volunteers, the commitment of our partners, and the milestones achieved through our initiatives across Education, Health, Environment, and Livelihood. As we continue to connect people with meaningful volunteering opportunities, we remain committed to nurturing a culture of seva that inspires individuals, strengthens communities, and transforms lives. Join us as we look back at the stories, achievements, and moments that made this quarter meaningful.

Together, let's continue to serve, inspire, and create a lasting impact.



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Education | Empowering Every Learner

From ensuring children have the essential resources they need to learn, to providing spaces for academic support and building financial awareness, our initiatives aim to make learning more accessible, holistic and empowering.

Educational Initiatives

Our recent educational initiatives have made a significant impact across both teacher and volunteer networks.

We successfully completed five Spoken English training sessions for **58 volunteer** participants, enabling **39 dedicated volunteers** to take these classes into **38 schools**.



In parallel, our NMMS program empowered **48 volunteers** through five training sessions, who are now actively leading classes across 54 schools. Additionally, our reach extended into professional development by engaging **82 teachers** through an interactive ITN online session.

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VIDYA CHETANA's GRADUATION Day

The VidyaChetana Graduation Day was held on 20th September 2026 at Rashtrotthana Fitness Centre, Jayanagar, Bengaluru, bringing together 24 graduating students to celebrate their achievements and mark an important milestone in their educational journey.

YFS Founder, Chief Mentor Sri Venkatesh Murthy addressed the students and shared valuable guidance, encouragement, and his heartfelt wishes for their future.



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Financial Literacy Program

Understanding how to manage finances is an essential life skill.

Through financial literacy initiatives, volunteers help young learners develop an awareness of saving, budgeting, responsible spending and financial decision-making skills that can support them well beyond the classroom.

Together, these initiatives reflect Youth for Seva's commitment to nurturing learners, strengthening communities and enabling children to move towards a more confident and empowered future.



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HEALTH

School Health & Hygiene Initiatives



Empowering Students Through Health Awareness: Our health initiatives reached 9 private schools in Bangalore this quarter. Through targeted sessions, 818 girls participated in Menstrual Hygiene Awareness workshops across 7 schools, while 280 students benefited from Health and Hygiene programs across 2 schools.

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Expanding Healthcare Access & Preparedness: Our quarterly health initiatives brought vital care directly to those in need, hosting 12 specialized camps across 11 Child Care Institutions and an Old Age Home to impact 840 lives.

Additionally, we strengthened our emergency response capabilities by registering **25 volunteer doctors and training 23 participants in Basic Life Support (BLS).**



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Environment | Nurturing a Greener Tomorrow



Youth For Seva encourages communities to take meaningful action towards a cleaner and greener future. Through initiatives such as Green Journey, Volunteers for Parks and Clay Ganesha Making, volunteers come together to promote environmental awareness, care for public spaces and encourage eco-friendly celebrations.

Together, these efforts inspire individuals and communities to celebrate responsibly, conserve nature and make sustainability a part of everyday life.

CLAY GANESHA *Making Activity*



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Volunteer For Parks



Parks are the lungs of our city, and keeping them thriving requires collective action. We are proud to have participated in this citizen-led movement aimed at making Bengaluru's parks cleaner, greener, and more vibrant.

This initiative was powered by The Times of India, in association with the Greater Bengaluru Authority and Youth for Seva, and in collaboration with Jain University and Rotaract.

Together, we are empowering youth and local communities to step forward, take ownership of public spaces, and create a sustainable environment for future generations. More than 200 volunteers participated in plogging, clean-up drives, and waste segregation activities, with plans to reach more than 70 parks across Bengaluru.

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LIVELIHOOD

Empowering individuals with opportunities to become self-reliant remained a key focus. Skill development workshops, entrepreneurship support, vocational training, and community engagement programs enabled individuals and families to build sustainable livelihoods and move towards financial independence.





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Lalbagh Flower show

Making an Impact at the Lalbagh Flower Show!



From August 6th to 17th, our incredible network of over 1,000 volunteers stepped up to support the iconic Lalbagh Flower Show. Thanks to their tireless dedication and seamless management on the ground, the event was a resounding success, earning high appreciation from the Lalbagh Authorities. A huge thank you to everyone who gave their time and energy to serve the community!



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Empowering Large-Scale Community Events:

Bengaluru Ganesh Utsava

From September 14th to 26th, over 205 of our volunteers were engaged to support the grand Bengaluru Ganesh Utsava! Working hand-in-hand with the event authorities, our team successfully managed safety, crowd flow, and visitor assistance for a massive turnout of over 10,000 attendees, helping deliver a seamless and memorable experience for the community.



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