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ABOUT BHOOMIKA

In the aftermath of the Gujarat earthquake in 2001, a group of compassionate individuals came together to support those impacted by the disaster. What began as an effort to provide immediate relief quickly revealed the immense challenges like rebuilding homes, livelihoods, and schools in the wake of such destruction for these affected communities. Witnessing this struggle, particularly among those already marginalised, underscored the urgent need for structured and empathetic intervention. From this shared experience and understanding, the vision for Bhoomika was born.

VISION

Disasters have devastating impacts, traumatising and debilitating lives. We believe that response to disasters is not just about immediate relief but a humanitarian response to the affected that looks beyond immediate suffering. It is about rehabilitation through their vocation, their place of dwelling, the rebuilding of schools, nurturing of the children in the aftermath of the disaster. We aim to rebuild lives and livelihoods.

MISSION

To work with underprivileged communities and individuals:

- At times of natural disasters by responding through the three phases of ***Rescue, Relief, and Rehabilitation***
- In the field of Education ***by supporting children's education through better infrastructure and qualitative intervention*** with an aim to make it relevant, to equip them with a mind to enquire, to be creative, sensitive to environment and people, helping preserve the planet

OUR APPROACH



Identify requirements & gaps



Gather & disseminate credible information



Engage with local NGOs, corporates & citizen groups



360-degree transparency among all stakeholders



Practice continuous learning

SHARING OUR THOUGHTS

"After so many years, I slept peacefully last night," said the Headmistress of Perumbakkam Government Primary School. Let us set the context. After the devastating rains and floods of 2015 in Chennai, many families living along canal banks were relocated to other areas, and Perumbakkam was one of them. In early 2017, we visited the area and were appalled by the condition of both the Primary and High schools, which were operating out of tenements originally meant to house families.

For the High school, we built six classrooms over the existing structure to accommodate the children and handed it over in August 2017, with generous support from our donors. The children in the Primary school continued studying in the tenements, much to our distress. We committed to building them a new school, and after considerable effort, secured the land and necessary sanctions through the authorities. Construction began in 2019, but the COVID-19 pandemic caused further delays.

Finally, this year, we were able to hand over the completed school to the Education Department. The new building has sixteen classrooms, a library, a computer lab, staff rooms on both the ground and first floors, a room for the Headmistress with visitor seating, a large activity hall on the first floor, space for morning assemblies, a storeroom, and four toilet blocks. We furnished the classrooms with colourful desks and chairs, and equipped the staff room with meeting tables and lockers for the teachers. This school will now be a happy and safe learning space for over 500 children.

Returning to the Headmistress' words at the beginning, spoken with tears in her eyes as she took charge of the new school was truly gratifying. We had witnessed her daily struggles in the earlier tenement school. Why she said those words is a story better told in images; do read that section in this report.

In July and August 2022, heavy rains in Assam, particularly in Silchar, led to devastating floods that affected millions. The floods were caused by a combination of heavy rainfall, breached embankments, and water released from dams, resulting in widespread inundation and displacement. Earlier in 2017, Bhoomika Trust had provided extensive relief support to flood-affected people in Majuli, a large river island in Assam.

SHARING OUR THOUGHTS



This year, we returned to Assam, focusing on Silchar, where the Cachar Cancer Hospital and Research Centre, a major cancer hospital serving disadvantaged communities across several districts functions. It was severely affected by the floods. Bhoomika provided immediate relief by facilitating a Community kitchen and distributing nutritious ration kits to patients visiting the hospital. In addition, as part of our rehabilitation work, we undertook extensive repairs to address leaks and dampness caused by the heavy rains. We also continued our mission of Healthcare upgradation in Tamil Nadu, a project that began during the COVID period, we provided equipment support to Government Health Centres.

Our Education initiatives received special emphasis this year. Through our years of disaster rehabilitation work, we have seen first-hand the infrastructure deficits in Government schools. This insight inspired a special focus project we have named “Rebuild Rural Schools.” We carried out critical infrastructure upgrades in several schools. Alongside this, we are excited to share updates on our Technology-Aided Learning Labs (TALL) and much more about the work we accomplished this year. As always, our deepest gratitude to our donors, our fabulous team, and the amazing group of volunteers we discover every year, all of you make our work possible.

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MANAGING TRUSTEE

1. DISASTER RELIEF

ASSAM FLOODS, JUNE 2022

Residents say the water came “first slowly, then suddenly.”

In June of 2022, the skies over Assam darkened with more than just clouds; they brought with them a torrent of devastation. The city of Silchar, nestled in the Barak Valley, bore the brunt of some of the worst flooding in recent memory. In a matter of hours, the river which flows through Manipur, Nagaland, Mizoram and Assam before entering Bangladesh had engulfed homes, roads, clinics, and schools. The floodwaters swept through the city, reaching the first floors of buildings, and in some areas, isolating entire communities. Nine days later, water still stood stagnant in many areas. The stench of decay lingered. Electricity remained elusive. In many pockets of the city, the only lights at night were the flicker of candles and the quiet hum of hope.

Amidst this unfolding humanitarian crisis stood the Cachar Cancer Hospital and Research Centre, a beacon of healthcare for the poor and marginalised across Assam and its neighbouring states. The hospital, located on the city’s outskirts, had always been a sanctuary, where patients came in search of treatment. Many of them were daily wage workers earning between INR 3000 and INR 8000 a month. But floods do not spare sanctuaries.

The hospital sees over 5,400 new patients and 25,000 follow up patients every year,

and 80% of patients have more than 5 family members, often with one earning member. After the floods, several patients suffered great personal loss of property.

The hospital conducted an outreach drive to help ensure patients could resume their treatment without interruptions. The hospital also provided food for patients with the belief that this support will not only help them get back on their feet, but will also be an added incentive to visit the hospital.

The hospital’s ground floor was submerged. Staff quarters were rendered uninhabitable. Medical records and equipment were water-damaged. Yet, amidst this chaos, the hospital did not close its doors. Rather, it opened its arms wider.

Under the guidance of the indomitable Padma Shri Dr. Ravi Kannan, the staff built up the hospital as a symbol of resilience. The staff pulled rafts out to ferry patients through waist-deep water. A makeshift Out Patient Department (OPD) sprung up beneath the shelter of trees. Consultations happened outdoors, chemotherapy continued on dry patches of ground, and doctors trudged through waterlogged lanes to ensure no patient missed a life-saving dose.

As Dr. Kannan put it simply, “While the serious patients were ferried to the hospital, what couldn’t be done inside, we did outside.”

Community Kitchen and Ration Kit Distribution at Cachar Cancer Hospital

In the weeks that followed, Bhoomika Trust partnered with the hospital to run a Community kitchen, not just to provide meals but to provide stability, dignity, nutrition and care. The kitchen provided over 1,000 meals per day at its peak, ensuring that patients, caregivers, and the hospital staff could eat without worry. Furthermore, 500 visiting families to the hospital were provided with ration kits filled with groceries. This gesture not only supported them through the post-flood recovery period but also reduced the burden on caregivers struggling with treatment logistics, travel, and the rising costs of survival.

For cancer patients battling both disease and treatment, proper nutrition is not just a recommendation - it is a lifeline in their journey of healing. Bhoomika's intervention recognised and centred the importance of this human need. For over four months, the kitchen served meal after meal and sent the patients home with a ration kit.



TAMIL NADU RAINS, NOVEMBER 2022

In November 2022, Tamil Nadu and Puducherry received prolonged and excessive rainfall during the North-East Monsoon, recording over 310 mm of rainfall, 16% higher than normal for the period. The deluge severely affected vulnerable communities, including Irular families living in thatched roof homes across Maduranthakam Taluk, Chengalpattu District. Many were displaced and temporarily housed in relief centres.

Distribution of Tarpaulins, Bedsheets, and Essential Supplies

Relief material distribution has long been a cornerstone of Bhoomika Trust's disaster response strategy. When the monsoon rains battered Tamil Nadu in November 2022, the Trust quickly mobilised the team to reach families who had lost their homes, belongings, and were deprived of any access to basic needs.

The Irular communities in the Maduranthakam Taluk of Chengalpattu district were among the worst affected. Living in fragile houses with coconut-leaf roofs, many families saw their homes collapse under the unrelenting rain. The floods washed away physical structures, and with it, eroded the sense of security and trust that the communities had built over time. In response, Bhoomika's field staff worked closely with community partners and local NGOs to conduct swift on-ground assessments and identify families in urgent need of assistance.

The following materials were distributed to families in the Irular clusters of Nelvoy, Pudhupattu and Palayanoor:

- Tarpaulins - To serve as immediate roofing protection, ensuring families could find dry, safe shelter upon returning home from relief camps
- Bedsheets - Offering not just warmth and comfort, but a sense of security amidst the uncertainty and shared spaces of post-disaster life.
- Essential supplies - To avoid needing to navigate damaged roads or flooded markets.



Bhoomika's intervention was designed to address immediate physical needs, restore comfort and bring forth a sense of normalcy in a time of disruption. The gratitude from the communities was deeply moving. For many, receiving even a bedsheet or tarpaulin meant they could sleep safely through the night, without fear of the rain returning or of exposure to the elements. Local volunteers shared stories of families who, upon receiving the materials, were able to piece back parts of their homes and resume daily life with renewed hope.

In the face of climate variability and intensifying monsoon patterns, such swift and humane responses remain essential. Bhoomika Trust continues to stand committed to being present at the most vulnerable moments, offering aid and assurance.



In the year 2022-23, Bhoomika Trust expended an amount of INR 21,53,502 towards disaster relief efforts in Assam, and the North-East monsoon rains in Tamil Nadu.

2. DISASTER REHABILITATION

HOSPITAL UPGRADATION

The Cachar Cancer Hospital, like many structures built to serve the underserved, had already been functioning with limited resources. After the floods, during July and August of 2022, the building faced severe water seepage, cracked terraces, damaged plumbing systems, and unhygienic conditions aggravated by fungal growth and corrosion. Floods don't just arrive with chaos but they leave slowly, peeling paint, cracking walls, and turning once-sterile spaces into places of worry. Bhoomika, in consultation with a technical team, took on the task of restoring this crucial institution. A four stage structural rehabilitation plan was rolled out to waterproof, rebuild, and reinforce the hospital's infrastructure and its facilities:

Stage 1: Removal of loose plaster, debris, plumbing pipes and vegetation from the terrace and damaged areas

Stage 2: Waterproofing the terrace slab with chemicals and providing granolithic flooring ensuring proper slopes, tested rigorously to ensure longevity

Stage 3: Sealing terrace-parapet joints with special curvature plaster to avoid future water stagnation

Stage 4: Redesigning the pipe network with new pillars and structural supports to ensure stability

The project was initiated during with a total expenditure of INR 8,96,785 during this financial year, and is set to be completed in the upcoming financial year at an estimated cost of INR 20 lakhs.



3. EDUCATE TO EMPOWER



In every corner of the country, children wake up with dreams. But too often, the world they step into - one of crumbling classrooms, unpaid fees, absent electricity, and digital exclusion - tells them their dreams are out of reach. Bhoomika Trust has always believed otherwise.

In 2022-23, we did more than support Education.

We **rewrote narratives.**

We **rebuilt environments.**

We **restored belief** in children, in families, and in futures that have every right to exist.

From rebuilding schools for children displaced by floods to establishing Technology-enabled learning labs in remote villages, we arrived in the spaces left untouched, where children had been waiting in silence. Where systems had gaps, we stepped in with care, with consistency, and with the quiet conviction that learning is every child's right.

REBUILD RURAL SCHOOLS: TRANSFORMING SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE

It is one thing to tell a child to dream. It is another to ensure that the classroom they sit in does not leak when it rains. Across Tamil Nadu, Bhoomika Trust has seen what many ignore - classrooms with broken roofs, no toilets, and no desks. These are not minor issues. They shape how children learn, how teachers teach, and how entire communities perceive the value of Education.

Through our Rebuild Rural Schools project, Bhoomika Trust supported the infrastructure of three Government schools in 2022-23, addressing critical gaps in sanitation, safety, and structural integrity. Bhoomika Trust spent a total of INR 76,08,000 towards the renovation and infrastructural upgrading of schools through this project. Each school came to us with different needs and each left with a renewed sense of dignity and possibility.

Panchayat Union Middle School, Kothavasal, Perambalur District

Established in 1974, this school has served rural communities for decades. With over 282 students, the lack of a functional auditorium had long limited the school's ability to conduct combined classes, yoga sessions, exams, and cultural activities. In December 2022, responding to a request from the school, Bhoomika undertook the complete renovation of the school's auditorium, transforming it into a bright, multi-purpose learning space.



Government Higher Secondary School, Manikattipottal, Nagercoil, Kanyakumari District

Founded in 1954, this school currently educates over 296 students. Its outdated and inadequate toilet facilities created serious challenges for students, particularly adolescent girls. In January 2023, Bhoomika constructed a new toilet block exclusively for girls and renovated two existing toilet blocks for high school and primary-level boys. This intervention significantly improved the school's sanitation standards and overall environment.



Panchayat Union Primary School, Mamallapuram, Chengalpattu District

This school, established in 1931, is home to over 358 students, managed by six teachers and one headmistress. Years of weather damage and structural wear had compromised classrooms and common areas. In March 2023, we undertook various renovations at the school; we installed weather-coated waterproof tiles on four classroom roofs, retiled floors in one classroom and the auditorium, replaced sunshades, repaired auditorium flooring, and extended and tiled the veranda flooring near the headmistress' room.



BUILDING FROM THE GROUND UP

Perumbakkam Government Primary School

Not all schools can be repaired; some must be reimagined from scratch. In Perumbakkam, a resettlement area in Chennai that houses 18,000+ families displaced by the 2015 floods, Bhoomika encountered one such case. The Government primary school was operating out of tenements, with no classrooms, facilities, or dignity. In 2019, Bhoomika signed an MOU with the Education Department to build a new school for these children. Despite delays caused by land approvals and COVID-19, the school was completed and handed over in March 2023.

Now, this school boasts 17,000+ sq. ft. of built-up area, 16 bright, well-ventilated classrooms, a library, a computer lab, staff rooms, HM room, store rooms, a large assembly hall, an activity space, and four toilet blocks with clean, child-friendly amenities. 600+ children now attend school here—many of them the first in their families to experience a formal learning space. The full school project was constructed over several years with a cumulative investment of INR **3,84,44,590**.





The furniture and fixtures provided as part of the school's setup included the following:

- 60 sets of desks and benches
- 22 round tables
- 120 chairs
- 20 classroom tables and chairs
- 14 staffroom chairs
- 6 visitor chairs
- 2 lockers
- 10 classroom boards
- 20 pin boards
- 15 storage tables
- 1 set of HM's table and chair

To make it all possible, in 2022-23, Bhoomika spent INR 31,15,656 on furniture and construction-related costs.



School Management and Community Engagement

Shared ownership is at the heart of any sustainable Educational space. In Perumbakkam, the relationships and sense of community mattered along with the school building. These relationships gave more strength to the building. We convened the School Management Committee, local community leaders, parents, and teachers to co-create school norms. We discussed inauguration plans, infrastructure maintenance and safety protocols for students. The students, teachers, parents and staff spoke of a collective pride when they spoke of the school. The school was no longer just Bhoomika's project. It is their school, their responsibility, and their pride.

Strengthening Partnerships: School Management Committee and Community Meeting

On June 9, 2022, a productive meeting was held at Panchayat Union Primary School in Perumbakkam, bringing together the School Management Committee (SMC) and the local community. The meeting centred on two key areas: outlining the roles and responsibilities for maintaining the school premises and reviewing essential safety protocols to ensure a secure environment.

The gathering saw active participation from the SMC leader, its members, parents, the headmaster, and teachers, all demonstrating their strong enthusiasm for the new school building. Their engagement and interest were highly encouraging, reflecting a shared commitment. Bhoomika Trust expressed its anticipation of continuing collaborative efforts to support the Educational journey of the students.



SNDP School Alapuzah

SNDP School in Alappuzha, a rehabilitation project that involved building of a school block following the 2018 Kerala rains, is an ongoing project. During the current year, Bhoomika spent an amount of INR 5,66,785 on this ongoing initiative.

EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

There is a moment many parents dread: the one when they have to tell their child that they may not be able to go back to school. Sometimes, it is because of illness in the family, or the loss of a job, and at other times, it is because of the accumulated cost of living that forces survival to come before dreams. We try to ensure that moment never comes for as many families as we can support.

In 2022-23, Bhoomika Trust supported 73 school students and 35 college students across diverse courses. On account of scholarships Bhoomika spent Rs 22,49,779.



4. TECHNOLOGY-AIDED LEARNING LABS (TALL)

In a country where digital learning often bypasses children in rural and Government schools, Bhoomika's Technology-Aided Learning Labs (TALL) are quietly reshaping what access to quality Education for all truly means. These labs are not flashy interventions—they are deep, steady investments in inclusion, designed to ensure that students in Grades 6 to 8 gain digital fluency, self-confidence, and the skills necessary for a changing world.

TALL introduced a Math curriculum in partnership with Altius Foundation, aligned with the Tamil Nadu Government syllabus. This curriculum consists of pre-made self-learning modules, delivered through computer labs and supported by trained local staff. These labs are often the students' first interaction with technology, especially in remote areas where most children are first-generation learners and where even basic digital access is a luxury. In 2022–23, Bhoomika established four fully functional TALL labs across Tamil Nadu. Each included:

- Computer systems (ranging from 21 to 46)
- Dedicated servers
- Individual logins for students
- Self-paced learning modules in Math and English
- Support from trained facilitators and teachers



TALL at Government High School, Jagannathapuram

This school did not just request the TALL programme; they actively prepared for it. After a site visit and a school briefing in September 2022, the leadership took the initiative to prepare space for the lab and complete all requisite electrical work. Bhoomika installed 27 computer systems and 2 servers. Bhoomika also trained and appointed a local facilitator for the lab.

The Impact:

- Directly benefits 117 students from Grades 6 to 8
- Supports the school's wider student body of 212

TALL at Savitri Ammal Oriental Hr. Sec. School, Mylapore

Established in 1958, this school has a legacy of providing quality education. Recognising the opportunity TALL could offer, the school readily provided infrastructure—tables, chairs, and completed electrical work—prior to installation in November 2022. Bhoomika installed 46 computer systems and 3 servers. A school-appointed staff member was trained by Bhoomika to serve as the lab facilitator.

The Impact:

- Benefits 212 students from Grades 6 to 8

TALL at Panchayat Union Middle School, Moondiyamman Nagar, Thiruvallur

Established in 1989, this school in Sholavaram block has over 140 enrolled students. The school leadership welcomed the TALL initiative, and the lab was set up in March 2023 to support its growing student base. Bhoomika installed 37 computer systems and 3 servers. Bhoomika also appointed and trained a local facilitator to support lab usage.

The Impact:

- Benefits 92 students from Grades 6 to 8
- Enhances access to digital learning in a rural Panchayat school



TALL at Panchayat Union Middle School, Velur, Thiruvallur

Located in Minjur block and established in 1941, this school has a long-standing commitment to accessible Education. The TALL lab was set up in March 2023. Bhoomika installed 21 computer systems and 3 servers, and trained a facilitator to manage and support the lab regularly.

The Impact:

- Benefits 70 students year-on-year from Grades 6 to 8
- Strengthens digital access in a high-need rural school



TALL: Sustaining the Change

TALL is not a one-time investment. In addition to setup costs, Bhoomika continues to bear annual expenditures for maintenance and facilitator support, ensuring that these labs remain active, clean, and inclusive spaces of learning. In 2022-23, Bhoomika spent INR 23,66,791 towards the setup and ongoing operation of TALL labs across multiple Government schools.



5. LIVELIHOOD SUPPORT

A person's livelihood goes beyond income; it is about dignity, choice, and their ability to dream. It is the difference between surviving and living. For communities pushed to the margins by caste, gender, religion, ability or geography, that difference can determine whether they survive or thrive.

In 2022-23, Bhoomika Trust deepened its work with individuals and communities whose resilience often goes unnoticed. As an organisation, we believe in supporting and enabling marginalised groups, including persons with disabilities, single mothers, and Irular fishermen, through tailored assistance. The organisation focuses on fostering independence and creating opportunities for these communities to thrive.

Livelihood Support for Persons with Disabilities

When our team arrived in Reddiapatti in Virudhunagar district, we saw something electric unfolding inside a small community centre. A group of 30 persons with disabilities were buzzing with energy. They had been trained to make *sambrani* (incense blocks) and *panchakavya* (a traditional organic fertiliser) and were eager to build something of their own.

They had the knowledge. They had the motivation. What they did not have were the tools to begin work. Bhoomika's involvement began through a collaboration with NABARD, facilitated by the steadfast dedication of Mr. Rajeshwaran, the District Development Manager of NABARD, Virudhunagar and community leader. Our approach was one of partnership, not prescription. We did not arrive with instructions. We listened and worked together.



We equipped them with:

- 2 sets of tools for *sambrani* production
- 300 kg of *sambrani* pre-mix powder
- Around 10,000 packaging boxes
- 2,200 *panchakavya* bottles of various sizes
- Marketing supplies: stickers, bill books, banners



Suddenly, this was not a community waiting for help. It was a collective with inventory, branding, and a plan. What began in a village hall is now rippling into local markets. Every bar of incense sold carries the scent of ambition, and every labelled bottle of *panchakavya* is proof that ability, when met with opportunity, transforms everything.

Supporting Single-Women-Headed families in Dharmapuri

The women of Pappalapatti Block in Dharmapuri do not speak of resilience as an abstract concept. They live it. Many of them are widows and survivors of violence. They work as agricultural labourers, earning barely INR 200 a day. They asked for a way to keep their children in school, and keep food on the table.

Together with a local NGO and Hatsun Diaries, Bhoomika provided 20 single women with milch cows, offering a valuable asset that can help them make a living. Each woman's journey is different, but what binds them is the reclaiming of power. What happened next was nothing short of a quiet revolution. They are no longer names on a beneficiary list. Each woman began earning INR 6,000–INR 7,000 per month. Now, they are entrepreneurs, providers, mothers and change makers in their own right.



Beyond the financial investment and the money earned, the real measure of impact is in the voices of the women themselves; voices that carry resilience.

“ My husband died in an accident. My second son took his life. Despite everything, I wake up at five in the morning, milk the cow, and support my family by moving forward with strength and hope.

– Babitha (name changed), 35

“ I feel more hopeful about the future. The cow has become a member of our family. I also get to spend more quality time with my family now without constantly worrying.

– Sunitha (name changed), 50

The total amounts spent towards livelihood upgradation during the year 2022-23 was INR 10,96,053.



6. HEALTHCARE UPGRADATION

An important learning after going through the first wave of COVID-19 was the critical relevance of Public health centres and the constant need for their upgradation and maintenance. The first wave of COVID-19 reminded us just how essential Public health centres are and how much they need continued support and upgradation. Throughout that time, we actively distributed critical Medical supplies, such as Oxygen concentrators and Ventilators, across India to support patients. Our work in this sphere led to many public health centres across Tamil Nadu requesting for more assistance with medical equipment. Subsequently, we provided a range of essential items, including ECG machines, multipara monitors, suction equipment, crash carts, laryngoscopes, pulse oximeters, and syringe infusion pumps.



These equipment were successfully delivered:

Government Hospital, Vanur, Villupuram District	Government Medical College and Hospital, Villupuram, Villupuram District
Urban Community Health Centre, Poonamallee, Thiruvallur District	Primary Health Centre, Nemam Block, Thiruvallur District
Urban Primary Health Centre, Vilinzhambakkam, Thiruvallur District	Primary Health Centre, Thirunindravur, Thiruvallur District
Government Hospital, Bodinayakkanur, Theni District	District Head Quarters Hospital, Perambalur District
Rajiv Gandhi Government General Hospital, Chennai	Additional Primary Health Centre, Perumbakkam
Government Head Quarters Hospital, Walajapet, Vellore District	Government Head Quarters Hospital, Pollachi, Coimbatore District
Urban Government Primary Health Centre, Singikulam, Tirunelveli District	Urban Government Primary Health Centre, Manur, Tirunelveli District
Urban Government Primary Health Centre, Moolkkaraipatti, Tirunelveli District	Urban Government Primary Health Centre, Thulukkaripatti, Tirunelveli District
Urban Government Primary Health Centre, Muneerpallam, Tirunelveli District	Urban Government Primary Health Centre, Rajavallipuram, Tirunelveli District
Primary Health Centre, Ukkirankottai, Tirunelveli District	Primary Health Centre, Mukkudal, Tirunelveli District
Primary Health Centre, Reddiarpatti, Tirunelveli District	Primary Health Centre, Vairavikulam, Ambasamudram Block, Tirunelveli District
Primary Health Centre Manimuthar, Tirunelveli District	Primary Health Centre, Agasthiarpatti, Tirunelveli District
Primary Health Centre, V K Puram, Tirunelveli District	Primary Health Centre, Mannarkovil, Tirunelveli District
Primary Health Centre, Ambasamudram, Tirunelveli District	Pediatric Ward, Annal Gandhi Memorial Government Hospital, Tiruchirappalli District
Urban Primary Health Centre, Mittanamallee, Tiruvallur District	Urban Primary Health Centre, Periyarnagar, Tiruvallur District
Urban Primary Health Centre, Cholambedu, Tiruvallur District	Urban Primary Health Centre, Thandurai, Tiruvallur District

Our total outlay on this healthcare upgradation project was Rs 17, 88,122.

7. SPECIAL PROJECTS

TEEN Teach Initiative

Some of the most powerful learning does not come from textbooks. It comes from the generosity of peers, from the spark of curiosity shared across screens, and from the belief that even as a teenager, you can make a difference. That is the heart of the TEEN Teach Initiative by Bhoomika, one that grew into something far bigger than we imagined. What began with a simple question, “Can I volunteer to teach?” soon became a radical movement towards positive social change.

In 2022–23, the TEEN Teach project expanded into a structured, community-rooted, volunteer-driven programme, connecting students from city schools with learners in rural and underserved areas. It created a bridge between two worlds, using digital tools and human connection to bring learning alive.

How it works:

- Urban teen volunteers commit 2–4 hours per week
- Sessions are designed with no tests, no homework, and no pressure
- Children are free to ask questions, opt out of topics, or even co-create activities
- Content includes:
 - Environmental awareness
 - Digital literacy
 - Gender equality
 - Creative writing
 - Math through games
 - Confidence-building exercise

The transformation we witnessed:

For the children:

- Fear of English was replaced with eagerness to speak in the language
- Shyness took a backseat and the children turned to storytelling
- Mistakes became moments of laughter, not shame

For the TEEN mentors:

- Leadership emerged organically
- Empathy became second nature
- Their own understanding of equity and privilege deepened further

Police Boys and Girls Club (PBGC) Initiative

In neighborhoods shaped by precarity, where addiction, crime, and unemployment loom close, children grow up faster than they should. There is little room for play, even less for hope. But tucked into these neighbourhoods are sanctuaries, Police Boys and Girls Clubs (PBGC), where every child is invited to belong, to breathe, and to believe.

Established in 2003, the PBGC initiative stands as a ground-breaking effort dedicated to crime deterrence and holistic development for Tamil Nadu's youth. Strategically positioned within close proximity to underserved communities, these clubs function as dynamic local centres. They provide diverse avenues for Educational growth, enjoyable leisure activities, and the acquisition of practical skills for children between the ages of 8 and 18. PBGCs are more than activity centres. They are bridges between communities and institutions, designed to foster trust, guidance, and opportunity.

Key Features of PBGC:

- **Community Policing:** Fosters a positive relationship between the police and the public, promoting trust and cooperation.
- **Mentorship:** Dedicated caretakers, scout masters, child welfare officers, and police inspectors offer consistent guidance and mentorship to the children.
- **Holistic Development:** Focuses on education, recreation, and skill development to ensure well-rounded growth.
- **Community Support:** Extends support to families and friends of the children involved, promoting a sense of community and social responsibility.

In installing PBGC clubs and maintaining them, we incur costs for facilitators and material procurements. In 2022–23, Bhoomika Trust strengthened its support to two such clubs in Chennai, infusing these community spaces with warmth, structure, and possibility.



Kotturpuram PBGC, Chennai

Established in June 2022, the Kotturpuram Police Boys and Girls Club operates in the heart of a dense, under-resourced neighbourhood. The children here are bright, spirited, and resilient but face a daily churn of distractions and dangers: unstable homes, absent parents, and the looming lure of neighbourhood gangs. The PBGC is their anchor.

Operating six days a week, the centre welcomes children into a space where they find:

- Tuition support from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM, tailored to their learning levels
- Icebreaking sessions conducted by volunteers on Saturdays to foster teamwork, communication and social skills

E4-Abiramapuram PBGC, Chennai

In November 2022, Bhoomika helped establish its second PBGC for the year at E4 Police Station, Abiramapuram, a quiet but deeply intentional intervention in another vulnerable pocket in Chennai. The club runs six days a week and currently works with 25 children, most of whom with little access to structured learning.

At this PBGC, the routine is similar:

- Monday to Friday, from 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM, children receive academic support through tuitions and concept clarity
- On Saturdays, they gather for creative play via icebreaking sessions

Why PBGCs Matter

These clubs are not drop-in centres. They are ecosystems of gentle discipline, active listening, and restored confidence. They do not erase the hard realities these children face but offer a counter-narrative: one where safety is routine, adults are kind, and futures feel possible. Bhoomika's work with PBGCs is rooted in the belief that community resilience begins with children feeling seen. In these small, rented rooms in crowded parts of the city, we see that transformation unfold every day.



TRUE GIFTS: THOUGHTFUL GIVING

Not all support comes through large-scale programmes or headline-worthy interventions. Sometimes, it arrives quietly - a thoughtful donation, a shared resource, a connection made at the right moment. At Bhoomika, we call these our “True Gifts,” acts of giving that are precise, personal, and profoundly meaningful.

‘True Gifts’ offers a unique and impactful approach to thoughtful giving, providing a compelling alternative to conventional presents. Managed by Bhoomika Trust, this initiative directly channels contributions towards specific, identified needs within various non-governmental organisations (NGOs). This ensures that donors not only find a meaningful way to honour someone in their lives but also make a tangible difference in supporting a worthy cause. The added transparency of knowing precisely how the donation will be utilised provides peace of mind and reinforces the value of the contribution. This ‘gift that gives twice’ creates a dual benefit, generating joy both for the gift recipient and those who directly benefit from the support.

This year, the ‘True Gifts’ programme has facilitated significant positive change. Bhoomika Trust has effectively distributed crucial resources including nutritional supplements for children's homes and elderly care facilities, educational materials for students, essential medications for residents of Little Drops Old Age Home, and support for vision care services at Sankara Eye Centre. These targeted interventions demonstrate the programme's effectiveness in addressing diverse community needs and highlighting the practical impact of mindful giving.





In 2022-23, Bhoomika responded to several such requests, small in size yet enormous in impact. This year, we offered:

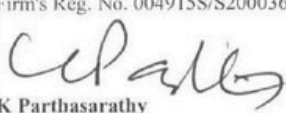



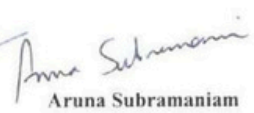
- Educational materials to volunteers running tuition centres in slum communities
- Groceries and essential supplies for homes supporting destitute women and children
- Stationery, toys, and art supplies for child-friendly spaces in partner-run after-school programmes

We believe that strength lies in the collective. Often, smaller organisations and local change makers are closest to their communities but lack access to materials or visibility. Bhoomika steps in, not as a saviour, but as a sister organisation, extending a hand.

The following page contains details of the organisations we collaborated with, and the funds mobilised for different activities, to ensure that these gifts reach the people they are meant for. Total amount spent on True Gifts was **Rs. 4,49,026**.

Name of the NGO	Particulars
Bhoomika Trust	Education support and Healthcare
Child Home	Nutritional supplements to orphaned and single-parent children, benefiting 22 children over 45 occasions
Iniya Udaiyam	Festival celebration - New dress for underprivileged children and Education support
Little Drops	Healthcare support - Medicines for Elders
PCVC	Festival celebration and Healthcare support
RASA	Education support and Healthcare
Sankara	Healthcare support - Gift of vision
Sri Arunodayam	Festival celebration - New dress for special children and Education support
TANKER foundation	Healthcare support
The Banyan	Festival celebration - New dress and gifts for destitute women
Vishranthi Home	Nutritional supplements

8. OUR FINANCIALS

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Admin office : Ground Floor, "Pushpak Apartments", 14/10, Jagadambal Colony 1st Street, Royapettah, Chennai 600 014					
Balance Sheet As At 31st March, 2023					
Particulars	Sch.	As at 31st March 2023		As at 31st March 2022	
		(Amount in INR)		(Amount in INR)	
I. Sources of funds					
(a) Capital Fund	1		3,86,45,229		3,49,27,823
(b) Corpus Fund	2		6,02,32,175		5,62,32,175
(c) Loans & Advances	-		-		-
Total			9,88,77,404		9,11,59,998
II. Applications of funds					
(A) Fixed Assets:	3				
(a) Gross Block		96,731		55,882	
(b) Less: Depreciation		19,103		12,368	
(c) Net Block			77,629		43,513
(B) Current Assets, Loans and Advances:					
(a) Cash and Bank Balances	4	9,79,27,582		9,04,95,336	
(b) Other Current Assets	5	13,48,368		9,66,850	
(c) Loans and Advances	-	0		30,770	
		9,92,75,950		9,14,92,956	
(C) Current Liabilities and Provisions:					
(a) Liabilities	6	4,76,174		3,76,472	
Net Current Assets (B) - (C)		9,87,99,775	9,87,99,775	9,11,16,484	9,11,16,484
Total			9,88,77,404		9,11,59,998
<p>As per Our Report of even date for CNGSN & Associates LLP Chartered Accountants Firm's Reg. No. 004915S/S200036</p> <p style="text-align: right;">for and on behalf of Bhoomika Trust</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  K Parthasarathy Partner Membership No.018394 </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  P Jayendra Trustee </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  Aruna Subramaniam Trustee </div> </div> <p>Place: Chennai Date: 25/10/2023</p>					

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Income And Expenditure for the year ended 31st March, 2023			
Particulars	Schedule No.	For the year ended 31-03-2023 ₹	For the year ended 31-03-2022 ₹
Income			
Donations received	-	2,43,13,409	28,07,83,868
Processing Fee received	-	-	4,400
Interest received from bank	-	41,55,382	30,76,414
Interest on IT Refund	-	14,404	696
Other Income	-	-	3,383
Total Income		2,84,83,195	28,38,68,761
Expenditure			
Application for Charitable Purposes	7	2,47,46,686	31,97,46,821
Depreciation	3	19,103	12,368
Total Expenditure		2,47,65,789	31,97,59,189
Excess of Income over Expenditure		37,17,406	3,58,90,429
Carried to Balance Sheet		37,17,406	3,58,90,429
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OUR GRATITUDE

We were overwhelmed to witness the support we received through this challenging year. We are grateful to our incredible volunteers who have been with us through the past years and those who joined hands with us this year. Their empathy and dedication have been the heartbeat of our work, turning every effort into something more meaningful and impactful.

We are equally humbled by the trust placed in us by philanthropic individuals, foundations, and corporate partners. Their unwavering support makes all our work possible. It is their faith in us that allows us to keep going, and for that, we are deeply grateful.

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