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ABOUT ISHANYA FOUNDATION

For 20 years, Ishanya Foundation (IsFon) has been a driving force in grassroots empowerment.

Operating across Maharashtra, Gujarat and Andhra Pradesh, IsFon drives inclusive development through Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives to uplift underserved communities. A registered trust under the Bombay Public Trust Act, 1950, with FCRA registration, IsFon implements targeted initiatives in education, health, livelihood development, and women's empowerment. By utilising rigorous research, the programmes are designed to be transformative and sustainable. IsFon's evidence-based approach ensures that its efforts remain relevant, strategic, and effective in addressing real-world challenges, enabling both rural and urban individuals to become self-reliant.

IsFon also forges strategic partnerships with government and non-profit organisations, at home and abroad, to amplify its reach and ensure high-impact results. With a strong focus on community welfare and social upliftment, the Foundation works closely with marginalised groups to build capabilities, enhance income opportunities, and create long-term, inclusive growth at the grassroots level.



OUR PHILOSOPHY

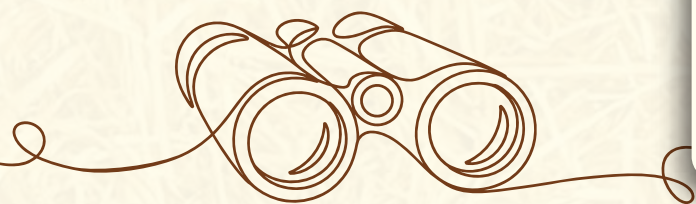
At Ishanya Foundation, we believe that true transformation starts from within. We are dedicated to empowering individuals to become confident, economically independent, and self-reliant agents of their own future. Recognising that life's challenges can hinder progress, we go beyond mere support to build lasting capability, fostering dignity and creating sustainable livelihoods.

Through tailored vocational training, skill development, and market access, we equip rural women, unemployed youth, and marginalised communities with the tools to take ownership of their success and thrive on their own terms. IsFon strives to instil confidence, nurture dignity, develop sustainable skills and enable successful futures.

Our approach is rooted in enabling individuals to realise their potential by creating opportunities that are both inclusive and sustainable. By strengthening their ability to participate meaningfully in economic activities, we aim to drive long-term impact and build resilient communities.

VISION

To act as an effective catalyst in creating self-reliant and respectable societies, with secure and sustained means of livelihood, through employable skills and resource support and additionally, to promote and support the rich cultural heritage of India.



MISSION

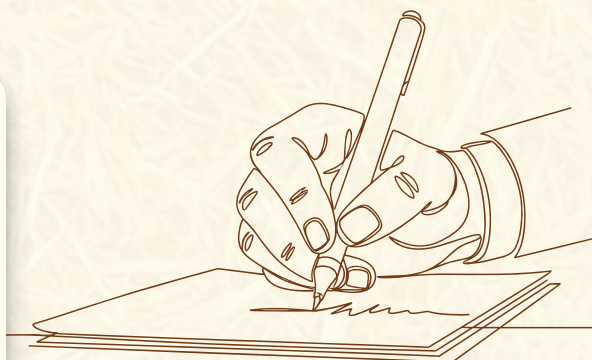
Since its inception, IsFon has been consistently committed to:

- Identifying and filling gaps in the economy and the social support systems
- Imparting vocational and soft skills to enhance employability
- Facilitating income generation and self-employment programmes
- Providing marketing and financial support to the beneficiaries
- Promoting initiatives for the development of communities and self-help groups
- Initiating preventive and corrective healthcare facilities
- Enhancing the skills of farmers
- Undertaking soil, nutrient, agri-input, and produce enhancement initiatives for farmers
- Supporting performance arts, talent, and cultural richness among local communities
- Extending crisis support in times of unexpected national calamities and disasters

INITIATIVES

Continued to focus on:

- Livelihood & Women Empowerment
- Health
- Education
- Community Development & Social Welfare



MANAGING TRUSTEE PROFILE

Mrs. Parul Mehta, Managing Trustee of Ishanya Foundation, has been guiding the Foundation's journey since 2006 with a deep and enduring commitment to inclusive and sustainable development. Under her leadership, the Foundation has steadily expanded its outreach, implementing initiatives that focus on women's empowerment, rural healthcare, sustainable livelihoods, farmer support, and education.

With a thoughtful and grounded approach, Mrs. Mehta has consistently emphasised community-centric development, ensuring that programmes are responsive to local needs and create long-term impact. Her leadership reflects a balance of compassion and clarity, enabling the Foundation to build meaningful partnerships and deliver scalable, sustainable solutions.

Beyond her work in the social sector, Mrs. Mehta has a keen interest in the arts, particularly Indian classical music. She holds a Sitar degree from Prayag Sangeet Samiti, Allahabad, and has contributed to promoting cultural engagement through her association with initiatives such as WOPA (World of Performing Arts), helping bring quality theatre and performances to wider audiences.

She holds a Commerce degree from Mumbai University and has further strengthened her leadership perspective through executive education at Harvard Business School and participation in the Women on Boards programme at INSEAD, France.

Mrs. Mehta's efforts have been recognised through several prestigious accolades, including the 'Societal Impact Award', 'Act of Compassion Award' (FY2024) and BCC&I Award (FY2025).

She continues to remain committed to fostering inclusive growth and enabling communities to thrive with dignity.



TRUSTEES

“At Ishanya Foundation, we continue to see Corporate Social Responsibility as a catalyst for creating meaningful and measurable impact at the grassroots. Our efforts are focused on enabling self-reliance, strengthening livelihoods, and fostering inclusive development across communities. By aligning our initiatives with evolving societal needs, we aim to create sustainable outcomes that endure beyond immediate interventions. Through this commitment, we remain dedicated to building resilient communities and contributing to a more inclusive and progressive future”.



Mr. Sailesh C. Mehta
(Trustee, Ishanya Foundation)



Mr. Ashok P. Shah
(Trustee, Ishanya Foundation)

FROM THE DESK OF MANAGING TRUSTEE



As we step into another year of purpose and possibility, I find myself reflecting on the journey that continues to shape Ishanya Foundation's path. Each year brings renewed energy, deeper understanding, and a stronger commitment to the communities we serve.

Over the past year, our efforts have remained anchored in the belief that meaningful change is built through participation, dignity, and sustained engagement. We have continued to strengthen our initiatives across livelihoods, education, healthcare, and community development, ensuring that every intervention creates long-term value and fosters self-reliance.

Our interventions are guided by rigorous research and need assessment exercises, ensuring that we address real challenges and create meaningful impact for our beneficiaries.

What stands out most is the growing confidence within the communities themselves. Whether it is individuals embracing new skills, farmers adapting to evolving practices, women building livelihoods, or young minds accessing better learning opportunities, these moments of transformation reaffirm our purpose. They remind us that impact is not just measured in numbers, but in the resilience, confidence and independence we help nurture.

At Ishanya Foundation, we recognise that the landscape of social development is constantly evolving. This drives us to innovate, collaborate, and remain responsive to emerging needs. **Empathy remains at the heart of our approach, guiding us to deeply understand community needs and respond with sensitivity and care.** Our approach continues to focus on building ecosystems that empower rather than enable dependency, creating pathways for sustainable growth.

None of this would be possible without the unwavering support of our partners, donors, advisors, and our dedicated team. Your trust strengthens our resolve and allows us to expand our reach and deepen our impact. Our thanks also to the many NGOs and government agencies who walk with us on our journey.

As we move forward, we do so with optimism and responsibility, committed to creating inclusive opportunities and building stronger, self-sustaining communities. Together, let us continue this journey of meaningful change, guided by compassion, collaboration, and purpose.

THANK YOU,

MRS. PARUL S. MEHTA

MANAGING TRUSTEE, ISHANYA FOUNDATION

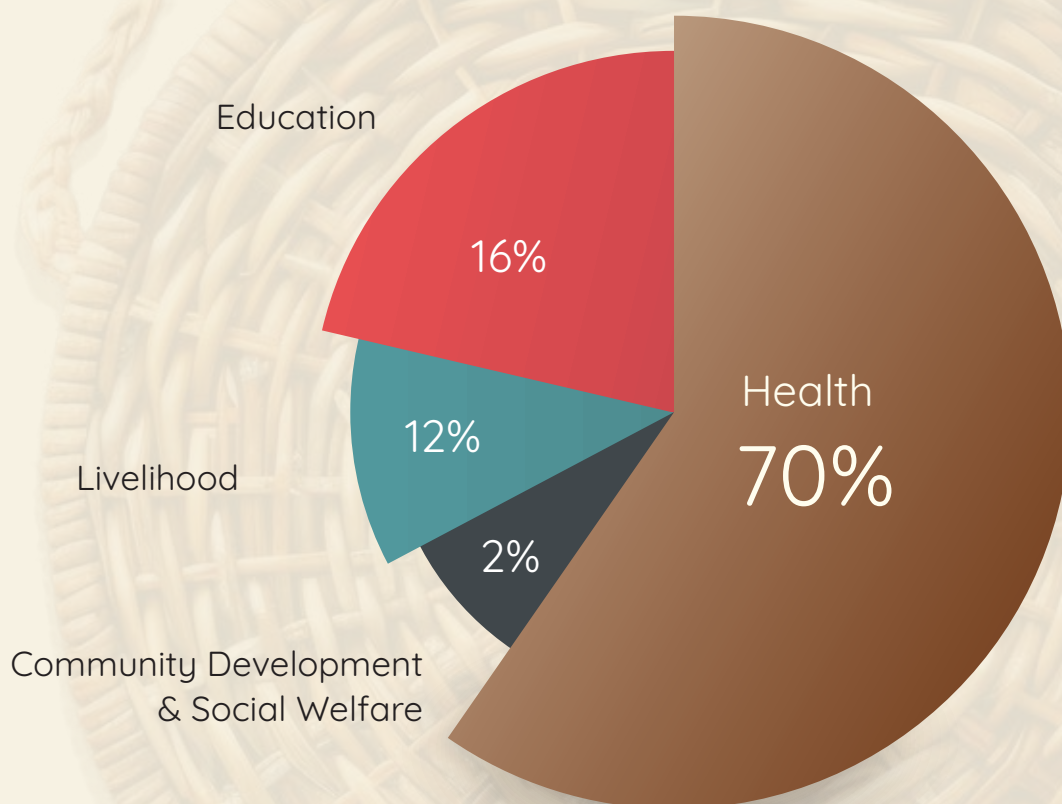
OVERVIEW OF INITIATIVES

For the past two decades, IsFon has worked with persistence and passion to empower underserved communities across Maharashtra, Gujarat, and Andhra Pradesh. The fiscal year 2025–26 was no exception, as our programmes reached and positively impacted 53,030 individuals, catalysing transformative change at the grassroots level.

In rural areas, IsFon continued to implement its various development projects designed to support small and marginal farmers, women, and youth. IsFon's Agri Based Livelihood (ABL), the Dairy Service Centre (DSC), Aarogyam, Gyanam, Community Development & Social Welfare (CDSW), Entrepreneurship Development, and VSDP helped them overcome economic and health-related challenges while building sustainable livelihoods.

In urban areas, IsFon is committed to enhancing employability and increasing incomes through initiatives such as the Vocational Skill Development Project (VSDP), Livelihood Enhancement through Entrepreneurship Development (LEED) including the Muskaan programme, the Income Generation Programme (IGP), Entrepreneurship Development, and the Yellow Ribbon NGO & Artisan's Fair (YRNF). For underserved urban communities, our healthcare initiative, Aarogyam serves the cause of health and wellness.

Sector-Wise Beneficiary Coverage 2025-2026:



BENEFICIARIES COVERED: 53,030

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Key Highlights 2025-26

Sr. No.	Name of the Project	Major Activities	Rural	Urban	Total Beneficiaries
1.	Vocational Skill Development Project (VSDP)	Job Oriented Vocational Courses including Spoken English & Personality Development, Sponsorship of course fees, Placements	476	839	1,315
2.	Livelihood Enhancement through Entrepreneurship Development (LEED)	Income Generation Programme, Muskaan, Entrepreneurship Development, Yellow Ribbon NGO & Artisan's Fair	30	4,003	4,033
3.	Agri Based Livelihood (ABL)	Mango Plantation, Vegetable Cultivation, Water Resource Development & Conveyance, Nursery Development, Trial Plots (Vegetables & Fruits), Exposure & Training,	585	NA	585
4.	Dairy Service Centre (DSC)	Support for Crossbreed Cows and Buffaloes, Artificial Insemination, Pregnancy Diagnosis, Vaccination, Fodder Development, Exposure & Training, Support for Calf Feed	264	NA	264
5.	Community Development & Social Welfare (CDSW)	Open Gym, Drinking Water Facility, Infrastructure Development for community use, RO Unit for Drinking Water	1,183	NA	1,183
6.	Aarogyam	Mobile Clinic, Eye Camps, Cataract Surgery, Spectacle Distribution, Health Awareness Camp, Pathology & Diagnostic Service, Skin Camp, Nutritional Food Kit for TB Patients	31,508	5,622	37,130
7.	Gyanam	Digital Classroom, Infrastructure Development, STEM Mini Science Lab, Sports Kit, Teacher Appointment, Drinking Water Facilities, Career Guidance Seminars	8,520	NA	8,520

Total No. of Beneficiaries

42,566

10,464

53,030

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

CSR Times Award 2025

Ishanya Foundation, won the CSR Times Award 2025 in the Healthcare category for its Aarogyam initiative at the 12th National CSR Summit, held under the theme 'Role of CSR in Mission Viksit Bharat by 2047'. The recognition reflects IsFon's unwavering commitment to improving access to primary and preventive healthcare services for underserved communities.

Through Aarogyam, the Foundation has implemented a range of interventions including general medical camps, specialised health check-ups, mobile medical units, and cataract surgeries. The programme continues to focus on improving healthcare outreach and addressing gaps in essential medical services across target communities.



Indian Social Impact Award 2025

Ishanya Foundation received the “Most Impactful Education Support Initiative of the Year – 2025 (Corporate Foundation)” at the Indian Social Impact Awards 2025, organised by Brand Honchos under the Indian CSR Awards platform.

This recognition acknowledges the Foundation's efforts in strengthening education support systems and promoting inclusive learning. The initiatives are aimed at improving access to quality education and enabling better learning outcomes for students in rural schools in Talaja and surrounding villages.



IsFon honoured at the 11th CSR India Awards 2025

Ishanya Foundation was conferred with the 'Most Admired – Top Honour: 11th CSR India Award 2025' for the Agri Based Livelihood Project. The award was presented by Mr. Kamleshwar Sharan, Managing Director & CEO, Greentech Foundation, along with Dr. Rajiv K Dubey, Former CMD, Canara Bank and Shri Rajesh Soundararajan, IAS V.O. Chidambaranar Port Authority.



URBAN INITIATIVES

- Vocational Skill Development Project (VSDP) (Urban & Rural)
- Livelihood Enhancement through Entrepreneurship Development (LEED)

- 1) Income Generation Programme (IGP)
- 2) Muskaan
- 3) Yellow Ribbon NGO & Artisan's Fair (YRNF)
- 4) Entrepreneurship Development (Urban & Rural)



URBAN INITIATIVES

VOCATIONAL SKILL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (VSDP) – URBAN & RURAL

The Vocational Skill Development Project (VSDP) empowers underserved urban and rural communities by providing practical, job-ready training that enhances employability and fosters long-term economic independence.

IsFon bridges the gap between aspiration and opportunity for marginalised women, youth, and school dropouts by offering a wide spectrum of tailored, vocational courses. Furthermore, the programme ensures holistic professional readiness by placing a strong emphasis on critical soft skill development alongside technical training.



AC & Refrigeration Mechanic Course, equipping youth with industry-relevant technical skills.



Hospital Front Office & Billing Executive Training, preparing candidates for healthcare service roles.



Assistant Plumbing aspirants at Pratham Education Foundation seen with Mr. Naresh Piniseti, President – HR & Corporate Governance, DFPCL.



Aspirants undergoing vocational skill training for General Duty Assistant (Healthcare) at Pratham Education Foundation, Panvel.

Each course includes structured modules on:

- Spoken English
- Financial Literacy
- Yoga & Mental Well-being
- Personality Development
- Health & Hygiene
- Environmental Awareness

To ensure quality learning, subject matter experts and professional trainers conduct interactive sessions, building both competence and confidence among the participants. A total of 839 individuals successfully completed training during the year under the Vocational Skill Development Project (Urban).

VOCATIONAL SKILL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (VSDP)

Skill Based Vocational Training Programme	Aspirants Covered	Aspirants Employed/ Self-Employed
Printed Circuit Board (PCB) Course in collaboration with Youth 4 Development (Y4D) Foundation	150	146
Assistant Assembly Operator Course in collaboration with Youth 4 Development (Y4D) Foundation	150	143
Printed Circuit Board (PCB) Course in collaboration with USDC	75	74
Customer Relations and Information Technology with Typing and Spoken English by IsFon	54	32 (13 in process of employment)
Customer Relations and Information Technology with Typing and Spoken English at St. Mira's College by IsFon	24	(24 in process of employment)
Professional Beautician Course & Art of Mehendi with Spoken English by IsFon	48	42
Electric Mechanic Course in collaboration with USDC	40	37
AC & Refrigeration Mechanic Course in collaboration with USDC	40	40
Home Chef Course with Idea Foundation	40	35 (Self-Employment)
Advanced Make Up Artist Course by IsFon	13	13 (Self-Employment)
Advanced Beautician Course with Lakmé Academy	18	11
Graphic Design and Animation Course with MAAC Academy	10	8
Blender Pro Course with MAAC Academy	05	3
Unnati Next in collaboration with Unnati Foundation at BJS College and Moze College of Engineering	50	In process
Service Based Vocational Training Programme		
Agri. Business Management course (PG) with SIILC	16	9 (7 students are undergoing the course)
M.Sc. Nursing with Symbiosis College of Nursing	12	6 (6 in process of employment)
Hospital Front Office and Billing Executive with Tech Mahindra Foundation	27	10 (17 students undergoing their course)
DMLT with Tech Mahindra Foundation	30	Undergoing the course
Medical Record Science with Tech Mahindra Foundation	36	Undergoing the course
MCA with International School of Management Science	1	Undergoing the course
Diploma in Optometry with KK Eye Hospital		1
Total	839	610

Total Trained:
839 Aspirants

Total Employed:
610 Aspirants

Self Employed:
48 Aspirants

Salary Range:
₹10,000/- to
₹65,000/- per month

BUILDING SKILLS, CREATING OPPORTUNITIES



Advanced Beautician Course in collaboration with Lakmé Academy, nurturing professional skills in the beauty and wellness sector.



Basic Life Support Training session under HFOBE, equipping participants with essential emergency response skills.



Electric Mechanic Course developing hands-on technical expertise for industry readiness.



Graphic Designing and Animation Course fostering creativity and digital skill development.



UNXT programme for final-year graduate students, enhancing employability and career preparedness.



Skit performance at Mahila Melawa, promoting awareness and community engagement through creative expression.

SUCCESS STORIES

VOCATIONAL SKILL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (VSDP)



Name: Yogita Shivkumar Patel

Support: Diploma in Optometry Course at K K Eye Institute

Placement: K K Eye Institute

Monthly Earning: ₹21,300/-

Coming from a modest family in Hadapsar, Pune, where her father works as a helper and her mother manages the household, Yogita always aspired to build a secure and dignified future. Financial constraints, however, threatened to halt her education after HSC. With the timely support of Ishanya Foundation, she was able to pursue a Diploma in Optometry at K K Eye Institute.

“The support I received from Ishanya Foundation changed the course of my life. It gave me the confidence to pursue my dreams without the burden of financial stress. Completing my course and securing a job at K K Eye Institute with a stable income of ₹21,300 per month is a proud moment for my family and me. I am deeply grateful for this opportunity, which has helped me begin a meaningful career in healthcare and move towards an independent future.”



Name: Atharva Keshav Sul

Support: Graphic Designing Course at MAAC Academy

Placement: Reliance Brands Ltd.

Monthly Earning: ₹28,333/-

Atharva, from Wadgaonsheri, Pune, grew up in a family with limited financial means, with his mother as a homemaker and a sibling still studying. Driven by a passion for creativity, he aspired to build a career in design. With support from Ishanya Foundation, he enrolled in a Graphic Designing course at MAAC Academy.

“Ishanya Foundation’s support came at a crucial time in my life. It allowed me to focus on developing my skills without worrying about finances. Today, working at Reliance Brands Ltd. and earning ₹28,333 per month, I feel proud to be in a profession I truly enjoy. This opportunity has not only helped me become financially independent but also boosted my confidence to pursue bigger dreams. I am sincerely thankful for the belief and support extended to me.”

SUCCESS STORIES



Name: Vinayak Nagnath Wagh

Support: Electrician & Mechanic Course - with USDC

Placement: A S Services (Eureka Forbes Aqua Guard)

Monthly Earning: ₹30,000/- (Including Incentives)

Vinayak, a resident of Bibwewadi, Pune, comes from a hardworking family where every member contributes to making ends meet. Determined to support his family, he pursued an Electrician & Mechanic course at Unique Skill Development Centre with the support of Ishanya Foundation.

“The training and financial support I received have been life-changing. Today, as a Service Technician with A S Services (Eureka Forbes – Aquaguard), earning around ₹30,000 per month, I am able to contribute meaningfully to my family’s income. The practical skills and confidence I gained have helped me become self-reliant and focused on building a stable future. I am grateful to Ishanya Foundation for empowering me with the right opportunity at the right time.”



Name: Sujal Jayendra Sonawane

Support: AC & Refrigeration Technician Course - with USDC

Placement: Pavillion Mall

Monthly Earning: ₹25,000/-

Sujal, from Yerawada, Pune, comes from a humble background, with his father working as an auto driver and his mother as a homemaker. With a strong desire to support his family, he pursued an AC & Refrigeration Technician Course at USDC Pune with support from Ishanya Foundation.

“Ishanya Foundation has played a vital role in shaping my career. The training not only gave me technical knowledge but also improved my communication and confidence. Today, working at Pavillion Mall as a Junior AC Technician and earning ₹25,000 per month, I am proud to support my family. This opportunity has given me a sense of responsibility and independence. I sincerely thank Ishanya Foundation for guiding me towards a stable and secure future.”

VSDP (RURAL)

Aimed primarily at women and youth in rural areas, VSDP initiatives include skill enhancement programmes including Tailoring and Optometry training. Such vocational courses are designed to equip individuals with practical, income-generating skills to empower sustainable livelihoods.

The programmes nurture social inclusion and financial independence, driving the overall development of sustainable livelihoods in underserved rural communities.

Job Oriented Courses	Training Institute	Beneficiaries
Sponsorship for B.Sc. Optometry	College of Laxmi Optometry	6
Artificial Insemination Course	BAIF	75
Artificial Insemination Technician Training	BAIF	203
Asst. Health Care Course	PRATHAM	52
Asst. Plumber Course	PRATHAM	23
Aari Embroidery Design Course	Ishanya Foundation	55
Tailoring Course	Ishanya Foundation	55
Special Support for Course Fees		1
TOTAL		470

Total Trained:
470

Total Employed/
Self Employed:
433

Salary:
₹5,000/- to ₹40,000/-
per month



Women learning and creating with skill and passion the Aari Embroidery design work.



Students gaining practical training in artificial insemination techniques on cattle through model-based demonstration.

LIVELIHOOD ENHANCEMENT THROUGH ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT (LEED)

The LEED programme is aimed at financially disadvantaged women, and strives to promote sustainable entrepreneurship opportunities through skill development, income generation and market access.

Key components of the LEED programme include:

- Income Generation Programme (IGP)
- Muskaan
- Yellow Ribbon NGO & Artisan's Fair (YRNF)
- Entrepreneurship Development (Urban & Rural)

Income Generation Programme (IGP)

Under the IGP, skilled and deserving women are identified and provided with advanced training to craft high-quality, fabric-based, handmade articles such as envelopes, bags, thali covers, placemats, saree covers, and jewellery pouches.

Total Sales	Stitching Charges	Income generated by ladies by making of products
₹14,22,600	₹5,38,012	90



Skill Enhancement Programme for empowering women.



Jewellery-making Training.

INCOME GENERATION PROGRAMME (IGP)



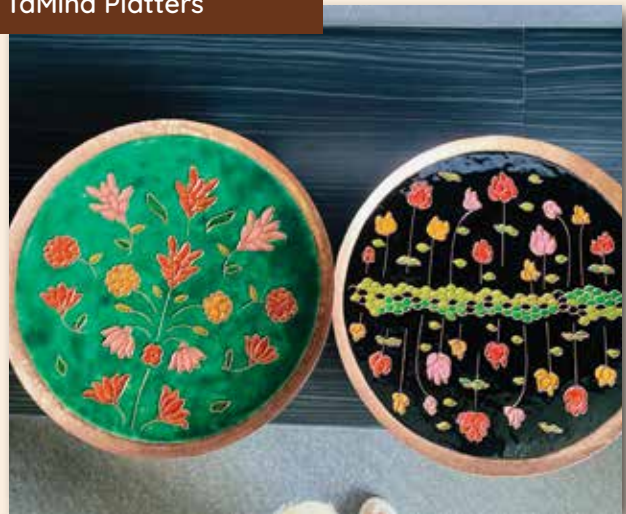
Through TaMina, skilled artisans namely Tamrakala based in Alibaug are empowered with opportunities to preserve and promote their heritage craft while generating stable incomes. Each product is thoughtfully handcrafted, blending the warmth and durability of copper with the vibrant detailing of age-old Mina work. The collection not only celebrates India's rich artisanal legacy but also creates a meaningful market linkage for rural and traditional artisans, ensuring that their craftsmanship continues to thrive across generations.

TaMina brings together the legacy of Tamba (copper), one of the oldest metals known to humankind, with the intricate elegance of Mina craftsmanship. Rooted in tradition yet designed for contemporary lifestyles, this initiative reflects Ishanya Foundation's commitment to sustainable livelihood creation.

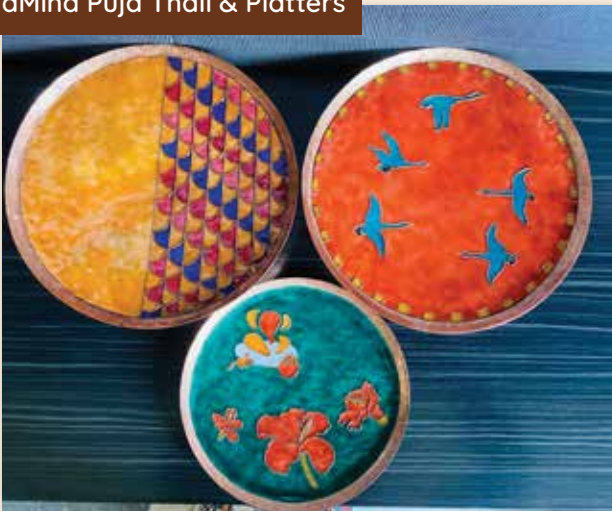
TaMina Jewellery



TaMina Platters



TaMina Puja Thali & Platters



TaMina Diyas



MUSKAAN

Reuse, Recycle and Revenue Generation is the mantra at Muskaan. IsFon's purpose-driven initiative strives to promote environmental sustainability while empowering women from underprivileged backgrounds, fondly called 'Parees'. Pre-owned garments are collected from supportive donors and then sold in low-income neighbourhoods. This not only fosters financial independence in the Parees but also makes quality garments available at affordable prices to economically backward communities.

Unsold garments are sent for recycling, minimising waste and promoting sustainability.

₹2,82,150
Total Sales

2,061
Benefiting Customers

15
Benefiting Muskaan Parees



Muskaan Parees seen selling pre-owned garments at YARNF, promoting sustainable livelihood opportunities.

YELLOW RIBBON NGO & ARTISAN'S FAIR (YRNF)

- The 18th Yellow Ribbon NGO & Artisan's Fair (YRNF) by Ishanya Foundation along with Grameen Bharat Mahotsav 2025, supported by NABARD, was successfully held from 18th to 22nd Sept 2025 at Creaticity, Pune. The theme of the Fair was "Explore, Embrace, Evolve".
- This year too, the fair welcomed participants from several states, including Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Punjab, Jharkhand, Haryana, Delhi, West Bengal, Orissa, Uttar Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Karnataka and Kerala. The diverse array of offerings included traditional and contemporary products such as handwoven and hand-embroidered textiles, organic produce, handcrafted home décor, footwear, wooden toys, and eco-friendly household items.
- A key highlight of this edition was the creation of 80 thoughtfully curated gift hampers, resulting in ₹2 lakh worth of sales and benefiting 7 grassroots organisations.
- With 165 participating organisations, the event witnessed an impressive ₹1.16 Crore in total sales and attracted 9,540 visitors over 5 days, reaffirming its role as a catalyst for inclusive economic empowerment and cultural celebration.

Key Highlights:

165

Participating
Organisations

9,540

Footfalls

₹1.16 cr.

Total Sales

₹2 lakhs

Gift Hampers
Sales



Inauguration of the Yellow Ribbon NGO Fair at Creaticity, Pune, by Mrs. Zarina Screwvala, Trustee, Swades Foundation; Mrs. Parul Mehta, Managing Trustee, Ishanya Foundation; and Mrs. Rashmi Darad, CGM, NABARD.

YELLOW RIBBON NGO & ARTISAN'S FAIR (YRNF)



First Prize presented to Swades Foundation by Mrs. Poonam Dhillon, in the presence of Mrs. Parul Mehta, Managing Trustee, Ishanya Foundation; Mr. Naresh Piniseti, President – HR & Corporate Governance; and Mrs. Samariti Bhagat, GM, NABARD.



Dignitaries visiting the stalls and appreciating the diverse social impact initiatives presented by participating stallholder.



Dignitaries engaging with participating stallholder during their visit to the exhibition stalls at the Fair.



Participating stallholder interacting with dignitaries at the Fair.



NAAM Foundation receiving the Atulya Yogdan Puraskar in recognition of its impactful work supporting farmers in the drought-prone regions of Marathwada and Vidarbha.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT (URBAN & RURAL)

This initiative is built on a social entrepreneurship model, wherein Ishanya Foundation plays a pivotal role in empowering underprivileged individuals to become self-reliant business owners. The approach focuses on identifying individuals with entrepreneurial potential and supporting them with essential equipment and mentorship to either start new small-scale enterprises or strengthen their existing businesses. By providing access to necessary tools and resources, the programme helps overcome one of the most common barriers faced in initiating or expanding a livelihood venture.

Through this focused support, the initiative not only enables sustainable income generation but also nurtures a spirit of entrepreneurship, innovation, and self-sufficiency. In doing so, it contributes meaningfully to inclusive socio-economic development across both urban and rural communities.

Equipment Supported	Beneficiaries
PUNE	
2 Hammer Round Automatic Chilli Pounding Machines with 2 HP Motor	1
4 Hammer Round Automatic Chilli Pounding Machines with 2 HP Motor	9
Beauty Parlour Equipment Kit	6
Hair & Make-up Equipment Kit	9
Utensils Kit & Double Burner Canteen Gas Stove	17
Epson Eco-tank L8050 Photo Printer	1
HP Laser Jet Pro MFP 4104dw Laser Printer	12
Canon Camera EOS 1500D	1
Total Beneficiaries (Pune)	56
TALOJA	
Harmonium - 1, Electric Sewing Machine - 1, Desktop Printer - 1, Beauty Parlour Shop Set - 2, Dough Kneader - 3, Steel Shop (Tapari) - 3, Handcart - 4, Bhakari Making Machine - 8, Visi Cooler - 4, Deep Freezer - 2, Electric Painting Set - 1	30

Digital Marketing Workshop for Women

Digital Marketing is a must-have tool for businesses today. A Digital Marketing workshop was conducted for women entrepreneurs with the goal of enhancing their existing businesses and expanding their market reach. The workshop introduced participants to essential digital tools and platforms, showing them how to leverage this medium for a competitive edge in business.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT (URBAN & RURAL)



Supriya Shinde receiving two Hammer Automatic Chilli Grinding Machine to strengthen her business and enhance income opportunities.



Maheshwar Mahila Bachat Gat receiving support of four Hammer Automatic Chilli Pounding Machines to enhance livelihood opportunities and promote collective economic empowerment.



Sushil Jadhav receiving an HP LaserJet Pro Printer to strengthen his enterprise and improve access to essential online services in the community.



Santosh Gondhali receiving a deep freezer to help generate additional income through his small grocery shop at Panvel.



Umesh Gharat receiving a PC and printer to strengthen his e-Saarthie centre, providing online services to the local community of Morbe village in Talaja.

SUCCESS STORIES (URBAN)



Name: Priyanka Timgire

Support: Utensils Kit

Placement: Self-Employed

Monthly Earning: ₹16,000/-

A resident of Chandannagar, Pune, Priyanka Timgire always had a passion for cooking and a strong desire to support her family. After completing a Home Chef course with Ishanya Foundation, she began a small Modak and catering business within her community. However, limited resources constrained her ability to scale her venture.

“The support from Ishanya Foundation came at a crucial time in my journey. The utensil kit provided to me helped expand my business and improve the quality and efficiency of my services. Today, I am able to earn around ₹16,000 per month through my Modak and catering orders. It has given me financial independence and confidence in my abilities. I am grateful for this opportunity, which has helped me turn my passion into a sustainable livelihood and bring stability to my family.”



Name: Monika Salve

Support: Beauty Parlour Kit

Placement: Self-Employed

Monthly Earning: ₹18,000/-

Monika Salve, from Kalwad, Pune, aspired to build a career in the beauty industry but lacked the financial means to start her own venture. With support from Ishanya Foundation, she received a beauty parlour kit, enabling her to establish a small parlour within her community.

“Ishanya Foundation’s support has been life-changing for me. The beauty parlour kit gave me the confidence to start my own business and serve customers professionally. Today, I earn around ₹18,000 per month, which has significantly improved my family’s financial condition. More importantly, I feel a sense of pride and independence. This opportunity has motivated me to grow further and inspire other women in my community to become self-reliant.”

SUCCESS STORIES (URBAN)

**Name:** Umesh Kamble**Support:** HP Laser Jet Pro Printer**Placement:** Self-Employed**Monthly Earning:** ₹24,000/-

Umesh, a resident of Yerawada, Pune, started a small online service centre by offering services such as online form filling, photocopying, printing, and assistance with government documentation. However, the absence of a proper printer limited his ability to serve customers efficiently and grow his business.

“I am grateful to Ishanya Foundation for supporting me with an HP LaserJet Pro Printer. The support has helped me improve customer service and run my business more smoothly. Today, I earn around ₹24,000 per month, which has brought financial stability to my family. This timely support has truly motivated me to progress with greater determination.”

**Name:** Mrs. Rojmeri Wadmare**Support:** HP Laser Jet Pro Printer**Placement:** Self-Employed**Monthly Earning:** ₹15,000/-

Rojmeri, a hardworking entrepreneur from Ramwadi, Pune, has been running a stationery shop in her community for the past five years. Despite limited resources, she managed her business with dedication and perseverance. However, the lack of printing and photocopying facilities restricted her ability to attract more customers and increase her earnings.

“I sincerely thank Ishanya Foundation for providing me with an HP LaserJet Pro Printer. With this support, I expanded my services to include printing, scanning, and photocopying, which increased customer footfall and improved my income to nearly ₹15,000 per month. I feel proud to be self-employed and thankful for the encouragement given to me.”

SUCCESS STORIES (RURAL)



Name: Pandharinath Vishnu Sambri

Village: Dhodhani, **Taluka:** Panvel, **District:** Raigad

Support: Barber Set

Placement: Self-Employed

Monthly Earning: ₹9,300/-

Pandharinath lives with his wife and their one-year-old daughter, Pinki. As the sole earning member of the family, he struggled to sustain his household through a small barber setup with very basic infrastructure, resulting in irregular and limited income.

"Life was a constant struggle when I worked with minimal tools and an old wooden chair. My income was uncertain, and there were days when even

basic household expenses and my children's education felt like a burden I could not carry. Customers were few, and I often felt stuck with no means to improve my situation.

With the support of Ishanya Foundation, I received a modern barber chair and advanced equipment that transformed my small setup into a proper service space. Today, more customers visit my shop, and my income has become steady and reliable. This change has brought dignity to my work and confidence in my future.

For the first time, I was able to purchase a two-wheeler, something I had only dreamed of earlier. This support has not just improved my livelihood, it has given my family stability and hope for a better tomorrow."

Name: Vishakha Darshan Mokal

Village: Padghe, **Taluka:** Panvel, **District:** Raigad

Support: Beauty Parlour Equipment Set

Placement: Self-Employed

Monthly Earning: ₹10,850/-

Vishakha lives with her family. Determined to contribute to her household income, she began offering beauty services from home, but with limited tools and resources, her earnings remained modest and opportunities for growth were constrained.

"With limited equipment, I could offer only basic treatments, and my income was not enough to support my family's growing needs. Every day felt like a struggle to make ends meet, with limited opportunities to expand or improve my work.

The support from Ishanya Foundation changed everything. With a complete beauty parlour set, I was able to move into a dedicated rented space and offer a wider range of services. This shift has helped me attract more customers and significantly increase my income. I can now meet my household expenses with confidence and contribute meaningfully to my family's well-being."



EMPLOYEE & INDIVIDUAL VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT

During the year, employees from Deepak Fertilisers And Petrochemicals Corporation Limited (DFPCL) and Mahadhan AgriTech Limited (MAL), along with their spouses and individual volunteers, actively participated in a range of community initiatives facilitated by Ishanya Foundation.

These engagements offered meaningful avenues for contributing to social causes, enabling participants to create a positive impact while building a stronger sense of purpose and connection beyond their professional roles.



Spouse of DFPCL employees and volunteers seen with Mrs Parul Mehta and IsFon team members.



Spouse of DFPCL employee mentoring the aspirant at IsFon.



Mentorship in progress by spouse of DFPCL employee.

RURAL INITIATIVES

- Agri Based Livelihood Project (ABL)
- Dairy Service Centre (DSC)
- Aarogyam (Urban & Rural)
- Gyanam
- Community Development & Social Welfare (CDSW)



RURAL INITIATIVES

Poor soil, limited irrigation and low market access are realistic challenges for rural communities where agriculture is the primary livelihood. IsFon's rural initiatives are thoughtfully and scientifically planned to tackle these constraints.

Beyond agri-based initiatives, IsFon also contributes to education, healthcare, sanitation, access to clean drinking water, etc. which build a better quality of life.

Our sustained efforts actively serve 63 villages in Taloja, 4 in Dahej, and 3 in Srikakulam. Among these, 8 tribal villages represent some of the most vulnerable and underserved communities, often lacking access to basic resources and infrastructure such as safe drinking water, sanitation facilities, healthcare services, quality education, and livelihood opportunities.

Agri Based Livelihood (ABL) Project

Agri Based Livelihood is Ishanya Foundation's flagship initiative focused on ecological restoration, reforestation, and land rejuvenation. The programme aims to convert degraded and eroded land into productive forests and fruit orchards, thereby restoring ecological balance while creating sustainable livelihood opportunities for small and marginal farmers.

Key highlights of the ABL Project include:

- Identification and capacity building of farmers from marginalised communities.
- Development of high-density plantations of 50 Kesar mango trees on 5R land, supplemented with vegetable cultivation to enable year-round income.
- Provision of technical guidance on plant nutrition and pest management.
- Ongoing training in modern agricultural practices, commercial farming, and market linkages to enhance income potential.
- Provision of a drip irrigation system for the mango orchard.
- Provision of support for water resource development and conveyance to enhance vegetable cultivation.

Through these interventions, the initiative strengthens agricultural productivity while equipping farmers with essential resources and knowledge. It also enhances their confidence, economic security, and sense of empowerment, contributing to sustainable rural livelihoods.



AGRI BASED LIVELIHOOD (ABL)

Plot Model	:	50 Mango/plot; Kesar Variety High Density Plantation (12 x 9 ft) on 5R Area + Water Resource Development and Conveyance
Starting Year	:	1 st April 2025
Project Area	:	Tal. - Panvel, Dist. - Raigad
Villages Covered	:	27 Villages and 4 Hamlets
Project Support	:	1 Yr.
Families Covered	:	585

Total no. of mango trees planted by High Density Plantation (HDP) method	1,650 plants towards 25 new participants and gap filling for existing 25 participants.
Survival Rate	88%
Families Covered	25 HDP mango plantations 10 Water Resource Development and Conveyance with vegetable cultivation 550 families engaged in vegetable cultivation Total: 585 families.
Gross Value of Mango Production	₹34,56,080/- (380 farmers)
Vegetable Cultivation	322 participants were engaged in vegetable cultivation. - Vegetable cultivation was carried out over a total area of 183.65 acres - The activity generated an aggregate income of ₹89.57 lakh during the year
Water Resource Development (WRD), Conveyance & Vegetable Cultivation	- Support provided to 10 farmers for water resource development (WRD) equipment, including HDPE pipes, electric motors, diesel engines, and petrol engines, as per the individual needs of the farmers 141 participants were supported for vegetable cultivation across 169.75 acres, generating an income of ₹78.03 lakh
Capacity Building	- Conducted 4 external exposure visits for Wadi and Nursery aspirants at BAIF, Gujarat, and Harsul, Nashik - Organised 10 internal exposure visits to established Wadi and Nursery sites - Held 3 Kisan Melavas, benefiting 308 participants (243 men and 65 women) - Conducted 96 village-level meetings
Nursery Development	Vegetable Seedling Nursery - 8 participants (50,050 vegetable seedlings and income of ₹92750/-) Mango Graft Nursery - Five nursery participants produced 10,724 mango grafts during the year, collectively earning ₹6.57 lakh from the sale of 12,591 grafts, including previous year balance grafts
Trial Plots	Fruit Crop - 4 nos. (Thai Mango - 2, Thai Pink Guava - 2) Vegetable - 7 nos. (Sweet Corn - 5, Butternut Squash - 2) Floriculture - 5 nos. (Marigold - 3, Sonchafa - 2)

SUCCESS STORIES



Sapana & Gurunath Tukaram Gondhali

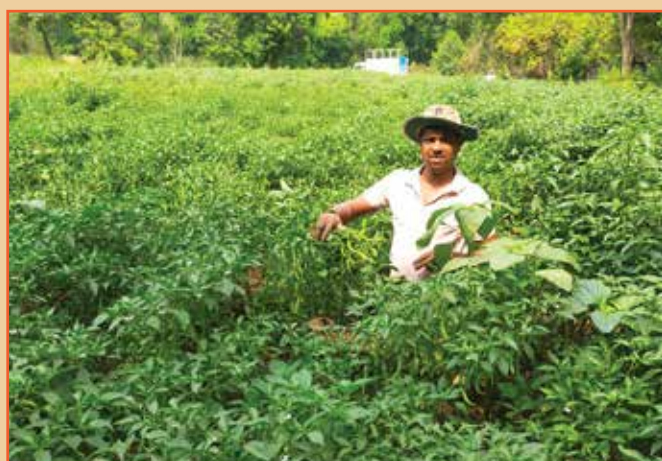
Village: Khairne **Taluka:** Taloja **Dist:** Raigad

Support: 5 HP Diesel Engine Pump

Sapana and Gurunath Gondhali from Khairne village are a young couple striving to build a better future for their four-year-old son, who is enrolled in the local Anganwadi. With a small piece of land and no irrigation facility, their farming was limited and heavily dependent on rainfall. This resulted in low and irregular income, making it difficult to meet daily household expenses and plan for their child's education. Despite their willingness to work hard, the lack of capital and resources kept them from improving their agricultural output.

"Earlier, our farm depended only on rain, and income was never certain. It was difficult to provide even basic needs for our family. With the support of a 5 HP diesel engine from Ishanya Foundation, we now have access to irrigation and can grow vegetables like chilli, tomato, and brinjal throughout the year. Our income has become more stable, and we feel more confident about our future. Today, we can take better care of our child and live with dignity and hope."

Crop	Total Yield	Sale Qty.	Annual Income
Chilli, Tomato, Brinjal, Bottle Gourd, Leafy Vegetables	3,064 Kg	2,890 Kg	1,16,825/-



SUCCESS STORIES



Mahadi & Dattu Navasha Dumane

Village: Gadeshwar **Taluka:** Taloja **District:** Raigad

Support: Mango Orchard & Vegetable Cultivation

Mahadi and Dattu Dumane live in a joint family with their two married sons. Despite having family support, their agricultural income remained irregular due to lack of skills, limited crop diversity, and absence of structured farming practices. The family often struggled to meet household expenses and ensure financial stability, especially when yields were poor. Limited knowledge and resources further restricted their ability to explore better opportunities in agriculture.

"Farming was always uncertain for us. Even with our sons helping, we could not earn enough to support the entire family. Through Ishanya Foundation's support of a wadi, we received not just plants but also guidance on better farming practices. Today, we grow mango along with vegetables like cucumber and cowpea, which has improved both our income and confidence. We now see farming as a reliable source of livelihood. This support has brought stability to our home and a new sense of purpose to our work."

Crop	Total Yield	Sales	Annual Income
Cucumber & Cowpea	1,560 Kg	1,525 Kg	23,020/-
Mango Fruit	410 Kg	370 Kg	55,900/-



Vanita & Balaram Nagya Bhagat

Village: Khairwadi **Taluka:** Taloja **District:** Raigad

Support: Mango Orchard & Vegetable Cultivation

Vanita and Balaram Bhagat are dedicated parents to two young sons, both pursuing their education in school. The family relied on small-scale farming, but irregular income and lack of agricultural skills made it difficult to sustain their livelihood. Meeting household expenses and ensuring uninterrupted education for their children was a constant challenge. With limited access to quality inputs and knowledge, their farming efforts often yielded minimal returns.

"Life was a constant struggle as our income from farming was not enough to support our family. We wanted to do better but did not have the right knowledge or resources. With the support of vegetable seeds and training from Ishanya Foundation, we learned improved farming techniques and started cultivating crops like cucumber and cluster beans. Today, we are earning better and can manage our household expenses more confidently. Most importantly, we can continue our children's education without worry. This support has truly changed our lives."

Crop	Total Yield	Sales	Annual Income
Cucumber & Cluster Bean	2,180 Kg	2,098 Kg	76,300/-

DAIRY SERVICE CENTRE PROJECT

As part of its holistic rural development strategy, Ishanya Foundation is implementing the Dairy Service Centre Project across Panvel and Ambarnath talukas of Raigad and Thane districts. The initiative focuses on strengthening dairy-based livelihoods of small, marginal, and landless households by delivering doorstep, need-based cattle services. Key interventions include artificial insemination using sex-sorted semen, timely vaccination, primary veterinary treatment, supply of feed supplements, and promotion of green fodder development to enhance animal health and productivity.

Through improved breeding practices, preventive healthcare, and better nutrition, the project aims to increase milk yield and reduce livestock management risks. The programme primarily supports women dairy farmers, enabling them to earn an average supplementary income of ₹8,000 to ₹12,000 per month through milk sales and utilisation of cow dung, thereby contributing to household financial stability and the local rural economy.

Key Support Provided:

- Financial and technical support for the purchase of crossbred cows and buffaloes for eligible women from farming households to enhance dairy income.
- Promotion and development of green fodder plots to ensure year-round availability of nutritious feed and reduce feed-related costs.
- Delivery of comprehensive doorstep veterinary services, including timely vaccination, artificial insemination using sex-sorted semen, pregnancy diagnosis, and basic curative care to improve animal health and productivity.
- Facilitation of market linkages for milk marketing to ensure assured sales, fair pricing, and steady supplementary income for participating households.

The Dairy Service Centre Project contributes beyond income generation and household food security by promoting women's economic empowerment, improving animal health and welfare, and strengthening rural self-reliance. By integrating scientific livestock management practices with community-based service delivery, the project has emerged as a significant component of Ishanya Foundation's livelihood development initiatives.

Description	Output
Total milk produced	4,48,605 Litres
Milk consumed at home	53,639 Litres
Milk consumed by calves	65,099 Litres
Additional income through the sale of milk	₹1,72,33,000/-
Cow dung produced	85.56 MT
Artificial Insemination using sex-sorted semen	624 cases
Pregnancy Diagnosis (PD) conducted	836 cases Confirmed Pregnancy - 334, Empty - 96, Repeat - 406
Calving during the year	Male 106, Female 213 Total - 319



SUCCESS STORIES

Renukabai & Ramesh Dattu Ware

Village: Shelarpada **Taluka:** Ambernath **District:** Thane

Land: 20R | **Annual Income:** ₹1,84,050/-



Renukabai and Ramesh have been striving to support their family of four with dignity. With one son working on a contractual basis in MIDC and the younger son assisting in dairy activities, the family depended on a single cow for their livelihood. This limited resource resulted in irregular income, making it difficult to meet daily expenses and manage rising healthcare costs. Despite Ramesh's aspiration to expand the dairy business, the lack of capital remained a constant barrier.

"Life was uncertain for us earlier. With only one cow, income would come and go, and we often worried about basic needs. Expanding our dairy business felt like a distant dream due to financial constraints and medical expenses. With the support of Ishanya Foundation, we could purchase two cows, which have brought stability to our income. Today, we feel more secure and hopeful. Our son is actively involved, and together we are building a better future. This support has truly changed our lives."

Support Given	Asset Created	Total Milk Production	Sold Qty	Average Rate per Ltr.	Annual Income from Milk Sold
02 Cows (B-43, B-63), Medicines, Capacity Building	2 cows	4,570 Litres	4,090 Litres	₹45/-	₹1,84,050/-

Nisha & Ganesh Ladku Gaykar

Village: Wavanja **Taluka:** Panvel **District:** Raigad

Land: 5R | **Annual Income:** ₹1,59,900/-



Nisha and Ganesh are a hardworking couple raising three young children, with two daughters in school and a toddler son at home. The family relied on irregular sources of income, often struggling to meet basic household needs and ensure continuity in their children's education. With limited financial resources and a lack of steady livelihood opportunities, managing expenses became increasingly challenging.

"There were times when we had to choose between daily needs and our children's education. The uncertainty of income made life very stressful. Receiving support for a buffalo from Ishanya Foundation has been a turning point for us. It has given us a regular source of income and a sense of stability we never had before. We can now provide better for our children and look ahead with confidence. This support has not only improved our livelihood but also restored our hope for a brighter future."

Support Given	Asset Created	Total Milk Production	Sold Qty	Average Rate per Ltr.	Annual Income from Milk Sold
01 Buffalo (B-2), Medicines, Capacity Building	Calf Death - No asset	2,820 Litres	2,460 Litres	₹65.00	₹1,59,900/-

DAIRY SERVICE CENTRE (DSC)

ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION

As part of its integrated efforts to enhance livestock productivity and improve farmer livelihoods, Ishanya Foundation continues to promote Artificial Insemination (AI) services across its rural intervention areas. AI is a key enabler of genetic advancement, allowing farmers to access superior, disease-resistant breeds without the need to maintain breeding bulls. During the year, a total of 624 artificial inseminations were carried out, supporting the long-term objective of strengthening the quality and productivity of rural dairy herds.

The programme is complemented by doorstep veterinary support to ensure better outcomes, including follow-up pregnancy diagnosis services, with 836 such diagnoses conducted during the year. These timely interventions aided in tracking reproductive health and guiding farmers in effective livestock management. Consequently, 319 successful calvings were recorded during the year, representing meaningful progress in reinforcing dairy-based livelihoods. Overall, the initiative contributes to higher milk yields, improved income opportunities, and the adoption of scientific and sustainable dairy farming practices among rural communities.

624 Artificial Insemination

836 Pregnancy Diagnosis

319 Calving



AAROGYAM (RURAL)

At Ishanya Foundation, we believe that good health forms the foundation of sustainable development. Through the Aarogyam initiative, we remain committed to improving the health and well-being of underserved urban and rural communities by improving access to quality, affordable, and inclusive healthcare services.

Our holistic approach combines both preventive and curative interventions, including general medical camps, specialised health check-ups, mobile medical units, and cataract surgeries, addressing critical gaps in healthcare access. In addition, we have supported the setting up of pathology collection centres to enable early diagnosis and introduced water purification systems within communities to ensure safe drinking water and reduce the incidence of waterborne diseases. By integrating prevention with treatment, Aarogyam contributes to better individual health outcomes while strengthening the resilience and productivity of the communities we serve.

TALOJA, MAHARASHTRA	
Mobile Clinic	Doorstep OPD services reached 26,966 patients across 45 villages through two operational mobile clinics
Eye Check-up Camp (Community)	1,154 people benefited from eye screening through 7 outreach camps - Vision was restored for 109 patients through cataract surgeries - Improved eyesight for 482 patients with free spectacles - Post-surgery vision care ensured through 31 YAG cap procedures
Eye Check-up Camp (Schools)	3 eye check-up camps were conducted for students 897 students were screened for vision-related issues - Corrective spectacles were provided to 14 students, improving their visual health and learning ability
Dermatology (Skin) Camp	4 dermatology camps were conducted, improving access to specialised skin care 524 patients were screened and treated, with free medicines provided to ensure continuity of care
Nutritional Food Kit	965 TB patients received nutritional food kits containing essential staples and protein supplements to aid recovery
Health Awareness Programme on Cervical & Breast Cancer	33 women received health screening services - Health awareness initiatives reached more than 20,000 women
Infrastructure Development support to Anganwadi	Safe water access ensured at Devichapada Anganwadi through the installation of a water tank and plumbing facilities

AAROGYAM (RURAL)



A lab technician collecting a blood sample as part of essential medical testing and patient care services.



Cataract surgery beneficiaries during recovery, being cared for and encouraged by IsFon team members through continued post-operative support.



Beneficiaries undergoing vision screening during an eye check-up camp to assess eyesight and identify the right corrective support.



Students undergoing eyesight screening during a school eye check-up camp to identify vision concerns and support better academic development.



Patients waiting for consultation at the Mobile Clinic in Taloja village, bringing accessible and timely medical care closer to the community.

AAROGYAM (RURAL)



A doctor examining a beneficiary during the skin health camp, ensuring timely diagnosis and medical guidance.



A group of students receiving spectacles to support better eyesight for improved learning and confidence in the classroom.



Participants at the Women Melava engaging in a health awareness session focused on preventive care, and community wellness.



An ultrasonography examination in progress to ensure timely medical assessment and care for the beneficiary.



A beneficiary undergoing an X-ray examination as part of essential healthcare and diagnostic services.

SUCCESS STORIES



Changi & Chango Ganu Mengal

Village: Wagani **Taluka:** Panvel **District:** Raigad

“For us, fading vision slowly took away our independence and dignity. Simple daily tasks became difficult, and working on our farm was no longer possible. With no steady income, managing even basic household needs became a constant struggle.

The support from Ishanya Foundation through cataract surgery at RZ Shankara Eye Hospital, New Panvel, has brought light back into our lives, literally and emotionally. After the surgery on our right eyes, we can now see clearly and return to our daily activities with confidence.

We are once again able to work on our farm and support our household. What seemed like a small medical intervention has given us a new beginning. This support has not just restored our vision, but also our self-reliance and hope for the future.”

Beneficiary	Date of Surgery	Eye	Hospital
Changi Chango Mengal	28 th June 2025	Right Eye	RZ Shankara Eye Hospital, New Panvel
Chango Ganu Mengal	28 th June 2025	Right Eye	RZ Shankara Eye Hospital, New Panvel



Panduram Hiru Bangari

Village: Pale Kh. **Taluka:** Panvel **District:** Raigad

“My life came to a standstill when my vision started failing. I lost my daily wage job in MIDC after being declared medically unfit, and with no income, it became extremely difficult to support my family. The uncertainty and helplessness were overwhelming.

Through the support of Ishanya Foundation, I underwent cataract surgery in my left eye at RZ Shankara Eye Hospital, New Panvel. This intervention has been life-changing. With improved vision, I am now able to work again and earn a livelihood.

Today, I feel a renewed sense of confidence and purpose. I can provide for my family and look ahead with hope. This support has not just restored my eyesight, but has given me back my ability to stand on my own feet and live with dignity.”

Beneficiary	Date of Surgery	Eye	Hospital
Panduram Hiru Bangari	30 th September 2025	Left Eye	RZ Shankara Eye Hospital, New Panvel

AAROGYAM (URBAN & RURAL)

PATHOLOGY COLLECTION AND DIAGNOSTIC CENTRE, PUNE

High diagnostic costs often discourage underprivileged individuals from seeking timely medical investigations, delaying diagnosis and appropriate treatment. To address this challenge, Ishanya Foundation's pathology collection centres offer highly subsidised diagnostic services that support early detection and improved healthcare outcomes.

The pathology collection centre at our Pune office, operated in collaboration with N.M. Diagnostics Pvt. Ltd., has been serving the community for more than eight years. The centre provides access to a wide range of diagnostic services, including CT scans, MRI, X-rays, ECG, sonography, and pathology testing, all of which have been well received by patients visiting the facility.

- Pathology Investigations: 3,511 patients
- Radiology Investigations: 1,535 patients
- CT Scan & MRI: 563 patients
- Chronic Disease Support: 13 patients
- Total Patients Covered: 5,622



PATHOLOGICAL COLLECTION AND DIAGNOSIS SERVICES, TALOJA

To further extend access to affordable healthcare, pathological analysis services (blood and urine tests) are provided through the centre at Devichapada, Taloja, in collaboration with NDC Pathology Diagnostic Pvt. Ltd. Diagnostic services such as ECG, X-ray, USG, dialysis, and 2D Echo are offered in collaboration with Anand Hospital, Taloja. The facility supports local communities by providing essential pathology and diagnostic investigations, enabling patients to access timely medical assessments closer to their homes.

- Pathology Investigations (Blood, Urine): 817 patients
- Diagnostic Investigations (ECG, X-Ray, USG, 2D Echo, Dialysis): 396 patients
- Total Patients Covered: 1,213

At Ishanya Foundation, we view Gyanam as a key driver of personal development, self-reliance, and sustained community progress. Similar to healthcare, access to quality education is essential in shaping an individual's intellectual, social, and economic potential. Through the Gyanam initiative, we strive to foster inclusive and enabling learning environments that encourage curiosity, build confidence, and enhance capabilities.

Our interventions focus on strengthening educational infrastructure, upgrading learning resources, and supporting schools in and around Taloja, Dahej, and Srikakulam. This includes the provision of smart classroom equipment, furniture, improved sanitation facilities, and essential educational materials, all aimed at making learning more engaging and accessible. By improving school environments and equipping them with better resources, Gyanam contributes to nurturing a generation of confident, capable, and responsible individuals.

GYANAM

TALOJA, MAHARASHTRA		
Digital Classroom unit	32 Sets	Access to quality digital learning was enabled for 1,749 students through the setup of digital classrooms in 23 Zilla Parishad schools from Raigad and Buldhana district
Hardware with Digital Content	28 Sets	Improved access to quality education benefited 940 students in 15 Zilla Parishad schools
Renewal of Digital Content	21 Sets	Enhanced access to quality education benefited 817 students in 7 Zilla Parishad schools
Installation of 12 kW Hybrid Solar System	1 No.	Sustainable energy access enhanced learning conditions for 1,506 students at P. J. Mhatre Vidyalaya and A. D. Mhatre Junior College, Navade
Construction of Toilet Facilities	1 No.	Ensured safe, clean, and dignified sanitation for teachers and visitors at Panvel Panchayat Samiti, Education department.
Career Guidance to 10 th and 12 th Students	17 Sessions	Career awareness and informed decision-making were enabled for 1,520 students
Classroom Construction at Raigad Zilla Parishad Pale Kh.	2 No.	Enhanced classroom infrastructure supported the learning needs of over 80 students
Provision of School Benches	340 Nos.	Improved classroom comfort and learning conditions were enabled for 680 students
DAHEJ, GUJARAT		
School Compound Wall and Gate Upgradation	1 No.	Enhanced school safety and a secure learning environment were ensured at Govt. Primary School, Vengni Village
Academic Support through Volunteer Teacher	1 No.	Learning continuity and academic support were strengthened through the appointment of volunteer teachers at the Government Primary School, Koliyad Village
Projector with Screen	1 No.	Classroom teaching effectiveness and student engagement were enhanced through the installation of a projector and screen at Nana Madva School, Rajkot
SRIKAKULAM, ANDHRA PRADESH		
Academic Support through Volunteer Teacher	3 Nos.	Learning continuity and academic support were strengthened through the appointment of volunteer teachers at Govt. Primary School, Ponnada & Moddadapeta
15 kVA UPS Installation for Education Infrastructure	1 No.	Reliable power backup ensured uninterrupted learning at Kendriya Vidyalaya, Srikakulam
Installation of 500 LPH RO unit for drinking water facility	1 No.	Ensured safe drinking water for students and staff at Etcherla Govt. ITI college



Students engaging with the new digital classroom experience, making education more interactive, and accessible.



Students participating in a career guidance session organised by IsFon to explore opportunities, and make informed career choices.



Children seen proudly with their teachers in front of the newly constructed school building supported by IsFon at Raigad Zilla Parishad Primary School, Pale Kh.



Solar panels installed at Navde High School to support greener infrastructure.



Installation of safety grills at a school in Srikulam to enhance student protection.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & SOCIAL WELFARE (CDSW)

Our Community Development and Social Welfare (CDSW) efforts reach out to underserved areas with initiatives designed to foster inclusivity, strengthen social bonds and enhance the overall quality of life.

For both individuals and families, CDSW brings positive change, providing meaningful support so communities can face economic, social and environmental challenges with strength and unity. The scope of our initiatives is wide, including infrastructure improvement, awareness drives, support services and civic engagement. Executed on the ground with participation from the community, our efforts empower them on the path to a self-reliant, inclusive future.

Community Development & Social Welfare (CDSW)

TALOJA, MAHARASHTRA	
Building Community / Multipurpose Hall	Space created for meetings, trainings, SHG activities, and social events at Kanpoli Village
Installation of Open Gym	Open gym set installed (10 fitness equipment units) at Nitlas Village
Installation of Indoor Gym Equipment	Complete set of indoor gym equipment installed at Chindran Village
DAHEJ, GUJARAT	
Safety Grill	Pond perimeter secured with a safety grill to enhance safety around the village pond at Rahiyad
Installation of Open Gym	Open gym set installed (10 fitness equipment units) at Suva Village
Installation of Children's Playing Equipment	Installed equipment for children at two locations in Suva Village leads to the physical, social, and mental development of children.
Fixing of Paver Blocks at the community place	Improved, clean and durable community flooring at Rahiyad Village
SRIKAKULAM, ANDHRA PRADESH	
Computer 2 nos. and Printer 1 no.	Donated computers to the local Police Station in Srikakulam to improve digital record-keeping and reporting
Repairs of Road	Patch repair of the road was completed at Thotapalem Village, Srikakulam





Children's play equipment installed to encourage recreation, physical activity, and holistic development.



Residents of Nitlas village seen making use of the newly installed open gym, promoting fitness, health and community well-being.



Multi-purpose Community Hall constructed at Kanpoli village, Taloja.



Road repair done in Srikakulam to improve accessibility, safety, and everyday comfort for residents.



Safety grill installed at the pond in Rahiyad village to help ensure safer surroundings for local residents.

ISFON IN ACTION: MOMENTS OF IMPACT



Participants attending a digital marketing session aimed at enhancing market linkage opportunities and strengthening entrepreneurial skills.



During eye camp, a doctor examining a patient, providing essential eye care and consultation services to the community.



Farmers attending a training session focused on improving cattle management practices for better productivity and higher milk production.



Beneficiaries seen with mango grafts during the distribution programme aimed at promoting sustainable livelihoods and horticulture development.



Patients waiting for their turn at the mobile clinic to receive healthcare consultation and medical support.



Women seen intricately working on Aari Embroidery design work, showcasing their craftsmanship and skill development.

ISFON IN ACTION: MOMENTS OF IMPACT



Aspirants enthusiastically performing a skit during the Mahila Melawa, spreading health awareness through creative expression.



Students proudly displaying their certificates after successfully completing the Graphic Design and Animation course.



Women proudly displaying their certificates after successfully completing the Home Chef and Catering course, marking a step towards self-reliance and entrepreneurship.



Mrs. Parul Mehta, Managing Trustee, IsFon, seen with the students of the Home Chef and Catering course.



Aspirants enthusiastically performing a dance at the Mahila Melawa, showcasing their talent and confidence.



Mr. Naresh Pinniseti, President – HR & Corporate Governance, DFPCL, seen with the beneficiaries after the distribution of utensils & catering kits.



OUR COLLABORATIONS

URBAN

- NABARD
- Symbiosis College of Nursing
- St. Mira's College for Girls
- Youth 4 Development Foundation
- Idea Foundation
- Unique Skills Development Centre
- Lakmé Academy
- MAAC Academy
- UNNATI Foundation
- SIMACES International Interdisciplinary Learning Centre (SIILC)
- Maya Charitable Trust
- Sahyadri Hospital
- N M Medicals

RURAL

- State Education Department, Govt. of Maharashtra and Gujarat
- Dept. of Animal Husbandry, Govt. of Maharashtra, Panvel
- Department of Agriculture, Govt. of Maharashtra, Panvel
- R. Jhunjhunwala Sankara Eye Hospital, New Panvel
- Laxmi Charitable Trust, Panvel
- Laxmi College of Optometry, Panvel
- MOC Cancer Care & Research Centre, Panvel
- Anand Hospital – ICU & Trauma Centre, Taloja (Navi Mumbai)
- NDC Diagnostic Centre Private Limited, Mumbai
- Indian Cancer Society (ICS), Parel, Mumbai
- Pratham Education Foundation, Mumbai
- State Health Department of Maharashtra
- Primary and Secondary Schools (Rahiyad, Suva and Koliyad, Dahej, Gujarat)
- Itcherla Industrial Training Institute (ITI), Srikakulam
- Kendriya Vidyalaya, Srikakulam

With Gratitude to our Partners

As IsFon reaches the 20 years milestone, we must first give thanks for the support, assistance and partnerships that have sustained us along our journey. Our deepest thanks to our generous donors, well-wishers, brand ambassadors, collaborators, partner organisations, corporate affiliates, and invaluable team members. Your support is our strength, your collaboration is our confidence - empowering us to continue on our chosen path.

The last 2 decades have been challenging yet inspiring, as we witnessed the power of collective effort in action. Every obstacle was overcome, every achievement was made meaningful, by the presence and participation of our IsFon family. To you all, our sincere gratitude and appreciation.

FACES BEHIND THE IMPACT



Mrs. Poonam Dhillon and Mrs. Parul Mehta, Managing Trustee, IsFon (top photo – centre) seen with members of the IsFon Urban and Rural Team

YOUR SUPPORT CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Our work, our journey, is far from over. We remain committed to building scalable, sustainable development models that address the many challenges faced by underserved communities.

Through skill development, healthcare, education and support services, we will continue to impact individual lives, helping them become self-reliant, responsible citizens in healthier, more inclusive communities.

It's an uphill task but with your support, we can surely achieve our goals. We urge you to join our efforts towards creating transformative change.

HERE ARE SOME WAYS YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE TO OUR CAUSE:

- **Sponsor a cow** (includes nutrition kit, insurance, and veterinary care) to support a woman from a landless or marginalised farming family.
(Total contribution: ₹40,000 | Partial donations welcome)
- **Empower a woman farmer** by helping her cultivate a high density mango orchard on 5R of land, including 50 Kesar mango trees, an irrigation setup, and vegetable farming.
(Total contribution: ₹40,000 | Partial donations welcome)
- **Sponsor a 'gift of sight'** by supporting a cataract surgery.
(Cost per surgery: ₹4,500)
- **Donate used items** such as garments, bags, utensils, crockery, and home accessories for resale and reuse.
- **Volunteer your time and talent** as a teacher, mentor, or guide in our various programmes.

Together, let's build stronger, healthier, and more self-sustaining communities. Your support matters.

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