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ANNUAL REPORT

2020 - 2021

WE

Connected.

Learned.

Adapted.

Cared.

Our CEO's Message of HOPE

As we step into a brand new academic year, this is a bittersweet moment for us all. The past year has been difficult, particularly for schools & school-going children and Covid-19 is undoing decades of progress in a child's education. As the pandemic puts distance between our children and their pillars of support - their teachers & friends, our Akanksha family is trying its hardest to connect them to school and everything we cherish about in-person teaching and learning. At Akanksha, the key to making the highest difference in the lives of our children is connection. The year has seen countless stories of grit and witnessed resilience like never before. It has been heartwarming to see everyone come together for a collective purpose and work dedicatedly for our children.

The year also marked an important milestone for us as Akanksha turned 30 and began a new chapter of its enduring life. We are not only reimagining what education for our children will look like going forward, but are also ensuring that our communities & families are supported & safe during this pandemic. A first step in this direction is prioritizing our students & their communities through Project Karuna, Akanksha's Covid-19 taskforce. By providing our most vulnerable families with Covid care essentials such as food and hygiene kits, we are extending our support to build resilience for nearly 200,00 lives.

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Uninterrupted Education via Blended Learning with a Difference

As Akanksha grows older, we also become wiser. Online learning is the way forward and we are trying our best to embrace the new, while preserving the old. For us, it is our mission to ensure that the learning never stops. This year has been especially special owing to our educators' ingenuity and innovation. 2020 saw the Shift to Blended Learning Model, a unique integration of traditional (in-person) and virtual learning techniques that go beyond the classroom. Within this is rooted our effort to stay in touch with our students and their families, and is currently taking the shape of well-being check-in calls as well as ensuring digital access for our students. Socio Emotional and Ethical Learning has become an integral part of the Akanksha culture and is being practiced by all our stakeholders, from students, teachers, staff members and parents.



Adapting to The New Normal

If 2020 has taught us anything, it is that public schools are the very fabric of a community and a caring educator can turn any crisis into a learning opportunity. As we continue to rethink and reflect on the way Akanksha works, we are moving towards expanding our reach and vision, and also multiplying our efforts through advocacy and partnerships. While the journey of becoming stronger is never-ending, in these 30 years, we have tried our best to listen, accept, adapt and improve - all towards building our capacity as educators and leaders.

Our Alumni Support and Engagement program continues to guide and support our students after school to help them carve out their own pathways to success. In our endeavour to bring the Akanksha alumni community closer, we launched our alumni portal. The platform aims to provide a space for our alumni not only to stay connected but to share their voices.

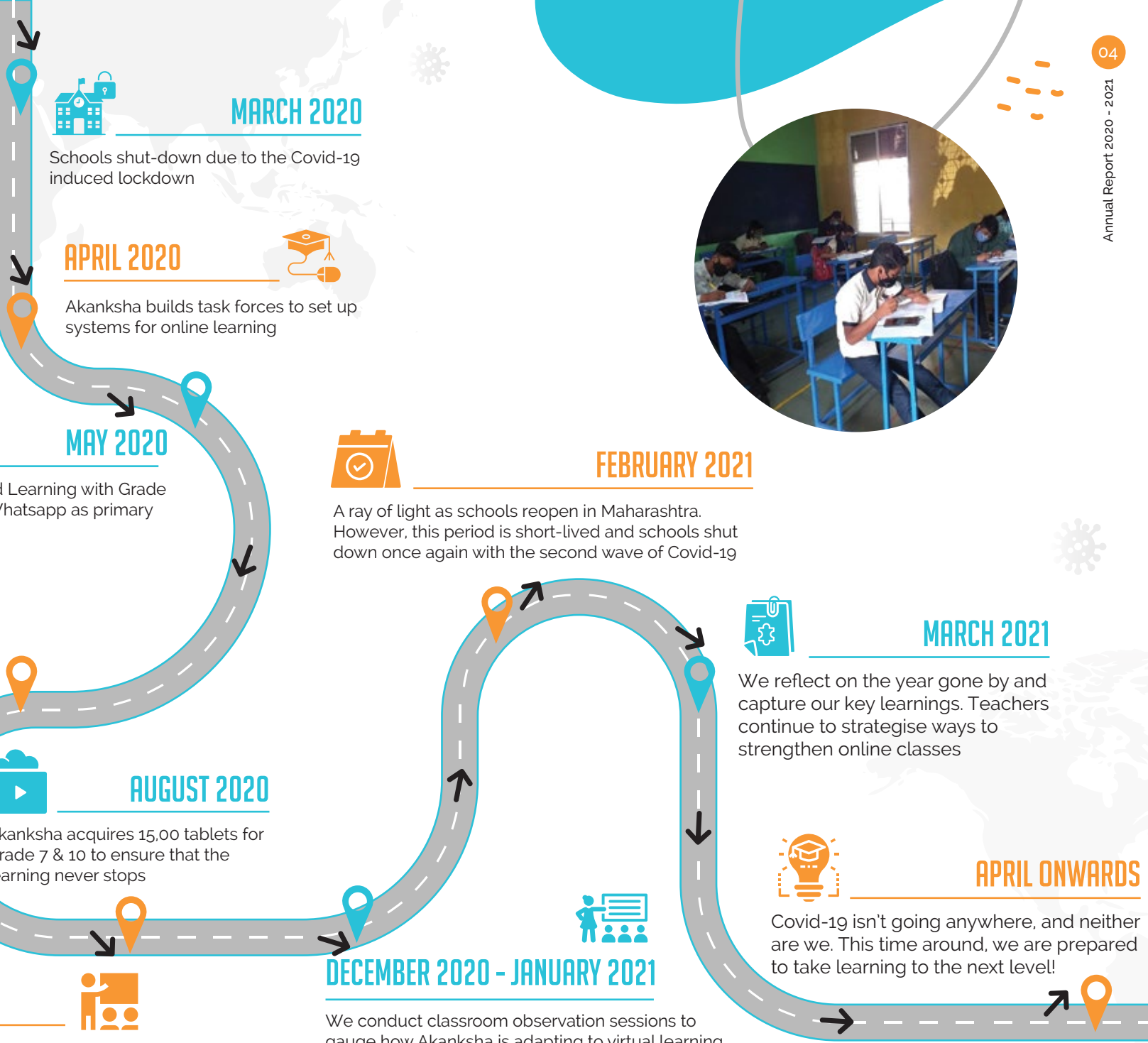
In this report, you will find how we at Akanksha continue to reinvent, and strive hard to create impact beyond our 21 schools. In a day and age where students across the globe have been distanced from daily learning, strengthening educational institutions is the most critical work that we are doing. I thank you, our partners, for another year of support and care. I thank you for your questions and faith and I thank you for helping us in our journey to maximize every child's potential.

Saurabh Taneja
CEO, The Akanksha Foundation

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Taneja*

Akanksha Through 2020

THE YEAR GONE BY



MARCH 2020

Schools shut-down due to the Covid-19 induced lockdown

APRIL 2020



Akanksha builds task forces to set up systems for online learning



MAY 2020

Akanksha pilots Blended Learning with Grade 10. All schools pivot to Whatsapp as primary mode of teaching



FEBRUARY 2021

A ray of light as schools reopen in Maharashtra. However, this period is short-lived and schools shut down once again with the second wave of Covid-19

JUNE - JULY 2020



All 21 schools transition to virtual learning using platforms as Zoom, Edmodo, Google Classroom and so on



AUGUST 2020

Akanksha acquires 15,00 tablets for Grade 7 & 10 to ensure that the learning never stops



SEPTEMBER 2020

100+ hours of teacher training on synchronous & asynchronous learning platforms



DECEMBER 2020 - JANUARY 2021

We conduct classroom observation sessions to gauge how Akanksha is adapting to virtual learning. We adopt an approach to integrate 21st century competencies and build tech literacy



MARCH 2021

We reflect on the year gone by and capture our key learnings. Teachers continue to strategise ways to strengthen online classes



APRIL ONWARDS

Covid-19 isn't going anywhere, and neither are we. This time around, we are prepared to take learning to the next level!



WE CONNECTED,

WE CARED

**AND
WE ADAPTED**



The pandemic pushed Akanksha to extend its role beyond educators - we were now engaged as counsellors & facilitators for stakeholders outside the classroom such as our parents & communities.



School closures isolated students worldwide. Akanksha connected and bonded through the lockdown.

247M children in India lost access to daily learning as 1.5 million schools shut-down due to Covid-19. In India, where more than six million girls and boys were already out of school before the pandemic (UNICEF), closing of schools has had severe consequences.

What's worse is that learning losses threaten to persist beyond this generation, erasing decades of progress.

Even before the pandemic, all Akanksha school teachers had active Whatsapp groups to communicate with students & parents about assignments, school events & classes. When schools shut down, schools & teachers immediately pivoted to Whatsapp, and used these groups as the primary medium to reach out and stay in touch with the children during the lockdown.



10,000

Children connected to Akanksha schools during the lockdown





AKANKSHA'S COVID-19 RESPONSE WITH PROJECT KARUNA

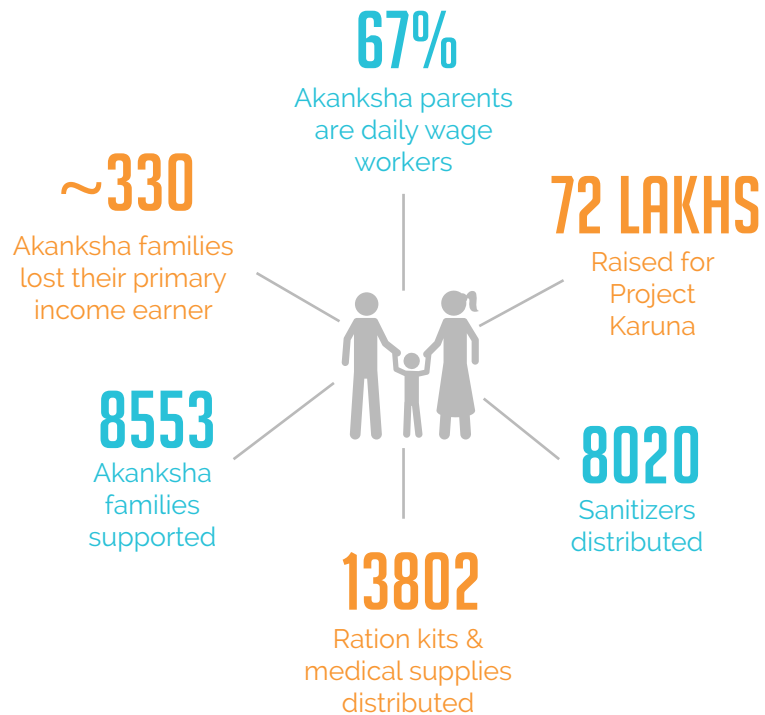


- > Our Plan of Relief for Children & Communities
- > Over **13,000** ration kits & medical supplies distributed
- > Over **8,000** Akanksha families supported

Project Karuna Supports Communities

At Akanksha, our people are our biggest asset. As soon as the country went into lockdown mode, Akanksha's Covid-19 taskforce, Project Karuna launched support efforts to ensure the safety & well-being of vulnerable families who had lost their primary income-earner during the lockdown.

Picking up from our core values and imbibing the morals and ethics of the Akanksha culture, the inception of Project Karuna (Compassion), took place right after the announcement of the national lockdown.



Akanksha Parents and Project Karuna

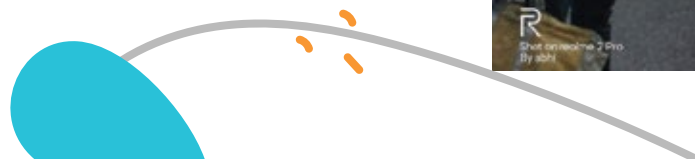
The parents of our **10,000** Akanksha students were deeply engaged in Project Karuna and supported our efforts of resilience with great courage.



They helped Akanksha in delivering essential kits at the doorsteps of our students' homes.



WE CONNECTED, WE CARED AND WE ADAPTED



Our Supporters In Project Karuna : Covid - 19 Response

- GIVE Foundation
- Godrej Consumer Products
- Morgan Stanley

We thank our other partners who supported our Covid relief efforts

Abhinav Vikas Pratishthan

Annapurna Kitchen

Care India Foundation

Deepstambha

From You To Them

Helping Hand Group, Kasarwadi

Kshitij Foundation

Mukul Madhav Foundation

Repos Energy

Sadhu Vaswani Mission

India Land

Inner Wheel

Iskcon

Jan Kalyan Samiti

Karmala Udaykal Foundation

Mahatma Phule Samaj Seva Mandal

Malabar Investments

Pratham

Robin Hood Army

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Sparsh Foundation

Swasth Foundation

United Way of Mumbai

Young Entrepreneurs Organization

Young Feed India



Project Karuna supports communities

STORIES OF INSPIRATION

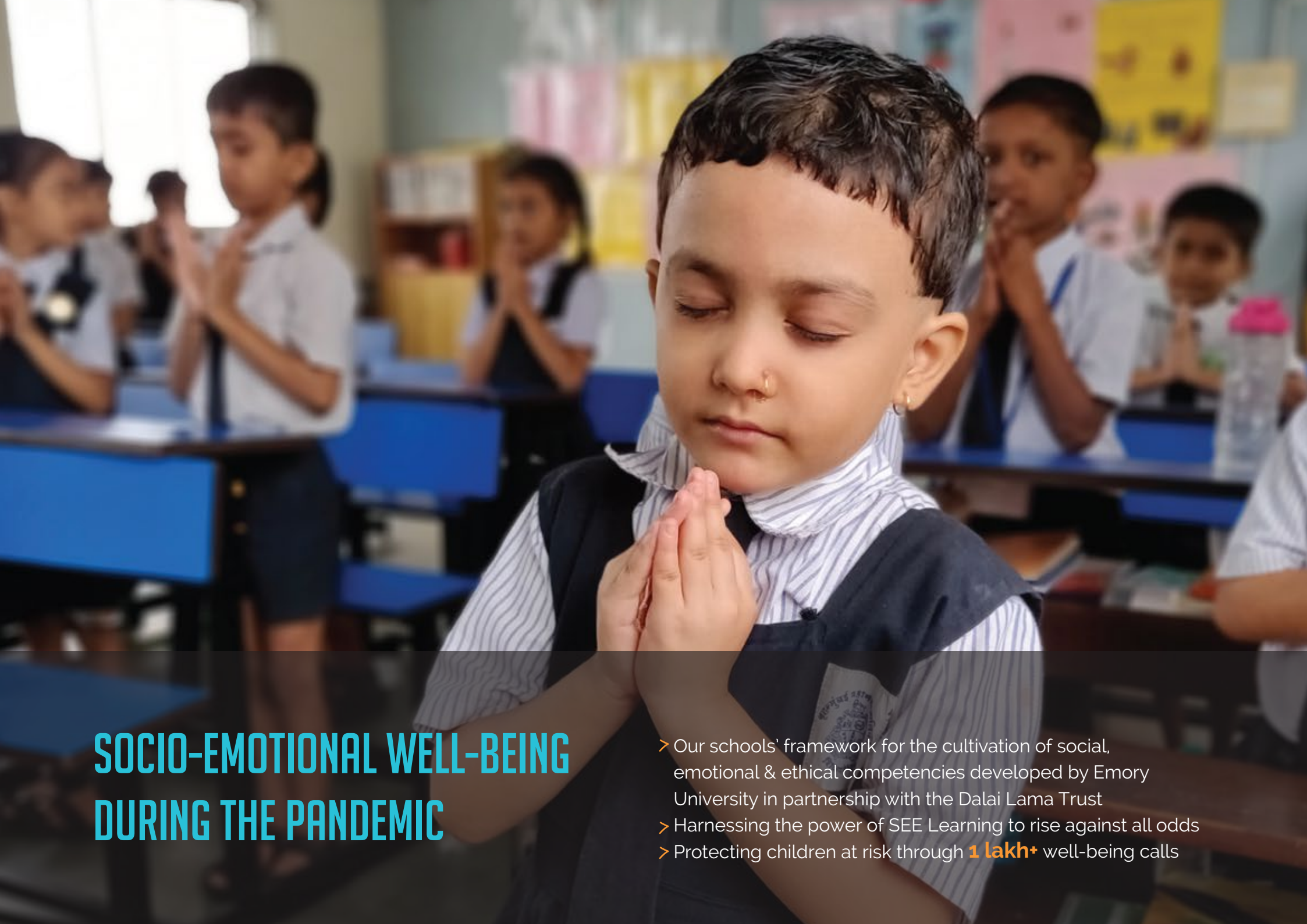
Our first phase of Covid-19 efforts will always be remembered by the multiple stories of hope, courage and compassion from the ground. From teachers, to school staff to parents, Akanksha heroes who went above and beyond their duty to support those in need. These real accounts motivate us and give us the strength to continue with our mission of building resilient communities.

Durga Tambe, our helper staff from Laxmi Nagar Mumbai Public School went the extra mile to ensure that our most vulnerable families received their daily essentials & supplies on time. A model of compassion, Durga didi opened her home during the pandemic to store and safeguard grocery & supply kits. What's more, is that during the difficult period of lockdown, she personally delivered these kits to every house in the community.

Durga didi's commitment towards the well-being of our families is unmatched. To date, she is a beacon of hope to many such Akanksha team members who continue to work on the ground fearlessly.

Durga Tambe,
Akanksha support staff





SOCIO-EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING DURING THE PANDEMIC

- > Our schools' framework for the cultivation of social, emotional & ethical competencies developed by Emory University in partnership with the Dalai Lama Trust
- > Harnessing the power of SEE Learning to rise against all odds
- > Protecting children at risk through **1 lakh+** well-being calls

Socio-Emotional & Ethical (SEE) Learning: Akanksha's Answer to Thrive Through the Pandemic

With continued school closures and what seemed to be a never-ending lockdown, our children were now confined to the four walls of the home. Simply delivering ration and medical kits was not enough to equip them to deal with a host of mental well-being challenges such as depression and anxiety.

As the pandemic situation grew worse and our children were personally affected by losing financial stability or in some cases, a loved one, we recognised that it was time to amplify our care and connectedness efforts.

Developed by Emory University in partnership with the Dalai Lama Trust, Socio-Emotional & Ethical (SEE) Learning is a learning tool aimed at honing fundamental development skills as well as providing socio-emotional support to all our students.

Employed by all 21 Akanksha schools, we used tools such as sharing circles & check-in activities such as yoga & journaling to ensure the mental safety of Akanksha students.



Staff members trained in SEE



Participants said they would continue to engage in SEE practices



Participants rated SEE learning as highly effective



Akanksha children said they use SEE exercises to manage their emotions in times of distress



Akanksha children said they were aware of what steps to take to cope with anger and fear



Know more about SEE here -

[Click here: Socio-Emotional & Ethical Learning at Akanksha | A Times Now Plus Feature](#)

Akanksha Students SEE Through a Different Lens

Our students have incorporated SEE practices in their daily routines, hear from an Akanksha child on how he has harnessed the power of mental well-being.



ARMAAN SHAIKH: CHANGING THINGS, ONE STEP A TIME

Armaan is a Grade 7 student from Akanksha's Wadibunder Mumbai Public School. Armaan has often felt that he is behind his peers, and 'not good enough' compared to others in class. His school counsellor has worked with him closely and over time, Armaan has learnt to overcome such emotions including anger, another behaviour he has struggled with in the past.

Recently, his place of residence was completely destroyed, forcing his family to move homes. However, there wasn't a single day that went by where Armaan missed his examinations or didn't dedicate time to study. With age-related developments in place, Armaan has taken the effort to acknowledge his difficult behaviours, stepped out of his comfort zone, taken care of his brothers and delivered his very best during the toughest of times, making his journey a truly inspiring one.

Armaan Shaikh,
grade 7 Akanksha student

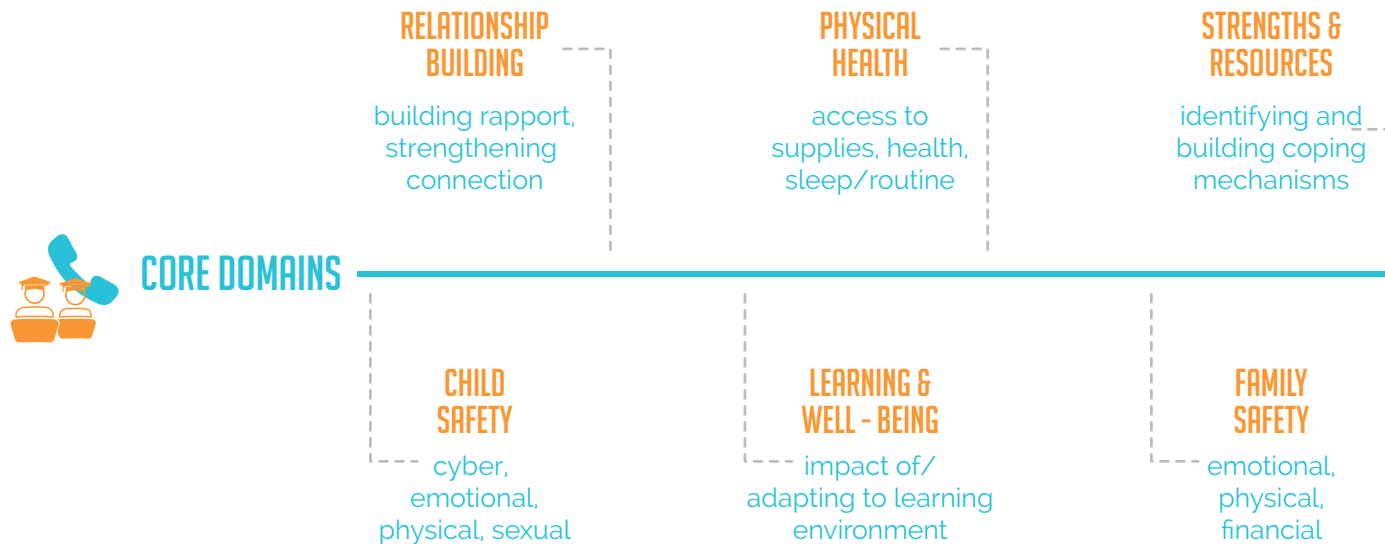


Well-Being: A Priority

During the pandemic, separation from safe spaces in schools and key anchors like teachers combined with economic hardships, overcrowded homes and limited access to resources in low income communities made our children vulnerable to neglect, violence and even abuse.

Recognising an urgent need to mitigate such probabilities, we set up the Student-Well Being Task Force in May 2020 to facilitate communication beyond the classroom.

Each school team checked in with each child and their family on a weekly basis. "Red-flagged" domains were raised to the Central Team, School Leader, Counsellor and Social worker for safety.

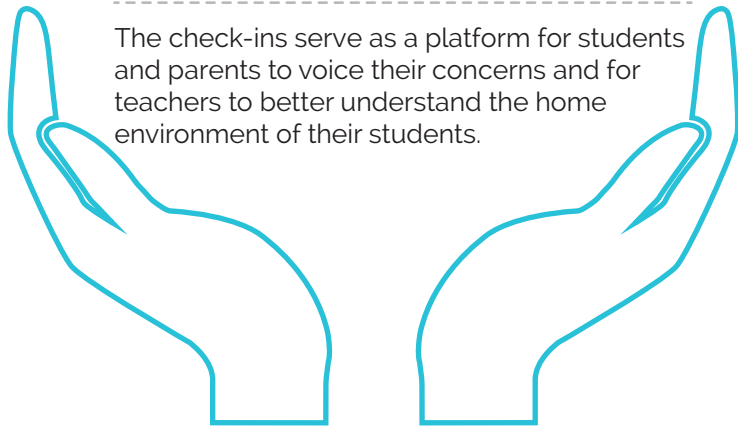


Protecting Children at Risk Through Student Well-Being Calls

SOCIO-EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING CHECK-INS

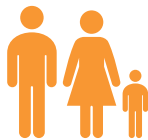
All our educators are trained to guide these calls based on a standard guideline used across all Akanksha schools.

The check-ins serve as a platform for students and parents to voice their concerns and for teachers to better understand the home environment of their students.



101,264

Student well-being calls made till March 2021



15

Child/parent cases in counselling between May 2020-March 2021

SUPPORTING CHILDREN AT HIGH-RISK

Staying connected with children at risk of physical abuse, at risk of sexual abuse, with a history of self-harm, diagnosed Covid +ve and/or at risk due to health ailments.

Our social workers and counsellors consistently supported "distress" from our children.

Also used to reach out to children who do not have access to tech/synchronous mediums of communication.



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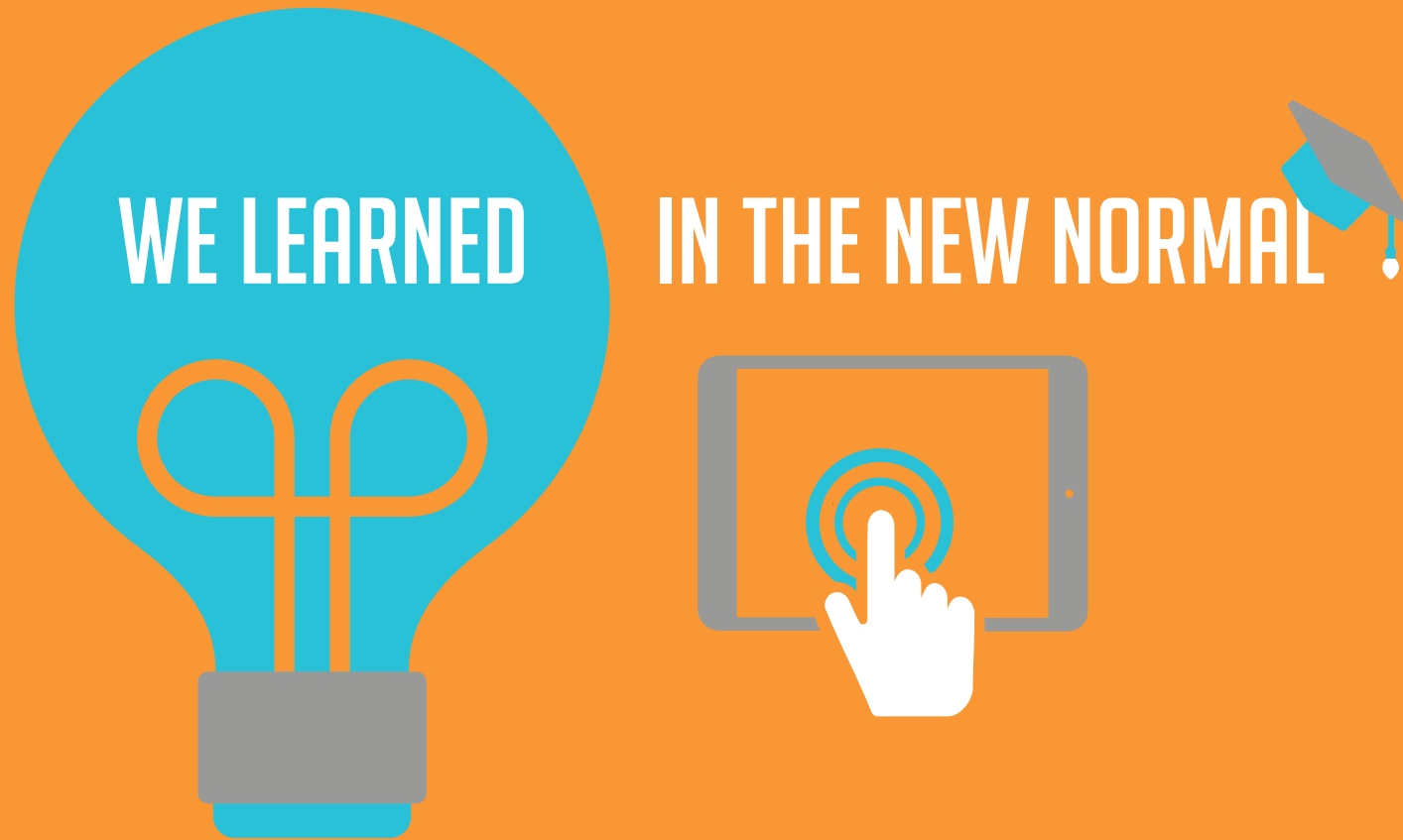
Cases flagged to counselors



1743

Cases flagged to social workers





The pandemic urged schools and teachers to reimagine education in a rapidly changing education landscape. At Akanksha we transitioned to virtual learning, by rethinking in-person teaching & learning methods and empowering our teachers & students with skills to adapt to online classes.

Team Akanksha Ensures the Learning Never Stops

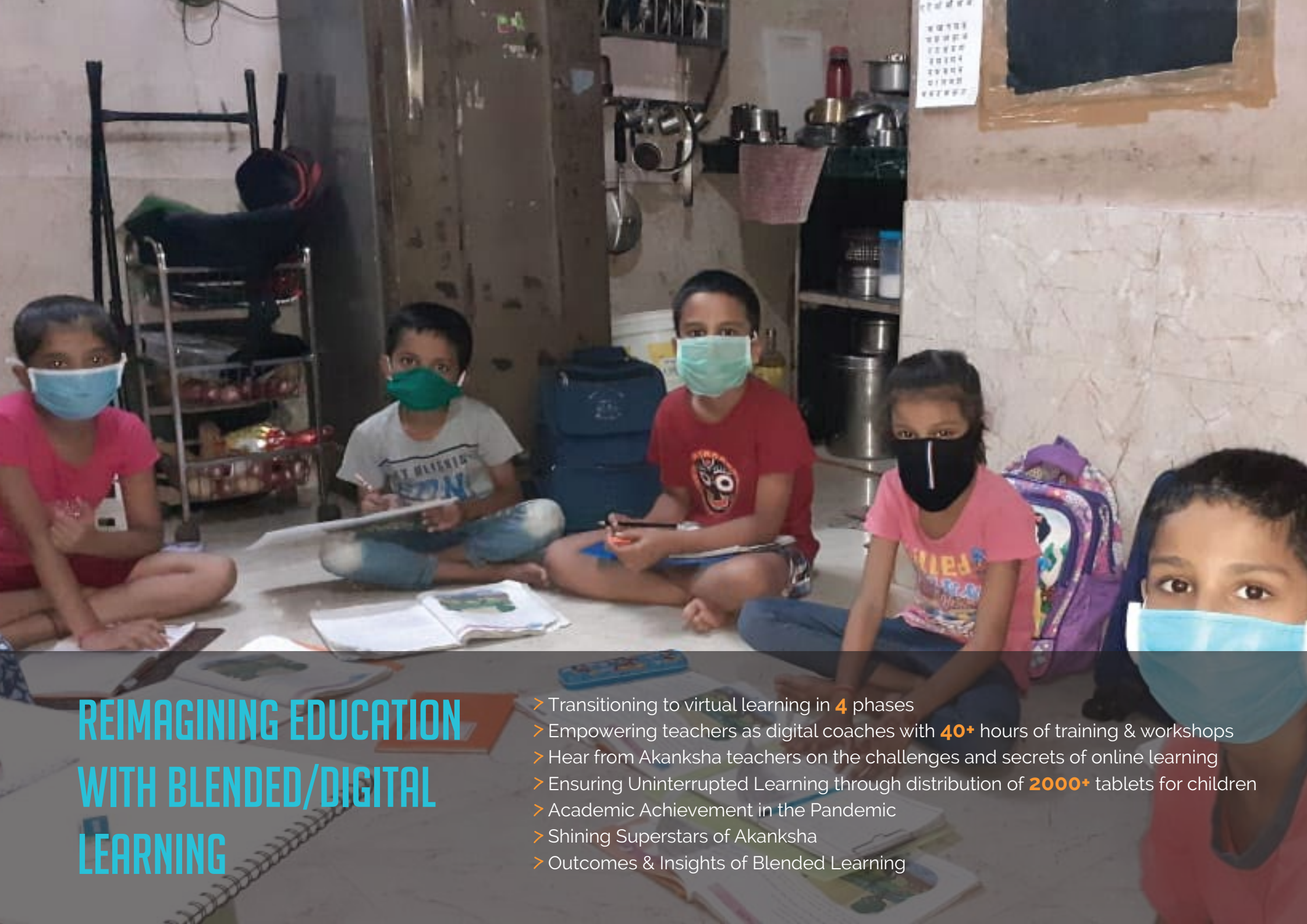
Schools were in the last lap of the 2019-20 academic year when Covid-19 peaked.

Instant school closures pushed us to reorganise our efforts towards training our entire network to teach and learn virtually. In early April 2020, Akanksha set up a taskforce spearheaded by our CEO to institute infrastructure & systems for the shift to online learning.

Given that we were very new to this arena, and had little idea on how to train a network of 21 schools, we began with three critical starting points :

- (i) Understanding how countries before us managed education during a national emergency/ pandemic situation
- (ii) Connecting with other organisations such as Avasara Academy, iTEACH schools, American School of Bombay and Teach For India to know more about their approach moving forward
- (iii) Research on various learning platforms and digital tools such as Edmodo, Google Classroom & Zoom to identify which best suited our teaching & learning needs





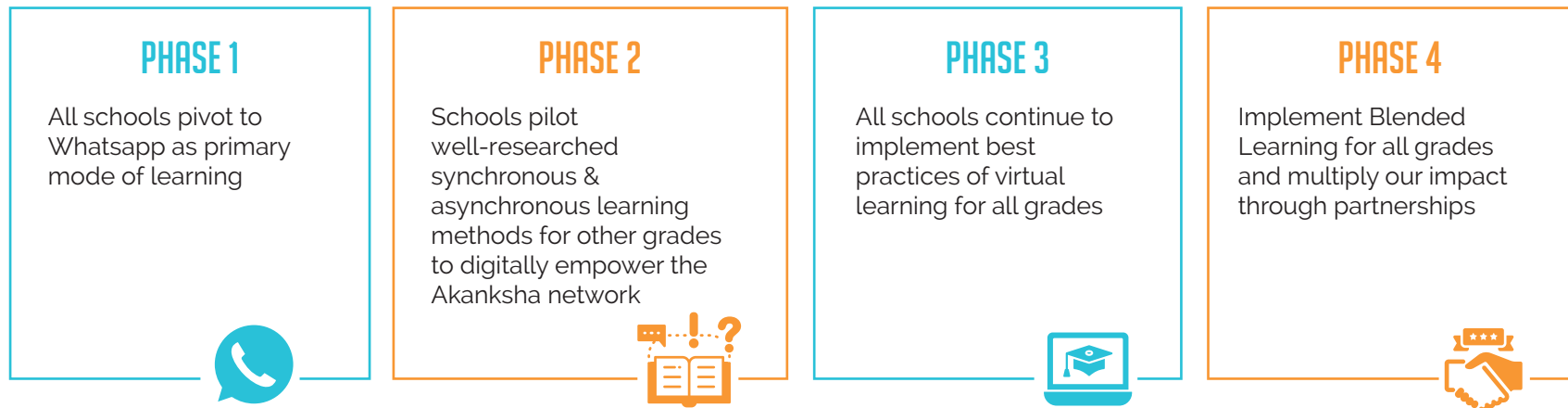
REIMAGINING EDUCATION WITH BLENDED/DIGITAL LEARNING

- Transitioning to virtual learning in **4** phases
- Empowering teachers as digital coaches with **40+** hours of training & workshops
- Hear from Akanksha teachers on the challenges and secrets of online learning
- Ensuring Uninterrupted Learning through distribution of **2000+** tablets for children
- Academic Achievement in the Pandemic
- Shining Superstars of Akanksha
- Outcomes & Insights of Blended Learning

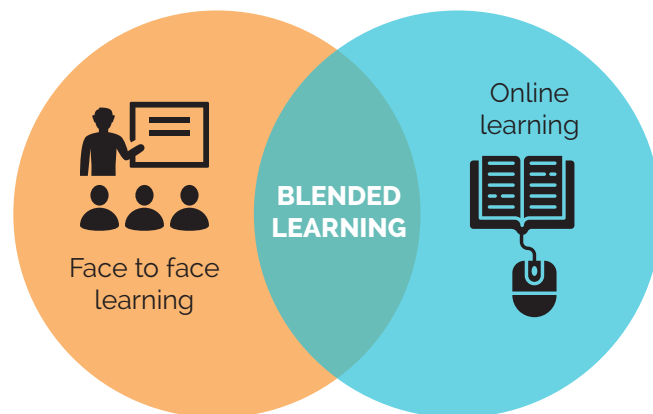
'Blended Learning' As the New Normal

Our learnings and perspectives from this research culminated into the idea of Digital/Blended Learning - a unique mix of

TRADITIONAL (IN-PERSON/CLASSROOM) + VIRTUAL TEACHING TECHNIQUES to create an INTEGRATED REMOTE LEARNING EXPERIENCE.



WE LEARNED IN THE NEW NORMAL



Grounded in QUALITY RESEARCH + BEST PRACTICES + OUR KNOWLEDGE

MISSION : Prevent & preempt daily disruptions in study + Fundamentally re-design schools

Simple + well-rounded curriculum to cater to students' SOCIO-EMOTIONAL NEEDS

Focus on DIGITAL LITERACY/READINESS + 21ST CENTURY SKILLS

Effective way to prevent children from DROPPING OUT of school system ENTIRELY

Teacher Trainings to Thrive in the Virtual Setting

With new devices reaching the homes of our students in September, it was our responsibility to ensure that our teachers & children were comfortable with using and navigating these devices and apps.

Through multiple workshops and various training sessions, our educators were equipped with the skills to execute both synchronous and asynchronous learning using these digital devices.



40+

Hours spent on training teachers & staff



634

Enrolments in the Coursera-Akanksha partnership started in Oct 2020



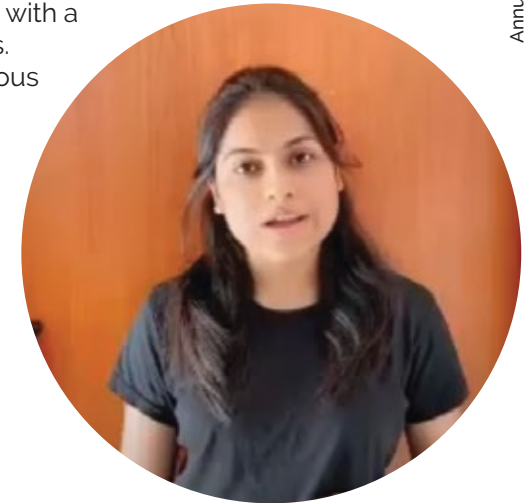
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Courses completed upto March 2020



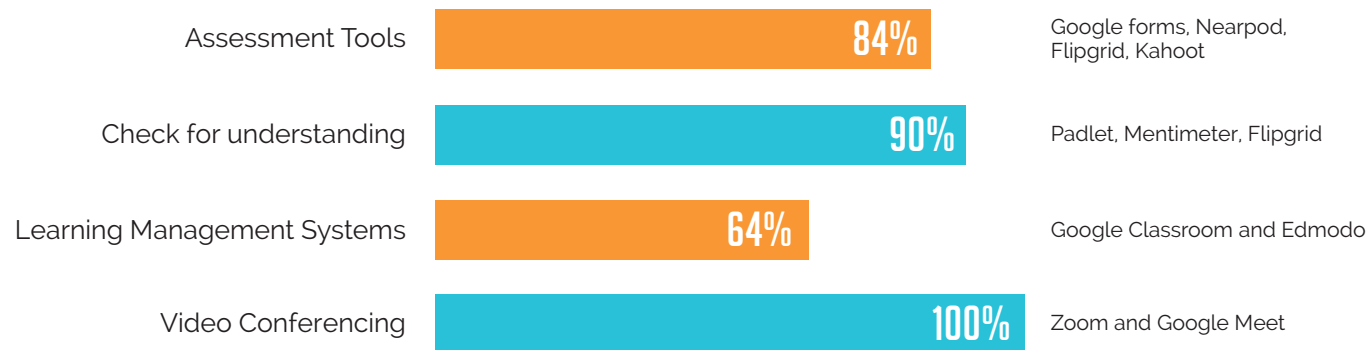
Teachers Speak- Journey of Transitioning to Online Learning

"Hi I'm Sanjana, I'm a teacher at Akanksha. Venturing into online learning was quite challenging. We as teachers were not experienced at conducting Zoom classes. With the support of tech specialists, we experimented with a range of strategies and apps to create an effective learning environment before we launched these efforts. Another key struggle was onboarding the children on learning management systems - we conducted various training sessions and one-to-one calls to guide them on how to use these apps. Once this was completed, keeping the children engaged was no easy feat. We organised a number of games and activities to keep students interested and motivated."

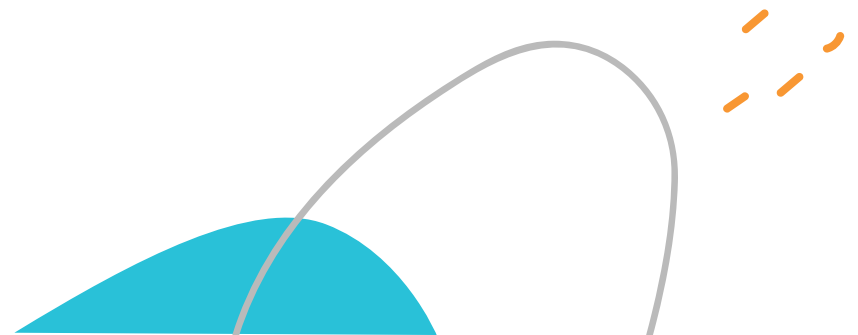


[Click here to know more about our teacher's virtual teaching experience](#)

DIGITAL TOOLS USED IN OUR CLASSROOMS



[Click here to watch the digital journey of Akanksha](#)




Our Educator Sheds Light on Virtual Teaching Strategies



Hi everyone, I'm Shruti Das, a teacher at Akanksha. I have implemented a few virtual learning strategies. A few impactful ones include -

- **Using GIFs** while sharing the class invite. This creates a buzz around class and keeps students engaged
- **Creative and personalized slides** help to facilitate connection and stay on task. When using Jamboard in real time, I have seen students collaborating & discussing in pairs to solve problems
- **Using games** in your class such as quizzes, WordWall, Kahoot and so on generate interest while doubling as recap tools
- **Using Padlet** (an online tool) to solve different levels of questions has helped students gain confidence through peer learning



These flowers are beautiful. 

Dad drives us carefully in the car.


Read and write the sentence and circle the nouns. 14:24 ✓

Circle the nouns (10 of them!)

brother	run	chair	flowers	sit
garden	plane	green	Sarah	fast
sad	cat	pizza	friend	table

Complete the sentences using nouns from above.

1. This is my _____. Her name is _____.
2. I like to eat _____.
3. My pet is a _____.
4. I play the _____.
5. There are four _____ at our _____.
6. The _____ smell so good in the _____.
7. Your _____ is tall!



Write these sentences and fill in the blanks with correct nouns. 14:27 ✓

Eg:
1. This is my cat .Her name is Sarah . 14:28 ✓

2.I like to eat pizza . 14:29 ✓

3 My pet is a cat 14:29 ✓

QUIZZ

Shruti Das
teacher - akanksha

0 days left
From game, stories, play, quiz

Search activity

Public Day
Public Day
Public Day
Public Day

Games are always fun. But games which involve studies and quizzes are more fun when played real time across the globe or within a class or across grade level.

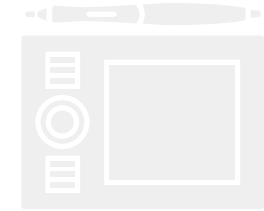


Enabling Access at Home Via Digital Tablets

In July, we began to gain footing and grew comfortable with virtual learning and parallelly, the lockdown was lifted. As Akanksha parents began to return to their workplaces, our students had limited access to digital devices for learning.

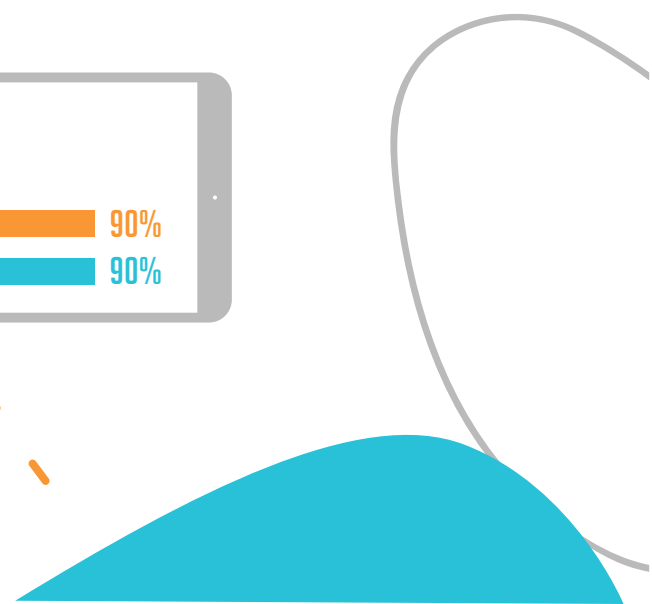
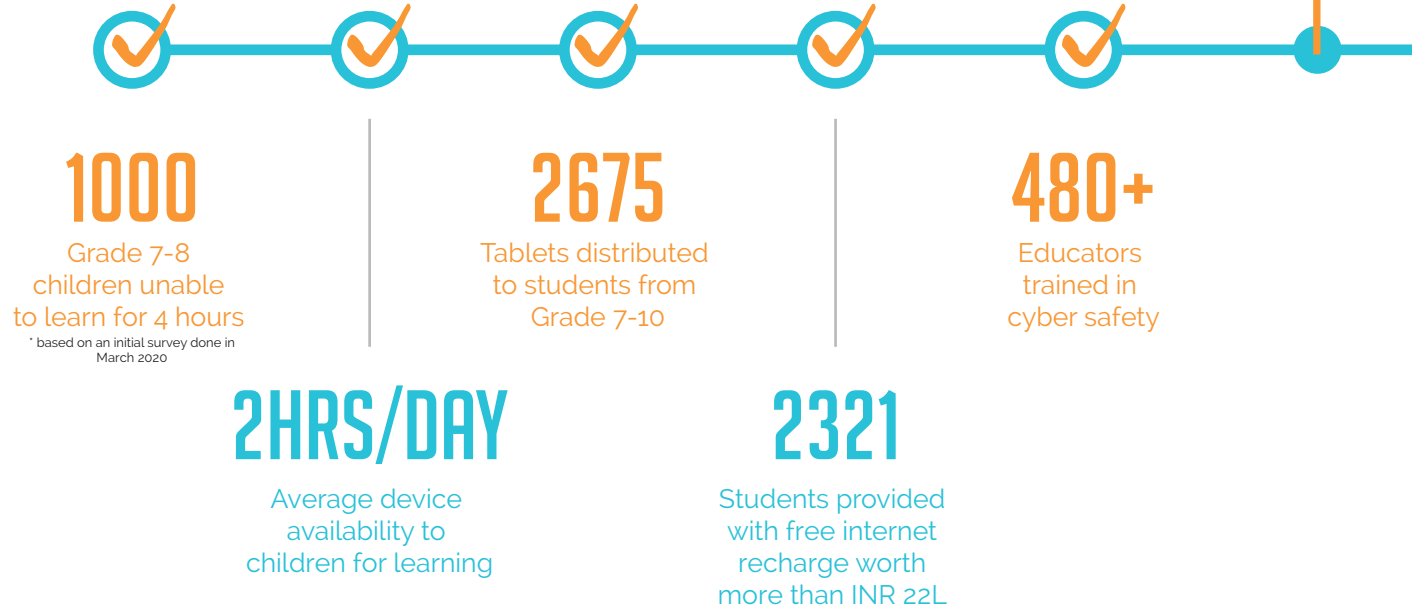
While 89% of Akanksha families had access to smartphones, students typically gained access for only 1-2 hours/day. Despite being located in tier-1 cities of Mumbai and Pune, the increasing digital divide continued to pose serious problems for students to stay connected with the school system.

In August 2020 we decided to acquire digital tablets & internet recharge services for grade 7-grade 10 students.



Enabling Access at Home Via Digital Tablets

OUR PROGRESS SO FAR (JULY 2020-MARCH 2021)



Enabling #Uninterrupted Learning

To equip our younger grades with digital devices, we organised 'Together With Akanksha', a virtual musical evening to celebrate our students performing live with world renowned violinist and Akanksha teacher, Mika Nishimura. Our added mission was to celebrate the resilience of our students and families who prioritized education in difficult times where learning may have taken a backseat for low-income communities.



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WE LEARNED IN THE NEW NORMAL

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Outcomes of remote learning

99.95%

Student retention
across 21
Akanksha schools

Increase from
44% TO 50%

In student
attendance from Aug'21
to March 21'
for online classes

~45%

Student submissions
over Whatsapp /
Google Classroom
since Aug 2020

2321

Students provided
with free internet
recharge worth
more than INR 22L



	ATTENDANCE		SUBMISSION	
	Q-3	Q-4	Q-3	Q-4
Grade K-2	49%	50%	48%	48%
Grade 3-6	45%	45%	40%	40%
Grade 7-8	39%	45%	31%	37%
Grade 9-10	54%	49%	38%	34%

*does not include in-person attendance data
for Pune schools

During our transition to online learning, our schools faced low student attendance and engagement challenges. A few reasons included:

- Loss of parent livelihood
- Crowded, noisy residential areas
- Older children are often engaged in household work + chores
- Loss of the daily midday meal
- Lack of access to quiet, personal space in the home
- Lack of digital infrastructure + readiness

However, school teams witnessed a gradual increase in student attendance with periodic well-being and one-on-one calls with children and parents

Our supporters for devices

We sincerely thank our supporters who helped us enable Blended Learning.

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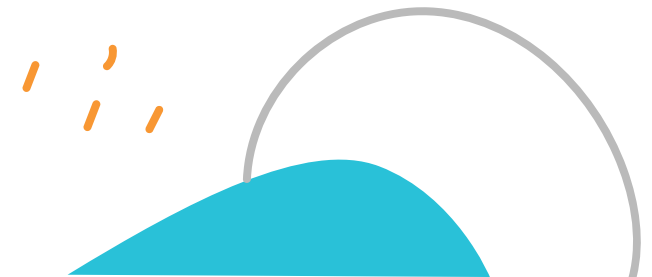
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PRIORITISING PARTNERSHIP WITH OUR PARENTS IN THE PANDEMIC

- Providing continuous & intensive support to parents in 3 key areas -
- > a) Community Health & Connectedness : Through **100+** virtual parent-teacher meetings
 - > b) Learning Facilitators: Through various virtual and phone touchpoints with school staff
 - > c) Economic Resilience: Through access to employment opportunities & financial literacy. Over **150+** parents applied for jobs through information shared by Akanksha

Connecting With Our Communities

The uncertainty brought upon by the pandemic and the financial concerns of our parents drove us to use our existing forums as a platform to encourage sharing of grievances & problems related to online learning.



WE CONNECTED, WE CARED AND WE ADAPTED

A. Monthly Meetings With School Teams:

Led by the school leader and school social worker, these meetings are focussed on building parent capacity as co-educators by providing a way forward on children's learning and setting expectations from parents.

All Akanksha teachers communicate instructions of the assignments in local languages like Marathi and Hindi for clear comprehension by parents and students.

B. Weekly Online Meetings:

Conducted online by teachers, these provide an open space for parents to give feedback on a child's daily progress and voice any concerns. We also published a weekly appraisal story which features parents who have performed extraordinarily as co-educators, paving their way to become a "Supermom" or "Superdad."

C. Periodic Engagement Calls:

Our teachers are available 24/7 to offer aid to parents, answering their queries and addressing all doubts.



115

Parent-teacher meetings conducted



105

SMC Meetings organised



100%

Schools conducted parent classes & regular parent meetings



Akanksha Parents As Co-Educators in the Home Setting

When we were planning to make the shift to Digital/Blended Learning via online classes, we quickly realised that parents would play a pivotal role in ensuring that the child continues to learn.

We devised a system where teachers served as lesson planners and parents served as executors of the daily school activities.

Our Akanksha parents are heavily involved in the daily remote schooling of their children which includes preparing worksheets as well as helping children complete assigned work and systematically submitting assignments on completion. Many of our parents continue to attend classes along with our children to understand the tasks and take onus of completing assignments on time.



~70%

Parents involved in
child's day-to-day
learning (K-2)



Akanksha Parents As Co-Educators in the Home Setting

ZAHEDA MULLA, VIRTUAL LEARNING CHAMPION

Meet Zaheda, an Akanksha parent from our K.C. Thackeray school. When the classes shifted online, every student and parent struggled to cope with the digital mode of learning. Zaheda too was worried about her child's education and faced difficulties juggling household chores and school work. Since she was not used to the devices, she sought help from her family members and the Akanksha community.

She planned a set routine for her and her child and made sure that her child watched the videos and audios that were sent for reference. Zaheda tried to include methods of play so that the child enjoyed the process of learning. The year of online learning has enabled Zaheda to be a co-educator who thoroughly enjoys teaching and learning.

**SARIKA RAMTEKKAR, DEDICATED PARENT FACILITATOR**

Meet Sarika, an Akanksha parent from our Navi Mumbai school. When the lockdown began, the Akanksha community couldn't connect with her family due to network issues. Her son, Sumedh was unable to attend virtual classes or meetings due to the lack of a device. Sarika requested teachers to email the homework so that Sumedh could access it from his father's laptop who was working from home and slowly got him used to studying after a long break. She also delayed their visit to their village to make sure his classes continue, supporting him to catch up with missed portions everyday.

Sarika's willingness to ensure uninterrupted learning and her investment in her children is truly inspiring to our team.



Support Systems to Foster Economic Resilience

Akanksha staff organised webinars with students and parents on a regular basis to provide practical support to parents on how to discuss the pandemic with their children, ways to manage mental health of their loved ones, basic precautions and hygiene practices to stay protected from Covid-19, as well information sharing on government schemes for financial and food security.

With the transition to online learning due to school closures, the discussions also covered students' digital experiences and steps to ensure digital safety and responsibility.

HEALTH & HYGIENE

Nutrition needs at various stages

Maintaining health during monsoon

Personal and environmental hygiene



SUPPORTING CHILD DEVELOPMENT

Building and maintaining relations with children

Understanding needs of children at various stages of development and ways to handle them

Forming trusting, nurturing bonds with children



PERSONAL SAFETY

Mental well-being

Physical safety

Emotional safety

Sexual safety

Digital safety



~50%

Parents across Mumbai & Pune consistently attended webinars



150+

Parents applied for job opportunities shared by the team



100%

Schools conducted regular parent meetings & classes



7000

Akanksha families supported by Project Karuna





CONGRATULATIONS



SUPPORT SYSTEMS FOR ALUMNI IN THE PANDEMIC

- > Navigating college admissions and deadlines with Alumni Support & Engagement Team
- > Launching the Alumni Portal to connect to our network of **4000+** Akanksha graduates

Staying In Touch With Our Alumni

Due to the ongoing crisis, all college related admission timelines were delayed by a minimum of 6 months or more.

Akanksha's alumni team had to grapple with not just a delayed centralised admission process but also manage confirmation processes for colleges and fee payment as everything transitioned online. What bears remembering is that many of our parents and alumni did not know how to navigate such systems.

Through our Alumni Support & Engagement (ASE) program and its various virtual touchpoints, we found a way to stay in touch with our Alumni and cater to their college, vocational and professional needs during the uncertain times of the pandemic.

ALUMNI PORTAL

Akanksha also launched a tech portal for alumni through Almathines in February 2021 with the aim to create a community for our alumni where they stay connected and gain inspiration from their peer group, especially in terms of support for future initiatives.

[Click here to check out our Alumni portal](#)



529

Active
Alumni profiles

35

Active Team/
Faculty profiles

1845

Total platform
views

ALUMNI PORTAL NUMBERS UPTO APRIL 2021



389

Chats & messages
on the platform

495

Network
Requests





CELEBRATING OUR TEAM SPIRIT AND TOGETHERNESS

- > A showcase of our school's **50+** innovative practices in virtual learning and celebrating the commitment of Akanksha staff
- > Instituting feedback and grievance forums with Akanksha town halls
- > Stories of Akanksha schools shared across our network through **100+** emailers

Virtual Showcase of Akanksha Schools' Best Practices

The pandemic, school closures & continued lockdown threatened to enervate our schools team's efforts and hardwork.

To combat any loss of motivation and keep our team inspired, we organised a host of virtual events & celebrations as a way for our people to meet and engage with one another.

EDURANCE 2020

Our event opened with a long-service awards to thank our Akanksha members for their long-standing commitment and hard-work followed by power-packed performances by Akanksha students as well as the breakdown of key Akanksha school practices & innovations.

Hosted entirely by Akanksha alumni Bebika and Om, the shining star of our Service Awards was the groundbreaking rap performances, conceptualized and written by our very own Akanksha students!



WE CONNECTED, WE CARED AND WE ADAPTED



3 DAY

Event in
December
2020

500

People attended
the Virtual
Service Awards

EDURANCE 2020

5

Unique tracks
for the showcase
on Zoom

50+

Best practices
& innovations
showcased by
21 Akanksha schools

100+

Participants
for each track
on Zoom

[Click here](#) to see a Rap performance by an Akanksha student



Akanksha Townhalls

Our town halls are an engaging and fun way to regroup online, and discuss key organisational changes, voice concerns and connect with the Akanksha's leadership.

Most often, our town halls kick off with a grounding, well-being activity and are focused on answering questions and addressing concerns on critical decisions or other matters. These town halls double as a primary forum to share organisation wide updates.

During the pandemic, these town halls assumed great importance as platforms for people of Akanksha to share their challenges posed by the pandemic as well as a way for the team to hear from students and alumni on the current happenings.



7

Number of townhalls
between March
2020 & March 2021



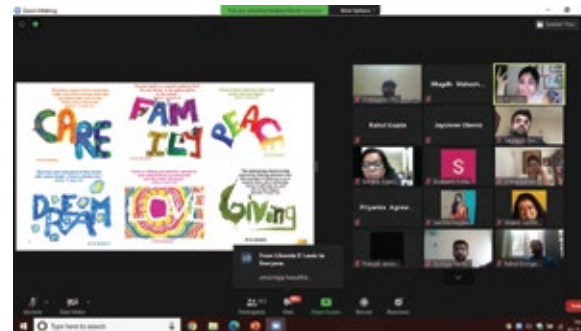
~400

Average attendance
for a townhall



5+

Themes and central
ideas discussed



Sharing Powerful Stories of 21 Akanksha Schools With Our Network

A nation-wide lockdown meant that our team was no longer going to office, like millions around the world, we were forced into moving things online.

Given Akanksha's close knit community, and our daily visits to 21 Akanksha schools, we felt the distance.

From meeting everyday, we had moved into a zone of Wi-Fi failures, camera disruptions and audio breakage. To keep the team connected and continue to provide updates on what was happening across our expansive network, our Communications team launched a daily emailer initiative 'Powered By Akanksha'

We published **100+ EMAIL** newsletters for our central and school teams during the lockdown.

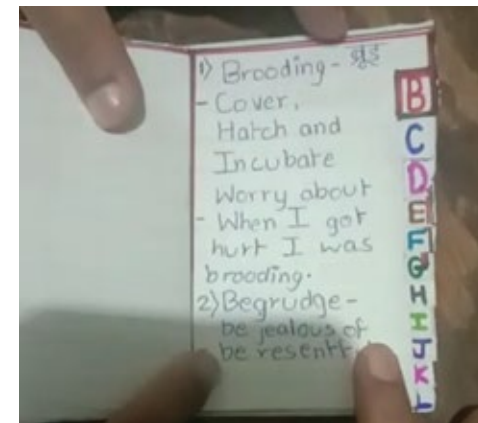
Powered by Akanksha mailers- Spreading positivity and knitting togetherness

EXCERPT 1 FROM EMAILER #83 - TITLED "INNOVATION & INSPIRATION"

Learning outside the books! Akanksha teachers never cease to amaze us with their creativity and innovations in teaching! We bring to you innovations in teaching and learning done by Steffi didi from Sitaram Mill Compound School who conducted several creative activities with her students to help them explore various skills as well as understand concepts in an entertaining manner. Here is one- 1) Dictionary making - Students picked words from A-Z which they are most likely to use on a daily basis. Reading and writing these words in their personalised hand-made dictionaries familiarised the purpose of every single word along with its correct pronunciation. This exercise also allowed children to build on their vocabulary.

EXCERPT 1 FROM EMAILER #17- TITLED 'GOOD NEWS'

In today's #PoweredByAkanksha story, we are featuring an interesting activity done by a parent at Akanksha. Vedashree Kshirsagar, a Junior KG student of PCMC English Medium School, Bopkhel has a fun way to learn values at home. Check out the snake and ladder game maze made by her mother to ensure that Vedashree becomes a child with dreams and values after this tough period gets over.





SELF CONTROL

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

- > Akanksha Students' academic performance in the pandemic
- > Akanksha superstars shine even in difficult times

Academic Achievement in the Pandemic

In an amazing feat, our students, many of whom belong to households & communities with disruptive learning environments and connectivity access issues, not only managed to submit assessments but also perform exceptionally well.



KEY HIGHLIGHTS

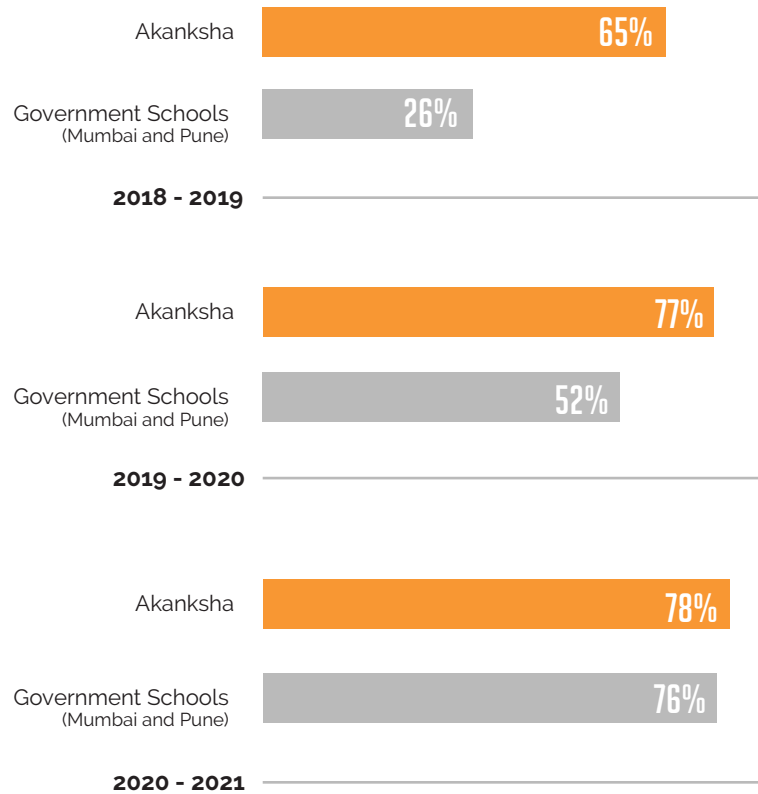
In the last few years our data shows that **100% OF AKANKSHA STUDENTS** finish high school and **96% ENROLL FOR HIGHER EDUCATION.** Akanksha students have consistently outperformed their peers in government run schools in Maharashtra.

A third-party 2019-20 EI (Educational Initiatives) assessment found that Akanksha schools performed better than government schools and affordable private schools.



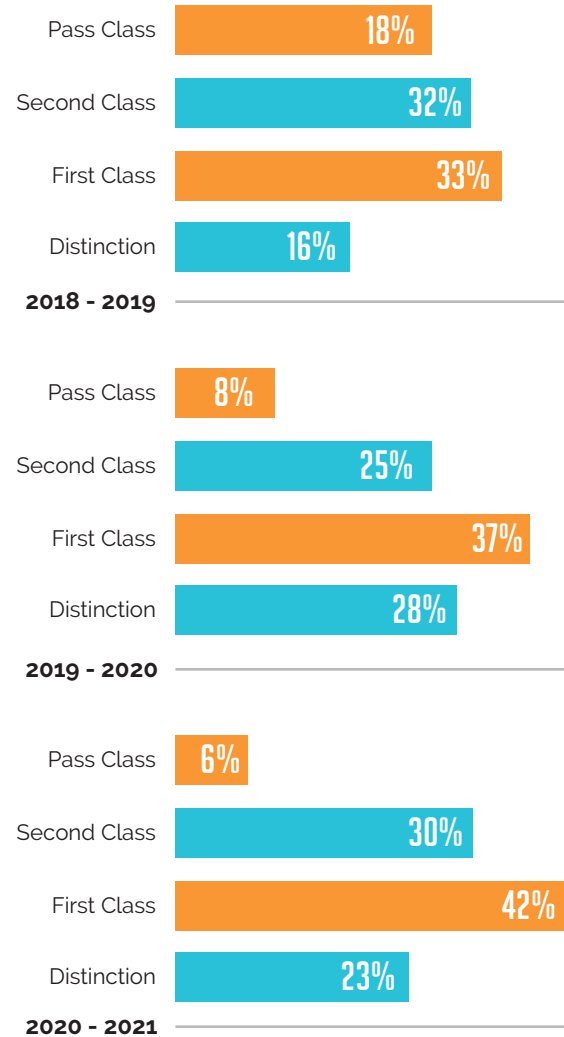
Grade 10 Performance

% OF 10TH GRADE STUDENTS SECURING FIRST CLASS AND ABOVE



AKANKSHA'S PERFORMANCE OVER 3 YEARS

Grade 10

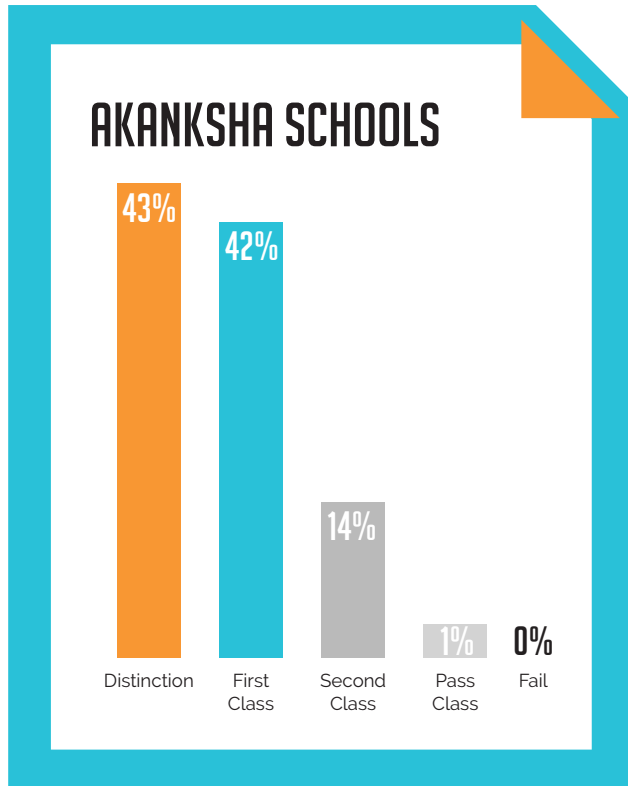


WE LEARNED IN THE NEW NORMAL

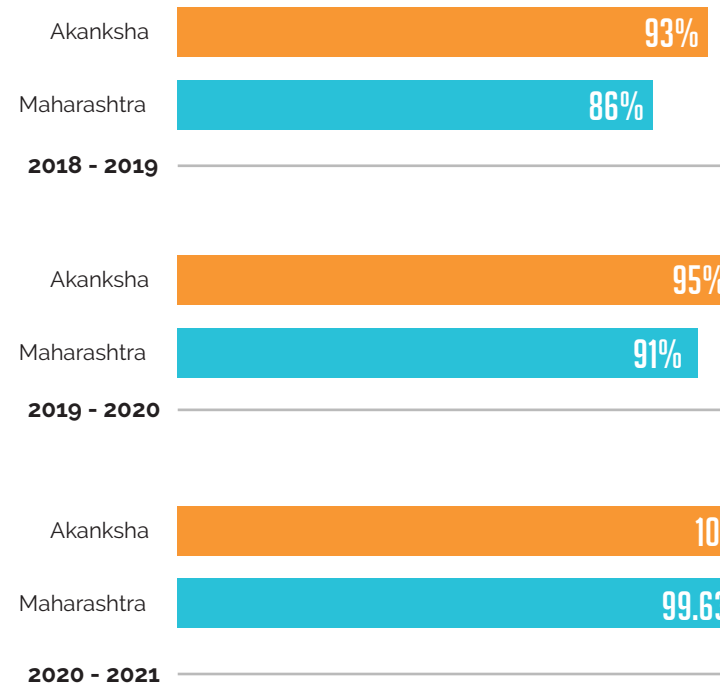


Grade 12 Performance

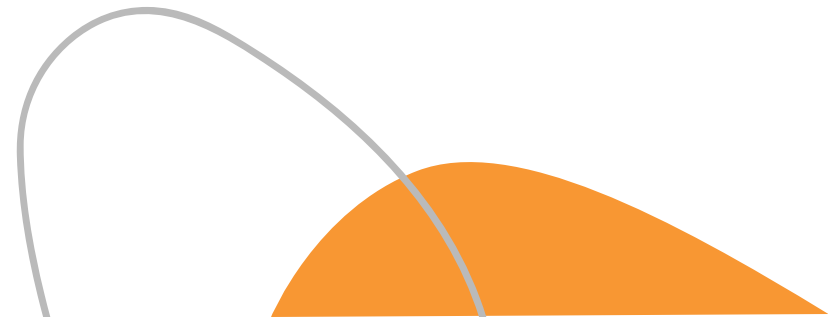
GRADE 12 PERFORMANCE 2020 - 21



GRADE 12 PASS % - AKANKSHA VS STATE



100%



Accolades for Akanksha students

VIVEKANANDA YOUNG EXPLORER CONTEST WINNERS

19 Akanksha students from Mumbai and Pune participated in the Vivekananda Young Explorer Contest and it brought many reasons to celebrate! 2 Akanksha students made it to the top 1% and bagged an Excellence Award, while 6 found a spot in the top 10%, taking home the Appreciation award.



YOUNGEST STORYTELLER - MEERA PATIL

Our 7-year-old student, Meera Patil became the youngest storyteller in the One Day, One Story Campaign organized by Pratham Books. She inspired everyone by narrating her story and sharing tips on overcoming anger, from a child's point of view.

CEL CS CHALLENGE UNPLUGGED WINNERS

Akanksha students, Dhanashree and Tahura, from Late Anantrao Pawar Memorial English Medium School stood 2nd and 4th in the CEL-CS Unplugged Challenge. Code to Enhance Learning (CEL) is a weekly challenge for kids in grade 6-9 to master Computer Science concepts and 21st-century skills.



LAXMINAGAR STUDENTS SECURE SCHOLARSHIPS

Three of Akanksha's Grade 5 students from Laxminagar Mumbai Public School secured the 2019-20 state scholarship organised by the Maharashtra State Education Board annually. Dedicated to funding the educational needs of 5th and 8th-grade students in the state, the Maharashtra State Council of Examination (MSCE) scholarship includes competitive examinations in 4 subjects – Mathematics, Science, General Knowledge and Language.



Our Alumni Thrive Even During the Pandemic

96%

Enrolment in Junior College with 386 out of 401 alumni enrolled

81%

Secured admission in undergraduate institutions

24

Alumni studying in reputed institutions such as Ashoka University, Azim Premji, KREA, United World College and others

11

Of the 24 Alumni currently studying in the US



JUNIOR COLLEGE

DEGREE COLLEGE (UG)

STREAM	2019-20*	2018-19*
Commerce	52%	49%
Science	20%	13%
HSVC#	17%	16%
Arts	9%	17%
Diploma	1.3%	1%
ITI	0.3%	0%
Other	0.3%	4%

STREAM	2017-18*	2016-17*
Commerce	40%	34%
Arts	15%	17%
Science	14%	11%
COmputer	10%	9%
Management	6%	8%
Diploma	5%	3%
Engineering	3%	7%

STREAM	2017-18*	2016-17*
Vocational	2%	1%
Mass Media	1%	0%
Hospitality	1%	3%
Medical	1%	2%
Visual/		
Performing Arts	1%	5%
Other	1%	0%

#High Skill Vocational Course

NOTE : * represents SSC Cohorts i.e. year in which the batch appeared SSC

Our Alumni Thrive Even During the Pandemic

SURAJ GUPTA, OUR FIRST STUDENT TO CRACK IIT

Suraj remembers joining Akanksha at an extremely young age of five years. He belongs to the very first batch of Akanksha's Abhyudaya Nagar Mumbai Public School and comes from a family of equally bright siblings who have worked hard to receive the best education possible in spite of their humble background.

Suraj's father sells vegetables and mother is a homemaker. Both his parents feel that education is important and have encouraged their children to study. Suraj Gupta is our first student to have secured a seat at IIT Kharagpur, the premier engineering institution in India.



RUBY RAM, LIVING THE ARTIST LIFE

Ruby's love for art began from the young age of kindergarten when she often used to get reprimanded for colouring her books. Belonging to a four-member family from Pune, Ruby began her journey as an Akanksha student in 2013 and is the part of the first batch that passed out from AVBS Ganj Peeth. Driven by her extraordinary talent and support from Akanksha leadership, and the Art for Akanksha curriculum, Ruby went on to do a two year diploma in art teaching and is currently pursuing her bachelors in Fine Art alongside her Class 12.

While the journey isn't always easy, especially when it comes to assuring her parents about art as a financially viable profession, today Ruby is a published artist having sold her paintings at a gallery exhibit during the lockdown.



WE LEARNED IN THE NEW NORMAL

Financial Aid for Our Alumni

The onset of the pandemic & the loss of livelihoods for several Akanksha families signalled that our communities needed urgent support.

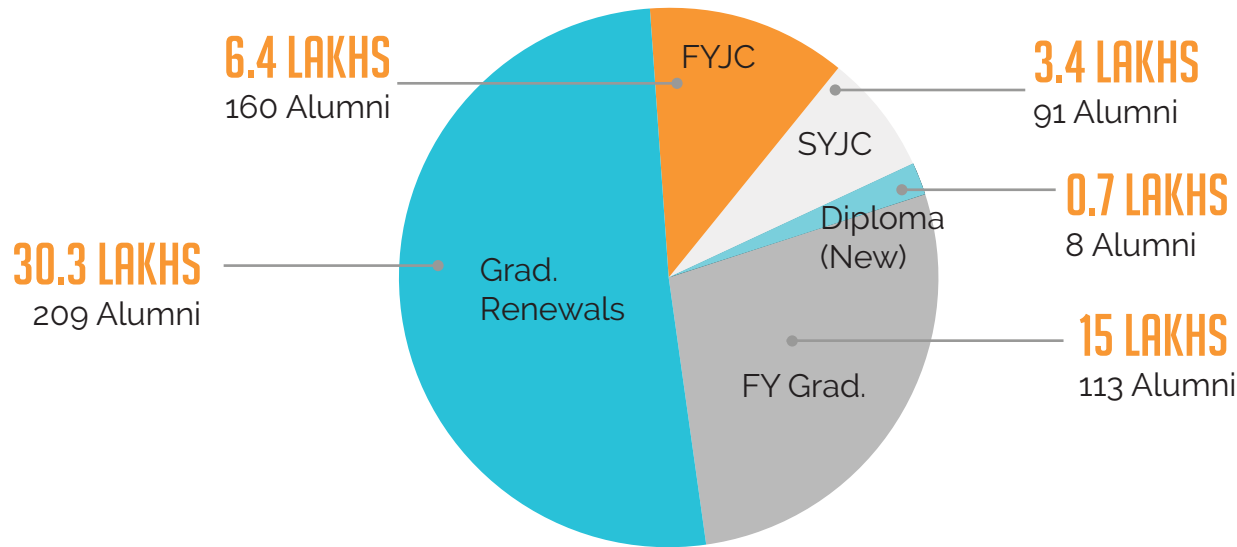
100% of the college/university fees were paid for alumni if they fell under any of the following categories

- a. Both parents are deceased and are now under the care of grandparents/elderly relatives/older siblings who currently have no source of income and/or are currently incurring medical expenses due to ill health
- b. Under the care of a single parent who is separated and has no source of income
- c. Under the care of both parents or older siblings who currently have no source of income

ABOVE AND OVER COVID-RELIEF FUNDS, WE ALSO SUPPORTED OUR ALUMNI WITH FINANCIAL AID TO ENABLE THEM TO PURSUE HIGHER EDUCATION



 **FINANCIAL AID AY 2020 - 21 (TOTAL)**



TOTAL - 56 LAKHS

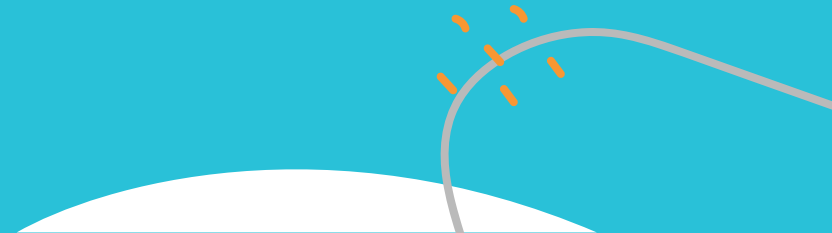
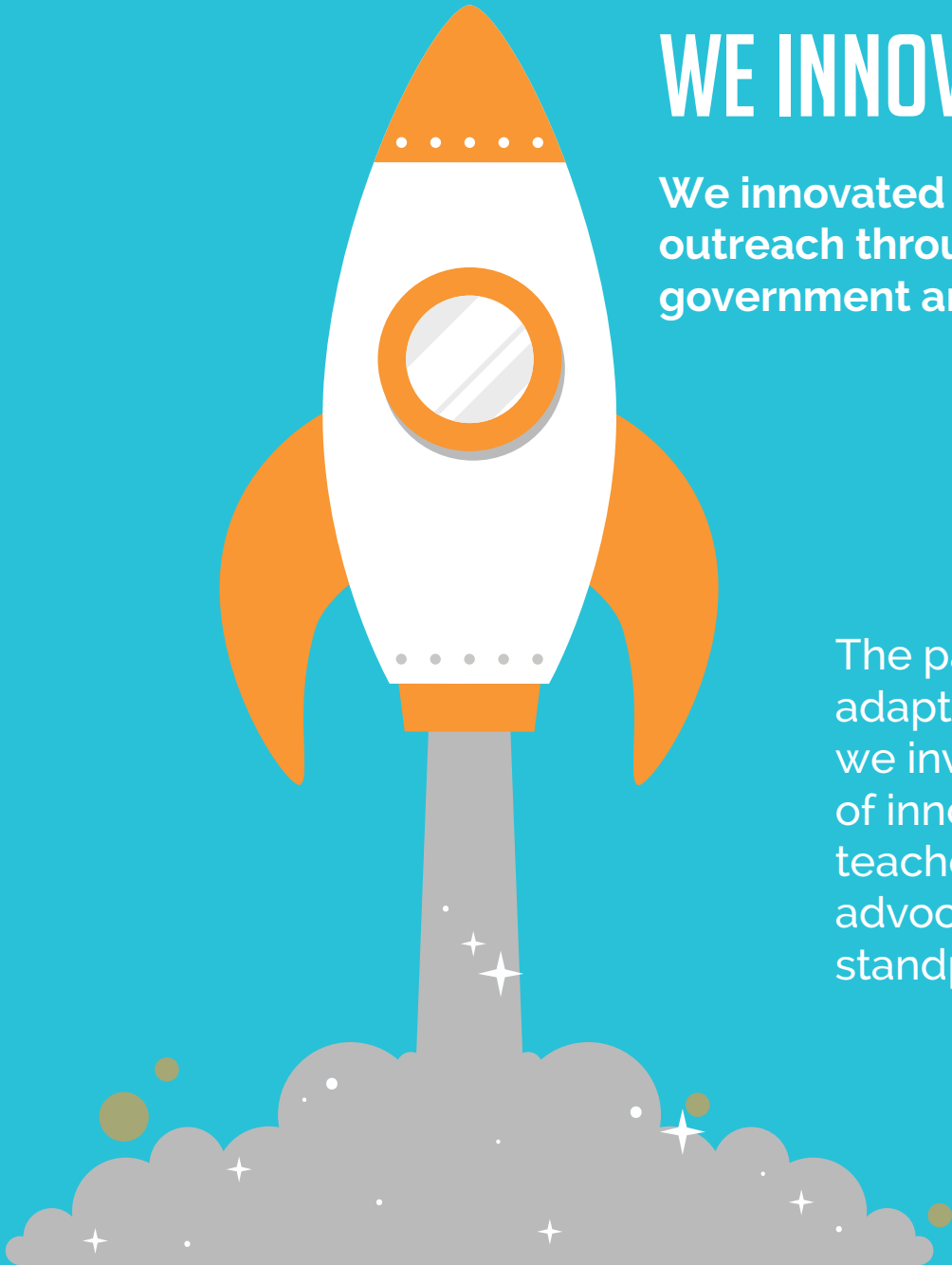
FYJC - First Year Junior College
 SYJC - Second Year Junior College
 FY- First Year
 Grad. - Graduation



WE INNOVATED

We innovated to multiply and amplify our outreach through partnerships with government and other non-profits.

The pandemic has taught us the importance of adaptation as we move forward. At Akanksha, we invested our efforts in amplifying the myriad of innovations created by our schools & their teachers - all towards the larger goal of advocating systemic change by creating standpoints of excellence.





LEVERAGING THE 'AKANKSHA WAY'

- > Art at Akanksha: Our curriculum extends beyond the use of colours and paper. It is empowering our children through expression. The Akanksha curriculum has catered to **2.5 CR** students in Maharashtra through various apps
- > Parent collaboration with our Radio Programme in Pune
- > Sharing our innovations on InspirED
- > **6500** Parents & children supported through our partnership with Rocket Learning
- > **1500** parents availed benefits through welfare schemes with Haqdarshak
- > Akanksha counsellors empower educators in Andhra Pradesh
- > Our CEO talks about the New Education Policy at Asia Society

Multiplying Our Impact Through Art For Akanksha

Art for Akanksha' (AFA), a unique program which empowers children with a powerful art education supported by a curriculum developed in-house is currently partnering with DIKSHA by contributing an extensive range of educational materials, including lesson plans for classes 1 to 10. The AFA curriculum is featured and widely used on the app, covering topics such as painting, origami and use of colours.

246

Content items
uploaded

1,55,507

Views for
uploaded content

4-5

Average ratings for
majority of the lessons
(on a scale of 1 to 5)

3

Languages in
which the
content is created

2.5 CR

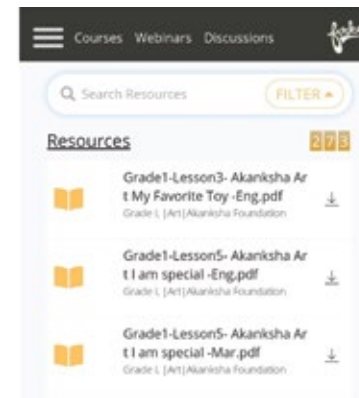
Students catered
to in Maharashtra

8L

Teachers catered
to in Maharashtra

7

Art partnerships
including Diksha & Firki

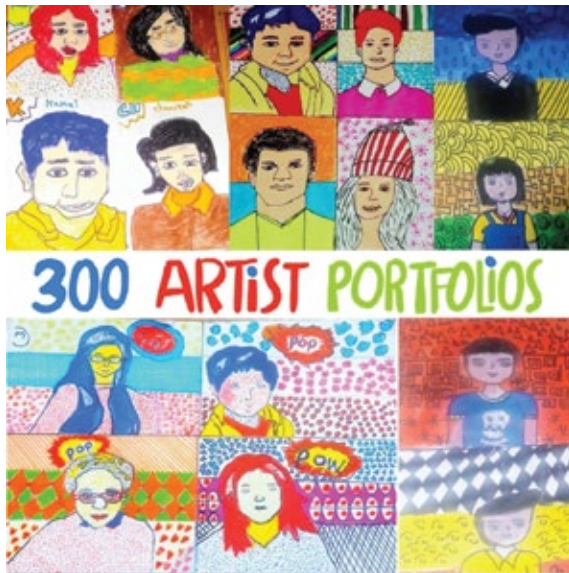


Art That Matters: What Kept Our Students Going In Difficult Times

When Project Karuna was launched, what made it even more special was that art kits were distributed to 10,000 students alongside food ration & sanitation essentials. The AFA team supported the Peepul Foundation Schools, the Khoj Community School and Apni Shala in implementing art lessons for their students virtually.



300 ARTIST PORTFOLIOS was a unique initiative by AFA which showcased individual students & their art portfolio for the year on a variety of social media platforms.



96%
Of art activities
for K to
Grade 10

81%

Students received
art kits during
the lockdown

124

MCGM school
teachers are using
our art lessons

600

Children from 6
Peepul Schools (Delhi)
using our Art Lessons

11

Art partnerships
including Diksha
& Firki

11

Educators/
participants
can access art
lessons on Firki

Art That Matters: What Kept Our Students Going In Difficult Times

THE CORONA QUILT PROJECT

saw over 500 pieces of Akanksha art make its way onto various buildings and spaces all over Mumbai city. Akanksha students, as well their families, contributed over 500 pieces of art through initiatives such as '100 Days of Art' and 'The Art Challenge' towards an installation capturing collective experiences of the pandemic created by the Corona Quilt Project. You can watch the video on this [link](#).



BOMAN IRANI'S HEARTWARMING RENDITION

of Garland's 'Somewhere Over The Rainbow': The incredible art made by Akanksha children was featured in the music-video of Akanksha champion, Boman Irani. The veteran actor's beautiful singing was brought to life by the hopeful colours of Akanksha students. You can watch the video on this [link](#).

KALA GHODA UNLOCKED 2021

saw 3 animation videos from Akanksha students being awarded in the Childrens' Digital Art Competition. View the videos below to experience the magic of ART by the children of Akanksha.

Kala Ghoda Akanksha Entry Video 1. [Link](#)

Kala Ghoda Akanksha Entry Video 2. [Link](#)

Kala Ghoda Akanksha Entry Video 3. [Link](#)



Amplifying Parent Voices With Our Radio Program

Our radio program spearheaded by Akanksha parents in Pune was organised by the school teams and our helper didis who used Whatsapp to share student responses.

The program is currently airing in collaboration with our partners Kshamtalya, Vidya Vani and Rising On Air.

“ Students and parents are very eager and excited to do the radio activities. Students are keen on listening to radio episodes everyday. Even parents love to listen to their child’s voice on apki away (Friday episodes). As a facilitator I feel very proud when I get a number of responses from them. ”



203

Episodes were aired from 29th Jun '20 to March '21



123

Learning through play activities (khel khel mein) were recorded by Akanksha teachers & aired



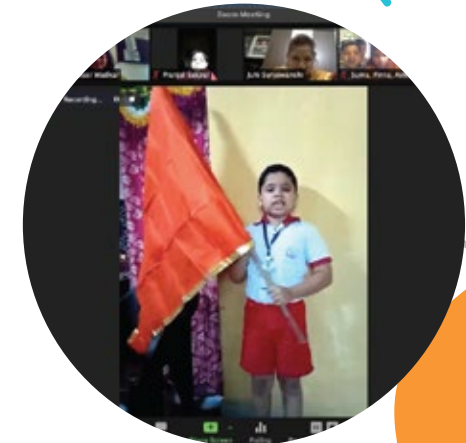
405

Akanksha families reached in Pune at peak of program



695

Student responses received over time



MICRO-INNOVATIONS IN THIS SPACE

RAP KI AWAARZ

28 Friday episodes were hosted by our Akanksha teachers to showcase student and parent voice, on being trained by Soumya from The Kshamtalya Foundation.

SAVAALON KI SAIR

3 synchronous interactions between students of Akanksha and Kshamtalya to discuss radio content in context of their lives in the rural and urban set-up.

Akanksha as Thought Leaders At InspirED

In October 2020, Akanksha was a core partner for a one-of-its-kind thought leadership & learning conference- InspirED. The platform brought together educators, students, policymakers, parents and experts in the field to discuss the idea of Reimagined Education. You can also watch the full-length sessions [here](#).



6450

Viewers for
Akanksha session

340

Akanksha team
registrations

235

Minutes at
InspirED

86

Team Akanksha members
involved (parents, students,
alumni, partners)

13

InspirED posts
+ emails

11

Akanksha sessions
+ white papers"

You can find them [here](#)



Empowering Parents For Home-Based Learning

In Jan 2021, Akanksha partnered with Rocket Learning, a non-profit ed-tech organisation with the mission to catalyze early childhood education and foundational learning based in Delhi to pilot a tech-based parental engagement program in 17 of our schools for all Jr. Kg parents

This initiative aims to provide access to age-appropriate foundational learning, increased parent participation in the learning of children & an increase in learning outcomes.

64%

Submission rate for parents between Jan & March 21



97%

Parents have submitted & responded to an activity at least once



Rocket Learning comes with scalable parent engagement technology solution with experience in Aurangabad, Chandigarh and UP



Akanksha comes with an innovative pedagogy and high-quality co- and extracurricular program which has been working in 20+ schools in Mumbai, Pune

**MUMBAI
EDUCATION
SYSTEM**



Improved early education learning outcomes

Akanksha & Rocket Learning also collaborated with MCGM in Dec' 2020 to support through Whatsapp based home learning activities.



250

Balwadis supported

280

Teachers supported

6500

Children/parents supported

~3000

Parents actively learning at home through Whatsapp

~25%

Of total parents frequently engaged through Whatsapp-based activities



Building Economic Resilience With Haqdarshak

At Akanksha, several of our parents and community members belong to the informal sector and are daily wage workers. Multiple lockdowns and never-ending restrictions has rendered them jobless and has adversely affected their livelihoods.

To address this pressing issue, Akanksha partnered with Haqdarshak, a technology-based service connecting citizens to government welfare schemes by bridging the information gap.

Under this project, Haqdarshak ensures that parents submit applications to receive benefits from government schemes.

1809

Parents submitted applications via the platform upto March 21

1536

Parents availed benefits through welfare schemes upto March 21

2845

Parents downloaded the Haqdarshak App

22194

Parents attending meetings

401

Parents enrolled in skill-building courses

8

Parents have secured job placements



YUVRAJ JITENDRA KUNBI is a Grade 1 student at an Akanksha School. Yuvraj's parents learnt of available schemes via Haqdarshak and with added assistance managed to avail the Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana for Yuvraj's sister and a recurring deposit scheme for Yuvraj. They also received assistance with a Pan Card and Aadhar biometric update.



AFREEN GUFRAAN KHAN, the mother of Shirin, a Grade- 9 student in Akanksha school, received assistance in generating a pan card and opening a Savings Bank account. She is thankful to Akanksha and Team Haqdarshak, as now she can avail of Government schemes through Direct Benefit Transfer

Upskilling Teachers In Andhra Pradesh the Akanksha Way

Akanksha partnered with Mantra 4 Change and conducted training modules for teachers of Andhra Pradesh Social Welfare Residential Educational Institutions Society (APSWREI). APSWREI, a society running 188 residential institutions in Andhra Pradesh reached out to Akanksha for identifying and supporting social and emotional needs of its students.



539

Participants including
teachers & caretakers



2-3 DAY

Training module featuring online
synchronous learning circles & offline
asynchronous learning through pre-reads,
case studies and reflections



Deciphering the National Education Policy at Asia Society

The Asia Society India Centre in association with Akanksha hosted a webinar and Facebook live session, 'Reimagining Schools: NEP's Vision of 21st Century Education' in November 2020.

Chaired by our CEO, Saurabh Tanjea, the panel comprised expert educators including Dr Wilima Wadhwa, Director, ASER Centre; Dr Ameeta Mulla Wattal, Principal, Springdales School, New Delhi and Mr Sridhar Rajagopalan, Co-Founder and Chief Learning Officer, Educational Initiatives as well as our very own Akanksha alum, Kushagra Sathe.





MAKING IT HAPPEN WITH AKANKSHA CHAMPIONS

- > Our arm of support in the US, Akanksha Education Fund and their initiatives
- > A heartfelt gratitude to our donors and supporters

A Big Thank You!

Akanksha Education Fund Building Resilience Campaign

In early June 2021, Akanksha Education Fund, led by Executive Director Sejal Desai and the Board's President, Ramesh Srinivasan held an intimate event launching their Building Resilience campaign. The event was a virtual fundraiser which raised over **\$500,000** for Akanksha's work in India. This funding will enable Akanksha to prioritize vaccinating our staff and community members, prioritize mental wellbeing and child safety and help provide tablets for our students.



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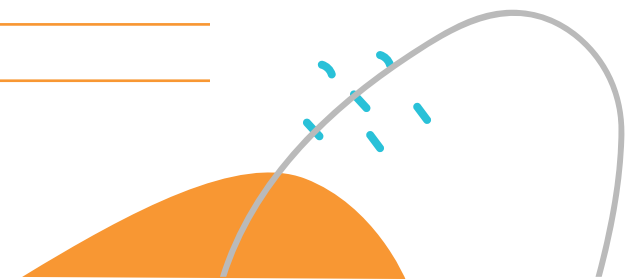
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Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended March 31, 2021

Registration no: F-14568 dated April 15, 1991

Amount (₹) 2019-20	Expenditure	Amount (₹) 2020-21	Amount (₹) 2020-21	Amount (₹) 2019-20	Amount (₹) 2019-20	Income	Amount (₹) 2020-21	Amount (₹) 2020-21
42,092,990	To Establishment Expenses (Annexure F 1)		40,915,433			By Interest (Annexure G 1)		
2,911,158	To Remunerations to Trustees		2,942,892	5,809,989		On securities Bonds	7,172,757	
				4,385,333	10,195,322	Deposits	2,590,152	9,762,909
354,000	To Remuneration paid to Auditors		354,000	1,114,629		On Loans		
	To Amount written off:			2,725,379	3,840,008	On Bank Deposits	1,067,751	
14,565	Bad debts		9,502	-	6,616,240	Accrued	3,766,088	4,833,839
				-		Realized		
10,604,846	To Depreciation	-	18,246,783	-	15,186,702	On Saving Accounts		5,850,803
	To Expenditure under objects of the trust			-		By Donations in cash or kind (Annexure G 2)		42,511,963
374,671,315	Educational		340,584,481	-	410,908,201	By Grants (Annexure H)		376,125,225
99,914	Other charitable object		6,337,579	-		By Income from other sources		
	To Surplus carried over to Balance Sheet		32,623,215	-	1,799,327	Other income (Annexure I)		2,749,176
				-	2,576,750	Sale of Art Product		179,970
451,122,551	Total		442,013,886	-	451,122,551	Total		442,013,886

Accounting Policies and Notes to Accounts (Annexure-J)

The Annexures referred to above form an integral part of the Income & Expenditure Account

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For The Akanksha Foundation

Hemant J. Bhatt
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Financials

SCHEDULE VIII
(Vide Rule 17(1))

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The Maharashtra Public Trust Act
The Public Trust:- The Akanksha Foundation
Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2021

Amount (₹) 2019-20	Amount (₹) 2019-20	FUNDS & LIABILITIES	Amount (₹) 2020-21	Amount (₹) 2020-21	Amount (₹) 2019-20	Amount (₹) 2019-20	PROPERTY & ASSETS	Amount (₹) 2020-21	Amount (₹) 2020-21
69,884,125		Trust Funds or Corpus							
8,941,080		Balance as per last balance sheet	69,884,125			152,695,923	Investments (Annexure B)		163,220,747
78,825,206			8,941,080				Movable Assets:- (Annexure C)		
-	78,825,206		78,825,206	78,825,206	63,284,177		Balance as per last Balance Sheet	76,281,731	
					13,702,808		Additions during the year	33,007,590	
					76,986,985			109,289,321	
36,985,649		Liabilities :- (Annexure A)	42,371,969		705,254		Less: Deduction during the year	9,676	
90,033,621	127,019,270	For Expenses	141,003,447	183,375,416	44,956,154		Depreciation up to date	63,202,292	
		For Advance Donations/Grants			45,661,408			63,211,964	
		Income and Expenditure Account:-			31,325,578	31,325,578	Net Block	46,077,357	
58,361,929		Balance as per last Balance Sheet	64,878,304	-			Capital Work In Progress(Leasehold Improvements)	-	46,077,357
140,203,098			154,060,486				Advances :		
198,565,027			218,938,790				To Employees	-	
		Less Appropriation, if any			439,400		To Contractors	164,856	
		Add: Surplus (as per Income and Expenditure Account)			3,427,856		To Others (Annexure D)	7,956,681	8,121,537
6,516,375		Less: (Deficit Expenditure Account)	17,675,560	251,562,005	8,592,273	12,459,529			
13,857,388			14,947,655				Income outstanding		
20,373,763	218,938,790		32,623,215		9,129,017	9,129,017	Interest	7,877,485	7,877,485
					417,032		Other income and asset receivable		
					316,469		Other Receivable	484,567	
					4,929,052	5,662,553	Sundry debtors	2,370	
							Grant receivable	11,193,519	11,680,456
					172,243,963		Cash and Bank Balances (Annexure E)		
					40,623,756		a) In Saving account	171,903,756	
							In Fixed Deposit account	104,219,023	
							b) With the Trustee	-	
							c) With the Manager	-	
					18,426		d) Cash	847	
						212,886,145	e) Cheques on hand	50,000	276,173,626
						624,521	Inventory of Art project		611,419
	424,783,266	Total		513,762,627		424,783,266	Total		513,762,627

Accounting Policies and Notes to Accounts (Annexure-F)

The Annexures referred to above form an integral part of the Balance Sheet

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