



education

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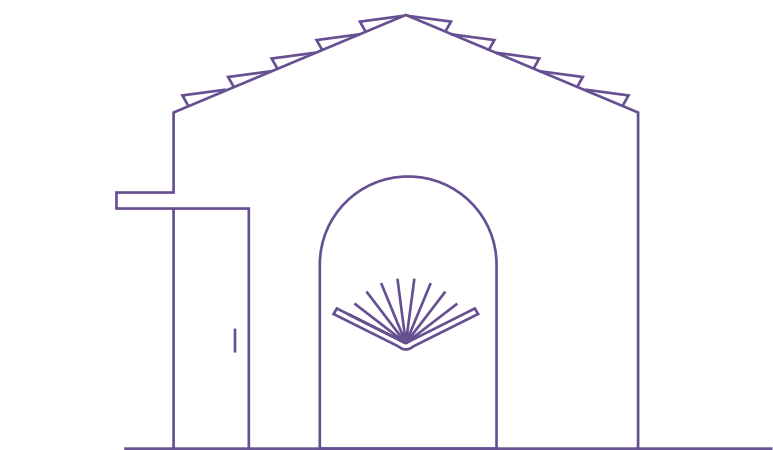
JSW UDAAN: EMPOWERING ASPIRATIONS THROUGH SCHOLARSHIPS

KARNATAKA MODEL SCHOOL PROGRAMME

JINDAL EDUCATION TRUST (JET)



BUILDING RESILIENT AND INCLUSIVE LEARNING ECOSYSTEMS



26 SCALING WITH PURPOSE Education is one of the most powerful enablers of social transformation. At JSW Foundation, our education initiatives are designed to ensure that children and young people from underserved communities have access to inclusive, equitable and quality learning opportunities that prepare them for the future. Guided by the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 and India's Foundational Literacy and Numeracy (FLN) mission, our programmes focus on strengthening the learning continuum, from early childhood care and school readiness to adolescent development, youth employability and higher education support.

Impact
5.3 LAKHS
Beneficiaries
3,400
Schools and Anganwadi centres served

A collaborative approach to learning

Our education programmes are implemented in partnership with:

learn	improve
Schools and Anganwadi centres	State education departments
partner	connect
Civil society organisations and technical partners	Teachers, parents and community institutions
develop	
Industry and youth development organisations	

This collaborative ecosystem enables us to strengthen classroom learning, improve educational infrastructure and create enabling environments where children can thrive academically and socially.



Foundational Literacy and Numeracy (FLN)

Foundational Literacy and Numeracy remain at the core of JSW Foundation's education strategy. Through partnerships with organisations such as Pratham Education Foundation, Room to Read, Magic Bus India Foundation, Centre for Environment Education and Karadi Path, the Foundation implemented large-scale FLN interventions across Vijayanagar, Odisha, Dolvi, Palghar, Vasind, Salem, Kalmeshwar, Barbil, Paradip and other operational geographies.

These programmes focused on improving reading fluency, numeracy skills, language development and joyful learning practices using child-centric and activity-based methodologies. Flagship initiatives such as the Karnataka Model School Programme Pathway and JSW Room to Read programme strengthened learning outcomes in government schools while promoting structured classroom engagement and improved foundational competencies.



Strengthening primary and secondary education

We remain committed to enrich the academic journeys of students and improve learning outcomes through dedicated programmes.

JSW Aspire

Strengthens literacy, numeracy and life skills among adolescents, helping them become resilient, self-assured individuals.

JSW Green Schools

Empowers students with strong environmental awareness and sustainable practices.

Going beyond traditional classroom learning, we promote various co-curricular activities including science exhibitions, competitions and creative pursuits to uncover talent and boost holistic development. To amplify the impact, we equip teachers in government schools with the skills and tools necessary for creating engaging and participative classrooms.



School infrastructure development

JSW Foundation remains committed to transform ageing and inadequate school infrastructure to create vibrant, stimulating spaces that support teaching and learning.

Our infrastructure projects include:

revive

Renovating dilapidated school buildings

construct

Constructing modern facilities equipped with digital classrooms and science labs

improve

Improving WaSH infrastructure to ensure safety, hygiene, and gender-friendly environments

Through these interventions, hundreds of students now learn in safer, brighter, and more enriching surroundings.



Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE)

Recognising the critical importance of early learning, JSW Foundation supported Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) initiatives aimed at strengthening school readiness and cognitive development among young children.

Through interventions in Jharsuguda, Paradip, Barbil and other locations, Anganwadi centres and educators were supported with learning materials, classroom engagement tools and age-appropriate teaching methodologies to create stimulating early learning environments.

Investing in teachers and school ecosystems

Teachers play a transformative role in shaping learning outcomes. In FY26, JSW Foundation supported over 5,000 teachers through capacity-building initiatives, classroom support programmes and pedagogical training focused on FLN and experiential learning approaches.

The Foundation also strengthened school ecosystems through infrastructure development projects, school transportation support and improved access to safe and enabling learning environments. Investments in classrooms, educational resources and school facilities helped improve learning conditions for students across multiple states.



Encouraging experiential and future-ready learning

To nurture curiosity, creativity and critical thinking, JSW Foundation continued to support experiential learning initiatives such as JSW Green School and science-based educational engagements.

Environmental education programmes, science centre partnerships and activity-led learning models encouraged students to explore sustainability, innovation and problem-solving beyond conventional classroom settings.

Supporting youth aspirations and employability

Beyond school education, the Foundation continued to support young people through scholarships, employability initiatives and career-readiness programmes.

Initiatives such as JSW Udaan Scholarship and youth employability partnerships enabled students from underserved backgrounds to access higher education, vocational pathways and future livelihood opportunities with greater confidence and institutional support.



JSW Udaan: Empowering aspirations through scholarships

Higher education opens gateways to opportunity. Through the JSW Udaan Merit-cum-Need Scholarship, we empower deserving students from underserved backgrounds to continue their education and build a brighter future.

In FY26, 1,434 students were awarded Udaan scholarships. Cumulatively, over 16,000 students have received scholarships since 2018. Along with financial assistance, the scholarships supported the holistic development of beneficiaries.

Awarded
1,434
STUDENTS



Karnataka Model Schools Pathways Programme

To accelerate the implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP) in Karnataka, JSW Foundation has initiated the Karnataka Model School Pathways Programme to transform 100 government schools and co-located Anganwadis into Model Schools in Chitradurga district by 2025. By focusing on holistic well-being, it has strengthened teacher capacity, introduced career counselling and deepened community engagement. It has also addressed foundational well-being by improving WaSH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) facilities and safety infrastructure. This pioneering initiative focuses on: →

Beneficiaries
25,000
STUDENTS

improve	Improving learning outcomes, enrolment and retention
strengthen	Strengthening teacher, HM, BRC, CRC capacities
enhance	Enhancing physical and digital school infrastructure
train	Providing employment and life skills training
engage	Deepening community engagement



JSW Room to Read

The programme nurtures a culture of reading by providing child-friendly libraries, engaging storybooks, and structured reading interventions. It has expanded access to dedicated, welcoming reading spaces for children in primary grades, fostering a lifelong love for reading. During the year, the programme reached 1,464 schools across Karnataka, benefiting over 2.5 lakh children.

- Library and reading period coverage increased from 16% to 98% of schools.
- On an average, a child is now reading more than 2 books every month.
- Engaged with over 5,000 teachers, parents, communities, and government stakeholders, aligned with the NEP 2020 and NIPUN Bharat Mission.
- Improved reading outcomes, with 80% of children borrowing books to read at home and 93% reading for enjoyment.

The impact of these changes are tangible.

- a** Foundational literacy has risen to 69% and arithmetic proficiency to 42%, outpacing district averages.
- b** Among Grade 8 students, 90% achieved reading proficiency, far exceeding the ASER benchmark of 60%.
- c** In Grade 10, more than half of the students, 51%, now read and write English at a Grade A level, an achievement that signals growing confidence in global communication skills.
- d** Educational aspirations among Grades 9 to 10 rose from 67% to 80%.
- e** Out of 299 irregular students, 154 have returned to school.

Benefitted
1,464
SCHOOLS



Jindal Education Trust (JET)

Jindal Education Trust (JET), supported by JSW Foundation, is committed to providing equitable, inclusive, and quality education that empowers young learners to realise their full potential. Through its network of nine CBSE-affiliated schools and one Special School, JET has positively impacted over 12,000 students since inception, offering accessible, value-based education across multiple states.

JET schools foster academic excellence while nurturing leadership, creativity, critical thinking, and 21st-century skills. Guided by an inclusive education model, all schools admit students under the Right to Education (RTE) Act and provide continuous academic support, remedial learning, counselling, and personalised interventions to ensure every child has an equal opportunity to succeed.

The Trust's impact is reflected in the achievements of its alumni, many of whom have gone on to become engineers, doctors, entrepreneurs, scientists, and graduates of premier institutions such as the IITs and IIMs.

Beyond classrooms, JET instils a strong sense of social responsibility through environmental conservation drives, health and hygiene awareness, community outreach, donation campaigns, and digital and financial literacy initiatives. These programmes encourage students to become compassionate and responsible citizens.



JET also operates a dedicated Special School for children with intellectual and developmental disabilities, providing free education, learning materials, nutritious meals, therapy support, counselling, and need-based transportation. By creating inclusive learning environments and strengthening community engagement, Jindal Education Trust continues to expand educational opportunities while contributing to long-term social development and nation-building.

Benefitted
12,000
STUDENTS