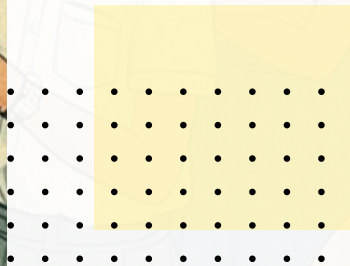




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From The President's Desk

As we step into this new chapter at Shiksha Prayas, I am filled with immense pride and gratitude for the journey we continue to walk together. For the past 24 years, Shiksha Prayas has been a beacon of hope for underprivileged children, and each year adds new layers of growth, resilience, and transformation.

This month was no different. After a month-long summer break, our centres reopened with renewed energy, and the joy on our children's faces was truly heartening. Almost instantly, the monsoon rains set the stage for our plantation drive to bloom—by month's end, more than 250 saplings had been lovingly re-homed by our eager young planters. Green was everywhere, as laughter and excitement over where and what to plant filled the air, reminding us once again how deeply children connect with nurturing life around them.

Alongside this, we witnessed another milestone—the Laptop Distribution Campaign. In today's digital-first world, technology is not a privilege but a necessity, and through this initiative we ensured that our students have access to the tools required to dream bigger and achieve more. The glow of hope and determination in their eyes as they received their laptops is something that words can hardly capture—it was a moment of bridging not just the digital divide, but also the divide between aspiration and opportunity.

These initiatives, though varied, carry one common thread—the spirit of Shiksha Prayas. A spirit that believes in nurturing young minds, empowering dreams, and creating equal opportunities for every child, regardless of their circumstances. As we look forward, our resolve only grows stronger to scale this impact, to continue building pathways where learning, growth, and care flourish hand in hand.

Together—with our partners, teachers, well-wishers, and most importantly, the children—we reaffirm that education is not only about academics, but about sowing seeds of hope, values, and possibility for a brighter tomorrow.

Rajeev Sinha, President

Sowing the First Seeds Finding Spaces for Green



Initially planned for May on our annual calendar, gardening as an activity was pushed to July for logistic reasons. And to do justice to July, Plantation became the mantra. As the skies opened up and thundered down the parched landscape in the first week, we knew we were running out of time. We just had to have the saplings in place to soak in as much of the rain without a day's delay.

From jamun and guava to amaltas and gulmohur, every centre chose its own green touch—flowering trees at Taraori, terrace gardens in Siwan, and a mix of fruits and flowers at Kanhai. Each child adopted a plant as a sibling, tying handmade rakhis on tender branches—a joyful promise of love and care.

Our plans were big but resources were few. Yet, with creativity and determination, our centre heads quickly explored possibilities in their neighbourhoods. Polar prepared an abandoned plot with the help of a JCB, Taraori planted in the Government High School at Sultanpur, and Kanhai chose Ram Rao School in Sector 45. Siwan, meanwhile, brightened its terraces with potted plants, while saplings were also shared with families to nurture at home. Every location was carefully chosen—safe, sustainable, and close to caring hands.



Laptop Distribution: Opening Doors to Digital Learning

Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) took on a new meaning for us when Dharam Raj Panwar, founder of STEAM Varsity, revealed the importance of adding "A" for Art. At the Laptop Handover Ceremony on 28th August at Kanhai FTC, curiosity ran high as students eagerly discovered what STEAM was all about. The NCR Atleos team, led by Mr. Ashwani Pandita, shared pride in supporting our STEM journey with resources and funds. President Rajeev Sinha expressed gratitude, while an inspiring talk on Artificial Intelligence by Ranjeev Kumar sparked fresh imagination among students. The evening concluded with gifts and the promise of more hands-on, meaningful learning for all.



We sincerely thank NCR Atleos for their thoughtful contribution of laptops and their engaging interaction with our students. Their support has not only strengthened our digital learning resources but also inspired our children through meaningful conversations and encouragement.

Opening Doors to Digital Learning: NCR Atleos' Generous Support to Shiksha Prayas

NCR Atleos has been a proud partner of Shiksha Prayas, consistently supporting our mission to create equal opportunities for underprivileged students. Their dedication to technology and innovation resonates deeply with our vision of empowering young learners through STEM education.

At the Kanhai Centre, the NCR Atleos team donated 6 pre-used laptops and spent time meaningfully engaging with students. The highlight of the day was an interactive session on Artificial Intelligence, where curious young minds were introduced to the possibilities of the future. A 12-member strong team, led by Mr. Ashwani Pandita, Executive Director – Region – Site Lead, brought not only resources but also inspiration, showing students how knowledge and innovation can transform lives.

This collaboration has further strengthened our STEM programme, enabling access to digital tools that help bridge the divide between privilege and opportunity. Beyond technology, it has sparked curiosity, encouraged ambition, and given children the confidence to dream bigger. We are truly grateful to NCR Atleos for their continued partnership in shaping brighter futures and driving meaningful impact where it matters most.



Shani Ahirwar - The Shining Star of the Month

Shani, a Class 10 student at the Kanhai Centre, has shown remarkable progress in Maths and Science. A sincere and hardworking learner, he balances studies with his passion for chess at tournament level and football. With plans to take up PCM in Class XI and prepare for JEE, he aspires to become a software engineer.



“I like Shiksha Prayas for the mood it creates to study.

- Joined SP in Class 8; credits it for his stronger Maths & Science.
- A dedicated learner and hardworking student.
- Passionate chess player – trains at Foundation Chess Academy, plays tournaments regularly, and won a medal in August 2024.
- Loves football (Messi fan, Argentina supporter).
- Future goal: Take PCM in Class XI and prepare for JEE to become a software engineer.

Our Global Vision: Shiksha Prayas and the SDGs

In today's interconnected world, global challenges demand global solutions. The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) provide a universal framework for peace and prosperity. At Shiksha Prayas, we align our mission with these goals, ensuring our work contributes to a more sustainable and equitable future.



SDG 4: Quality Education

Education is our core mission. Every scholarship, mentoring session, and resource we provide moves us closer to inclusive, equitable education for all. Our special focus on STEM education equips students with future-ready skills.



SDG 5: Gender Equality

We ensure equal learning opportunities for girls, especially in STEM. By challenging norms and providing mentorship, we empower girls to dream and achieve.



SDG 8: Decent Work & Growth

Education builds a skilled workforce. With problem-solving and technical skills, our students are prepared for meaningful work and economic contribution. Partnerships with IIM Trichy and SRCC enhance career mentoring.



SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities

By focusing on underprivileged children, we bridge educational and economic gaps, offering equal opportunities to those who need them most.

A Holistic Approach

Beyond academics, we nurture overall well-being through initiatives like our partnership with Ernst & Young. Through the SDG lens, our work gains deeper meaning—we are not just educating children, we are shaping a sustainable and equitable future.

UPCOMING EVENTS

What's Next at Shiksha Prayas?

From learning new skills to celebrating traditions, the months ahead are full of opportunities and festivities. Our workshops and cultural events are designed to keep students engaged, inspired, and connected to both knowledge and heritage.

Coming Up in September



Life Skill Workshop Series Episode 8: First Aid.



Hindi Diwas: 14th September
(Write an anthem for Shiksha Prayas)

Coming Up in October



Dussehra: Celebrating the victory of good over evil with joy and learning.



Diwali: Spreading light, hope, and togetherness this festive season.



Shiksha Prayas is a 24-year-old non-profit organization committed to empowering underprivileged children in Haryana through quality educational support. Operating from four learning centers located in Kanhai, Taraori, Siwan, and Polar, we offer free tuition—from Grades 4 to 10—tailored to help government school students bridge learning gaps and stay on track with mainstream education. Over the years, our initiatives & endeavours have positively impacted the lives of more than 3,500 students.

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