

2024-25

Annual REPORT



Samerth Charitable Trust

A Quest Towards Collective Action for Freedom & Development

A Message from the Executive Director:

A Year of Growth, Impact, and Inspiring Change

Message from the Executive Director- **Gazala Paul**

This year, we embarked on a transformative journey rooted in growth, innovation, and collective impact. Starting with focus on Result-Based Management, our teams across Kutch, Ahmedabad and Chhattisgarh, honed their skills in outcome-oriented planning, implementation, and monitoring—strengthening our capacity to design strategic, inclusive programs.

Our engagements with thought leaders like Bridgespan, participation in the Commons Convening 2024, and contributions to forums such as “A Moment of Shift” have enriched our understanding and amplified our voice in sustainable, community-led development. The development of a comprehensive gender and livelihoods capacity-building framework marks a significant stride toward inclusivity and social empowerment.

Celebrating indigenous communities, expanding our collaborations with key partners, and gaining pivotal insights through site visits exemplify our relentless pursuit of meaningful change. The Azim Premji Foundation’s review of our Kutch program charts an exciting path for expansion, reaffirming our commitment to reaching the unreached.

As we got underway, we transitioned from a project-based to a programmatic approach, building activities across the different geographies of Samerth’s work area.

We’ve moved the goalposts by adopting a Results-Based Framework, where each geography is now developing a Theory of Change. This takes our work to the next level and will help sharpen our strategy and focus. It’s a big step forward in aligning our efforts and laying a strong foundation for future success.



This year also witnessed recognition at national platforms, the feature in CSR Good Book, and the dedication of passionate field teams working tirelessly in diverse environments—urban, rural, and remote. Our progress is made possible by the unwavering support of donors, strategic partners, and our diligent team.

As we look ahead, our focus remains on deepening our expertise in water, forestry, eco-restoration, livelihoods, education, and social inclusion—fueling our mission to empower marginalized communities and foster a just, sustainable society.

As we were concluding our work in March, we also began to consider how 'Gender' and 'Governance' can be integrated into our thinking and approach in every program we undertake. At Samerth, we have started to move along that path.

Together, we continue to build resilience, ignite hope, and shape a future where everyone has the opportunity to thrive.

About Us

Samerth Charitable Trust, registered in 1992, is committed to empowering vulnerable communities through natural resource management, sustainable livelihoods and educational opportunities. We prioritized swift action, innovation, and the fusion of traditional wisdom with scientific acumen, particularly in emergencies and their aftermath.



Over three decades, Team Samerth has worked relentlessly, empowered vulnerable, marginalised communities and provided them with the social as well as economic dignity. Our collaboration with government programmes gave us the strength to broaden our reach and impact. The support we have received from institutions, corporates and thousands of generous individuals has enabled us to touch the lives at the grassroots level.

**TO BUILD A HUMANE,
SUSTAINABLE & EQUITABLE
SOCIETY.**

Our Vision



Our Mission

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To work towards strengthening capacities of vulnerable communities & groups to get their entitlement in every aspect of human existence.

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To work with the government to include provisions for excluded and marginalized groups by creating alternative models.

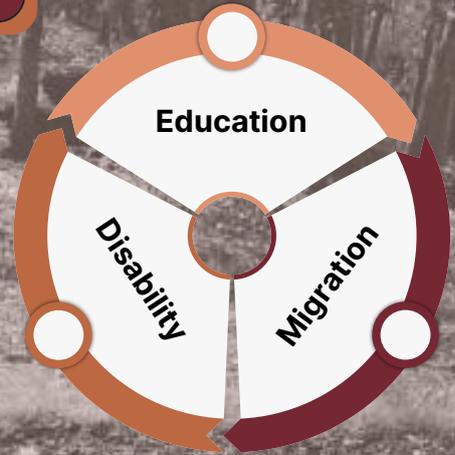
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To engage and advocate towards gender balanced development through collective, participatory, and empowering actions.

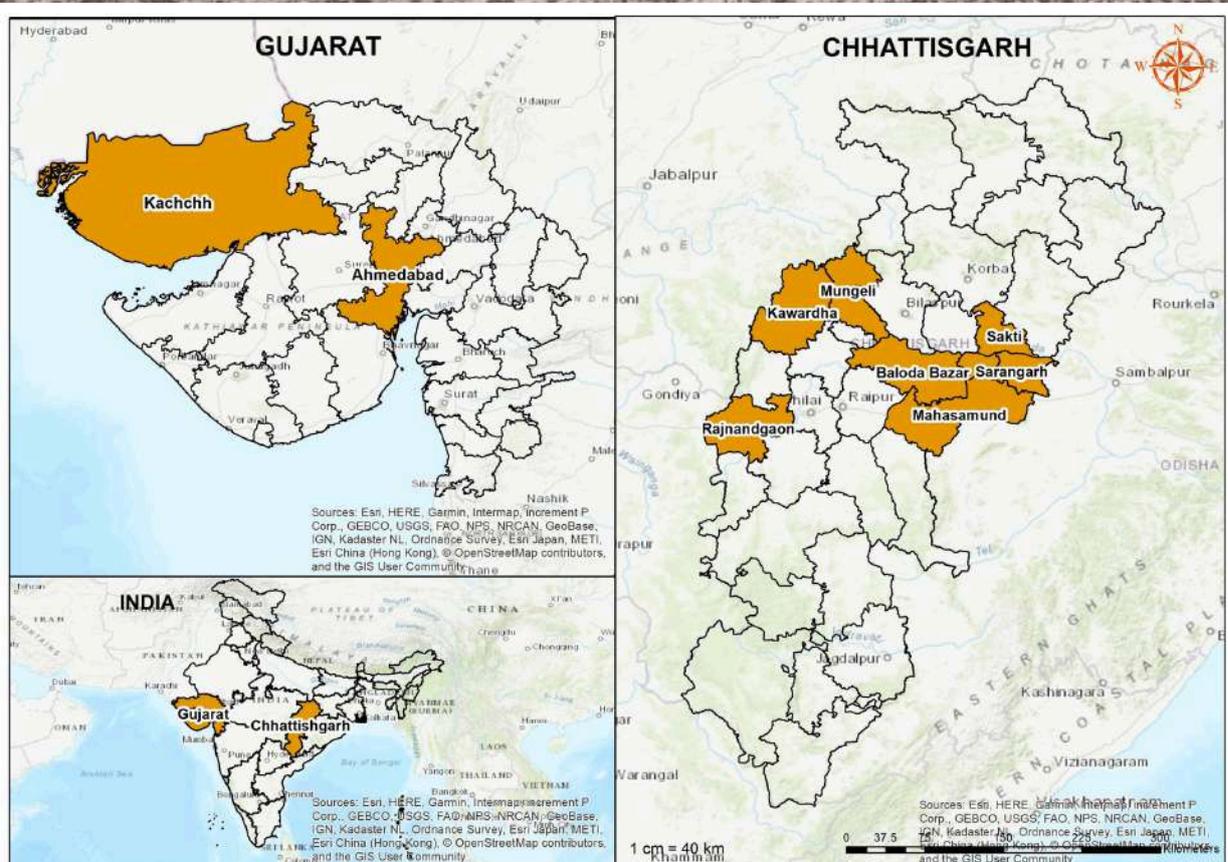
Our Values

**WE BELIEVE IN URGENT ACTION, INNOVATION,
USING TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE WITH
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Thematic Areas



Geographical Intervention



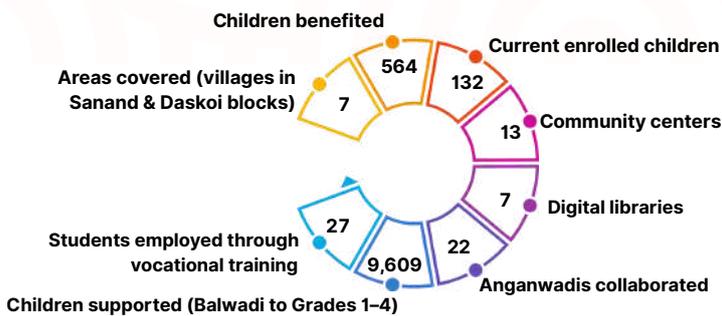
Program Key achievements:

Education, Disability and Migration.

Samerth's education initiatives across Gujarat and Chhattisgarh continued to ensure quality and inclusive learning opportunities for children from marginalized communities, including those affected by migration. The intervention ensures continuity of education through community engagement, school-based remedial support, Early Childhood Care & Education (ECCE), and strengthening of local governance systems. Special focus is given to the Baiga tribe and differently abled children, facing socio-economic marginalization and educational exclusion.



Empowering Learning, Inspiring Futures: Samerth's Educational Initiatives in Ahmedabad



**Ahmedabad Educational Initiative
– Reach and Impact in Numbers**

Samerth Charitable Trust has been committed to ensuring that every child—irrespective of background—has access to quality, equitable, and joyful education. In Ahmedabad, Samerth works across urban and peri-urban areas such as Juhapura, Fatehwadi, Sarkhej, Vejalpur, and Lambha (South Zone), and in seven villages of Sanand and Daskoi blocks, namely Moriya, Palvada, Sari, Matoda, Tajpur, Visalpur, and Kasindra. The program particularly focuses on children from marginalized communities to promote inclusive and participatory learning.



Through 13 community education centers, including seven digital libraries, the program reaches over 9,600 children from Balwadi to Grade 4. These centers create vibrant spaces for learning by integrating play, creativity, and local context into education.

Alongside this, collaboration with 22 Anganwadis strengthens early learning foundations through joyful and interactive teaching methods. The initiative emphasizes individualized learning support, development of Teaching Learning Materials (TLMs), and building life skills that go beyond academics. Samerth's participatory approach engages children, parents, and schools—helping learners become confident, expressive, and socially aware. Together, these efforts nurture a generation of children who not only learn but also grow with curiosity, empathy, and resilience.



Samerth Charitable Trust has been working towards building an inclusive society where every child, irrespective of ability, gets the opportunity to learn, grow, and thrive. Through the Samerth Talim Centre in Ahmedabad, the organization has been extending holistic support to children with special needs, focusing on their physical, emotional, and social development.

The centre provides a range of therapeutic and educational services — including Physiotherapy, Animal-Assisted Therapy, Speech Therapy, Sensory Therapy, and Vocational Training — to help children enhance their motor, communication, and life skills. These interventions have empowered children to become more confident, independent, and integrated into mainstream society.



Inclusive Efforts Bringing Positive Change in the Lives of Children with Special Needs- Ahmedabad

Between April 2024 and March 2025, Samerth Talim Centre reached 564 children, providing individualized care and guidance. The centre also supported children in transitioning to mainstream schools and helped them showcase their abilities through platforms such as the Special Sports Khel Mahakumbh organized by the Government of Gujarat.

These collective efforts reflect Samerth’s strong commitment to creating an inclusive environment that celebrates diversity, ability, and dignity for all.



Empowering Abilities: Saleha’s Progress Through Samerth Talim Kendra



Saleha, aged 20, joined Samerth Talim Kendra in 2013 at the age of 7 with severe cerebral palsy and intellectual disability. At the time, she was fully dependent—unable to sit properly, use the toilet, communicate, or perform basic daily activities. She also struggled with academics and had no understanding of numbers, money, or life skills.

Through continuous support in physiotherapy, speech therapy, sensory therapy, animal-assisted therapy, and special education, Saleha gradually made remarkable progress.

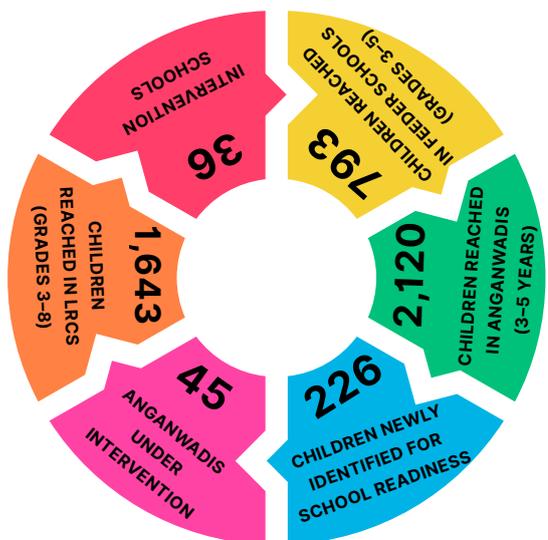
She is now toilet trained, independent in brushing, dressing, and grooming, and shows improved concentration and mobility. She can sit and climb stairs on her own, confidently express herself in words and sentences, and recognize tastes and textures.

Academically, Saleha can identify and write Hindi and Gujarati alphabets, count in English up to 20, and perform basic addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. She can recognize and use money, operate an ATM machine, and understands traffic signals. She also participates in music and animal-assisted therapies with enthusiasm. Today, Saleha has gained confidence and independence in both education and life skills—her journey truly reflects resilience and success.



Bridging Learning Gaps, Building Futures: Samerth's Education Initiatives - Chhattisgarh

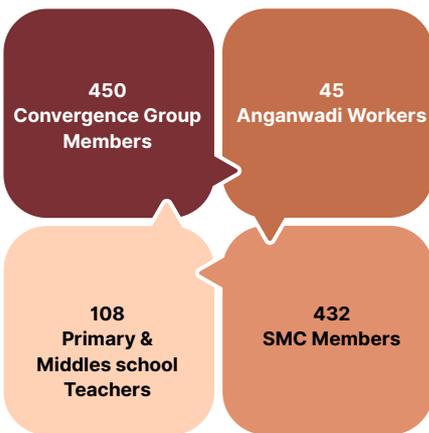
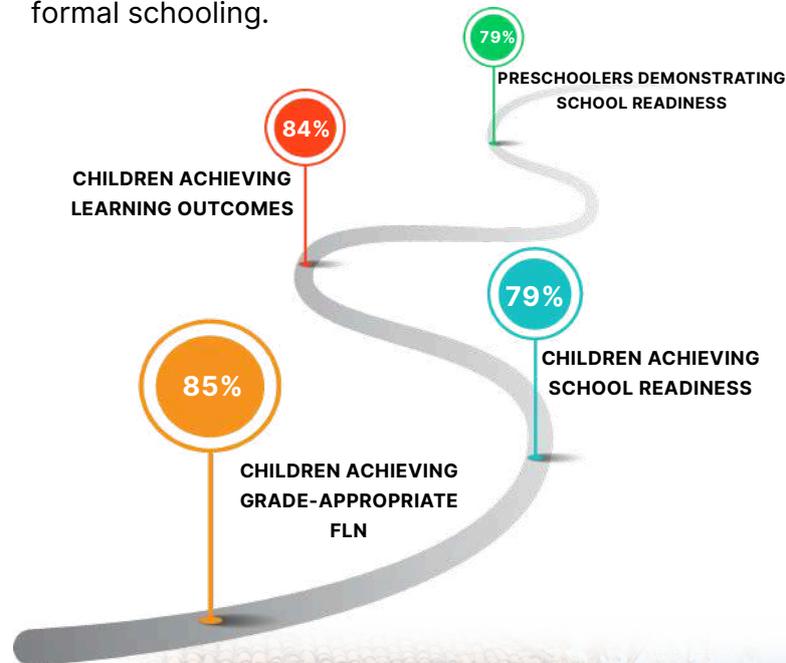
Samerth Charitable Trust, through the Learning and Migration Program (LAMP), is addressing the educational challenges faced by children from seasonal and distress migration-prone families in rural Chhattisgarh. Operating across the districts of Mahasamund, Kabirdham, Balodabazaar, Sarangarh, and Sakti, the program focuses on ensuring continuity of learning for children whose education is often disrupted due to migration.





Through this efforts 84% children are reached learning outcomes and 79% children are achieved school readiness. The program has improved retention, re-enrolment, and quality learning in 36 intervention schools and 45 Anganwadis. As a result, 85% of children achieved grade-appropriate foundational literacy and numeracy, while 79% of preschoolers demonstrated school readiness for smooth transition to primary grades. These gains stem from remedial support, teacher training, use of locally made TLMs, and close mentoring of Anganwadi workers.

The initiative adopts a multi-layered approach that combines community engagement, school-based remedial education, Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE), and strengthening of local governance systems to create sustainable change. With special attention to Baiga tribal communities, who face deep-rooted socio-economic and educational marginalization, LAMP works to make education more inclusive and accessible. Through Learning Resource Centres (LRCs), Learning Enrichment Programs (LEPs), and strengthened Anganwadi-based ECCE interventions, Samerth supports children from early years to upper primary grades—helping them build foundational literacy and numeracy skills, develop curiosity through STEM learning, and transition smoothly into formal schooling.



Stakeholder Trainings Conducted



Lighting the Path: Transforming the Educational Journey of the Baiga Girls



In Sheetalpani village, Kabirdham, four Baiga girls—Kumari Roshni, Sarita, Deepika, and Kavita—faced educational setbacks due to irregular school attendance, household responsibilities, and helping their parents in the fields. The Samerth team engaged with their parents to highlight the importance of education, gradually encouraging the girls to attend the LAMP Learning Resource Centre (LRC) regularly. The activity-based learning environment, supported by STEM kits, made education engaging and motivated the girls to participate consistently in LRC sessions and school activities.

With their parents' support in managing household and agricultural duties, the girls' educational journey transformed, reigniting their interest in learning.

Their parents' commitment also set a positive example for the community, inspiring others to prioritize education. This story reflects the collective impact of the Samerth team, the LAMP program (supported by American India Foundation), and families in fostering education and creating a ripple effect of awareness in the community.

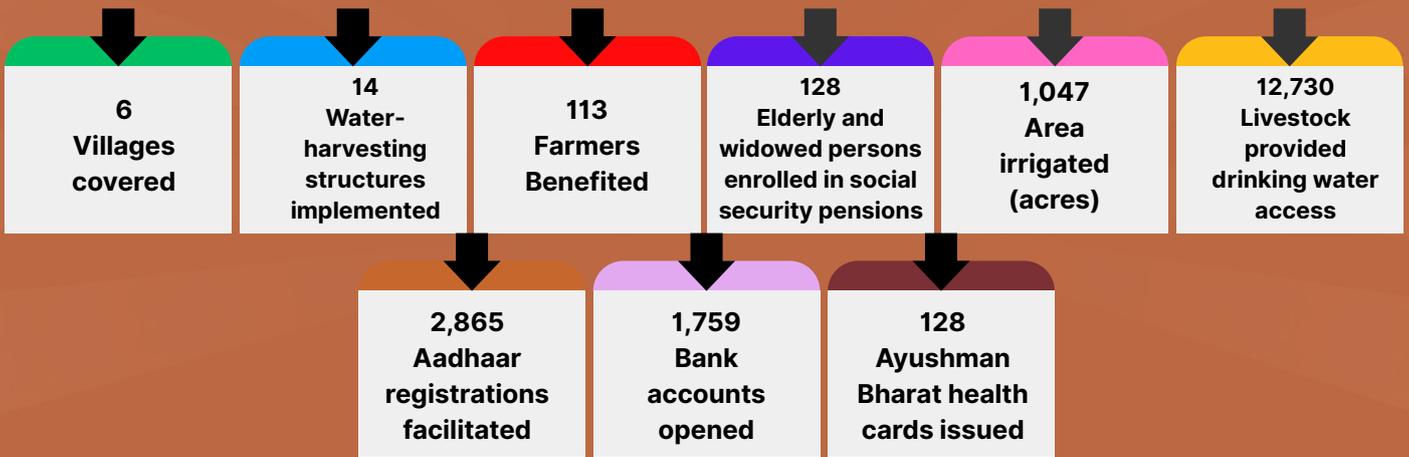


Water, NRM, and Eco-restoration: Chhattisgarh & Gujarat

Water security and safety as a central focus: Kutch

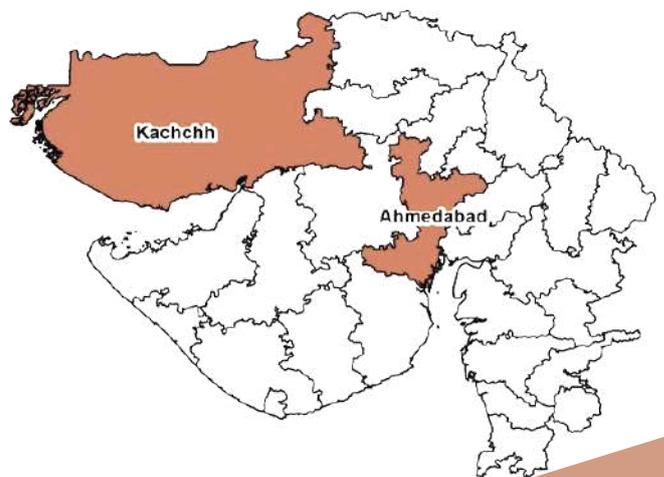
In 2024–25 Samerth Charitable Trust prioritized the most vulnerable hamlets across Gagodar, Balasar and Khadir, focusing on Parakara Kolis, Kolis, Muslims and OBC communities, with water security and safety as the central objective. To ensure sustained access to safe drinking water, Samerth constructed 19 water storage tanks with pipeline connections, renovated seven wells and desilted three ponds, benefiting 1,684 families.

a 300,000-litre storage tank in Nagpur Parkara Vas, linked to the Narmada canal, transformed access for 40 families previously dependent on distant sources. Drinking Water Management Groups were formed in each hamlet to institutionalize maintenance, equitable distribution and local conflict resolution, reviving community ownership in a modernized form.



Building Water Resilience Through Community-Led Conservation

Samerth extended integrated interventions to Nakhatrana block, implementing 14 water-harvesting structures across six remote villages (Kanday, Kurbai, Palanpur, Morjar, Samanda and Vang). These works strengthened the resilience of 113 farmers—enabling irrigation of 1,047 acres—and provided drinking water access to about 12,730 livestock. Interventions, carried out with Panchayat resolutions and active community participation, included removal of invasive wild acacia, clearing natural waterways and pond desilting;

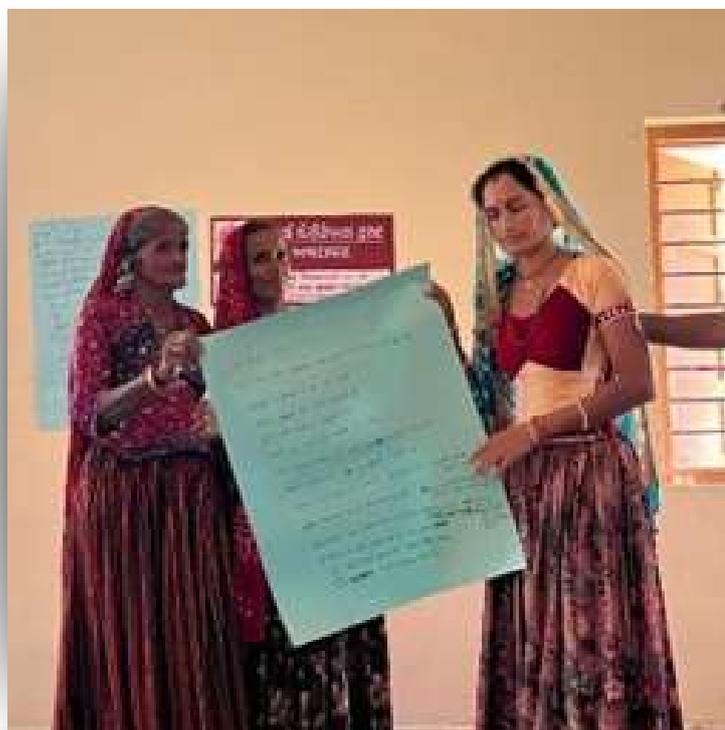




Extracted silt, rich in organic matter, was returned to farmers to improve soil productivity and support sustainable agriculture. Emphasis on community ownership aimed to secure long-term sustainability.

Empowering Lives Through Entitlement Facilitation: A Story from Rapar Block

Case study: Champaben Ranchhodbhai Koli, a widow from Jillarvadh village in Rapar block, had long struggled to feed her family. Living in extreme socio-economic distress, she lacked the documentation needed to claim government support. Samerth Trust stepped in, helping her collect and verify identity papers and guiding her through the application process at the local Taluka office. Staff provided persistent follow-up, ensuring the application moved through the system. Within a month Champaben’s widow pension was approved. She now receives a steady monthly payment that covers basic household needs. The pension has brought immediate financial relief and greater dignity to her daily life. Champaben’s story highlights how targeted entitlement support can change outcomes for the most vulnerable.



Samerth is using this model to reach other widows in the region. The organisation continues systematic outreach to ensure no eligible person is left unsupported.

Local cadre development: Enabling sustainable progress



To ensure local leadership and sustainability, Samerth invested in cadre development and capacity building. Four comprehensive training sessions across Gagodar, Balasar and Khadir trained 56 local cadre members in participatory needs assessment, water management, climate-resilient agriculture, governance, gender and pastureland development.

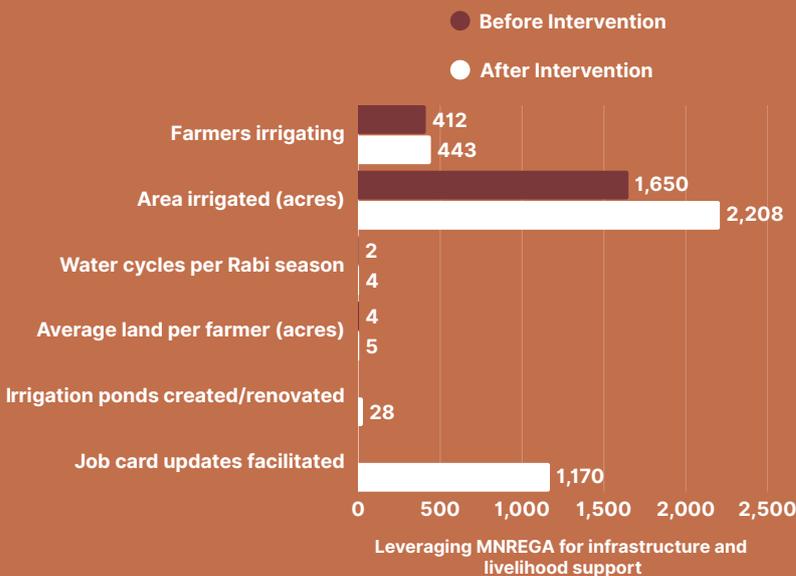
Heading towards result based outcomes and community participation in local governance

Staff received a nine-day Results-Based Management training to improve planning and outcome measurement, and a Panchayati Raj training by Setu enhanced understanding of panchayat roles— together strengthening government–community linkages and enabling community-led development.



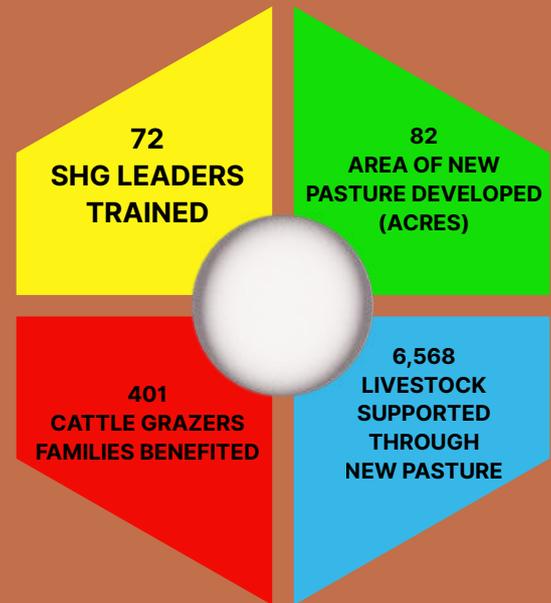
Leveraging MNREGA for infrastructure and livelihood support

Addressing agricultural resilience, Samerth created or renovated 28 irrigation ponds under APF, IDRF and MNREGA. Before interventions, 412 farmers irrigated 1,650 acres with roughly two water cycles in the Rabi season; after interventions, 443 farmers now irrigate 2,208 acres with about four cycles, increasing average land per farmer from 4 to 5 acres and improving productivity and income stability. Farmer groups were promoted to ensure equitable water use and shared maintenance. Samerth mobilized Rs. 65,35,568 in MNREGA funds for ponds, farm bunding and land leveling, facilitated 1,170 job card updates and supported technical approvals and demand submissions to strengthen employment-linked livelihood support.



Women leading pasture restoration for fodder security

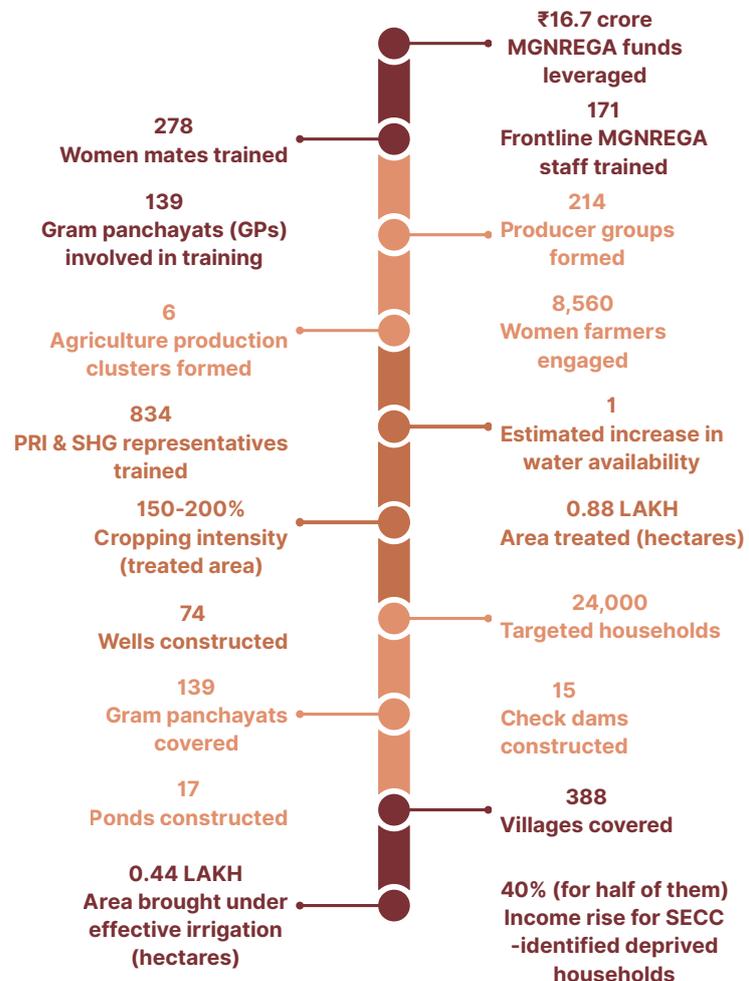
In 2024–25 Samerth Charitable Trust intensified efforts to address water insecurity in Rapar and Bhachau's most vulnerable hamlets by combining infrastructure development with entitlement facilitation, institutional strengthening and capacity building. These integrated efforts have created tangible pathways for sustainable water access and livelihood resilience, enabling marginalized communities to move beyond survival toward improved well-being and self-reliance.



Looking ahead, Samerth will deepen institutional strengthening to ensure the sustainability of infrastructure and services by promoting community ownership and decentralized governance through farmer groups, Village Water and Sanitation Committees, Drinking Water Groups and the local cadre. Priority actions include integrating groundwater recharge into new and existing structures, expanding rainwater harvesting, developing wells and ponds, and scaling interventions in Khadir and Balasar clusters. The objective is to integrate water security, entitlement access and sustainable livelihoods into a cohesive development model that strengthens resilience and inclusion for vulnerable communities.

Transforming Landscapes, Strengthening Livelihoods: Building Resilience in Kabirdham-Chhattisgarh

Samerth’s integrated Water, Livelihoods and Natural Resource Management program in Kabirdham-Chhattisgarh- combined large-scale watershed work, capacity building and market support to transform landscapes and household resilience across 388 villages. High impact Mega Watershed Programme phase -2, treated 88,000 hectares, halving surface runoff and bringing 44,000 hectares into effective irrigation through 74 wells, 15 check dams, 17 ponds and recharge work, enabling 150–200% cropping intensity on much of the treated area. The interventions—paired with 214 producer groups, six agriculture clusters and inclusion of women SHG members and persons with disabilities—helped generate significant outcomes: half of identified deprived households reported ~40% income gains, 8,560 women farmers engaged in producer initiatives, and MGNREGA convergence leveraged ₹16.7 crore for NRM works while boosting women’s participation and direct wage credit to their bank accounts.

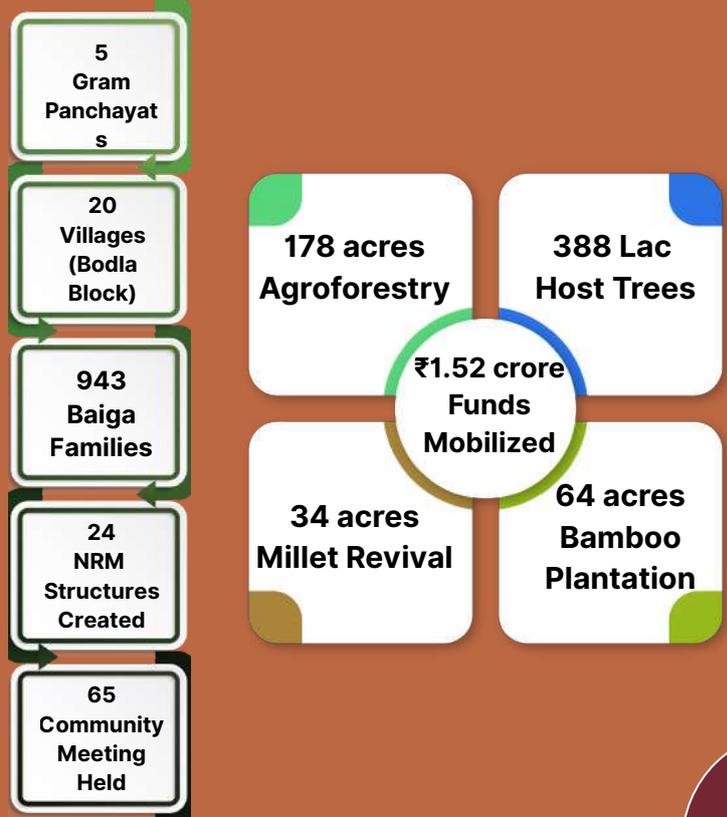


Complementary initiatives sharpened ecological and social returns:

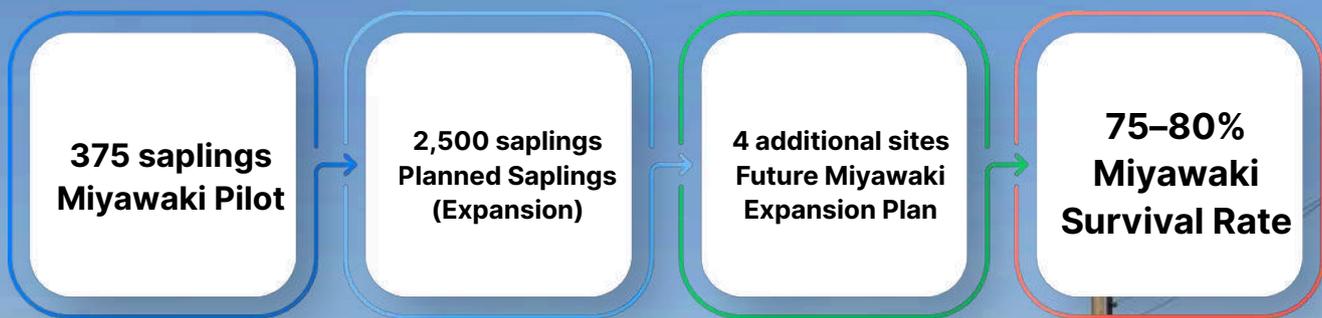


On-the-ground actions included agroforestry across 178 acres, bamboo planting on 64 acres and millet revival on 34 acres, while NREGA convergence mobilized ₹1.52 crore and generated 31,926 person-days to deliver 24 NRM structures. Social capital was rebuilt through 65 community meetings and revived CFR management committees; seed and nursery efforts—managed largely by women—produced saplings and seed stock that fed both agroecological restoration and income generation. Financial returns were modest but significant: lac cultivation pilots involved 112 farmers and 388 host trees, and nursery sales produced locally retained revenue, signaling an emergent shift from wage dependence to diversified, ecological livelihoods.

The Central Highland Restoration Programme (CHiRP) concentrated on social and ecological returns in five gram panchayats of Bodla block and 20 villages—including targeted engagement with 943 Baiga families. Using a Four Returns framework, teams delivered celebration days, exposure visits and trainings that reanimated local pride and conservation norms.



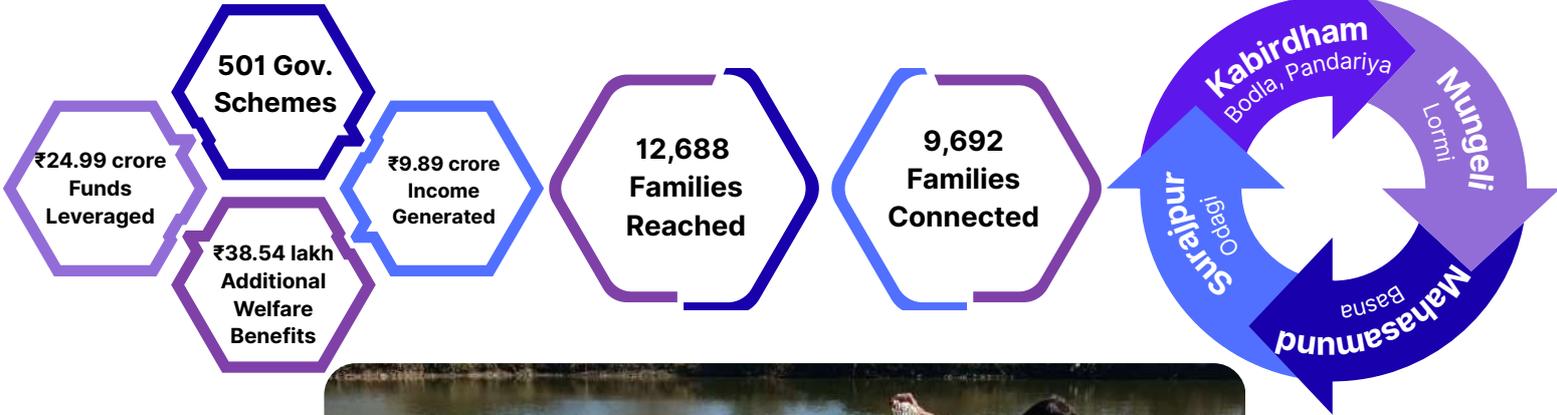
CHiRP restored agroforestry, bamboo and millet across targeted villages, mobilizing ₹1.52 crore and 31,926 person-days, while Miyawaki pilots created resilient native-forest learning sites, emphasizing locally adapted species such as neem, karanj, bakul, arjun, jamun, amla and baheda. The small forests serve multiple purposes: soil improvement, pollinator habitat, shade, microclimate stabilization and environmental education for schoolchildren and SHG members.



Strengthening Livelihoods and Resilience Through SANGAM

The SANGAM livelihoods scale-up linked 12,688 families across five blocks, connecting 9,692 to entitlements and technical support, leveraging ₹24.99 crore and generating ₹9.89 crore in income. Phase 2.0 centers on 14,300 families—7,532 Baiga households—with focused governance, gender mainstreaming, digital diagnostics and culturally informed enterprise pilots.

While challenges remain (groundwater decline, uneven fund disbursement, and scaling quality), Samerth’s model—blending NRM approach, agroecology, women’s leadership and policy convergence—has demonstrably increased water availability, cropping intensity and diversified livelihoods, laying groundwork for longer-term resilience.



Gender Mainstreaming and Digital Literacy

Women from marginalised communities have become primary agents of change: they run millet seed banks and nurseries, lead SHG-based enterprises, and manage producer groups.



Capacity building covered community mobilizers, facilitators and elected members to integrate community plans into Gram Panchayat Development Plans and Gram Sabha decisions. Culturally sensitive engagement with Baiga traditions led to behaviour changes—fire-prevention practices and limits on alcohol at local events—showing emerging alignment between traditional knowledge and restoration goals. Training in digital tools, especially the SAnKET app for data-driven landscape planning, enabled local actors to convert diagnostics into prioritised actions.

Outcomes at household and landscape levels are practical and measurable: Increased cropping intensity, improved water availability, new small-scale enterprises, and targeted income gains for vulnerable households. Producer groups and agricultural clusters are beginning to consolidate supply, processing and market linkages, supported by trained human capital (43 master trainers and 46 agri-entrepreneurs). Alternative livelihood pilots—goat rearing, poultry, fisheries and integrated farming—reached hundreds of families, with fisheries/ponds delivering tangible returns.



Key challenges persist: Groundwater depletion, uneven scheme implementation, and the slow pace of social change versus faster infrastructure gains. Financial leverage is strong but disbursement is uneven, and scaling requires ongoing technical support to ensure native species survival, upkeep of NRM structures, and sustained market connections. Samerth's integrated model—combining NRM engineering, agroecological practices, women's leadership and policy convergence—has nonetheless advanced resilience this season. With continued convergence of technical inputs, gender-focused institution building, digital diagnostics and market linkages, the program can shift from short-term gains to lasting resilience: steadier incomes, healthier soils and forests, and empowered communities able to govern their recovery.



Strategic Criteria for Sustainable Water Conservation Interventions

To ensure effective and sustainable water conservation, Samerth prioritizes interventions based on four key criteria: where conventional methods are technically unsuitable and require specialized construction to prevent recurring structural failures; in large catchment areas exceeding 100 hectares that demand robust engineering; in forest villages lacking revenue land where structures must be built on private farmland with farmers' consent; and for urgent repairs of existing check dams and concrete structures built under other schemes that MNREGA cannot address but remain vital to community wellbeing. This strategic approach directs resources to areas of highest impact, maximizes long-term resilience, and prevents repeated loss of investment and community disruption.

BEFORE



AFTER



MAHALIGAT CHECK DAM REPAIR WORK

In 2024–25, with support from IDRF, we addressed drinking water and protective irrigation needs by repairing a check dam and a spring management structure, constructing a new pond, and establishing six earthen dams, a waste weir, and one pond repair. Notable works include the Mahalighat check dam repair and the Belapat (Shambhupir) spring management rehabilitation, with visible revival post-repair.

BEFORE



AFTER



BELAPAT (SHAMBHUPIR) SPRING MANAGEMENT WORK

Holistic Rural Development Project (HRDP), HDFC Supported work in Bemetara district

Under the Holistic Rural Development Project (Parivartan), supported by HDFC Bank CSR and implemented by Samerth in 12 villages of Bemetara block, 2,064 households benefited through initiatives spanning rural development, education, skill enhancement, healthcare and hygiene, and financial literacy.



GOAT REARING UNIT, NAWALPUR



POULTRY UNIT, JHALAM

The project reached 2,860 farmers with income-enhancement activities, trained 64 people in skills, established 125 women-led enterprises, transformed five schools into smart learning environments, brought 200 acres under irrigation, installed solar street lamps across the 12 villages, planted 5,090 trees, moved 102 acres to chemical-free farming, and set up livelihood units such as goat rearing, poultry, earthworm production, and a tools bank.



EARTHWORM PRODUCTION UNIT



TOOLS BANK

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Balance Sheet as on 31st March 2025

Bank Account No. of Trust for transaction of Foreign Contribution: 40096325429 - State Bank of India

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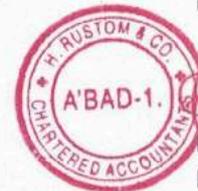
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FUNDS & LIABILITIES					
ASSET FUNDS	A	7,13,51,865	13,99,132	7,27,50,997	55,00,154
CORPUS FUNDS	B	18,10,27,551	27,29,895	18,37,57,446	25,11,51,108
GENERAL RESERVE & EARMARKED FUND	D	1,86,28,227	1,44,59,776	3,30,88,004	2,26,19,758
UNUTILIZED GRANT	H1	3,58,31,452	2,66,82,646	6,25,14,098	4,44,18,127
INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT	E	-	0	0	2,32,863
TOTAL		30,68,39,095	4,52,71,450	35,21,10,545	32,39,22,010
ASSETS & PROPERTIES					
NET BLOCK OF FIXED ASSETS	C	7,13,51,865	13,99,132	7,27,50,997	56,00,154
GRANT RECEIVABLE		-	-	-	10,19,950
CURRENT ASSETS, LOANS & ADVANCES	F	4,07,99,125	2,74,15,438	6,82,14,564	4,52,23,137
INVESTMENT	G	19,46,88,105	1,64,56,879	21,11,44,984	27,20,78,769
TOTAL		30,68,39,095	4,52,71,450	35,21,10,545	32,39,22,010

Accounting Policies & Notes forming part of accounts

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INCOME					
GRANTS & DONATIONS	H	5,66,48,483	4,26,81,113	9,93,29,596	9,82,46,642
CORPUS DONATION		0	0	0	24,86,95,855
INTEREST INCOME	I	1,51,88,093	20,17,810	1,72,05,902	1,07,12,299
PROFIT ON SALE OF ASSET	O		9,250	9,250	-
TOTAL		7,18,36,576	4,47,08,173	11,65,44,749	35,76,54,796
EXPENDITURE					
EXPENDITURE ON OBJECTS OF THE TRUST	J	5,21,85,652	3,65,24,109	8,87,09,761	8,30,66,612
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	K	85,90,225	43,87,254	1,29,77,479	1,35,41,924
REMUNERATION TO TRUSTEES	L	18,40,980	5,59,020	24,00,000	17,98,920
AUDIT FEES	M	8,64,822	2,13,900	10,78,722	7,03,485
CHARITY COMMISSIONER CONTRIBUTION	N	0	0	0	50,000
DEPRECIATION	C	10,26,072	2,60,150	12,86,222	9,78,123
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	D	73,28,824	27,63,740	1,00,92,565	25,75,15,732
TOTAL		7,18,36,576	4,47,08,173	11,65,44,749	35,76,54,796

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Firm Reg. No. 139775WAslam Shaikh
Proprietor
Membership No.162345
UDIN:25162345BMHTKZ3304Date : 1st August 2025
Place : AhmedabadFor, H. Rustom & Co.
Chartered Accountants
Firm Reg. No. 108908WHRD DALAL
Proprietor
Membership No.31368
UDIN:25031368BNQKIM3035Date : 1st August 2025
Place : Ahmedabad

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Accountability & Transparency

LIST OF BOARD OF TRUSTEE

Sr. No.	Name	Age	Gender	Position	Occupation	Remuneration/ Reimbursement
1	Ms. Gazala Paul	60	Female	Managing Trustee	Managing Trustee, Samerth Charitable Trust	Rs.24,00,000/-
2	Dr. Yogendrasinh Jadeja	56	Male	Trustee	Director of Arid Communities and Technologies	ZERO
3	Ms. Chinmayi Desai	54	Female	Trustee	Programme Manager at SAATH Charitable Trust	ZERO
4	Dr. Sara Ahmed	62	Female	Trustee	Centre for Heritage Management, Ahmedabad University Adjunct Professor & Founder of Living Water Museum	ZERO
5	Mr. Gaurang Raval	42	Male	Trustee	Sauhard, Founder Trustee/Theatre Person	ZERO
6	Ms. Nafeeza Pavri	45	Female	Trustee	Independent Consultant, specialising in resource mobilisation, communication and non-profit strategy and management.	ZERO



OUR BANKERS

- AXIS BANK LTD., VEJALPUR BRANCH, AHMEDABAD.
- BANK OF INDIA, PANCHAVATI BRANCH, AHMEDABAD.
- STATE BANK OF INDIA, NEW DELHI MAIN BRANCH, NEW DELHI.
- STATE BANK OF INDIA, VASNABRANCH, AHMEDABAD.
- STATE BANK OF INDIA, KARGIROAD, KOTA, BILASPUR, CHHATTISGARH.
- INDUSIND BANK, SHYAMAL BRANCH, AHMEDABAD.
- HDFCBANK, ANAND NAGAR BRANCH, AHMEDABAD.



Salary (Highest and Lowest)

Highest Paid Staff Rs. 24,00,000/- per annum (Ms. Gazala Paul Managing Trustee) & Lowest – Rs. 1,20,000/- per annum

Statutory Auditors:

M/s H Rustom & Co.

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Human Resources:**Staff Strength: Staff Salaries:**

Salary Slabs	Salary Slabs	Male	Female	Total
	Below 5000	0	0	0
	5001 – 10000	13	35	48
	10001 – 25000	48	31	79
	25001 – 50000	8	5	13
	50000 above	9	6	15
Total		78	77	155

Diversity Profile:

Staff Diversity	Range	Male	Female	Total
	General	11	9	20
	Minority	5	31	36
	SC/ST/OBC	60	36	96
	Physically Handicapped	2	1	3
Total		78	77	155

Our Partners:

- Arid Communities and Technologies, Bhuj, Kutch, India.
- BSE Sammaan CSR Limited.
- Credibility Alliance, Delhi, India.
- Give2Asia USA.
- Give.do.
- Guide Star India, Mumbai, India GSN: 688.
- Help Your NGO.com India Private Limited.
- Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs, Ministry of Corporate Affairs, GOI - IA Hub Code: A000259.
- MSME- UDYAM Registration – GJ-01-0177030.

Our Donors:

- Asha For Education, USA.
- Azim Premji Philanthropic Initiatives.
- Bharat Rural Livelihoods Foundation (BRLF).
- Commonland, Netherland.
- India Development and Relief Fund, Inc., USA.
- Krupa Limited.
- Qi To Happiness.
- Samerth-USA.
- Shree Raj Saubhag Satsang Mandal, Mumbai & Sayla, Gujarat, India.
- The American India Foundation, USA.
- The Ford Foundation, USA.
- The Greencliffe Foundation UK.
- The Mahavir Trust, UK.
- Wipro Foundation.
- Microsoft Corporation (India) Private Limited.

Our CSR:

- PPG Asian Paints Pvt Ltd.
- Cygnet Infotech Pvt. Ltd.
- Karnik Hutheesing Charitable Trust.
- Truetzaschler India Pvt. Ltd.
- HDFC Bank Limited.
- LIC Housing Finance Ltd.
- Wealth first portfolio managers Limited.

Our Collaboration:

- Women and Child Development, Chhattisgarh.
- Department of Rural Development, Government of Chhattisgarh.
- State Council of Educational Research and Training, Chhattisgarh.

Our Individual Donors:

- Late Mr. Arunkant Maganlal Doshi and Late Ms. Priyavanda A. Doshi, Australia.
- Mr. Ajay Doshi & Ms. Jyoti Ajay Doshi.
- Ms. Nilpa Shah.
- Mr. Emmanuel D'Silva, Mumbai India/USA.
- Mr. Jaysukhlal Shantilal Mehta, UK.
- Mr. Narendra and Ms. Jyoti Papat, USA/Mumbai, India.
- Mr. Late Nemchand Shamji Shah, Kenya.
- Ms. Amrtha Kasturi Rangan.
- Param Pujya Shree Nalinbhai Kothari, Mumbai & Sayla, Gujarat, India.



Work with Us

At Samerth Charitable Trust, we believe lasting change begins within communities. Our work brings together people passionate about social equity, environment, and inclusion — from revitalizing watersheds and empowering women to ensuring every child learns with dignity.

Join us to co-create solutions that strengthen livelihoods, education, and resilience across rural and urban India. At Samerth, your skills translate into real impact — restoring ecosystems, transforming lives, and building sustainable futures.



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