

Let Them DREAM Big!!

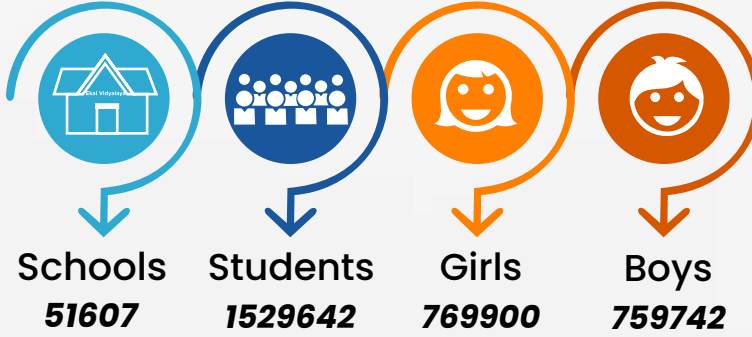


Friends of Tribals Society

Empowering Rural Children Through Education



Since 1989 37 Chapters



*As on February, 2024

About Us:

Friends of Tribals Society (FTS) is a non – government and voluntary organisation under the umbrella of Ekal Abhiyan Movement, committed towards upliftment of the underprivileged rural and tribal masses in India. Educational opportunities in India are shaped by many factors, from socio-economic status to geographic location. Swami Vivekananda said “If the poor children cannot go to school, School must go to them.” FTS was conceived out of the experience that tribals were exploited because they did not have any kind of education. So our visionaries thought of starting an innovative **One Teacher School** model known as **Ekal Vidyalaya**. When children learn, they uplift themselves and their families, transforming lives and futures.

FTS provides five-fold education namely :



Empowerment of crores of Tribals and Rural brethren of Bharat by making them socially strong, educationally aware, economically vibrant and self-reliant so that with their involvement our Mother Bharat reaches the pinnacle of glory.

- To give non-formal Primary education through One Teacher School.
- To impart hygiene and health care education.
- Empowerment education by making them aware of their rights.
- Development Education for optimum use of resources available.
- Cultural and spiritual awareness with 'Sanskar' education.

Pragat Sanch - Adarsh Gram Yojna

Ekal Vidyalaya Yojna

Every village should be either A or B grade , every girl/boy should have one patriotic song learnt by heart and should know tables by heart as per their standard.

Result - To make village 100% literate

Arogya Yojna

Every village household should have Tulsi plantation, Soak pit and Iron kadai for cooking.

Result- Solve the problem of anemia and prevention from regular diseases.

Gram Swaraj Yojna

Every village should have nutrition farming and organic farming in minimum 10 households. Every household in the Pragat Sanch of every Bhag should have Kutir Udyog ie Cottage Industry

Result- Solve the problem of malnutrition. Check on movement of manpower out of villages for earning sources.

Gram Swarajya Yojna

Open bank account of every person in village in Jandhan Yojna , Every household's family head to be insured under PM Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojna and PM Suraksha Bima Yojna. Making Aadhar Card of every person in village.

Result- Make every person in village an aware voter .

Shri Hari Katha Prasar Yojna

Organise Weekly Satsang , Annual Katha and Rath visit in every village.

Result- Alcohol free village and develop affinity towards one dharma.

FTS's Ekal Vidyalaya shaping Rural India's Educational Landscape

Our innovative, one-teacher model has led to long-term, generational impact. Village by village, student by student, Ekal Vidyalaya is empowering rural India. The idea of Ekal Vidyalaya was put into practice by setting up of first 60 Ekal Vidyalaya in Dhanbad.



- 25-30 children in the age group of 6 to 10 years for 2 hours per day.
- Teacher belongs to the same village.
- Play and learn methodology.
- Non - Formal Education upto Class 3.
- Priority on value education.
- Core Subjects Taught – Reading, Writing, Arithmetic & General Knowledge.
- Beyond the basics – Health and Hygiene, Physical Education and Yoga, Value Education, Patriotic Song, Craft and Sports.

Get Involved



Internship Program

From fieldwork to experiencing rural life, FTS will endeavour to make your experience as varied as possible!



Membership

We bring diverse opportunities for the eldest to the youngest member in a family to gain enriching experience through various social, cultural and fun activities.



Vanyatra

Our philosophy is to encourage people to visit Ekal Vidyalaya to experience the model and then contribute in terms of donation or services as volunteer.

Ekal Prashikshan Kendra

Visit our Ekal Prashikshan Kendra to experience how we provide Holistic Training to our Field Karyakartas.



Success Stories



Pinky Karmakar
Torch Bearer at
London Olympics
in 2012 in
Nottingham,
United Kingdom



Rekha Kumari
From Teacher
to Block Chief at
Ekal Vidyalaya
to Police Service



Divya Malgave
Gold Medalist in
Intermediate National
Karate Championship



Vinod Kumar
Former Ekal Acharya,
Now an Army Officer

Accolades That Counts



Ekal Honoured With Gandhi Peace Prize 2017



SOME PRESTIGIOUS AWARDS

- 26th Mahaveer Award for Excellence in Human Endeavour in the Field of Education- 2023
- Lions Council of India Award- 2023
- Ranchi Chapter-IIM Mou- 2021
- Naman Jharkhand Gaurav Award- 2021
- CFBP Awards- 2019-2020
- Dalmia Bharat CSRBox Impact Award- 2019
- Pride of Bengal Award- 2019
- JBG Kolkata Trail Run- 2018
- Samanvay Samvet & Sanmarg Awards- 2018
- Bharat Nirman Awards- 2018
- Literacy Hero Awards by Rotary International- 2016
- Goyal Peace Prize- 2014-15
- Punjab Kesri Delhi- 2011
- Thakkar Bappa Award- 2010
- Award by PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industries 2008



In Words of Great Luminaries



"I visited a village in Andhra Pradesh where I was invited to visit a One Teacher School. One Teacher taking class upto 5 to 10 students. I went there at 7 o'clock in the evening and it was a full moon night, the teacher got all the students outside with a blackboard and started explaining about moon and significance of full moon.....this is Creative Education, Creative Classroom, Creative Teacher and Creative Environment. This is the type of environment we should create."

Late Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam
(Former President of India)



"The Ekal Abhiyan Trust helps 2.2 million children, among them the participation of girl child is more than 52 percent of the presently rolled out children - with the access to education. Many of its initiatives benefit tribal communities; all of its initiatives are a tribute to Mahatma Gandhi and his vision."

Shri. Ramnath Kovind
(Former President of India)



"Education is strong means to empowerment and Ekal Abhiyan Trust is working in remote areas, so that children from tribal families get the opportunity to study. The role in furthering women empowerment is laudatory. Congratulations to them for the Gandhi Peace Prize, 2017."

Shri. Narendra Modi
(Prime Minister of India)



"The little episode with boys and girls from an Ekal School gives you one little message, learning even arithmetic has to blend with lot of joy, dancing and singing and doing other things."

Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman
(Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, Govt. of India)

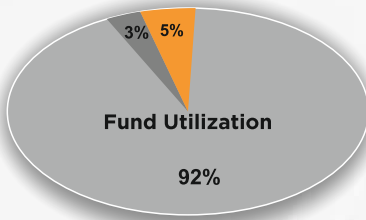
Donate for a Better Tomorrow

To Donate:

Support Education for 1 Child/Year –Rs 1,000/-

Support 1 Ekal Vidyalaya/Year –Rs 22,000/-

Any other amount of your choice



- Project expenses
- Other charitable expenses
- Administrative costs and other

Corporate Social Responsibility:

FTS is registered with MCA to undertake CSR activities; we are one of the implementing agencies (IA) of CSR projects by Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs. It is also registered with Niti Aayog.

CSR Registration No.: CSR00001898

*** All donations are exempted under section 80G of Income Tax Act, 1961**

Sponsorship:

You can sponsor different events organised by FTS (Like Ekal Run, Annual Functions, etc)

Seva Patra:

'Seva Patra', a small money collection box placed at homes for small collections. It connects with the whole family with one common goal & objective of donating for the underprivileged.

Raffle:

The "Raffle", a scheme to encourage urban children to understand their social responsibilities from their childhood. It is an effort to motivate students living in cities to collect small donations through Raffle sheet to promote education for tribals & rural children of Ekal Vidyalaya run by FTS.



Frequently Asked Questions

? Why FTS?

The villages in India are still inaccessible; this is the reason why there is still a huge gap between rural and urban India. Education is the best medium of bridging this gap. As Swami Vivekananda said "If the poor children cannot go to school, School must go to them, with this mission in mind we have constructed schools in the remotest part of the country which are still not explored by several NGO's. The teachers are also the dwellers of the same village so employment is also created for the villagers. FTS aims to bring about overall development of the entire village with its five- fold education system thereby contributing in the mission of building Self-Reliant India.

? How can I be a part of FTS ?

One can be a part of FTS as a Donor, Member and Volunteer.

? How can I donate ?

You can donate online either visiting <https://ftsindia.com/donate-now/>

Or

Do NEFT to respective chapter office Bank Account.

Or

Draw Cheque in name of FRIENDS OF TRIBALS SOCIETY.

? What Amount I can donate ?

Support Education for 1 Child/Year –Rs 1000/-

Support 1 Ekal Vidyalaya/Year –Rs 22000/-

Any other amount of your choice.

? What information is sent to the donors ?

The donor gets a money receipt, thanks letter, 80 G certificate and School Allotment Letter. Donor Login ID and password to view their adopted school details. Half yearly school progress report and yearly village development report is also sent.

? What are the Tax benefits that a donor will get ?

A donor will get tax exemption on the donation under section 80 G of Income Tax Act, 1961.

? Can one donate in kind (clothes, books, stationery, food items etc.) ?

Usually in-kind donation is accepted only when there is a need in any of the projects at a given point of time.

? What is the source of funding for the organization ?

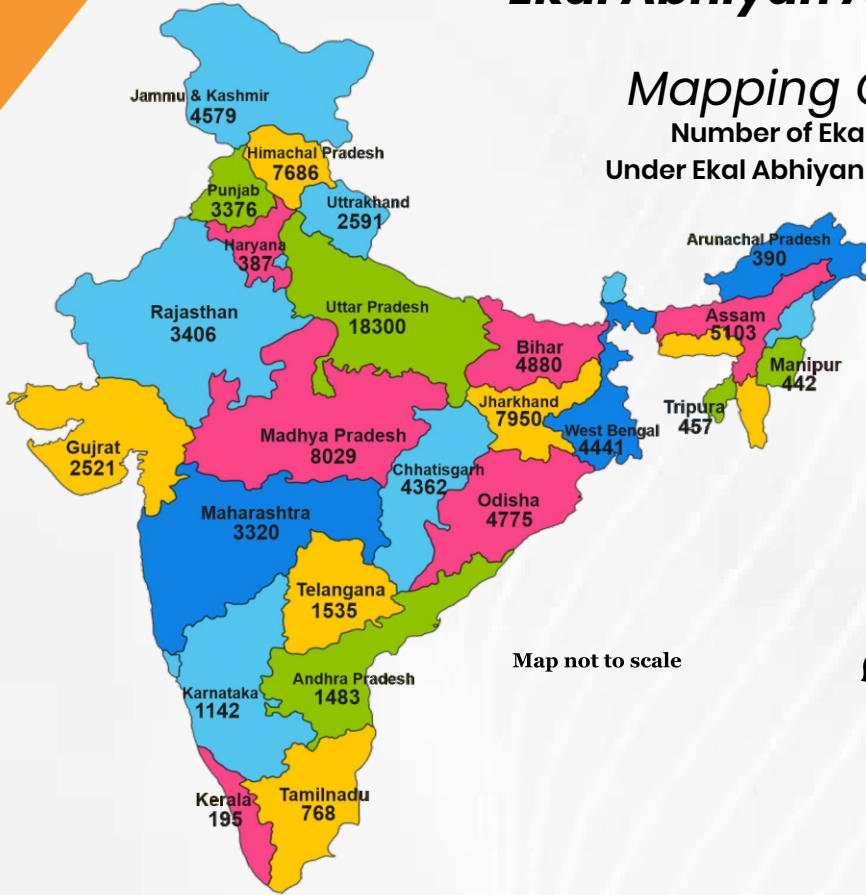
Funding support of the organization comes from Corporate, PSU's, Educational Institutes, Public Figures, Individual Donors and Private Institutions.

? What are the ways of measuring impacts of the project ?

We have a proper MIS tracking for recording the data of all Ekal Vidyalaya and for periodic analysis - both qualitative and quantitative. We have also launched applications known as Ekal Acharya App and Ekal Karyakarta App.

Ekal Abhiyan At A Glance

Mapping Our Impact Number of Ekal Vidyalaya Running Under Ekal Abhiyan Across The Country



Map not to scale

As on Feb, 2024
Ekal Vidyalaya

 **92118**

Ekal Students

  **2638806**

FTS independently has been instrumental in running 51607 Ekal Vidyalaya across India providing support to 1529642 children (Girls- 769900 & Boys- 759742) as of February, 2024.

**Our
Most
Eminent
supporter**



Our Chapters

Agra	1	20	Jodhpur
Ahmedabad	2	21	Kochi
Amravati	3	22	Kolkata *
*Bengaluru	4	23	Mumbai *
*Bengaluru Mahila	5	24	Nagpur *
*Bhopal	6	25	Nasik *
*Bhubaneswar	7	26	New Delhi
*Chennai	8	27	Patna *
Coimbatore	9	28	Pune *
*Dhanbad	10	29	Raipur
Dibrugarh	11	30	Ranchi *
*Erode	12	31	Rourkela *
Guwahati	13	32	Silchar
*Gwalior	14	33	Siliguri *
*Hyderabad	15	34	Surat *
*Indore	16	35	Telangana
*Jabalpur	17	36	Tinsukia
Jaipur	18	37	Vadodara *
*Jamshedpur	19		

(Proposed Chapters- Rajkot, Kota and Jharsuguda)

Sub Chapter- Dhamtari under Raipur Chapter.

Except for Rajkot, Mahila Samity has presence in all above Chapters. In Delhi there is one more Mahila Samity as **New Delhi**. There are total 9 Sah Mahila Samitis; 3 under Bhubaneswar and one each under Patna, Mumbai, Dibrugarh, Indore, Nagpur and Kochi.

*FTS Yuva Circles Under FTS Chapters.

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