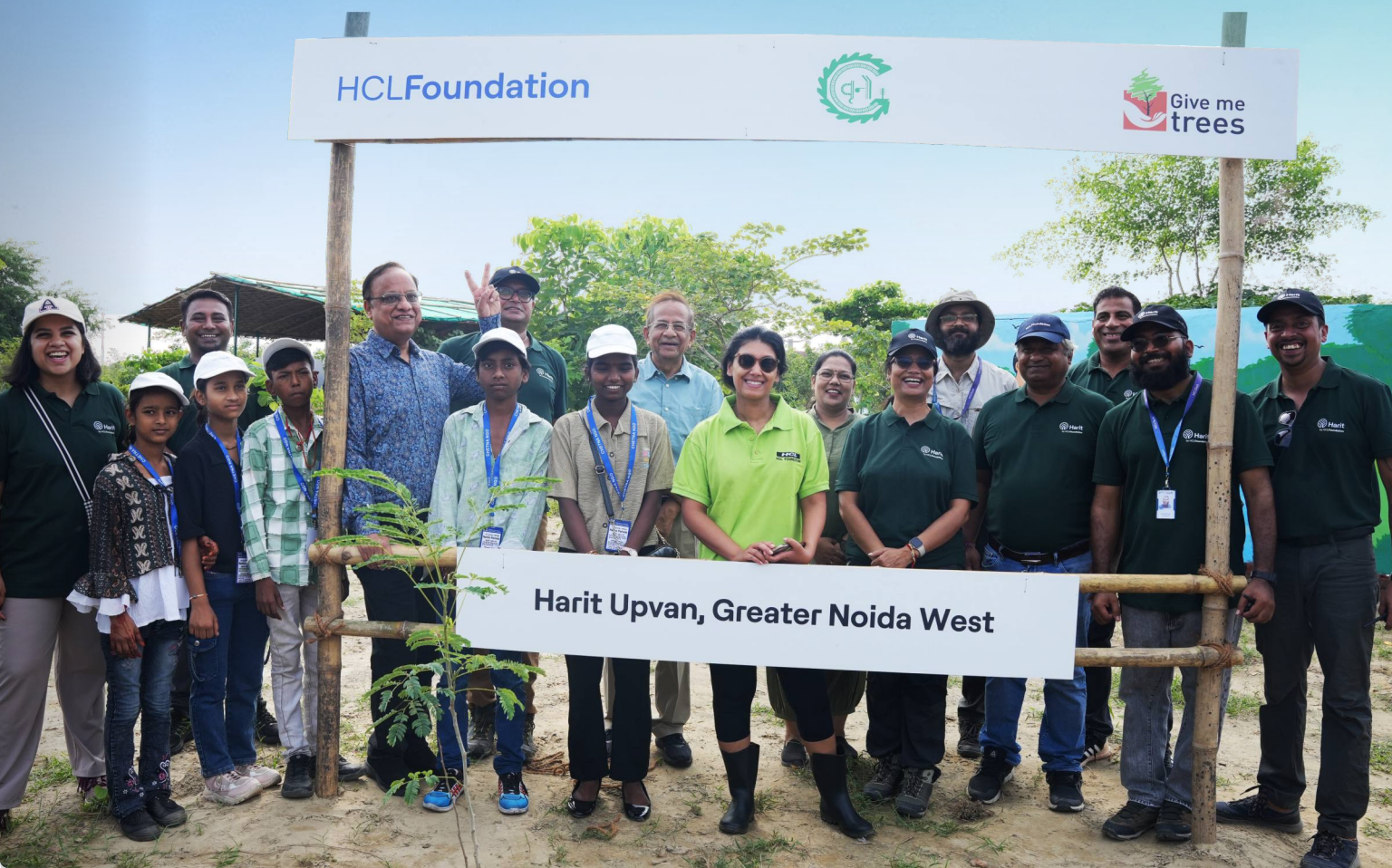


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Foreword

Dear reader,

August has been a month of meaningful action at HCLFoundation—marked by environmental stewardship and community engagement. As part of the 49th HCL Day celebrations, over 49,000 saplings were planted across ten sites with the support of more than 2,100 volunteers, joined by our Chairperson, Ms. Roshni Nadar Malhotra, in Greater Noida. Alongside, new collaborations opened avenues for rehabilitation, skills, and dignified livelihoods for those on the margins.

At the same time, our ongoing programmes continued to create a visible impact on the ground. Samuday's work in Sandila received recognition for driving measurable progress, and the Sports for Change National Finals at Tamil Nadu celebrated the talent and determination of young athletes from across the country. Read all of these updates and more, in the August 2025 edition of our monthly newsletter – Catalyst.

Happy reading!

Warm regards,
HCLFoundation partners and team

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Key Highlights

HCL Day 2025: 49,000 saplings planted nationwide to celebrate 49 Years of HCL

The 49th HCL Day was celebrated on August 11, 2025 with an aim to plant 49,000 saplings across India, uniting employees, partners, and communities in action for the planet. The collective effort of 2100+ volunteers across 10 sites of HCLFoundation pan-India including Gautam Buddha Nagar, Bengaluru, Bengaluru, Chennai, Madurai, Coimbatore, Lucknow, Hardoi, Thoothukudi, Pune and Nagpur led to the successful plantation of 49,000+ saplings.

HCLTech Chairperson Mrs. Roshni Nadar Malhotra joined in on the celebrations by participating in a biodiversity immersion exercise at Harit Upvan Greater Noida West. Thanks to the collective efforts, HCL Day turned from a celebration into a pledge for a greener, stronger, and more hopeful future.



Formalising collaboration and enabling impactful partnerships

My E-Haat by HCLFoundation has entered into a strategic partnership with the Tamil Nadu Department of Prisons and Correctional Services through a formal MoU, signed in the presence of Dr. Maheshwar Dayal (IPS) and Dr. Nidhi Pundhir, Senior Vice President – Global CSR and Director, HCLFoundation. This collaboration aims to support the rehabilitation and reintegration of incarcerated individuals through skill development and livelihood opportunities. Central to this effort is the enhancement of the Freedom Bazaar Unit at Puzhal Prison, with plans to transform its bakery into a public-facing café and marketplace. The initiative seeks to build a scalable, self-sustaining model that boosts inmate income, fosters self-reliance, and contributes to a more inclusive society.



Samuday efforts felicitated under NITI Aayog Aspirational Block Programme

Samuday's by HCLFoundation was felicitated by the Chief Development Officer (CDO) of Hardoi for its significant contributions towards Sandila block under the NITI Aayog Aspirational Block Programme.

Through focused and impactful interventions in health, agriculture, infrastructure, livelihood, and education, Sandila Block of Hardoi achieved remarkable progress and secured the 1st position in the North Zone. It also topped indicator rankings in three thematic areas during the July–September 2024 review period. A video created by the District Administration showcasing these achievements was presented at the Prime Minister's Office, highlighting the transformative work by Samuday.

The felicitation event was graced by the MLA, Block Pramukh–Sandila and the Zila Panchayat President.nce, and contributes to a more inclusive society.



Akshaya shines at Asia Rugby U20 Sevens Trophy

Akshaya represented India at the Asia Rugby U20 Sevens Trophy held in Rajgir, Bihar (9–10 August), following an intensive month-long training camp with Rugby India. Displaying unwavering grit, she helped the team reach the semifinals, where they narrowly lost to China before bouncing back to defeat Uzbekistan and clinch the Bronze medal.

Already a Silver medallist at the Asia Rugby U17 Sevens Trophy, Akshaya continues to raise the bar as she progresses to higher competitive levels, reinforcing her position as one of India's most promising young rugby players.



7th edition of Sports for Change National Finals 2025

From 4–6 August, the 7th edition of Sports for Change National Finals was hosted at SSN College, Chennai.

This year's national finals brought together 758 young athletes from 14 states, selected from an inspiring pool of 12,256 children who participated across 45 district competitions, 9 state championships, and 3 zonal events. It was a true celebration of determination, discipline, and talent across 11 team and individual sports. Tamil Nadu team emerged as the Overall Champions.

The event was inaugurated by:

- Mr. Srinivasan, Trustee, SSN Institutions
- Dr. Nidhi Pundhir, SVP, Global CSR, HCLTech and Director, HCLFoundation
- Mr. Achantha Sharath Kamal, Vice Chairman - Indian Olympic Committee
- Dr. Kala Vijaykumar, Pro Chancellor, SNU President - SSN Institutions
- Mr. Samay Singh Meena, IPS Deputy Commissioner of Police - Traffic, Tambaram
- Mr. Ayush Verma, International Para Athlete

The Closing Ceremony was graced by:

- Mr. Annamalai, Vice President, Shiv Nadar Foundation
- Professor SK Bhattacharya Vice Chancellor Shiv Nadar University
- Ms Chandrakala Associate Vice President HCLTech
- Mr Balamurugan Executive, Vice President HCLTech

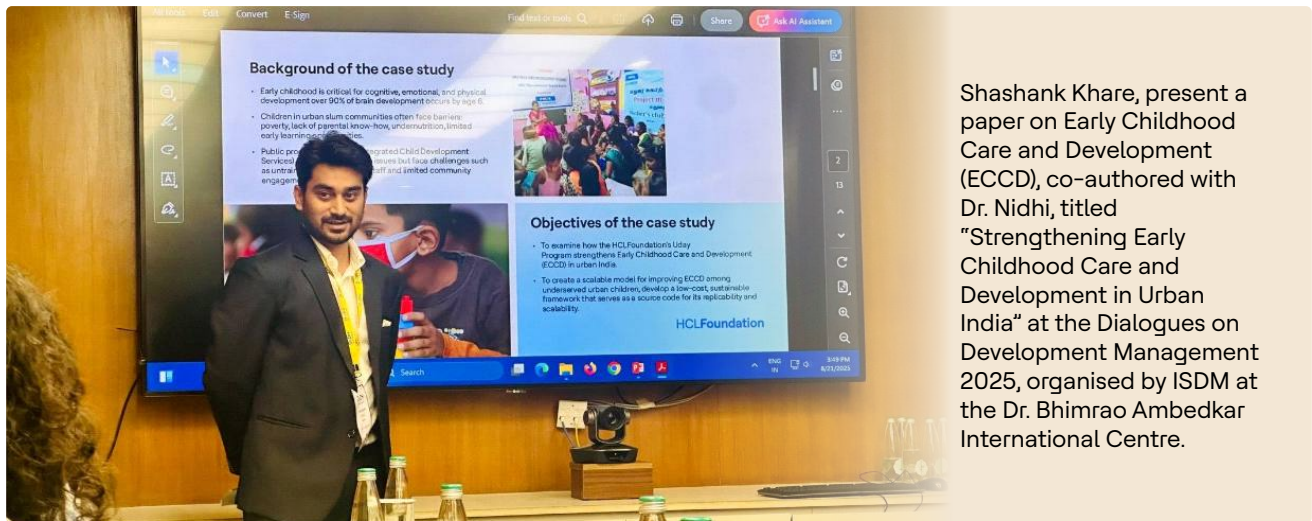
131 basketball wheelchairs were distributed in partnership with the Wheelchair Association, reinforcing our commitment to inclusive and accessible sports.

In partnership with ABFT, Sportshala corner was set up for children to participate in fun fitness activities and win exciting prizes.



Key Representations

Dr. Nidhi Pundhir spoke on a panel at the Water Sustainability Summit 2025, hosted by PHDCCI. Her talk, “Grassroots Water Sustainability through CSR: The HCLFoundation Approach,” highlighted HCLTech’s CSR work in conservation, recharge, and community-led stewardship while also touching upon group-level focus on the subject via initiatives such as the Aquapreneur challenge.



Shashank Khare, present a paper on Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD), co-authored with Dr. Nidhi, titled “Strengthening Early Childhood Care and Development in Urban India” at the Dialogues on Development Management 2025, organised by ISDM at the Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar International Centre.



Dr. Nidhi delivered the opening address at the Corporate Conclave on Biodiversity by the MoEFCC & UNDP at New Delhi. She underscored India's biodiversity wealth, the urgency of urban ecosystem as well as mangrove restoration, and HCLFoundation's commitment through Harit, of course, but also other programmes in synergy – to conserve, restore, and enhance indigenous ecosystems, while highlighting the role of corporate India in integrating biodiversity stewardship into strategic both CSR Policies & ESG frameworks.



Ankit Kumar, moderated a thought-provoking session at the Water Sustainability Summit 2025, held at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, organized by PHDCCI. The session emphasized how smart technologies combined with nature-based solutions can revolutionize water use in industries—making it more efficient, compliant, and sustainable.

Supporting environmental action

Eradication of Dog Mediated Rabies (ErDoMeRa) Campaign

Harit by HCLFoundation, under its Animal Welfare thematic, has kick started the month-long ErDoMeRa Campaign across various locations. At Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve, a workshop trained 50+ frontline forest staff on rabies prevention and its impact on wildlife. In villages around the Moharli Range, a vaccination drive covered 26 dogs with strong community participation.

Similarly in Gautam Buddha Nagar, awareness sessions on dog behavior, rabies prevention, and safe coexistence with animals were conducted across Greater Noida.

- At the Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) camp, over 40 participants were sensitized on understanding dog behavior and preventing rabies.
- A community-outreach drive in collaboration with Doctors For You, engaged with over 200 people from different pockets of Greater Noida, emphasizing the importance of Anti-Rabies Vaccination (ARV) for both humans and animals.
- Further extending the outreach, a two-day program at Center for Upholding Human Animal Relationships, involved more than 170 children and staff from Nanhe Parinde and Gurukul projects of Uday by HCLFoundation. The sessions focused on rabies prevention, dog bite safety, and responsible interaction with community animals, followed by creative activities.

This campaign will continue through September in observance of World Rabies Day.



Driving community engagement towards habitat restoration in Coimbatore

Siruthuli, the Afforestation and Habitat Restoration Partner of Harit convened a focused meeting with over 88 local stakeholders and residents from the Thudiyalur and Singanallur neighbourhoods in Coimbatore. The meeting emphasized the critical role of community-led engagement in driving habitat restoration and ensuring long-term sustainability. The discussions focused on three key areas: the formation of a maintenance group by the local residents, raising awareness on importance and care of urban forest habitats in the larger urban ecologies, and the prevention of plastic and other waste dumping in the afforestation sites.



World Nature Conservation Day Celebration in Madurai

On the occasion of World Nature Conservation Day on July 26th, 40 HCLTech volunteers participated in a plantation drive at the Adavi Sacred Groves, Madurai Kamaraj University, in Madurai, Tamil Nadu. Dhan Foundation, partner of Harit guided volunteers to plant 200 native tree saplings of various species such as *Ficus racemosa* (Cluster Fig), *Terminalia paniculata* (Kindal) and *Madhuca latifolia* (Mahua).



Fostering Environmental Awareness in Schools through comics and bird nests!

World Comics India and Eco Roots Foundation, conducted 28 workshops in 7 schools across Gautam Buddha Nagar and Hyderabad, engaging 1650 students who explored biodiversity and waste management through creation of environmental comics and 560 bird nests. These workshops encourage creativity, build awareness, and inspire responsible action towards environment conservation.



Green School Program – Developing Eco-conscious Schools and Communities in Chennai and Gautam Buddha Nagar

Green School Program of Harit by HCLFoundation focuses on instilling pro-environment values and sustainable practices in schools, while also improving green initiatives on campus. Technology Informatics Design Endeavour (TIDE) in partnership with HCLFoundation under the Green School Program, conducted 18 environment education sessions across 14 schools in Chennai on the conservation of environment, importance of waste segregation and upcycling of plastics. The students had an opportunity to learn hands-on from the dry leaves composter and the 10 rainwater recharge pits installed in schools. In Gautam Buddha Nagar, Gorakhpur Environmental Action Group (GEAG) celebrated Indian Akshay Urja Diwas with 25 children through sessions and activities on clean energy, including slogan-writing and poems competition.



Nadi Ghati Yatra 2025: A community-led campaign for Water Conservation in Karauli, Rajasthan

Inspiring hope and collective action towards sustainable water management and conservation, a five-day community-led campaign “Nadi Ghati Yatra” was organized by Tarun Bharat Sangh and Harit, in Sapotara Valley, Karauli, Rajasthan. The campaign saw the participation of 661 community members from 10 villages to promote water conservation, ecological awareness, and community leadership. 12 jal samvads and 4 bal samvads featured discussions on– water scarcity, low water table, crop failure, climate change, soil erosion, labour migration and transhumance.

Chief outcomes of the campaign include: identification of 154 potential sites for new ponds and anicuts, renewed commitment to inclusivity in community participation in planning of water harvesting structures, pledge to conserve water and plant trees by students, concluding with Kisan Jagriti Shivar – a multi-stakeholder platform in which 170 farmers came together to share the success stories of revived waterbodies and their impact on livelihoods, food security, and community empowerment.



Weaving Tradition with Ecology – Harit Eco-Club at Police Commissionerate Pond celebrates Harit Raksha Bandhan

On 7th August 2025, the Police Commissionerate witnessed a meaningful celebration where cultural tradition met environmental responsibility. A total of 37 women and children from the Harit Eco-Club came together for Harit Raksha Bandhan under the theme “Ek Rakhi Prakriti Ke Naam Ki.” With the support of Gorakhpur Environmental Action Group (GEAG), participants created eco-friendly rakhis using natural and waste materials and tied them to trees within the premises. Each rakhi became a symbol of love, care, and commitment to protecting the environment. Participants took an environmental pledge to safeguard trees, reduce plastic use, and conserve natural resources.



Transforming rural communities



District workshop demonstrates digital education skills in Hardoi

A district level workshop was held in Government Inter College in Hardoi, Uttar Pradesh from August 22 -23, under the theme “Empowering Rural Futures through Digital Literacy and Innovation”. Part of Digital Literacy and Capacity Building Campaign (DLCC), it saw 250+ students showcase a diverse range of projects that reflected their learning and creativity, including 45 MS Office projects and 38 Scratch animation projects. A gallery walk and a certificate distribution ceremony honored students achievements.

The workshop was inaugurated by Shri Vijay Pratap Singh, Basic Shiksha Adhikari (BSA), Hardoi; Shri Yogesh Kumar, Deputy General Manager, HCLFoundation; Shri Maanavendra Singh, Senior Sector Lead, HCLFoundation and Shri Alok Singh, Senior Project Associate, ARTPARK.



Artisan feedback session promotes economic independence for 20 artisans

On August 5, an artisan feedback session was conducted at Rithwe Chikankari Hastkala and Taat Hand Embroidery Centers in Kachhauna block of Hardoi district.

At Rithwe, 20 artisans completed 30 intricately embroidered stoles in just 3 days, while 15 artisans at Taat produced 280 hand-embroidered items including tote bags, pouches, and envelope pouches within 12 days. The centers are now seen as hubs of creativity and social change, fostering women's economic independence and personal transformation.



Samuday advances digital and leadership capacities in artisan communities

A workshop on digital literacy, entrepreneurship, and leadership for artisan communities was held on August 22 at the Samuday Crafts Hub, Sandila.

Directors, board members and artisan leaders engaged in hands-on sessions covering smartphone use, pricing strategies, and participatory governance. Artisans gained confidence in digital tools, improved business practices, and strengthened group leadership. Feedback also highlighted efficient customer communication and improved conflict.



Artisans showcase exception craftsmanship at Rithwe Center in Hardoi

From August 2–5, artisans at the Rithwe Chikankari Center, Behendar block, Hardoi, completed an order of 34 stoles in just three days. The effort showcased their teamwork, craftsmanship, and resilience, meeting quality expectations and highlighting the power of collective purpose as an example for the artisan community.



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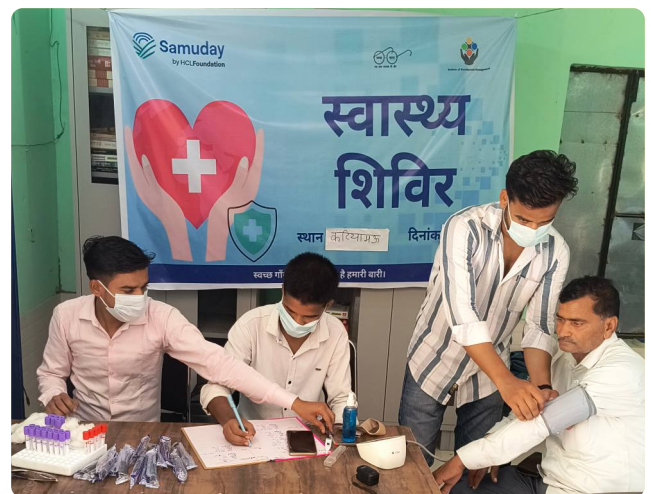
Over 2,000 saplings planted on 49th HCL Day in Thoothukudi

Samuday by HCLFoundation celebrated 49th HCL Day on August 11 across Vilathikulam and Pudur blocks in Thoothukudi district of Tamil Nadu. The Harit initiative by HCLFoundation facilitated the plantation drive by distributing 2,033 saplings to promote sustainable, community-led development. The drive was inaugurated by the Forest Ranger, Assistant Director of Agriculture, HCLFoundation staff and farmers from the Chithavanayakanpatti Panchayat.



Health camp for green friends increased promoted safer work practices in Hardoi

A health camp was organized by Samuday at Katiyama Panchayat Bhawan on August 21 in Hardoi district of Uttar Pradesh. The camp provided screenings, hygiene kits and delivered awareness sessions on usage of safety kits, nutrition, and disease prevention for 19 sanitation workers (Safai Karamcharis). Participants received information on Government schemes like Ayushman Bharat and medical referrals as well.



Capacity building training on SWM held for green friends

On August 23, a hands-on training for 36 Green friends focused on waste segregation, safe street sweeping, drain cleaning, and safety kit use was conducted at Katiyamau Panchayat Bhawan in Hardoi. Practical modules and live demos enhanced skills and safety awareness among participants, and stakeholders discussed integrating Solid Waste Management into village plans to encourage sustainable sanitation practices. Essential equipment was also distributed as a token of appreciation.



District Chapter Meeting for TB Elimination held in Sandila

This month, under Samuday's Tuberculosis Elimination Programme, a district Chapter Meeting was held in Sandila block to strengthen survivor-led advocacy and coordination. Key discussions focused on the role of TB Champions, the NTEP (National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme) structure and strategies for community engagement.

The meeting concluded with the election of office bearers and planning for district-level membership expansion to enhance TB response efforts.



Poshan Mitra Training held under Samuday's Kuposhan Mukht Gram Panchayat (KPGP)

This month an orientation training was organized for 150 Community Volunteers (CVs) also known as Poshan Mitras in 5 different batches across Behendar, Kothawan, Sandila and Kacchuna blocks of Hardoi. The sessions covered key topics on anemia, nutrition, malnutrition and SBCC (Social and Behaviour Change Communication) activities. The training aimed to enhance knowledge, empower team with latest updates, policies and strengthen project implementation skills.



Capacity building session and exposure visit of CHO's held in Hardoi

A two-day training cum capacity building programme for CHO's (Community Health Officers) of 45 AAM's (Ayushman Arogya Mandir) was held at the CMO office in Hardoi as part of the Quality Accreditation Program.

Additionally, a two-day exposure visit was also organized for the CHO's of 18 AAM facilities at Kakedi (Sandi) and Mehri (Kacchauna). They were sensitized on all service packages, NQAS (National Quality Assurance Standards) checklist and quality programme overview.



Empowering NGOs that transform rural India

HCLTech Grant continues to empower children through SFC

HCLTech Grant Partners across India joined hands with Sports for Change (SFC) for bringing together aspiring athletes for the SFC National Championship 2025. The event held in Chennai from August 4 to 6, 2025 provided a powerful platform to the HCLTech Grant partners from 6 states to nurture the 'Under 16' student champions from government schools and gurukuls to break through the barriers of social inequality. Special thanks to Eleutheros Christian Society (ECS) - Nagaland, The Corbett Foundation (TCF) - Assam, Meghshala Trust - Sikkim, Social Revival Group of Urban Rural and Tribal (SROUT) - Chhattisgarh, Child Right and You (CRY) - Madhya Pradesh and PlanatEarth - Kerala, for their support in organizing the District, State & Zonal Championships and supporting the children to leverage this platform.



A Green Celebration with HCLTech Grant partners

In a powerful expression of its commitment to environmental sustainability, HCLTech celebrated its 49th HCL Day with a mega plantation drive, planting over 49,000 indigenous tree saplings across India. HCLTech Grant partners also participated in the celebration by joining hands in this noble initiative. The HCLTech Grant Edition X, #Environment category recipients - Lokmata Rani Rashmoni Mission planted 37,208 saplings in the North and South 24 Parganas, West Bengal and Gram Gourav Pratisthan, planted 111 saplings in Udachiwadi, Pune, Maharashtra.



HCLTech Grant Edition XI – Abstract Review (key highlight)

HCLTech Grant Edition XI has reached a milestone with 300 innovative projects shortlisted from the rigorous second stage of Abstract Review, showcasing promising solutions across critical themes like Water, Biodiversity, Health, and Education. August 25 to 27, 2025 were three intensive days of discussion and discourse, where our 14 Subject Matter Experts, HCLFoundation team members and our governance partner, came together to review 1866 applications and selected 92 abstracts in the category of Education, 89 in Health, 62 in Water and 57 in Biodiversity. These organizations that have successfully navigated their way through this stage will be invited to send in their Detailed Proposal, marking their progress in the journey towards becoming a recipient of HCLTech Grant.



ESG and Sustainable Development : Driving the future of responsible business – A lecture at FORE School of Management

Mr. Anuj Srivastava, Senior Manager at HCLFoundation, delivered an insightful guest lecture at the FORE School of Management, New Delhi on 28th August 2025. The session focused on the crucial theme of 'ESG Framework and Sustainable Development', offering students valuable perspectives on integrating environmental, social, and governance principles into sustainable growth strategies. He shared deep insights on how ESG principles are shaping the future of responsible business practices and sustainable growth. The session not only enriched academic learning but also inspired young minds to view development through the lens of sustainability and ethical responsibility.



Vision on Wheels – Bringing Light to Little Eyes

Gurupriya Vision Research Foundation, HCLTech Grant Edition X, winner #Health Category, is creating a remarkable impact through its project titled: Vision on Wheels. This initiative focuses on eradicating childhood blindness due to Retinopathy of Prematurity (ROP), across over 10,000 villages in Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh reaching some of the most underserved communities with advanced eye-care interventions. Through mobile eye-care units and community outreach, Vision on Wheels not only brings medical expertise to the doorsteps of families but also spreads awareness about preventive healthcare.

On 5th August 2025, Mr. Anuj Srivastava, Senior Manager, HCLFoundation, visited the project sites in Tamil Nadu. During this visit, he interacted with the beneficiaries and witnessed firsthand life changing difference, the initiative is making – restoring hope, vision and a brighter future for countless children.



Breaking the cycle of urban poverty

Bengaluru

Independence Day Celebration

We celebrated the 79th Independence Day with immense enthusiasm and pride. The event began with a warm welcome to 13 volunteers from HCLTech, following Head Held High Foundation's traditional welcome rituals, followed by a welcome note, the heartfelt singing of the National Anthem, and a brief reflection on the significance of the day, reminding everyone of the sacrifices made for our nation's independence. The celebration featured an engaging Patriotic Quiz competition, encouraging both trainees and Volunteers to deepen their knowledge of India's history and freedom movement. A team-building activity was also conducted, adding an element of fun and camaraderie to the occasion.



Melagiri Natural Products Company Board meeting

The Board and Shareholders Meeting of Melagiri Natural Products Pvt. Ltd., facilitated by the Rural Development Council (RDC) on August 28, 2025, served as a strategic forum for reviewing business performance and aligning on future priorities. Shareholders actively assessed sales and procurement trends, discussed operational challenges, and proposed strategies to enhance revenue, streamline supply chains, and strengthen financial oversight. The meeting fostered consensus on exploring new markets and improving profitability, with shareholders reaffirming their commitment to the company's long-term growth and impact.



Bengaluru

Empowering Army Veterans through Entrepreneurship

A business Information Center (BIC) workshop was held in Bangalore, supported by HCLFoundation and facilitated by I Create India, to train 29 retiring Indian Army veterans in entrepreneurship. The session empowered participants to explore business opportunities across diverse sectors including food services, agriculture, retail, and manufacturing. Veterans pitched ideas ranging from dairy farms and sweet shops to auto servicing and digital platforms, reflecting a strong drive to become job creators and contribute to local economies.



Free Cancer Screening Camps Promote Early Detection and Awareness

On 11th and 22nd August 2025, KHPT, in collaboration with the Indian Cancer Society and Mahila Arogya Samithi (MAS), organized free cancer screening camps at Weavers Colony and Gottigere UPHC. The initiative focused on raising awareness and providing early detection services for oral, breast, and cervical cancers. With active community participation, 172 individuals were screened and counseled. The camps emphasized lifestyle changes, timely screening, and community support reinforcing the message that awareness and prevention are key to reducing the cancer burden.



Promoting Breastfeeding Awareness in ECCD Crèches

To celebrate World Breastfeeding Week (1–7 August 2025), ECCD crèches in Mayabazar, Pillaganahalli, and Anandapuram supported by HCL Foundation and implemented by IHMR organized engaging activities for 207 beneficiaries. The week featured rallies, demonstrations, nutrition sessions, and the “Daddy Cool” initiative to involve fathers. These efforts strengthened family support and promoted healthy breastfeeding and nutrition practices in the community.



Ayushman Bharat Health Card Camp Enhances Access

KHPT organized a volunteering-driven Ayushman Bharat Health Card Generation Camp at Weavers Colony to improve access to government healthcare services. Supported by HCL Foundation, the camp saw active involvement from a Program Officer and four volunteers who guided residents through registration and card generation. The initiative registered 307 individuals, created 83 new health cards, and helped 132 beneficiaries download their cards bridging documentation gaps and strengthening community access to quality healthcare.



Bengaluru

Project Vayati Empowers LGBTIQ+ Community Through Outreach and Training

Solidarity Foundation's Project Vayati has mobilized 67 community members, with preparations underway for the next entrepreneurship training batch. Awareness sessions in Ullal and Luggere reached 90 individuals, focusing on inclusion and empowerment. Ten members completed the first round of entrepreneurship training, with exposure visits and business planning as next steps. The project also facilitated access to social entitlements for 43 individuals, including E-Shram cards and Transgender ID cards. A proposal for partnership with BBMP is in progress, aiming to strengthen institutional support for the LGBTIQ+ community.



Chennai

Lung Cancer Screening

The objective of this activity is to identify the tobacco smokers/chewers in the community aged above 40 years who use more than a pack a day for lung cancer screening and provide cessation intervention. 487 households were surveyed where 42 tobacco users were fulfilled the inclusion criteria for the study. 15 patients were screened for Lung Cancer.



Community- Based Tobacco Cessation

The objective was to identify tobacco smokers and chewers in the community who have been using tobacco for prolonged periods and provide them with cessation interventions to help them quit. Individuals were identified through lung cancer screenings and the Tobacco Cessation Centre in the communities of Chemmanchery, Kannagi Nagar, Perumbakkam, and Gandhi Nagar. 18 users received tobacco cessation support.



Outreach activity and Kits Distribution

The outreach team conducted activities in Ashok Nagar area, connecting with street-dwelling individuals and distributing essential kits containing biscuits and water. Information about shelter facilities, accommodation, food, medical support, and psychosocial care was shared. The initiative emphasized patience, respectful engagement, and consistent presence to build relationships and maintain awareness of available services.



Chennai

Under The Star Event

Under the Star event was conducted in Kannagi Nagar with participation from the local community and police boys and girls club. The evening featured cultural programmes, puppet shows, and a skit performed by senior PBGC students who completed their 2024-2025 diploma under the HCLF-Banyan project on homelessness. Over 107 attendees participated, though some were reluctant to register formally. The programme aimed to kindle awareness about homelessness, empathetic approaches toward homeless individuals, and care pathways.



Mothers' referral details from Perumbakkam PHC for the Home Visit Support

Our Community Health Workers received high-risk referral details through the WhatsApp group created by the Perumbakkam Hospital team. 10 referrals were received in the month of August. During the referral follow-up, mothers were counselled on key aspects such as antenatal registration, anemia prevention, and risks associated with teenage pregnancy. They are also mentally prepared for care at a higher center when needed.



Breastfeeding Week Awareness Programme

As part of International Breastfeeding Week, a series of awareness programs were conducted across various ICDS centres PHCs, and community locations in Perumbakkam and surrounding areas. The sessions aimed to promote the importance of breastfeeding, educate mothers on proper lactation practices, and strengthen community knowledge on infant nutrition and care. These programs targeted pregnant mothers and lactation mothers, healthcare workers, and ICDS staff, ensuring that vital information reached both caregivers and community health providers. 114 programme participants were impacted through these sessions.



Chennai

Independence Day Celebrated

79th Independence Day was celebrated with great pride and joy at Anandha Illam. Preparations began early, with Superintendent Mr. Muthupandian inviting Chief Guest Mr. P. Panneerselvam, a corporate professional and passionate traveller. On August 15th, the campus was decorated with flags and tri-colour themes, setting a festive atmosphere. The programme commenced with Tamil Thai Vazhthu, followed by flag hoisting and the Flag Anthem. Mr. Panneerselvam delivered an inspiring speech on the value of freedom, education, and his travel experiences, motivating children to dream big and prepare for challenges. The event concluded with a Vote of Thanks, cake cutting, and chocolate distribution, leaving all with renewed pride and inspiration.



Reviving Tradition: Silambam Training Kicks Off in School

OfERR kick-started Silambam (folk art) training at ADW Government Higher Secondary School, Paduvencherry on 20th August 2025. The students joined with great excitement and energy, displaying their interest in learning this traditional art. The School Headmaster extended warm thanks to HCLFoundation and OfERR for bringing this wonderful opportunity to the students.



Enrollment in Govt. ITI, Ambattur

Five students from CHES joined on their first day at Government ITI, Ambattur. The department conducted a Freshers' Day programme for the students and the Head of the Department provided an orientation session on the ITI.



Group Activity on Team Work

Facilitator conducted a Life Skills Session focusing on the theme of Teamwork. The session aimed to help children understand the concept and importance of working together using simple and relatable examples. The training introduced the idea of teamwork by encouraging children to share their thoughts, followed by explaining that teamwork means working together to achieve a common goal. Real-life examples such as playing football, singing in a choir, and sharing responsibilities were discussed to illustrate situations where collective effort is necessary. The training explaining about the key team qualities like sharing, helping, listening, respect, and encouragement, interactive scenarios (e.g., sharing crayons, helping a friend, respecting opinions).



Chennai

Children's Parliament Follow-up Training

The OfERR team conducted a follow-up training session for the Children's Parliament at the Government Higher Secondary School, Madampakkam. During the session, students discussed their roles and responsibilities in the Children's Parliament and reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting.



Participation In Job Fairs

Job fairs created valuable opportunities to expand placement prospects for our trainees. Transgender and Non PwD trainees participated in the Pealtri Foundation Job Fair at Medavakkam, where they interacted with leading companies including Manpower Group, V4U, Gopaldass Jewellery, Altruist, FirstSource, and Jio. These events provided exposure, industry interaction, and pathways toward employment.



Police Boys & Girls Club Staff Capacity Building

A capacity building training session was conducted for the staff, held in Puducherry, organized by HCLFoundation and implemented by the HOPE Foundation and Bro Siga Social Service Guild for 90 participants. The event combined training with an exposure visit for the Police Boys & Girls Club staff. The Workshop was graced by dignitaries including Mr. Newton Raj C, Senior Manager, Mr. Henry from the Child Welfare Committee (CWC), Mr. Sundaramoorthy, Founder of Bro Siga Social Service Guild, and Mr. Srinivaasan, Project Manager of the HOPE Foundation.

The day featured sessions on the Child Protection Policy, program reporting, and a review of club performance data through dashboard presentations.



Hyderabad

Emotional & Life Skills sessions to Students

To empower students with essential emotional intelligence and life skills towards holistic development & growth organized sessions at 5 Govt. High Schools benefitting 178 students. These sessions are designed to help high school students navigate the challenges of adolescence by developing self-awareness, empathy, communication skills, and resilience. Sessions include Emotional Balance, Stress Management, Decision Making, Goal Setting & self awareness etc. These sessions are organized by Nirmaan NGO.



Independence Day Celebrations

On the occasion of Independence Day organized Essay Writing, Quiz, and Drawing Competitions for students at various Government High Schools and HCL Yuvakendras at Hyderabad on the theme of "Vikasit Bharat", with a focus on Education, Youth Empowerment and Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH).

350 + students actively participated, showcasing their creativity, knowledge, and awareness of key developmental themes. These competitions aimed to foster civic responsibility, critical thinking, and artistic expression among students. The initiative was successfully conducted by Nirmaan, MARI & Head Held High NGOs.



National Sports Day Celebrations

On the occasion of National Sports Day, celebrated on 29th August, Sports Competitions were organized for students at Government High School, Raj Bhavan, Hyderabad. The event aimed to promote a vibrant sports culture among students, emphasizing the importance of physical fitness and psychological well-being. 200+ Students actively participated in various sports activities, showcasing their enthusiasm, teamwork, and competitive spirit. It was organized by Nirmaan NGO.



Menstrual Hygiene Awareness Sessions for Girls

Menstrual Hygiene sessions were conducted at various Govt. High Schools to empower girls with accurate information about menstruation, hygiene practices, and the importance of self-care. These sessions aimed to create a safe and supportive environment where girls could ask questions, share experiences, and learn without stigma. It helps to educate adolescent girls on menstrual hygiene management, break taboos, and promote healthy practices for their physical and emotional well-being. These sessions were organized by MARI NGO.



Sports for Change National Finals 2025

RKVM participated in the 7th edition of the HCL Foundation's Sports for Change National Finals held in Chennai. After qualifying through the Northeast Zonal competitions, the boys' Football and girls' Kho-Kho teams from West Bengal reached the national stage, joined by the girls' Kabaddi team who had already secured their spot. A total of 42 athletes represented RKVM with remarkable spirit. The Football team remained undefeated through zonal and played exceptionally well at the nationals, narrowly missing a spot in the finals. The Kho-Kho team reached the semi-finals, showcasing grit and teamwork.



Raksha Bandhan Celebrated

The beneficiaries of the Non-Formal School at Mukti Centre celebrated Raksha Bandhan with joy and creativity. The event began with a Rakhi-making workshop where children handcrafted beautiful Rakhis. These were then tied on each other's wrists, symbolizing love, care, and friendship. The celebration concluded with a delicious serving of Puri and Halwa, adding sweetness to the bonds formed.



Independence Day Celebration

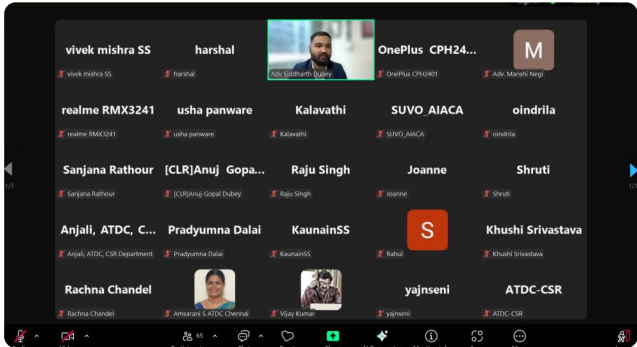
The 79th Independence Day was celebrated with patriotic fervor at Gurukul Education Centre. The programme began with the hoisting of the National Flag, followed by inspiring stories about Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose. Children paid tribute by drawing his portrait and expressing heartfelt admiration for his role in India's freedom struggle.



Lucknow

12th Shilp Charcha Session

The 12th edition of Shilp Charcha on “Understanding Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs)” was organised by AIACA with support from HCLFoundation and in collaboration with SME Forum. The session, led by Advocate Siddharth Dubey, engaged 147 participants, including 82 online attendees and 65+ artisans from different centres.



World Breastfeeding Week

Mamta HIMC, with support from the HCLFoundation, celebrated World Breastfeeding Week through a series of community-based activities. A total of 19 events were conducted, engaging 371 participants. The events included community meetings, poster displays, and doll demonstrations to educate mothers on proper breastfeeding techniques. Awareness was further enhanced through rallies, short film screenings of “Amma Ji Kahti Hai”, and interactive discussions on early initiation and exclusive breastfeeding. These initiatives contributed to promoting maternal well-being, supporting infant health, and strengthening community awareness on the vital role of breastfeeding.



Nukkad Natak to Spread Awareness on WASH

As part of the Ankur Yuva Chetna Shivar, a Nukkad Natak was performed by 16 Class 6 students from the School WASH Committee at GGIC, Gomti Nagar, reaching an audience of 32 peers. The street play effectively spread key messages on health, hygiene, and sanitation using IEC tools. HCLTechies actively encouraged student participation, boosting their confidence and reinforcing positive hygiene behaviors through creative peer-led engagement.



Orientation Workshop of ASHA, ANM, and Staff Nurse

An orientation workshop was conducted for ASHA workers, ANMs, and Staff Nurses, focusing on Safe Abortion, the Medical Termination of Pregnancy (MTP) Act 1971, and Respectful Care. To facilitate active participation, the workshop incorporated interactive activities, quizzes, and educational games, which enhanced knowledge retention and engagement among the participants. A key highlight was the role play presented by the ABK team, which effectively portrayed real-life situations and emphasized the importance of empathy and respectful healthcare practices. The workshop was graced by the presence of distinguished guests, including Ms. Kavita, Dr. Shipra, and Dr. Seema from CHC. Total Participants 28



Lucknow

Distribution of Raincoats to Traffic Police Officials

In collaboration with CHETNA we successfully distributed 500 raincoats to Traffic Police officials, Home Guards, and PRD personnel at the Traffic Police Line, Sadar Bazar. The distribution ceremony was graced by ACP Traffic Line, Shri Pradeep Kumar Yadav, and Traffic Inspector Shri Shailesh Pandey, under the guidance of DCP Traffic. We received formal acknowledgement from the Traffic Police for the distribution of the raincoats. HCLF team was present during the ceremony, and the Traffic Police officials expressed appreciation for the collaboration and support extended by CHETNA and HCLFoundation.



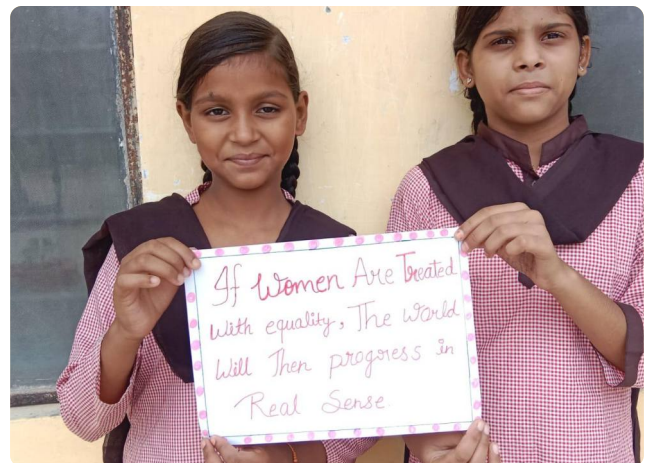
Capacity Building Workshop on FLN

CLR, with support from HCLFoundation, conducted a 3-day workshop for 45 ICDS Supervisors and Anganwadi workers from Model AWCs in Lucknow. As the project enters its third year, the training focused on Foundational Literacy and Numeracy through 11 hands-on activities. Participants co-developed a 3-month "Hub & Spoke" plan and explored inclusivity and gender equity in early education. The workshop was highly appreciated for its practical relevance strong foundation.



Empowering Girls through Awareness and Dialogue

On the occasion of Women's Equality Day, a special session was organized to help adolescent girls understand the meaning and significance of the day. Through an inspiring video, a thought-provoking drama, and creative poster-making activities, the girls reflected on their rights, equality in society, and the harsh reality that women are often denied these rights. To strengthen this initiative, an informative Law and Safety Session was conducted at KGBV Chinhat in collaboration with Counselor Ms. Swarnima Singh from Suraksha and the Police Department. Students were introduced to emergency helpline numbers and guided on how to understand situations better and respond with awareness and wisdom. The girls' enthusiastic participation highlighted how vital such conversations are especially for adolescents from marginalized backgrounds who, living in residential schools, seldom get the chance to engage with these sensitive yet crucial topics.



Madurai

Municipal corporation Award presented HCLFoundation

On the occasion of the 79th Independence Day Celebrations HCLFoundation was honoured with an Award and Appreciation from the Madurai Municipal Corporation for our impactful CSR initiatives implemented in both schools and communities during FY 2024-25.

The award was presented in the esteemed presence of:

1. Ms. Chitra Vijayan, IAS, Commissioner
2. Ms. Indrani Ponvasanth, Mayor

along with other distinguished officials.

It was a proud moment for our Madurai consortium partners and HCLTech Madurai to receive this recognition on behalf of HCLFoundation



Telescope and Solar Observation Workshop at My School

The Young Kalam Discovery Science Centre hosted a School visit for Corporation school students and teachers. Students observed the Sun safely using solar filters and learned about sunspots, solar flares, and the importance of solar studies. Students learned about different types of telescopes (refractor, reflector, mirror) and their uses. They gained hands-on practice in telescope parts, setting up, adjusting, assembly, and alignment and operating a telescope gaining practical knowledge of astronomical instruments. Strengthened knowledge of celestial objects and the importance of the Sun for life on Earth and its role in weather and climate.



Breast Feeding Week @ ECCD Centre

A World Breastfeeding Week programme was organized by the ECCD center in Madurai at Vandiyur. The benefits of breastfeeding were explained by Dr. Shanmathy from Urban Health and Wellness center- Vandiyur, while insights on the impact of breastfeeding on child survival, health, and common challenges were shared by Dr. Nilofer, gynecologist from the HCLFoundationHealthcare Unit. The role of healthcare professionals in promoting and supporting breastfeeding was also emphasized.



Madurai

School Recipe competition

Four Inter-School Recipe Competitions were organized across clusters of schools in Manimegalai, Elango Corporation, Mahaboopalayam, and EVRN to promote healthy eating among students. The initiative aimed to encourage nutritious food habits and motivate students towards becoming anemia-free. Participants presented innovative, nutrient-rich recipes with a special emphasis on iron-rich foods for anemia prevention. The competitions were judged by Nutrition Expert Mr. Mohamed Riyas, who also shared valuable guidance on healthy eating practices. The program not only raised awareness about balanced diets but also fostered peer learning, encouraged community participation, and inspired positive behavior changes towards healthier lifestyles.



Children Parliament Election at My School

HCLFoundation-OfERR organized Model Children's Parliament Elections at Elango Corporation Higher Secondary School (6th August) and Ponmudiyar Corporation Girls Higher Secondary School (25th August). Students from Classes 6–12 participated enthusiastically, with 88% polling at Elango and 87% at Ponmudiyar. Contesting students from Classes 6–9 campaigned actively among their peers, gaining valuable exposure to democratic practices. The process extended beyond the school, as children shared their learning with parents and community members. They highlighted the importance of democracy, the value of each single vote, and the objectives of the Children's Parliament. Through these elections, children experienced democracy in action and understood their Right to Participation in a practical way. They also gained confidence, teamwork, and communication skills that will prepare them for responsible citizenship.



Teachers Embrace the TRUST Model

The Happy Schooling initiative has organized One day Training on Conversational Intelligence for Teachers and it was facilitated by Happy schooling team and Mental Health professionals. The programme highlighted how purposeful conversations can build trust, enhance leadership, and create emotionally supportive classrooms. Through mindfulness and reflective exercises; teachers learned how fear, assumptions, and biases often hinder dialogue, while appreciation and acknowledgment strengthen relationships. A key highlight was the TRUST Model (Transparency, Relationship, Understanding, Sharing Success, Testing Assumptions), which offered a practical framework for effective school leadership.



Nagpur

5 Years of Women's Empowerment

Aroha Multipurpose Society, with support from HCLFoundation, celebrated five years of two inspiring SHGs—Aroha Shanti and Aroha Krupa. Together, 32 women saved over ₹3.5 lakh, supporting households, health, and small loans while building confidence and resilience. With renewed enthusiasm, both groups restarted their savings in September 2025, continuing their journey toward financial independence and collective empowerment.



WASH Campaign in NMC Schools

MeLol, with support from HCLFoundation, launched a WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) campaign across 10 Nagpur Municipal Corporation schools. The initiative engaged 609 students and 36 teachers, emphasizing simple yet vital practices like washing hands and feet before meals and after returning home, fostering healthier habits to prevent illness and promote overall well-being among school students and teachers.



SSC Annual Felicitation Event 2025

On 19th August, Masoom with support from HCLFoundation felicitated students from 28 NMC Schools and 4 Night Schools for their SSC Board Exam achievements at HCLTech Campus, Nagpur. The event saw 178 participants. 9 schools honored which achieved 100% results. Distinguished guests, including Mr. Shailesh Awale, AVP and Centre Head, HCLTech- Nagpur, Mr. Shashank Khare from HCLFoundation and Mr. Vinay Baghle NMC Education Department, graced the occasion, inspiring students and teachers with their encouragement.



Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Remembrance Day

The Young Kalam Discovery Science Centre, operated by NGO SEDT with support from HCLFoundation, observed Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Remembrance Day with enthusiasm. Students participated in quiz and drawing competitions celebrating his life and contributions. Top performers were awarded books and learning materials, while all participants received educational material, fostering curiosity and honoring Dr. Kalam's vision for education and innovation.



Nagpur

Entrepreneurship Workshop for Retiring Army Personnel

I Create India, with support from HCLFoundation, has set up Business Information Centers (BIC) in Nagpur to train retiring Indian Army personnel in entrepreneurship. In August 2025, a workshop was held with 41 participants exploring diverse business ideas including dairy farming, food ventures, retail shops, construction, and services—encouraging them to become job creators and pursue sustainable livelihoods.



79th Independence Day Celebration

The 79th Independence Day was celebrated at Yuvakendra, Government ITI College, Nagpur, operated by Head Held High Foundation with support from HCLFoundation. Over 20 students participated, joined by Shri. Siddharth Meher, Group Instructor, and staff members. The event concluded with students taking a pledge for a clean and skilled India, reaffirming their commitment to nation-building.



Noida

Independence Day Celebration at Saksham

20 HCLTechies celebrated Independence Day and Janmashtami along with students at Saksham centre. The national flag was unfurled, children presented songs, skits, spoke about the relevance of our Independence.



Distribution of Enabling Kits in Government Schools to Promote Inclusion

Enabling kits were distributed followed by structured workshop in four Government schools of Birsakh block at Noida. These kits have been carefully curated to promote accessibility in classrooms and include a range of teaching and learning materials that can be effectively utilized for students with diverse disabilities, including visual, hearing and intellectual.

During the workshop, teachers were provided with hands-on demonstrations and guidance on adapting the available resources to cater to individual learning needs. Also ensure active participation of children with disabilities in both academic and co-curricular activities.



Noida

Nurturing Potential: Creating Pathways for Students with Visual Impairments

HCLFoundation, in partnership with Saksham, proudly hosted the 4th edition of 'Right to Write' at KNMA, HCLTech Noida Campus. An annual competition designed to empower visually challenged students through digital literacy. This year's event witnessed 70 students from 12 states come together to showcase their proficiency in Hindi and English typing on laptops and smartphones, proving that technology can be a true enabler of independence. Across junior and senior categories, 12 winners were awarded assistive devices. HCLTech volunteers and HCLFoundation team members supported as readers and enablers. Additionally, vocational products made by students with multiple disabilities were displayed and sold, generating ₹5,000+ and highlighting their talent and resilience.



IT Workshop with Teachers

A hands-on workshop was organized for 55 teachers in 4 schools by Katha team. The workshop aimed to orient educators about the innovative strategies for integrating STEM and digital learning into classrooms. The sessions featured interactive discussions and practical activities using the Masti Kites and Robo Dost curriculum, which align with the Grades 6–10 syllabus. Teachers found the workshop highly relevant and appreciated the hands-on approach.



Felicitating Excellence on Outstanding Achievements of Visually Challenged Students

NGO partner Saksham hosted felicitation ceremony of visually challenged students who have passed class X and XII this year with remarkable marks. Along with these 3 students from vocational group having multiple disabilities were also felicitated. HCLTechie - Deepak also joined and contributed in compiling testimonies of these students, teachers and their parents.

The event served as a reminder that success comes in many forms — and every milestone whether academic or vocational deserves to be honored.



SME visit to Educational Intervention Sites

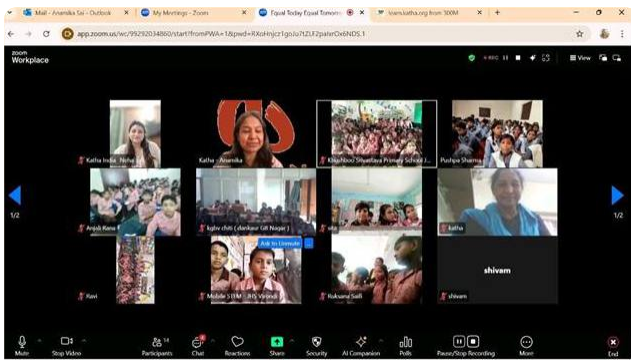
In a series of field visit by SME, Mr. Santosh, he explored a range of interventions including Gurukul programmes, Digital and STEM projects in schools along with Saksham. The objective of these visits was to assess key programmatic areas, review impact indicators and identify opportunities for further enhancement and innovation at field level.



Noida

“Equal Day, Equal Tomorrow”

Our partner Katha conducted an online session titled “Equal Today, Equal Tomorrow”, facilitated by an expert. The session focused on gender equality and breaking stereotypes through interactive discussions, real-life examples, and a picture-based quiz. 500 students and 18 teachers from six schools participated. Students shared thoughtful reflections—students raised a concern about educational inequality at home, encouraging a child to join.



Celebrating Young Achievers on Independence Day

On the occasion of the 79th Independence Day, 200 Nanhe Parinde children who successfully passed their previous class and progressed to the next were felicitated with gifts and certificates at the Police Commissionerate Gautam Buddha Nagar. The event was graced by Smt. Laxmi Singh, Commissioner of Police, Gautam Buddha Nagar (Chief Guest), Mr. Rajiv Narayan Mishra, DIG, Law & Order, Gautam Buddha Nagar, Dr. Nidhi Pundhir and Mr. Sanjay Gupta, Director, CHETNA.



Engagement of Parents in STEM Programme

50 parents participated in the PTM session conducted in 3 schools where they were introduced to the Mobile STEM Lab in 3 schools and its impact on student learning. Teachers discussed students’ progress and shared work done in computer classes. Parents appreciated the digital exposure their children are receiving and expressed interest in continued engagement.



Supporting Noida Traffic Police under DRR Response

Under DRR efforts under the Nanhe Parinde Project, 500 raincoats were distributed to Noida Traffic Police personnel to support them in carrying out their duties during the monsoon. As part of the event, around 40 police personnel received raincoats symbolically in the presence of the DCP Traffic Mr. Lakhan Singh Yadav. It was also discussed during the meeting that training sessions will be organized for traffic police personnel to help them extend timely support to children they may come across during their duty.



Noida

Nanhe Parinde Takes Flight at Shiv Nadar School

The Nanhe Parinde team participated in a two-day event at Shiv Nadar School, showcasing the education van, Badhte Kadam federation, Srijan curriculum, Balaknama newspaper, and creative learning materials. The stall engaged students and educators, sparking curiosity about inclusive, child-led education.



Promoting safe co-existence with our community furry friends!

In a cross thematic convergence, 2-day awareness sessions were conducted at Cen-Uphar centre by the Harit Animal Welfare team for 170+ students and staff from Nanhe Parinde and Gurukul. The sessions covered rabies prevention, dog behaviour, and dog bite safety, followed by creative activities.



World Breastfeeding Week 2025

HCLFoundation's ECCD & Health Partners – Cohesion Foundation Trust, Mobile Creches, Nalandaway Foundation, Doctors For You, FPAI, and Agragami – marked World Breastfeeding Week (1-7 Aug 2025). The campaign engaged 249+ mothers and 525+ community members through father circle meetings, nukkad natak, interactive quizzes, mother-to-mother support, and guidebook and learning kit distribution, supported by ICDS, ASHA/ANM, and Anganwadi workers.



Mega Training for Anganwadi Workers and Helpers

NalandaWay Foundation, ECCD partner under Uday by HCLFoundation, conducted the 7th Mega Training for Anganwadi Workers and Helpers in Gautam Buddha Nagar on the theme of Inclusion, with a focus on Gender. Through interactive sessions, stories, and role-plays, participants explored stereotypes and learned low-cost strategies to make Anganwadi centres more inclusive for all children.



Noida

Youth Placement

In August 16 students were employed out of which 7 students were employed in the café dil se in Delhi. The café team is composed of 10 dedicated members, of which 7 are deaf youths. This not only highlights our commitment to creating meaningful livelihood opportunities for persons with disabilities but also reflects our belief in building an inclusive workplace where diverse abilities are valued and nurtured. By fostering such an environment, the café demonstrates that inclusivity is not just about employment—it is about dignity, equal opportunity, and celebrating the unique strengths each individual brings to the team.



Independence Day celebration

Yuvakendra celebrated Independence Day with great enthusiasm at the NCUI Campus, in collaboration with the HCLFoundation and NCUI staff. 100+ recipients from Udayan Care and Katha participated, with many showcasing their talents through 32 individual and group performances. The event began with a flag hoisting by Sub Inspector Rajesh Kumar, followed by an address from chief guest, Ms. Anshu Joshi. The celebration fostered confidence, stage presence, teamwork, and patriotism among the recipients, ending on a joyful note with refreshments and memorable moments captured through photography.



Graduation Ceremony

Yuvakendra proudly celebrated the graduation of 33 recipients in a vibrant and inspiring ceremony. The event featured uplifting alumni stories, including those of Emamuddin, Prabhat, Jyoti, Ujjwal, and others, highlighting their journeys of growth and success. Alumni had the opportunity to reconnect, share experiences, and explore new opportunities with current learners. It not only honoured the graduates' achievements but also strengthened community bonds and inspired current learners through real-life success stories.



Team Building Activity

HCLF team visited Gautam Buddh Nagar Prison for a first-hand understanding about Project Hope interventions, including the Activity Center and Radio Parvaaz activities. The team witnessed various reformation programmes and actively engaged with inmates by participating in music and dance performances along with skill-building sessions. As part of the volunteer engagement, songs were sung jointly with the prison music team.

Mrs. Gurpreet Kaur conducted a live podcast on Radio Parvaaz, delivering a strong message against substance abuse for all inmates. She ordered some refreshments for all project beneficiaries, fostering positivity and encouragement among participants. The visit concluded with the HCLF team reaffirming their commitment to the Reformation of prisoners. The visit left the beneficiaries more determined to continue improving themselves for a hopeful life upon release with this interaction.



Noida

Knowledge for Today, Choices for Tomorrow

The Reproductive and Sexual Health Training Programme (15–19 years) promotes responsible behavior as adolescent's transition into adulthood. It focuses on delaying sexual debut, safe practices, contraception use, delaying childbearing, resisting peer pressure, respecting relationships, preparing for parenthood, and preventing abuse. Using participatory methods, sessions cover adolescence changes, reproduction, abuse, contraception, gender equality, and self-esteem. Conducted in schools and communities, 14 trainings sensitized 602 adolescents (333 girls, 269 boys), empowering them with knowledge and skills for informed life choices.



World Breastfeeding Week

HCLFoundation, marked the occasion of celebrating World Breast Feeding week across all Noida Partners – Doctors for You, Agragami and FPAI. The objective was in increasing awareness and knowledge among the mothers on initiation of breast feeding within the first hour, the benefits of exclusive breast feeding for first 6 months, the position and techniques of breast feeding, addressing the myths and challenges and how the working mothers could continue breast feed their babies, we reached 700 + beneficiaries.



National handloom Day celebration and industry Visit

Industry Visit at M/s. BSES Handloom Incubation Centre, students from HCLF visited at M/s. BSES Handloom incubation centre, in Uttam Nagar, New Delhi, where they gained hands-on experience and insight into traditional handloom weaving, observing the entire process from yarn preparation to fabric creation, thereby enhancing their understanding of this ancient craft and its significance in textile production.



Exposure Visit to Kidys Food Products and Export Company Made by India for Cutting Tailoring

Kidys Food Products , 20 students gained hands-on exposure to industrial bakery machinery, product preparation, and packaging, boosting career readiness.

35 students observed large-scale garment manufacturing for global brands, learning the full production-to-export cycle with advanced machinery.

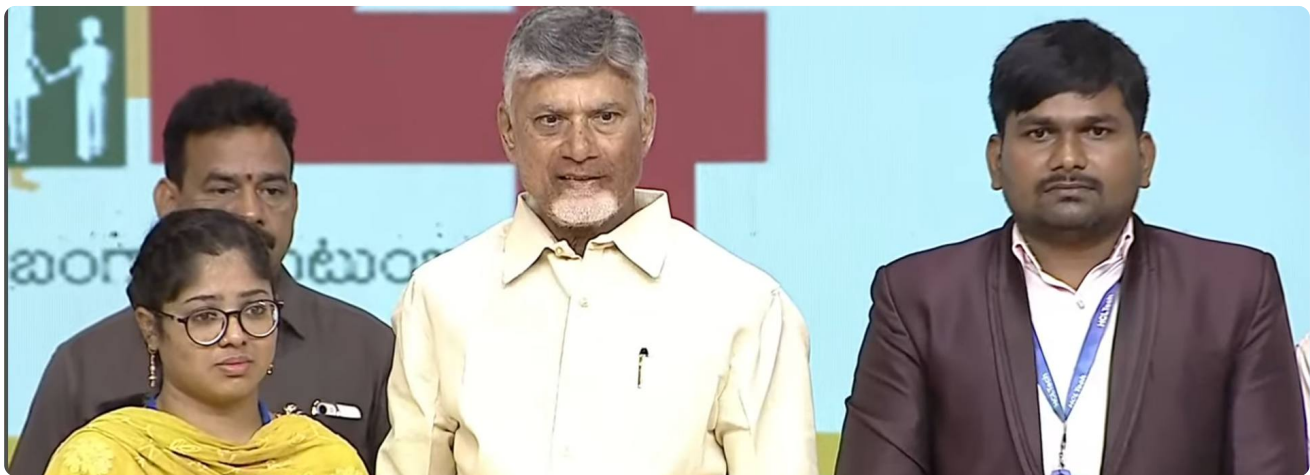


Vijayawada

Chief Minister interacts with SDL Trainees and HCLFoundation Team

"HCLTech is doing Corporate Social Responsibility activities in a significant manner. I appreciate HCLFoundation for their support to P4 initiative. I am confident that they will further work alongside the state government to make this initiative successful. Give them a big round of applause for their work"— Sri Nara Chandra Babu Naidu, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh State

On 19th Aug 2025, 4 of our trainees from two Skill Development and Livelihood projects (Partners: Dr. Reddy's Foundation & Vasavya Mahila Mandali) invited to the Andhra Pradesh state government initiative P4: Public-Private-People-Partnership program launch. P4 program is working on a mission to end poverty by 2047 and aligned with SDG1- No Poverty. Couple of them had an opportunity to share their and assistance provided by HCLFoundation. Mr. Srinivasulu represented HCLFoundation and shared the Vijayawada location activities. The CM had asked one on one questions to know more about HCLF initiatives in the location and appreciated the work of HCLFoundation.



Independence Day celebrations

All our partners actively celebrated Independence Day at government schools, Yuvakendra and Project offices with great enthusiasm and patriotic spirit. Students showcased their talents through cultural programs, parades, and inspiring speeches, honouring the sacrifices of our freedom fighters.



National Handloom Day

National Handloom Day celebrated with weavers from Sri Devala Maharshi Society & Sri Raja Rajeswari Society handloom crafts at Vijayawada.



Vijayawada

National sports day celebrations

On the occasion of national sports day sports competitions conducted to the school going children. Total 11 schools actively engaged and distributed certificates and medals to the achievers.



WASH BCC sessions to School children

Behaviors change communication sessions on safe drinking water, menstrual hygiene management and hand wash were facilitated to the school going children. More than 500 children from 10 government high schools were participated.



School Premises Cleaning

We organized school premises clean activity at Vijayawada municipal corporation high school (SKRMR). The program also stressed C-WASH practices (Clean Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene), highlighting the connection between daily hygiene and sustainable living. Students were encouraged to think about how small changes in their habits like not littering, segregating waste, and maintaining greenery can create a healthier environment.



Fostering cleanliness, seeding sustainability



My Clean City brings healthcare to 300+ green friends

My Clean City by HCLFoundation organized two health camps in Noida on August 13 and 20, attended by 304 community members. In partnership with Bal Vikas Dhara this initiative focuses on improving the health and well-being of sanitation and waste workers by providing essential healthcare services to this marginalized workforce that plays a critical role in maintaining urban cleanliness.

A team of qualified medical practitioners provided overall health check-ups and treatments, gynecologist and pediatric consultations and distribution of medicines.



Rally and awareness activity held with My Clean City Volunteers Club

My Clean City by HCLFoundation conducted a volunteer-led environmental drive in Sector 122, Noida, through its Volunteers Club.

A rally was held in the weekly bazaar to promote a single-use plastic-free market, where 36 volunteers engaged local vendors and shopkeepers to spread awareness.



ZWUV holds 2-day General Health Camp

A two-day health camp under My Clean City was organized across its Zero Waste Urban Village (ZWUV) projects.

The camp served staff and 63 Green Friends from Rabupura, Chithera, Makoda, and Thapkhara. On August 21, routine lab tests such as CBC, DLC, KFT, and LFT were conducted, along with doctor consultations at the government hospital in Rabupura.



Capacity building training on SWM in Gautam Buddha Nagar

Capacity building workshops on Solid Waste Management (SWM) were held from August 13–14 in Rabupura and Chithera under the Zero Waste Urban Village project. A total of 71 Green Friends, 9 community mobilizers, and project staff participated. Expert trainers led sessions on waste segregation, Material Recovery Facilities (MRFs), sanitation worker safety, and behavior change. Participants completed pre- and post-assessments and engaged in discussions, enhancing their knowledge to implement sustainable waste practices.



Market waste management workshop educates 40 shopkeepers in Rabupura

On August 5, a market waste management workshop was held in Rabupura for shopkeepers. 40 participants were educated on the harms of single-use plastic and sustainable alternatives. The session also covered the 3Rs—Reduce, Reuse, Recycle. Attendees shared ideas to adopt eco-friendly practices.



Enabling our people to give back to society



2,623

Volunteers engaged



10,995

Hours clocked



18,714

Lives impacted

- 300+ HCLTechies celebrated the 49TH HCL Day by bringing out the environmentalist inside them and supporting HCLFoundation's commitment to plant 49,000 saplings as part of the annual mega plantation drive.
- 60+ HCLTechies spread patriotic fervor by joining Independence Day celebrations at HCLFoundation project sites in Noida, Hyderabad, Vijayawada and Lucknow.
- 27 HCLTechies volunteered enthusiastically at the Sports for Change National Finals Championship held in Chennai; 7 volunteered to travel from across India as chaperones
- 20 HCLTechies celebrated the true spirit of inclusion by volunteering as 'readers' for the visually impaired in the fourth edition of the Right to Write event held in Noida.
- 45 HCLTechies empowered the youth through sessions on substance abuse, effective use of LinkedIn, interview skills sessions and more at Noida, Lucknow and Vijayawada Yuvakendra centers. Special mention to DF-CU team, Noida for supporting upskilling at our projects in NCU and Kasna Prison.
- As part of My Scholar initiative (FY 2025-26), 10 HCLTechies facilitated registrations at kiosks set up across various HCLTech campuses, enabling meritorious students from HCLF communities and HCLTech support staff to pursue higher education through this scholarship.





Power of One

Volunteer of the month

Tarun Jindal

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In a world where time often slips away in the rush of routines, Tarun chooses to pause and give back. As a dedicated HCLTech volunteer, Tarun has become a familiar face across multiple community initiatives – leaving behind not just footprints of service but also a trail of inspiration. From planting saplings and celebrating with children, to raising awareness on water conservation, health, and waste management, he actively participates in donation drives, ensuring essentials reach those who need them most – reminding us that small actions can create ripples of change.

His regular visits to the welfare home for elderly, where he spends quality time listening and sharing warmth, reflect his deep belief that kindness is for all. What truly sets him apart is not just his commitment, but the way he has motivated others to join in. His consistent participation has encouraged colleagues and friends to step forward, transforming volunteering into a collective movement rather than a solitary effort.



Transforming outcomes through sport

Amplifying reach and access – via sport

Who: Team Uttar Pradesh – Winners of SFC Season 1 Cricket League 2025 (Test Match)

What: SFC Season 1 Cricket League Test Match update

And: The team showcased consistency, teamwork, and determination throughout the match to lift the championship title. The award ceremony, graced by Ms. Pon Krithika, Philips, honored the champions and individual achievers.

Special awards were presented to the star performers of the match:

Best Batter – Hashini Eswar

Best Bowler – Apsa Ansari

Best Fielder – Kavya

Best Wicket Keeper – Aysha

Player of the Match – Arohi Singh

Location: Chennai



Who: First Aid Refresher Training by Krida Vikas Sanstha in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: First Aid Refresher Training held on August 13

Highlight: Conducted by Max Hospital, the training focused on basic first aid practices and sport-related injuries, enhancing coaches' skills in injury management and immediate treatment. All coaches successfully completed the refresher course.

Location: Nagpur



Who: National Sports Day 2025 supported by APD in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Mini Sports Fun Meet with our inspiring Para Athletes, joined by passionate volunteers from HCLTech

And: The celebration began with warm introductions, creating an instant bond between athletes and volunteers, followed by a refreshing warm-up and stretching session led by our coach. The energy carried into a lively sports quiz, sparking enthusiasm and teamwork. Our athletes then showcased their skills in exciting mini indoor tournaments of Chess, Table Tennis, and Carrom, filling the room with cheer, focus, and healthy competition. To honor their efforts, all winners and runner ups were rewarded with gifts, while the volunteers were warmly felicitated for their support and encouragement.

Location: Noida



Who: GNES, in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: My Sport, My Story – a National Sports Day celebration that went beyond athletic skills to highlight the personal journeys sports create.

And: Students shared aspirations and life lessons through stories and drawings, reflecting on how sports build resilience, confidence, and growth. The event created an inclusive platform where every student could express their unique bond with sports.

Location: Chennai



Who: National Sports Day Celebration supported by SportzVillage Foundation in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: On August 29, ADP hosted a Mini Sports Fun Meet at the Sports Complex, Iteda, Noida, featuring inspiring para athletes and enthusiastic HCLTech volunteers

And: The event included a sports quiz, indoor tournaments (Chess, Table Tennis, Carrom), and volunteer felicitations. Celebrations also featured the Major Dhyan Chand Girls Kabaddi Competition and a Volleyball Friendly Match, showcasing inclusion, teamwork, and the unifying spirit of sports.

Location: Noida



Win

Who: Girls Football Team supported by Maatru Pratishtana in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in the Football Carnival 2025 held on August 23–24 at Sparkling Minds School.

And: The U-13 team delivered an excellent performance, finishing as Runners-Up in the 7-a-side tournament featuring 10 schools. A proud moment came when Haripriya was named Best Goalkeeper of the Tournament for her brilliant saves.

Location: Bengaluru



Who: Boys Football Team supported by SportzVillage Foundation in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in the SGFI District Level U-17 Boys Football Tournament at DAV Inter College, Lucknow.

And: Two HCLF beneficiary schools – DAV Inter College and Jubilee Inter College took part, with DAV Inter College emerging as the winner. For the U-19 category, trial matches were conducted between DAV Inter College, Maharaja Agrasen Motinagar, and Jubilee Inter College.

Location: Lucknow



Who: Para Athletics Team supported by ADP and HEAL Foundation in partnership with HCLFoundation

What : Participated in the 14th National Junior & Sub-Junior Para Athletics Championship 2025, held from August 29–31 in Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh.

And: Our athletes excelled with multiple podium finishes:

Varalakshmi (Gold–Discus, Silver–Long Jump), CH. Praveen (Silver–200m), CH. Hari (2 Silver, 1 Bronze), CH. Rohith (Silver–Javelin), Lucky (2 Silver), and Ajay (Silver–Discus). Deepanshu also competed in 100m & 200m events.

Location: Vijayawada



Who: Girls Kabaddi team supported by Maatru Pratishtana in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in the 8th Independence Cup 2025–26, held on August 6–7 at Delhi Public School, Bengaluru East.

And?: The Kabaddi Excellence Team from Karnataka Public School (KPS) clinched 1st place among 80+ schools, marking their 4th consecutive championship win.

Location: Bengaluru



Win

Who: Girls Football Team supported by Maatru Pratishtana in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in KWL 2025 at Bengaluru Football Stadium from July 31 to August 24.

And?: The team played 10 competitive matches, finishing with 4 wins, 2 draws, and 4 losses. This season was special as the squad comprised children only from HCL's program. The tournament gave them valuable exposure, experience, and learning to build on for future success.

Location: Bengaluru



Who: Kabaddi Boys team supported by CRY in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in the District-Level Kabaddi Competition under the MLA Tournament on August 21 in Sagar district.

And?: The Under-14 Boys Team from CRY MP Guna-Sagar, Habla village, clinched 1st place and won the Gold medal. Felicitated by the local MLA, the victory reflects their dedication and the growing sporting spirit in rural communities nurtured through Sports for Change.

Location: Madhya Pradesh



Who: Football Girls team supported by Krida Vikas Sanstha in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in U-17 Subrato Mukharjee football girl's tournament held at Mankapur stadium Nagpur on 29th August.

And?: Pragatik High School girls clinched the divisional title with a 2-0 victory over St. Point School, Dabha, securing qualification for the state-level tournament in Kolhapur next month.

Location: Nagpur



Who: Basketball ball team supported by Dribble Academy Foundation in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Celebrated International Youth Day

And: 110 children participated in our 3x3 basketball event across U-12, U-14, U-17, and U-19 categories.

A special one-on-one competition for the U-17 and U-19 categories, gave young athletes a chance to showcase their skills and competitive spirit.

Location : Noida



Win

Who: Basketball Girls team supported by Dribble Academy Foundation in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in SGFI Mandal Tournament (U-14, U-17 & U-19) hosted at Navjeevan Inter College, where six Mandal teams competed against each other.

And: Our girls shone with outstanding performances - U-14 were crowned Champions (defeating Hapur 19-04; Bulandshahr 24-06), while U-17 and U-19 finished as Runners-up. Their spirit, teamwork, and determination made us proud.

Location: Noida



Who: Basketball Boys team supported by Dribble Academy Foundation in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Organized a 3x3 Basketball Tournament at Prakriti School with 32 teams across U-8, U-11, and U-14 boys' and girls' categories.

And: U-8 boys secured 1st place; U-11 boys and girls reached the semifinals; U-14 boys clinched 1st place; U-14 girls gained valuable match exposure. The tournament provided a strong platform for young athletes to enhance skills and enjoy competitive basketball.

Location: Noida



Who: Handball Girls and Boys team supported by SportzVillage Foundation in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in the Divisional Handball Tournament, Luckhimpur, organized by SGFI on August 11.

And: Lucknow teams delivered stellar performances - Girls U-19 1st Place, U-17 1st Place, U-14 2nd Place; Boys U-19 1st Place, U-17 2nd Place. From GGIC Gomtinagar alone, 18 girls competed, with 12 qualifying for the upcoming State-Level Competition in Agra.

Location: Lucknow



Who: Kabbadi Girls team supported by SportzVillage Foundation in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in Awadh Kabaddi League 2025 at KD Singh Babu Stadium, Lucknow on 26th August.

And: The team finished as Runners-Up and was felicitated by Shri Girish Chand Yadav, Hon'ble Minister of Sports & Youth Welfare, Government of Uttar Pradesh.

Location: Lucknow



Win

Who: Girls & Boys Teams supported by Hope Foundation in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in the Silambam Zonal Level Competition at Sree Ayyappa Matriculation Higher Secondary School, Sholinganallur, on August 13.

And: Nine students from Ezhil Nagar PBGC qualified for the District Level. Highlights include U-17 Girls 1st Place (Above 60kg) and U-17 Boys 1st Place (Above 60kg). Other medals included 2nd and 3rd places across multiple U-14 categories, Otrai kombu (2nd), and Erattai Kombu (2nd).

Location: Chennai



Who: Cricket Girls Team supported by GNES in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in the Chief Minister Trophy 2025, Chennai District-Level Cricket Competition at Ashok Nagar SDAT School on August 26.

And: Aigopal Garodia Government Girls Higher Secondary School put up a spirited fight against Kannagi Nagar GHSS. Though the team lost, their hard work, dedication, and sportsmanship were truly commendable.

Location: Chennai



Who: Football teams Girls and Boys supported by STEDS in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in Kovalam Zone Govt. School Zonal matches.

And: Kovalam Govt. School football teams have made us proud by clinching the winner and runner-up titles!

Girls - U-14 (Winners)

Boys - U-17 (Runner - up)

Location: Chennai



Who: Cricket Girls Team supported by GNES in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in the Chief Minister Trophy 2025, Chennai District-Level Cricket Competition at Ashok Nagar SDAT School on August 26.

And: Kannagi Nagar GHSS Girls Team secured 3rd Prize with a cash award of ₹15,000. Four players were also selected to represent Chennai District at the upcoming State-Level Competition.

Location: Chennai



Win

Who: Cricket Girls Team supported by GNES in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in the Chief Minister Trophy 2025, Chennai District-Level Cricket Competition at DCG Siruvanur Kandigai, Tiruvallur, on August 27.

And: Avadi GGMHSS Girls Team secured 1st Prize with a cash award of ₹45,000, continuing their winning streak for the 3rd consecutive year in Tiruvallur District. Selected players will represent the school in the upcoming State-Level Competition.

Location: Chennai



Who: Athletics team supported by HEAL in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in 6th Junior & Sub-Junior State Para Athletics Championship 2025.

And: Our para athletes excelled with an impressive total of 8 Gold, 10 Silver, and 8 Bronze medals across track and field events. Standout winners included Ch. Rohith (2 Gold), Ch. Hari (2 Gold, 1 Bronze), and Y. Madhuri (1 Gold, 1 Silver, 1 Bronze). Other athletes also contributed to the strong medal tally, making this a proud milestone for the team.

Location: Vijayawada



Who: Women's Cricket Team supported by GNES in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in the Founder's Birthday Trophy 2025 Inter-College Invitation Cricket Tournament, organized by SRM Institute of Science and Technology at SRM Kattankulathur Campus on August 6-7.

And: Guru Nanak College Cricket Team secured 2nd Prize along with a cash award of ₹15,000.

Location: Chennai



Who: Girls & Boys Teams supported by HEAL in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in the U-22 Zonal Level Tournament on National Sports Day, held at ANU, Guntur.

And: NTR District secured 1st Place in Kabaddi and qualified for the State-Level Tournament at Tirupati. From HEAL School, J. Mary's decisive 2-point raid in the finals ensured victory.

In Athletics, B. Aswin (ZPHS Godavarru, Krishna District) won 1st Place in Shot Put (10.10m) and advanced to the State-Level.

Location: Vijayawada



Win

Who: Shanmuga Priya, student of Avadi Government Girls Higher Secondary School, supported by Hope Foundation in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in the RDS District-Level Athletics Competition (Javelin Throw) at Avadi TSP-5 Battalion Ground on August 3

And: She secured 2nd Prize in Javelin Throw and qualified for the upcoming State-Level Competition.

Location: Chennai



Who: Lebiya, student of Avadi Government Girls Higher Secondary School, supported by Hope Foundation in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in the RDS District-Level Athletics Competition (100m & 100m Hurdles) at Avadi TSP-5 Battalion Ground on August 8.

And: She secured 3rd Place in the 100m event.

Location: Chennai



Who: Tina supported by Hope Foundation in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated at RDS District level competition held at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium.

And: She secured 2nd Prize and qualified for the upcoming State-Level Competition

Location: Chennai



Win

Who: Swathika S, student of Lions Club of Guindy Labour Colony High School, supported by Aegon in association HCLFoundation

What: Participated in the 4th Junior Boys & Girls National Boxing Championship (Under-15) held at Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh from August 7 – 13.

And: She delivered an outstanding performance and secured the Silver Medal in the National-level Boxing Championship.

Location: Noida



Soaring higher, higher, higher!

Who: Girls Football Team supported by Krida Vikas Sanstha in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Participated in the Open District Football Selections held in Nagpur from August 11-14.

And?: Four Excellence Team players—Nikita Rahangdhale, Taniya Bawane, Anita Markande, and Tina Sarve – were selected for the District Team. These talented players had also represented in the SFC League in Bengaluru.

Location: Nagpur



Who: Athletics Team supported by Krida Vikas Sanstha in partnership with HCLFoundation

What: Competed at the Nagpur District Athletics–State Qualification held from August 19-21.

And?: Five athletes qualified for the upcoming State Athletic Games in Pune. Highlights include Harsh Gulab Dhoble (Gold–80m Hurdles), Liladhar Raju Kawle (Silver–80m Hurdles), Prashik Buddhadip Manerao (Bronze–80m Hurdles), and Aditi Bidwaik (Silver–100m Hurdles & Gold–Heptathlon). Kashish Bhagat was directly selected for the State event.

Location: Nagpur



Crafting quality, providing livelihoods

HCLxTRIFED Cluster visit in West Bengal

My E-Haat through its partnership with TRIFED has successfully conducted another round of cluster visit in West Bengal where our senior designer Ms Rashmi engaged with the artisan groups - understanding their craft making process and market outreach; and further training them on product design, development and enhancement - in this case artisans are working on Dokra jewellery making, Kantha embroidery and Jamdani handloom.



Sale-ing high @Monsoon Melange exhibition

My E-Haat along with partner Access Development Services participated in the 3-day Monsoon Melange clocking a sale of ~INR 2,00,000. Products from Khurja and Bagru clusters were a hit among the attendees and 90% of the overall sale amount came from these two clusters. Women participants from ZingnZest brand also participated garnering successful sale of their bakery products.



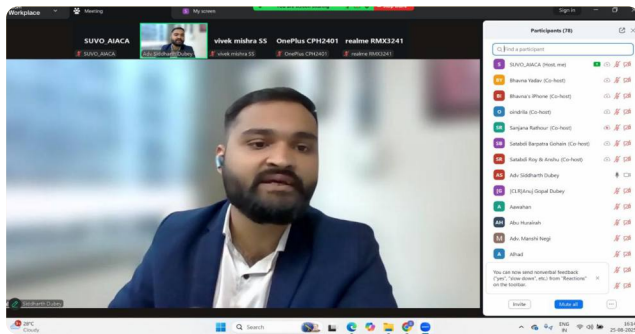
Inauguration of new outlet by Artisans in Chennai

My E-Haat in partnership with Rural Development Council inaugurated their new outlet at Walajabad near Chennai marking a major milestone in their organizational growth. The event was well received by the local community and this new outlet shall enable expansion of their reach, engagement with local community, and build lasting relationships with customers.



12th edition of Shilp Charcha

My E-Haat was proud to support the 12th edition of Shilp Charcha on “Understanding Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs),” organized by AIACA in collaboration with SME Forum. The session featured Advocate Siddharth Dubey, who guided artisans through key aspects of IPRs—including Trademarks, Copyrights, Geographical Indications, and Patents—highlighting their relevance in protecting traditional crafts and enhancing market value. With over 147 participants joining both online and through shared centers, the session offered interactive discussions, live artisan insights and practical knowledge on government schemes.



Cross-Learning Exposure Visit in Noida

My E-Haat by HCLFoundation has always focused on cross-learning among its partners and the participants with whom we are working. As part of that initiative, artisans from our partner Access Development visited the Khorda ERC of Prayatna, creating a cross-learning exposure opportunity for artisans from both centres. It was an insightful and interactive session wherein the artisans from both the partners shared their learning on product development, marketing, digital and financial literacy with each other.



Pan-India Exhibitions by My E-Haat Artisan Groups

My E-Haat witnessed multiple exhibitions across India being organized and set up by its partners who are working with artisan groups for product display, promotion and sale. Such exhibitions create awareness among community members about the products and crafts that the artisans are working upon and help in building the confidence of our artisans to venture into the market. RDC, AIACA, Safe Society, Access have all participated in multiple exhibitions in August, pan-India showcasing the handcrafted and handmade products of the artisan groups they are working with.



Government Convergence with Artisans

In partnership with Safe Society, My E-Haat organized a government scheme convergence camp in Jamkhanwan village near Lucknow, engaging 30 women artisans and providing them access to financial literacy and digital technology training, enabling them to benefit from relevant schemes.



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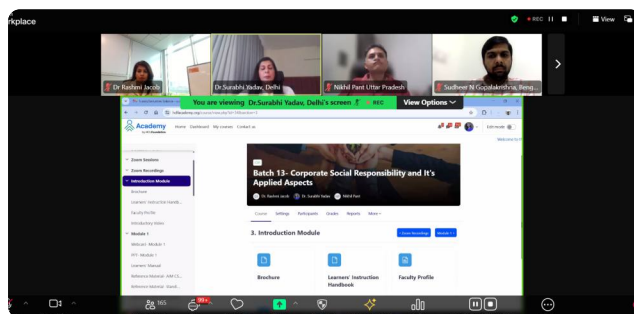
Hello, Batch 13!

Academy launches Batch 13 of the 'CSR and its Applied Aspects' course

Academy by HCLFoundation welcomed 170 learners into the 13th chapter of its CSR: Its Applied Aspects course journey.

The room(even though online) carried an energy of curiosity and commitment—reminding the team of Batch 1, where the vision was simple: to create a learning space where CSR moved from theory to lived practice. Over the years, that vision has grown into a community of professionals who don't just study CSR, but live it as applied impact.

Batch 13 – much like all it previous batches – promises to deliver dialogues, case stories, and shared reflections.



Global Updates

Bulgaria

Mountain Day, more than just a hike...

The hike at Vitosha was not only an engagement with nature's beauty but also a meaningful exercise in collective experience. Beyond the physical act of walking the trail, the day created a unique space for exchange—of ideas, laughter, and stories—that strengthened interpersonal connections. The group dynamic fostered an atmosphere of positivity, openness, and shared purpose, which elevated the event from a simple outdoor activity to a moment of genuine bonding and rejuvenation.

This experience demonstrates how such gatherings can serve as informal yet powerful platforms for cultivating team spirit and mutual understanding. Even for those who could not attend, the value of these moments extends forward, with future opportunities for participation reinforcing a sense of inclusion and continuity.



South Africa

Partnership to support disability rights

The South African team partnered with North-West University / Noordwes-Universiteit (NWU) at their Vanderbijlpark campus as part of a shared commitment to inclusive education. We are proud to support student grants and assistive technologies to empower NWU's Disability Rights Unit (DRU).

This initiative reflects our ongoing commitment to skills development and socio-economic uplift in the region — fostering equitable learning environments where students with disabilities get greater access to the tools, resources and opportunities they need to succeed.



Mexico

HCLTech México Team Visits Nunutzi-Kie Multiple Care Center

In Guadalajara, HCLTech México team had the privilege of visiting the Nunutzi-Kie Multiple Care Center — a school that nurtures and educates children with special needs. We came together to donate essential items and, more importantly, to spend time with the children, their families, and the incredible educators who inspire every day. What we carried back with us was more than memories — it was a reminder that inclusion and social responsibility guide us in everything we do.



HCLFoundation in the media

HCLTech commemorates the 49th anniversary of HCL Group by planting 49,000 saplings across India

HCLTech Marks 49th Anniversary with Nationwide Plantation Drive

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LUCKNOW: HCLFoundation, which drives the corporate social responsibility initiatives of global technology company HCLTech, today commemorated the 49th anniversary of HCL Group with a large-scale plantation drive, planting 49,000 saplings across India. The initiative spanned major cities including Noida, Nagpur, Pune, Bengaluru and Lucknow.

"As we celebrate 49 years of innovation and impact, this plantation drive stands as a powerful expression of our environmental stewardship. With over 3.2 million saplings planted, 73,000 acres of land restored, and 107 billion liters of water harvested, we reaffirm our belief that technology and sustainability must go hand in hand — nurturing



not just progress, but a thriving planet and resilient communities.

"Thanks to everyone who joined in to help us grow a greener future," said Dr. Nidhi Pandit, SVP, Global CSR, HCLTech and Director, HCLFoundation.

The initiative saw enthusiastic participation from HCLTech employees, their families, nonprofit partners, women's collectives and community members.

This united effort reflected the spirit of shared responsibility and inclusive action, reinforcing HCLTech's deep-rooted commitment to sustainability and ecological responsibility.



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HCLFoundation Sports for Change National Finals 2025 identifies promising talent among underserved youth

HCL Foundation's annual sports meet held

HCL Foundation organised its seventh edition of Sports for Change Competition for underprivileged youngsters recently. According to a press release, 758 were shortlisted from 12,256 participants. Youngsters from across India took part.

The various sports included football, volleyball, kabaddi, basketball, cricket, touch rugby, handball, hockey, javelin, relay races, badminton, table tennis, archery, and chess, adds the release.

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