

Bhoomika

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ANNUAL REPORT



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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

To support the vulnerable during disasters and empower them through education and livelihood opportunities.

MISSION

To provide immediate relief during natural calamities, rebuild resilient infrastructure, and bridge the digital divide in rural education.

OUR APPROACH



Identify
requirements & gaps



Engage with local NGOs,
corporates & citizen groups



Practice continuous
learning



Gather & disseminate
credible information



360-degree
transparency among
all stakeholders

SHARING OUR THOUGHTS

Disaster relief work is never a routine response. News of severe rains and flooding does not simply trigger action. What moves us is the human suffering behind every disaster, the anxiety of rising waters, prolonged power cuts, and the helplessness families feel when they are cut off from the outside world.

During the year, Bhoomika responded to two major disasters in Tamil Nadu: Cyclone Michaung in the northern districts and the devastating South Tamil Nadu floods in Thoothukudi and Tirunelveli.

Residents reported water levels rising to seven feet, something they had never witnessed before. Nearly 95 cm of rain within 24 hours and the overflowing Tamirabarani River swept away homes and livelihoods, leaving thousands stranded and overwhelmed by the scale of the crisis.

As the rains subsided and the extent of the damage became clear, Bhoomika stepped in with immediate support. Working closely with government departments, district officials, grassroots NGOs, and local volunteers, we identified the worst affected areas and established community kitchens to provide meals to stranded families.

As people began returning to their homes, we supported them with essential ration kits. We also assessed damage to primary health centres and helped restore critical services by providing replacement equipment

During 2023–24, Bhoomika Trust continued its mission of supporting vulnerable communities across India through disaster response, rehabilitation, education, and community development initiatives. The year was marked by significant natural disasters, particularly in Tamil Nadu.

Through timely interventions, strong partnerships, and the unwavering support of our donors and volunteers, we were able to respond effectively to urgent needs while also strengthening long-term community resilience.

Beyond disaster response, our work this year focused on rebuilding schools and health infrastructure, enhancing digital learning opportunities in government schools, and supporting the education of underprivileged children. Each of these initiatives reflects our commitment to ensuring that communities not only recover from crises but move forward with dignity and hope.

None of this would have been possible without the generosity of our donors, who respond to our urgent calls, and the dedication of our staff and volunteers, who are the backbone of our efforts. We invite you to read on for a detailed account of our work in 2023–24.

Aruna Subramaniam
Managing Trustee

DISASTER RELIEF



Disasters strike without warning, disrupting lives, destroying homes, and leaving communities struggling to meet even their most basic needs. In such moments, timely support becomes critical, helping families recover, regain stability, and rebuild with dignity.

During the year, Bhoomika responded to two major disasters in Tamil Nadu, supporting affected communities through immediate relief and recovery assistance. Through partnerships, volunteer efforts, and rapid response, essential aid reached thousands of families as they began the difficult journey toward recovery.



CYCLONE MICHAUNG

When the Rains Would not Stop

In early December 2023, Cyclone Michaung gathered strength over the Bay of Bengal. Though it eventually made landfall near Bapatla in Andhra Pradesh, its heaviest rains lashed the northern coast of Tamil Nadu. Chennai and the neighbouring districts of Tiruvallur, Kanchipuram, and Chengalpattu bore the brunt.

Within hours, the city was transformed. Streets became rivers. Homes disappeared under rising water. Power lines failed, transport came to a halt, and daily life was abruptly suspended. In neighbourhoods like Velachery, Tambaram, and Saidapet, floodwaters rose with alarming speed, forcing thousands to abandon their homes and seek safety wherever they could.

For families in informal settlements and economically vulnerable communities, the impact was devastating. In a matter of hours, they lost not just shelter, but food, clothing, schoolbooks, and the small but essential possessions that anchor daily life. Relief camps became temporary homes that were crowded, uncertain, and often lacking basic necessities.



Emergency Relief for Displaced Families living in Government shelters

As the scale of the crisis became clear, Bhoomika Trust moved quickly, working alongside local partners to reach those most in need. In collaboration with Arunodhaya Trust, the team focused on families who had already spent several days in relief shelters with limited access to essentials.

In Kargil Nagar and Annamalai Nagar in Thiruvottiyur, many families had been in temporary camps for nearly five days. Here, Bhoomika distributed emergency supplies including drinking water, bread, buns, biscuits, and sanitary pads to over 200 families.

These were simple items, but in those circumstances, they mattered deeply. For women managing hygiene in crowded spaces, for children facing hunger and uncertainty, and for elderly residents struggling with displacement, this support brought immediate comfort and a sense of being cared for.

Tarpaulin for temporary protection over homes

In Vilapuram village in Chengalpattu district, the Irula tribal community faced another kind of loss. Their homes, often built with temporary materials had been partially destroyed, leaving families exposed to rain and harsh weather. Working with the Women's Development Trust, Bhoomika distributed tarpaulins to 25 families. These sheets became makeshift roofs, offering immediate protection while families began the slow and difficult process of rebuilding.



Ration kits for families going back home

When the floodwaters finally receded, families returned to homes filled with mud, debris, and loss. Stored food supplies had been washed away. Kitchens were empty. Before rebuilding could even begin, there was the exhausting task of cleaning and restoring what remained.

For many daily wage earners, the disaster also meant lost income. With no work and little savings, even basic provisions were out of reach.

It was at this critical moment that we stepped in again to support recovery. A total of 2500 ration kits, each containing essential food items, were distributed to families across affected regions.





These included Kadambathur, Minjur, Ellapuram, Tiruttani, Madhuranthagam, Tirukkalukundram, and St. Thomas Mount, as well as urban and coastal communities in Chennai such as Nochikuppam, Kasimedu, Pulinthope, Vyasarpadi, and Ernavoor.

Special care was taken to ensure that families with disabilities received dedicated support.

For each of the 2500 families reached, these kits helped households take their first steps toward normalcy.

In Chennai city, additional kits were distributed in coastal and urban settlements such as Nochikuppam, Kasimedu, Pulinthope, Vyasarpadi, and Ernavoor. Bhoomika also ensured that families with disabilities received special support through dedicated kit distribution.

In total, 2,500 families were supported through this initiative.

Clothing Support for Affected Tribal Communities



As field visits expanded, another need became visible. In several Scheduled Tribe settlements across Tiruvallur district, families had lost not only food and shelter, but even basic clothing.

In response, Bhoomika organized a city-wide clothing collection drive in Chennai. Volunteers and supporters came forward generously, donating clean and usable garments. These were carefully sorted and categorized before being distributed in partnership with local NGOs.



In total, 763 families across Tiruvallur, Kanchipuram, and Chengalpattu districts received clothing through this initiative.

For families who had lost most of their belongings, receiving clothing brought both comfort and dignity during a difficult period of recovery.



SOUTH TAMIL NADU

FLOOD RELIEF

(December 2023 – January 2024)



Even as recovery efforts from Cyclone Michaung were underway in northern Tamil Nadu, the southern districts of the state were struck by another devastating disaster.

In December 2023, extremely heavy rainfall triggered severe floods across Thoothukudi, Tirunelveli, Tenkasi, and Kanyakumari districts. The scale of the rainfall was unprecedented. In Kayalpattinam alone, 1,186 mm of rain fell within just 30 hours, while Tiruchendur recorded 921 mm during the same period.

Entire villages were submerged under floodwaters. Many roads were washed away, cutting off communities and leaving them isolated for several days. In several areas, floodwaters rose to five or six feet inside homes, destroying furniture, clothing, electrical appliances, and food supplies.

For thousands of families, the floods meant the loss of nearly everything they owned.



When women in Thoothukudi recounted to us about wading in waist or neck deep water, carrying children, we found it truly difficult to even visualize this horrific situation.

Kadambakulam in Thoothukudi is one of the largest irrigation lakes in the region. The localities call it kadal paadhi - half a sea, kadamba..... referring to the vast expanse of the lake.

During the recent unprecedented rains in South Tamilnadu, the stories of some hamlets were heart-wrenching. Nalu Maavadi is one such village that faced the wrath of pounding waters as sluice gates of Thamirabarani River were opened and the banks of the kadambakulam broke all at the same time.

Ganesan, a local resident recalled the deluge of the waters as it threatened to wash away everything in its path and how families walked away with just their children and elders knowing that everything they had was going to be washed away. Families had lost certificates, documents and all of their belongings and were left to build back their lives one day at a time.





Community Kitchen for Immediate Relief

These were unprecedented rains in Thoothukudi. Several areas were waterlogged with the necessity to reach food to marooned communities. Bhoomika Trust, over the years, has strived to build a partnership with students and civil society by bringing them together to participate in its relief work.

A community kitchen was established at St. Mary's College in Thoothukudi, where student and staff volunteers worked tirelessly to cook meals for displaced families. Over the course of several days, the kitchen prepared and distributed 5,000 food packets to residents of Mappillaioorani Panchayat and surrounding areas.

For many families who had lost access to cooking facilities and food supplies, these meals provided essential nourishment during the most difficult phase of the disaster.



Field Assessments and Relief Coordination

Understanding the scale of the disaster required direct engagement with affected communities. Bhoomika's team visited multiple villages across Thoothukudi and Tirunelveli districts to conduct on-ground damage assessments.

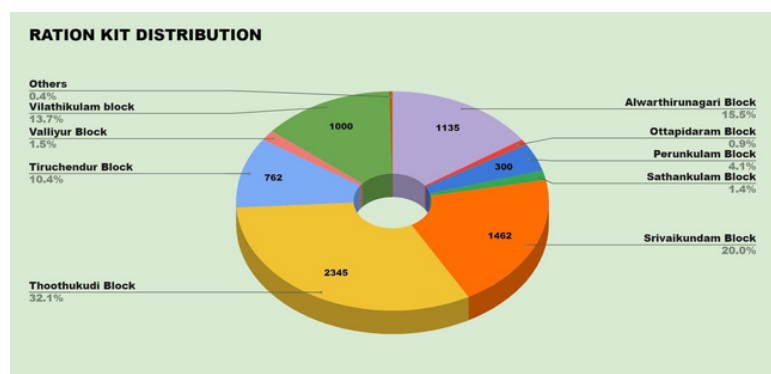
A centralized relief hub was set up at St. Mary's College in Thoothukudi, where volunteers and college students assisted in sorting, packing, and organizing relief materials. Their participation played a vital role in ensuring that aid could be delivered quickly and efficiently to the most affected areas.

Ration Kits for Flood-Affected Families

Based on the needs identified during field assessments, Bhoomika organized the distribution of 7307 ration kits across several villages in Thoothukudi district.

These kits helped families restock essential food supplies after their provisions had been destroyed by floodwaters. The distribution reached communities across multiple villages and settlements, ensuring that vulnerable households received support during the recovery period.

Reaching 8300 families is an enormous activity. The team has to get into sourcing supplies, finding storage locations, recruiting volunteers, tracking stock deliveries, packing them into individual bags and finally distributing them systematically in multiple locations.





After water had receded, many of them came back to these damaged houses. Many of them lost their belongings. These are images from Pottalkadu, A village in Thoothukudi.

Pottalkaadu is located 15 km away from Thoothukudi. There are around 500 families residing here in this village. Most of the villagers work in Uppalam (salt mines) and agri related casual labour. During the heavy rains many streets were inundated with 4 feet of water and in some streets above 6 feet, flood water had seeped in.

This is a very old village, most of the houses have mud walls with Asbestos/thatched roof houses. These severe and unprecedented rains have made their mud wall and in some places roof collapse

Currently everyone is in the temple...and that's where they cook and eat. Out of the 450 families 47-50 families have lost their houses and they now live with other members of the community. During the day they cook, eat and stay in the temple and in the night they go home to sleep. They are daily wage earners in the salt bunds and fields and currently they have no work due to water logging. The panchayat president had organised rice and some basic stuff to operate a community kitchen. Many individual families are still not able to cook as they have no income.

Our team distributed ration kits in this place to 450 families.





Helping Families Restart Daily Life - Distribution of Utensil Kits

In many villages, floodwaters had washed away not only food supplies but also essential household utensils used for cooking. Without these basic items, families returning to their homes found it difficult to prepare meals.

To address this need, Bhoomika distributed **991 utensil kits** across several affected communities in **Thoothukudi and Tirunelveli districts**. These kits enabled families to begin cooking again and gradually restore normal household routines.



Support for an Elderly Care Home

During one of the field visits, the Bhoomika team discovered that Rajamuthukkal Old Age Home in Thoothukudi had been severely affected by the floods.

Floodwaters had entered the building, forcing the elderly residents to spend the night on the terrace in the rain for safety. Many of their belongings, including food supplies and clothing, had been destroyed.

To support the residents, Bhoomika provided ration kits and essential provisions, including 60 kilograms of atta flour, helping the home resume normal operations and care for its elderly residents.



Clothing Distribution

A clothing drive was organized, collecting new and gently used garments. With the help of volunteers and college students, the clothes were sorted and distributed to affected families as well as underprivileged college students who had also lost personal belongings during the floods.

Impact

The South Tamil Nadu floods were among the most severe disasters the region had experienced in decades. Through coordinated relief efforts and strong community partnerships, Bhoomika was able to provide critical support to thousands of affected families.

Our disaster relief efforts for Cyclone Michaung and the South Tamil Nadu floods were provided at a value of **₹1,04,39,043**.

DISASTER REHABILITATION

Restoration of Cachar Cancer Hospital, Silchar, Assam

Silchar experiences heavy and prolonged monsoons each year, placing considerable stress on public infrastructure. The Cachar Cancer Hospital, a critical healthcare facility in the region, has been particularly vulnerable to post-monsoon damage.

Following the rains in July–August 2022, the hospital reported multiple structural and maintenance concerns. These included water seepage through the terrace, accumulation of water within ceiling layers, corrosion in structural columns and plumbing lines, and the growth of fungi and vegetation in damp areas.

Together, these issues affected both the integrity of the building and the hygiene standards required for a healthcare environment.



After a detailed technical assessment, Bhoomika Trust undertook a comprehensive restoration effort. The work began in 2022–23 and was completed during the current year, following a structured four-stage approach.

Stage 1: Surface Preparation

The initial phase focused on removing all compromised material. Loose plaster from the terrace and critical junctions, particularly between the parapet wall and terrace slab, was carefully removed. Existing plumbing pipes on the terrace were dismantled, and all vegetation growth was cleared to create a clean and stable base for further work.



Stage 2: Waterproofing and Surface Treatment

The exposed terrace slab was treated using appropriate waterproofing systems. This was followed by the application of granolithic flooring, laid with proper slopes to ensure effective drainage. Each layer was tested through controlled water retention to check for leakages before proceeding. Structural elements such as dummy columns were repaired and refinished.

Stage 3: Strengthening Critical Junctions

Special attention was given to the joint between the terrace slab and parapet wall, an area prone to water ingress. This junction was treated with waterproof plaster and chemicals, and reshaped with a gentle curvature to prevent water stagnation.

Stage 4: Plumbing System Reconfiguration

The terrace plumbing network was redesigned to improve efficiency and durability. New supports were installed for pipelines, and the layout was simplified to reduce the number of pipes and potential points of failure.

The total expenditure on this restoration during the year was ₹18,34,112

With these interventions, the hospital is now better equipped to withstand seasonal rainfall, with improved structural stability and more reliable protection against water-related damage.

Re-equipping Primary Health Centres after the TN south Floods

The floods had devastated community health centres and Primary Health centres, causing extensive damages. These centres are critical for emergency care and especially for pregnant women who are in need of immediate care.

Government Community Health Centre, Eral



This 30 bedded Upgraded primary health centre is located at Eral Town Panchayat which is also a Taluk Headquarters. It caters to around 30,000 people in and around Eral town. They were providing OPD services, IPD services, Emergency Services, Lab services, Services related to pregnant women and a fully functioning operation theatre which is on par with Medical College OT. Their OPD Strength is 250/day and their IPD strength is 300/month. They are equipped to handle all kinds of emergencies, like cardiac emergencies, poisoning and snake bite etc. But unfortunately during floods the instruments and equipment got damaged or washed away along with all medical records and registers.

Most of the electric and electronic equipment were damaged beyond repair. With some minimal clean up the centre started running at 25% of their potential capacity. This NQAS certified centre sees more than 50 normal deliveries and 20 caesarians deliveries a month.

Bhoomika's team reviewed all of these centres that had suffered damages:

- Government Community Health Centre (Upgraded PHC) – Eral
- Urban Primary Health Centre – Kayalpattinam
- Government Primary Health Centre – Pudukottai
- Primary Health Centre – Alwarthirunagari
- Primary Health Centre – Authoor

The team made a strategic decision to support these centres with some critical equipment that was needed immediately

We supplied key medical equipment including:

Oxygen concentrators, auto analysers, baby warmers, BP apparatus, wheelchairs, dental X-ray machines, dental chairs, ECG machines, foetal dopplers, Multipara monitors, thermal scanners, Lab centrifuge, vertical autoclaves, Laboratory refrigerators, LED Phototherapy stand with trolley, crash carts, suction apparatus, weighing machines, stethoscopes, ointments, sanitary napkins and Registers.

The PHCs were supported at a total value of ₹26,54,145.

EDUCATE TO EMPOWER

REBUILD RURAL SCHOOLS

Introduction:

Bhoomika strives to have a comprehensive approach when it comes to its support for children's education. Over the years it has built multiple projects under this umbrella, that includes infrastructure support, qualitative programs, Scholarship support Etc. Our Rebuild schools initiative became truly significant this year due to the damages inflicted by Cyclone Michaung in Tiruvallur, Virudhunagar districts.

Natural disasters often damage school buildings, disrupting education for children who already face significant challenges in accessing quality learning environments. Floods and cyclones can weaken roofs, damage classrooms, destroy sanitation facilities, and make school buildings unsafe.

Through the Rebuild Rural Schools Initiative, Bhoomika Trust works closely with school administrators and local authorities to repair and restore school infrastructure. The goal is simple but critical: **to ensure that children can return to safe, functional classrooms as quickly as possible.**



Following **Cyclone Michaung in December 2023**, several government schools across Tamil Nadu reported significant infrastructure damage. Bhoomika conducted field assessments to identify schools requiring urgent repairs.

Based on these assessments, Bhoomika undertook renovation and repair work in **nine government schools across Thiruvallur, Cuddalore, and Virudhunagar districts.**

1. Panchayat Union Primary School, Pathirivedu East



The school, established in 1982, has over 122 students and is managed by three teachers and one headmistress.



We carried out renovation works, including weatherproofing four classroom roofs, installing 12 steel windows, replacing sunshades, constructing a concrete entrance ramp, repairing doors and windows, and completing internal and external painting of both buildings.

2. Panchayat Union Middle School Pathirivedu West

The school, established in 2003, has 404 students and is managed by ten teachers and one headmaster. We carried out weatherproof work on a classroom roof, constructed a new toilet, and provided a wash basin with four taps to improve sanitation and hygiene.



3. Govt Boys Hr. Sec. School, P.M.Pakkam

The school, established in 1961, has 645 students and is managed by 24 teachers and one headmaster. We installed two Sintex water tanks and added nine taps to the existing wash basin counter with 4 taps.

4. Govt Girls Hr. Sec. School, Madharpakkam,

The school, established in 1996, has 658 students and is managed by twenty teachers and one headmistress. We renovated two toilet blocks, provided a ramp, completed flooring for the lab, and installed a wash basin with five taps.

5. Panchayat Union Primary School, Eguvarpalayam

The school, established in 1919, has 87 students and is managed by three teachers and one headmistress. We carried out weatherproofing for two classroom buildings, repaired the toilets, installed five steel windows, and completed internal and external painting for the two buildings and the toilets.



6. Govt High School, Anupampattu

The school, established in 2011, has 372 students and is managed by twelve teachers and one headmistress. Renovation works included MS sheet roofing at classroom entrances, constructed new toilet blocks, staircase coverage with MS grills, and completed internal and external painting for the one building and the toilet.

7. Govt. Hr. Sec School, Kattur

The school, established in 1967, has 523 students and is managed by 20 teachers and one headmistress. We carried out renovation work, including weatherproofing two buildings, replacing two windows, repairing doors, and completing internal and external painting for both buildings.

"When will our toilets be repaired, We don't have a proper place to go,"
a group of girls from Govt. Hr. Sec. School, Kariyapatti,
asked their Headmistress after the cyclone.

The question stayed with her. During Bhoomika's field visit, she shared that while classrooms could somehow function, the lack of basic facilities affected the dignity and comfort of the students every day. Restoring the school was not just about repairing buildings. It was about giving children a safe and welcoming place to learn again.

8. Govt. Hr. Sec School, Kariyapatti,

The Higher Secondary School, established in 2012, has 351 students and is managed by twenty teachers and one headmistress. Earlier, the school catered exclusively to boys. Due to the presence of a nearby girls' higher secondary school, the student strength increased, and the school was subsequently converted into a co-educational institution. As there were no toilet facilities for girls, we constructed a separate toilet block for them.



9. Panchayat Union Middle School, Ariyaghoshti, Parangipettai Block

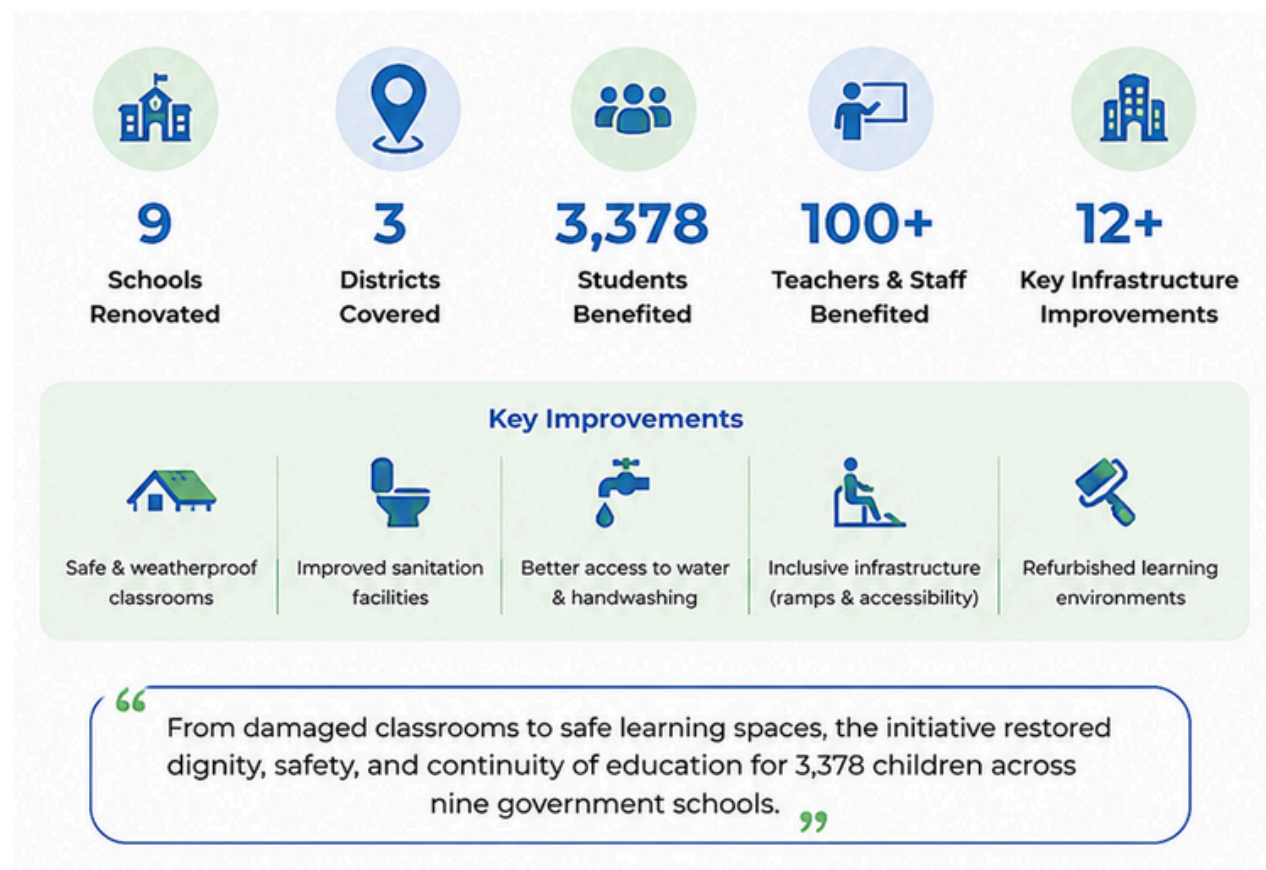
The school, established in 1954, has 280 students and is managed by nine teachers and one headmistress. We constructed a new toilet block, improving overall sanitation and hygiene.

Impact

Across the nine schools, the infrastructure improvements benefited 3,378 students from Grades I to XII, along with their teachers and school staff.

For many children in rural government schools, these improvements significantly enhanced their daily learning environment providing safer classrooms, improved sanitation facilities, and better overall school infrastructure.

Total expenditure for Rebuild Rural Schools Initiative: **₹38,24,317**



SNDP School Alappuzha

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 **₹17,27,100** on this ongoing initiative.

TECHNOLOGY AIDED LEARNING LABS (TALL)

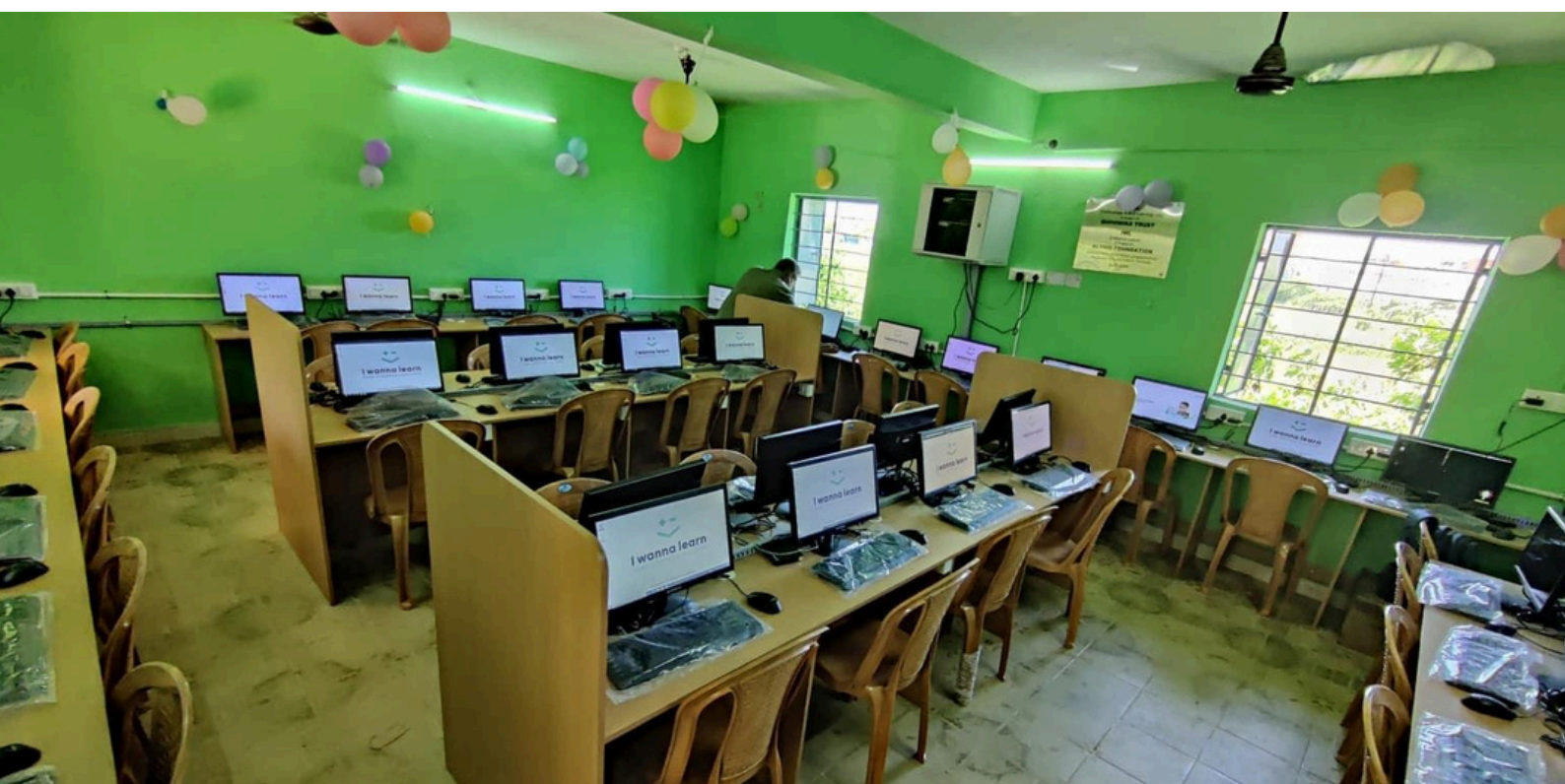
In many government schools, particularly in rural areas, students have limited exposure to computers and digital learning tools. Yet digital literacy is increasingly essential for academic success and future employment.

To bridge this gap, Bhoomika launched the Technology Aided Learning Labs (TALL) initiative. The program introduces computer-based learning environments that help students develop digital skills while strengthening their understanding of mathematics through interactive self-learning modules.

The curriculum used in the labs aligns with the government school syllabus and is delivered through software developed in partnership with Altius Foundation, Bhoomika's technology partner.

The program particularly benefits first-generation learners who may not have access to computers at home.

The critical part of setting up the Lab is the process we adopt to introduce the project, sensitization of staff and a buy in from both the school and the local communities. We normally insist that school administration support the initiative by preparing the classroom space and electrical infrastructure required for the lab.





This year we introduced Technology Aided learning Labs in two schools.

Janapanchatram Government School

TALL was established at Panchayat Union Middle School, Janapanchatram in Sholavaram block (Thiruvallur district). The school was established in 1962 as a primary school and was upgraded to a middle school in 2004. It currently offers classes from I to VIII, with a total student strength of 212 (Boys: 109, Girls: 103). Write two lines about the school

Bhoomika established the lab with:

- 37 computer systems
- 3 servers
- A trained facilitator to work with the children

The lab now provides digital learning opportunities to 88 students from Grades VI to VIII, helping them strengthen their mathematics and technology skills.



Tiruttani Government School

Established in 1855, Dr. Radhakrishnan Panchayat Union Middle School, Tiruttani, is one of the oldest and most reputed government schools in the district. The school is the alma mater of Bharat Ratna Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, philosopher and former President of India, and has consistently been recognised for its academic excellence, with students successfully clearing the NMMS examination.

Bhoomika established the lab with:

- 33 computer systems
- 3 servers
- Support for facilitator training and salary

The lab currently serves 145 students, introducing them to computer-based learning methods that make mathematics more engaging and accessible.



Impact

Through project TALL Bhoomika is helping transform learning experiences for students who previously had little access to digital education.

In the current year Bhoomika spent an amount of **₹9,51,590** towards setting up new labs and operating maintaining the existing labs.

The introduction of the TALL Lab has contributed to a significant improvement in students' mathematics performance. The average mathematics score increased from 34.8 marks in the Quarterly Exam to 44.5 marks in the Annual Exam, representing a 28% improvement in learning outcomes. The results demonstrate the effectiveness of technology-enabled, self-paced learning in strengthening students' mathematical understanding and academic achievement.

- 28% Increase in Average Mathematics Scores
- Average Score: 34.8 → 44.5 Marks
- Improved conceptual understanding and academic performance among students

Improvement in Mathematics Scores

Comparison of average mathematics scores between the Quarterly Exam and Annual Exam after implementing the TALL project.



MALARGAL

Early childhood learning plays a critical role in shaping a child's future academic success. However, many students in government schools struggle with foundational literacy skills due to limited learning resources. To address this challenge, Bhoomika launched Project Malargal in 2023.

Project Malargal is a joyful, library-based learning initiative for primary school children that nurtures reading habits, imagination, and values. Through storytelling, reading circles, and role play, children explore themes of civic responsibility, good public behaviour, and environmental care in an engaging, age-appropriate way.

The program also helps build creativity, communication, vocabulary, and confident self-expression, shaping young learners into thoughtful and articulate individuals. focuses on students from Grades 2 to 5, helping them develop reading habits, language skills, and life skills through engaging activity-based learning, and also integrates lessons on basic etiquette, hygiene, and life skills, helping children develop positive habits at an early age.

Libraries were established in two government primary schools in Chengalpattu district and one in the Tiruvallur cluster. Each library was equipped with:

- Child-friendly storybooks
- Book racks and reading materials
- Activity learning tools

Teachers conduct interactive sessions using storytelling, read-aloud activities, role play, and creative writing exercises. These activities help students build confidence in both Tamil and English language skills.

Total expenditure for Project Malargal: **₹54,099**



SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT



Access to higher education remains a challenge for many talented students from economically disadvantaged families. Even modest educational expenses can become barriers that prevent students from continuing their studies.

Through its Scholarship Support Program, Bhoomika Trust provides financial assistance to deserving students so that they can pursue their education without interruption.

During the year 131 students received scholarships that helped cover educational expenses such as tuition fees, study materials, and related academic costs.

These scholarships enabled students from low-income families to continue their academic journeys and move closer to achieving their career aspirations.

Total expenditure for Scholarships: ₹37,83,765

STEP-UP

Career Development Program



As students complete their college education, many face challenges in transitioning into the workforce due to limited exposure to professional environments and career guidance.

Bhoomika's Step-Up Program aims to bridge this gap by preparing college students for employment opportunities.

The program connects students with experienced professionals who volunteer their time to conduct:

- Career guidance sessions
- Skill development workshops
- Mentoring and counselling sessions

Through these interactions, students gain insights into workplace expectations, communication skills, and career planning. Although still in its early stages, the program is helping students develop the confidence and knowledge needed to enter the job market.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

POLICE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB (PBGC)

The **Police Boys and Girls Club in Abiramapuram** is a unique initiative that provides a safe and supportive environment for children from nearby underprivileged communities. Located within the premises of a government school, the centre serves children from a nearby slum settlement of approximately **500 households**.

The club operates on school days from **4:15 PM to 5:30 PM**, providing structured after-school activities for children aged 8 to 12.

Currently, **22 students (12 boys and 10 girls)** attend the program regularly.

Activities include:

- Academic support and tuition
- Indoor games such as chess and carrom
- Outdoor sports including cricket, football, volleyball, and shuttlecock
- Physical fitness and warm-up exercises

The program also includes **football coaching sessions twice a month**, helping children develop teamwork, discipline, and physical fitness.

The centre creates a positive environment where children can learn, play, and grow under the guidance of dedicated mentors. The children also celebrate festivals together, strengthening their sense of community and belonging.

TRUE GIFTS INITIATIVE

Through the True Gifts Initiative, Bhoomika supports other grassroots organizations working in areas such as nutrition, healthcare, and education for vulnerable populations.

During the year, Bhoomika provided support to several partner NGOs, including organizations working with:

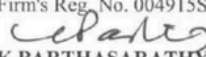
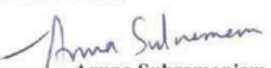
- Elderly residents in care homes
- Children's homes
- Educational programs for disadvantaged students
- Healthcare initiatives for underserved communities

These collaborations allow Bhoomika to extend its impact by supporting organizations that are deeply connected to the communities they serve.

Total expenditure for True Gifts: **₹3,36,734**

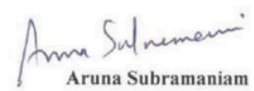


FINANCIALS

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I. Sources of funds					
(a) Capital Fund	1		4,08,48,896.53		3,86,45,229
(b) Corpus Fund	2		6,02,32,175.79		6,02,32,175
(c) Loans & Advances	-		-		-
Total			10,10,81,072		9,88,77,404
II. Applications of funds					
(A) Fixed Assets:	3				
(a) Gross Block		77,629		96,731	
(b) Less: Depreciation		23,030		19,103	
(c) Net Block			54,598		77,629
(B) Current Assets, Loans and Advances:					
(a) Cash and Bank Balances	4	9,97,90,021		9,79,27,582	
(b) Other Current Assets	5	17,21,015		13,48,368	
(c) Loans and Advances	-	-		-	
		10,15,11,036		9,92,75,950	
(C) Current Liabilities and Provisions:					
(a) Liabilities	6	4,84,563		4,76,174	
Net Current Assets (B) - (C)		10,10,26,473	10,10,26,473	9,87,99,775	9,87,99,775
Total			10,10,81,072		9,88,77,404
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Particulars	Schedule No.	For the year ended 31-03-2024 ₹	For the year ended 31-03-2023 ₹
Income			
Donations received	-	2,46,64,744	2,43,13,409
Interest received from bank	-	63,02,216	41,55,382
Income Tax Refund	-	-	14,404
Total Income		3,09,66,960	2,84,83,195
Expenditure			
Application for Charitable Purposes	7	2,87,16,148	2,47,46,686
Depreciation	2	23,030	19,103
Total Expenditure		2,87,39,178	2,47,65,789
Excess of Income over Expenditure		22,27,782	37,17,406
Carried to Balance Sheet		22,27,782	37,17,406

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Date: 27/09/2024

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