



**YOUTH FOR  
SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT**  
citizens of today and tomorrow

# ANNUAL REPORT 2024-25

Cover Photo : Podampeta – a Ganjam village confronting shoreline erosion

# We believe that holistic interventions can create sustainable, long-lasting change!

*true to our name, we begin early—empowering young people every step of the way through a life-cycle approach*

- We ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.
- We aim to instill deep social awareness, empathy, and a sense of dignity, equality, and civic responsibility in every participant.
- We collaboratively build and sustain an ecosystem where every child's survival, development, protection, and participation are ensured—and celebrated
- We create a space for dialogue between citizens and government to drive social justice, better services, and responsive, empathetic governance.
- We empower communities to navigate climate change and disasters, promote adaptation to climate vulnerabilities, and advocate for sustainable, non-extractive paths of growth that respect both people and nature.



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# OUR IMPACT

114

Dropped out Children  
Reintegrated into  
School

12,383

Children with  
Improved  
Foundational Learning

559

Teachers Trained and  
Improving FLN  
Practice.

2,801

Adolescents  
Equipped with Life  
Skills and Applying

161

Gram Panchayats  
Developed Child-  
friendly Action Plans

32

Gram Panchayats  
Allocated ₹3.51 Cr for  
Child-centric Projects

4,049

Vulnerable Individuals  
included in Social  
Protection.

4,467

Vulnerable Families  
included in Social  
Protection.

1276

People Participated  
in Village  
Development Plan

977

People Participated  
in 'Gram Sabha' and  
Spoken

3659

People Access to  
Drinking Water  
through Tap at Home

39

27 Anganwadi Centres  
12 School Improved  
Infrastructure

32

Gram Panchayats  
Prepared Risk  
Informed Planning

179

School Prepared  
Climate Resilient  
School Action Plan

1234

Youth Adopted  
Environment Friendly  
Practice

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



The year 2024–25 has been one of remarkable growth and deepened impact for Youth for Social Development. Our collective efforts have continued to place people—especially children, adolescents, and marginalized families—at the heart of transformation. Through our programmes in education, governance, health, and climate resilience, we have empowered communities to claim their rights, strengthen local systems, and pursue a more just and sustainable future.

What stands out this year is our ability to bridge grassroots realities with institutional reform. Whether through child-friendly Gram Panchayats, adolescent empowerment, or climate-resilient schools, YSD has demonstrated that community participation and government collaboration can truly drive inclusive change. The progress in foundational learning and social protection showcases how evidence-based models, when rooted in local leadership, can deliver lasting results.

I am also heartened by YSD's growing commitment to environmental stewardship. Initiatives like the "Saksham Gram Panchayat" and "Waste to Wellness" have shown how climate action and governance can converge to build resilient, self-reliant villages. Equally inspiring is our continued investment in youth leadership—empowering young people as active citizens and change-makers who embody empathy, integrity, and courage.

As we move forward, our focus must remain on sustaining the momentum—strengthening partnerships, amplifying voices from the margins, and ensuring that no one is left behind. Together, with the unwavering dedication of our team, partners, and communities, we are advancing a vision of dignity, equity, and opportunity for all.

**Lokanath Misra**  
**President**

# A NOTE FROM SECRETARY & CEO



The past year has reaffirmed our belief that sustainable change begins with empowered citizens. At Youth for Social Development, we have worked across 17 blocks and nearly a thousand villages, engaging people in participatory planning, service delivery, and local governance. From ensuring foundational learning for children to equipping adolescents with life and digital skills, from advancing social protection for vulnerable families to enabling climate-ready villages—our programmes have touched thousands of lives with tangible, lasting outcomes.

This year, we deepened our commitment to Foundational Learning and Life Skills Education in partnership with government schools. Through the Teaching at the Right Level approach and community learning centres, children strengthened literacy and numeracy while developing essential life skills such as communication, problem-solving, and empathy. Working closely with teachers and parents, we are building joyful, inclusive classrooms that nurture confident and capable young citizens.

Our partnerships—with government institutions, foundations, and academia—have strengthened our systems and expanded our reach. Initiatives such as the “Green School Initiative”, the “Saksham Gram Panchayat” model, and the “Waste to Wellness” project reflect our growing commitment to climate justice and resilient local governance.

This year’s progress is the result of collective will—our team’s dedication, community trust, guidance from our board members and the continued support of donors and allies. Yet, the challenges of inequality, exclusion, and environmental degradation remind us that our mission remains urgent. As we move forward with our Strategic Plan 2024–27, we aim to deepen impact, invest in youth leadership, and scale evidence-based models that promote dignity, equity, and sustainability.

**Bibhu Prasad Sahu**  
**Secretary & CEO**

# ABOUT YOUTH FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT (YSD)

**Youth for Social Development (YSD)** is a development organisation working with the duty bearers and rights holders to enhance the quality of life for both urban and rural underprivileged populations in the state of Odisha, India. Our interventions are primarily in the fields of governance and entitlements, including, health, education, water, sanitation, housing, and climate change. We prioritize the well-being of resource-poor and marginalised communities, with a special emphasis on Dalit and Adivasi populations, as well as children, youth, and women, who form the cornerstone of our initiatives.

Working together to avail basic services, empowering the communities on the margin and nudging the local governments and elected representatives – through research, advocacy and training – constitute the core of our approach.



## **Vision**

We envision a just, equitable and sustainable society where everyone has access to social, economic and democratic rights and the capacity to achieve their full potential and lead a dignified life.



## **Mission**

Our mission is to facilitate a holistic sustainable social and economic development of marginalized communities in urban and rural Odisha through participatory community action and people's empowerment.



## **Core Values**

- Social justice and equity
- Integrity, transparency and accountability
- Participation and cooperation

# OUR PROGRAMMES



## Education and Health

Ensuring inclusive and equitable quality education and promoting lifelong learning opportunities for all, we work with children from the most disadvantaged backgrounds.



Enabling children and youth to take charge of their lives, focusing on employability skills, life skills, citizenship education and taking leadership in their community to resolve societal problems.



Collectively build and sustain an ecosystem where children's survival, development, protection and participation are ensured and celebrated.



## Citizenship and Governance

We aim to create a participatory dialogic space between the citizen and the government to strengthen social justice processes, to enhance service provision, policy making, and empathetic and responsive governance locally and at the state level in Odisha.



## Climate and Disaster Risk Reduction

We enable communities to negotiate climate change and disasters; promote community adaptation to climate vulnerability; and advocate for a way of life, a path of growth and development that is not extractive and exploitative to nature and people.

# OUTREACH



**1**  
State

**6**  
Districts

**17**  
Blocks

**245**  
Gram  
Panchayats

**2**  
Municipal  
Corporations

**975 +**  
Villages

# CITIZENSHIP AND GOVERNANCE

## Securing Rights : Pathways to Social Welfare and Entitlements

This year we reached **52 villages** across 10 Gram Panchayats in Khallikote and Purusottampur, positively affecting **56,975 people** from marginalized communities. Our focus included elderly people, widows, unmarried and divorced women, persons with disabilities, transpersons, and ultra-poor families. Community volunteers and local leaders (PRIs) were strengthened to use citizen facilitation centres, Jana Seva Kendra and Mo Seva Kendra, for document collection, application support, and priority inclusion.

Programme delivery improved across MGNREGA, NFSA, NSAP and other essential services. We enrolled **178 individuals** in pension schemes, supported **538 families** with food security applications, facilitated access to labour welfare schemes for 10 households, and Gram Panchayats issued **202 new MGNREGA job cards**. We added 126 family members to existing job cards and helped 76 families recover pending wages.

Infrastructure and service access advanced: two Primary Health Centres (PHCs) received beds, free medicines, functional toilets and a patient waiting hall. Twelve Anganwadi centres and five schools received improved facilities such as functional toilets, drinking water, midday meal support and additional classrooms. Seven hundred thirty-two households gained tap-at-home water connections. Gram Panchayats budgeted for door-to-door waste collection and constructed a Material Recovery Facility (MRF); Village Water and Sanitation Committees (VWSCs) became functional, two Anganwadi buildings were constructed, and local leaders resolved land and sanitation barriers for Anganwadi centres. Local government and PRI members became more responsive, improving accountability, access and dignity.



# Deepening Local Democracy through People-Led Planning

We built the capacity of citizens and facilitated village-level planning and decision-making, supporting citizen groups in **52 villages** across Khallikote and Purusottampur through practical workshops, simple planning tools, on-the-ground mentoring and handholding to identify projects and prepare plans. Over 258 residents, men and women, actively shaped Village Development Plans (VDP) and the Gram Panchayat Development Plan (GPDP), learning to identify priorities, cost interventions and present proposals confidently.

Citizen participation surged: **1,264 people**, including **677 women**, engaged in Gram Sabha discussions to raise concerns on social protection, housing, MGNREGA and basic service delivery. Community members proposed **61 priority initiatives**; 28 were incorporated into GPDPs, spanning drinking water connections, solar streetlights, road and ramp construction, school and Anganwadi building repairs, door-to-door waste collection and management, RO water filter installations and pond revival.

Local governance now includes stronger feedback loops. Twenty-eight proposals were resolved directly in Gram Sabhas; **398 group members** meet regularly at village level to track progress and plan collective action; and 231 members have taken issues to Panchayat, block and district levels. These actions have deepened accountability, amplified community voice, improved local decision-making and anchored development plans in grassroots realities.



# Strengthening Social Protection for the Vulnerable

**7,461 Households and Individuals have been Enrolled in Social Protection Programmes, securing Food Security NFSA, Livelihood support MGNREGA, and Pension coverage NSAP/MBPY**

We directly work with coastal communities in Rangeilunda to increase enrollment in social protection schemes and reduce exclusion through partnership with local government. Across **32 Gram Panchayats** in Rangeilunda block, Ganjam, our teams—Community Resource Persons, Master Book Keepers and Self-Help Groups—deliver practical capacity building on entitlements and the application process.

Field teams identify households that are eligible but excluded, assist with collecting required documents, and accompany applicants to citizen facilitation centres such as Mo Seva Kendra and Jana Seva Kendra. We record submission acknowledgements, actively track each case, and follow up on approvals or rejections to ensure timely receipt of benefits and minimise administrative delays.

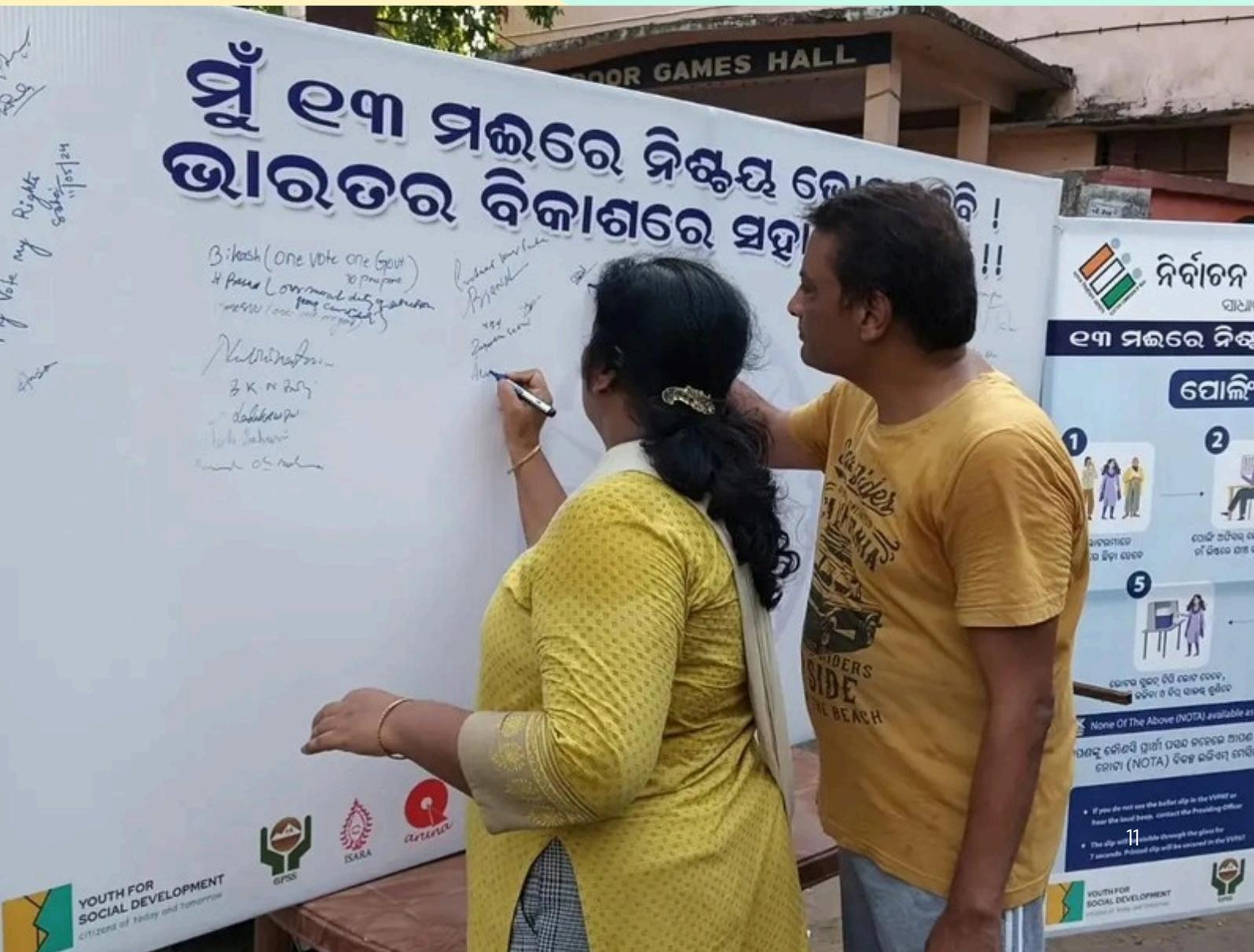
We engage elected representatives and government officials at the Gram Panchayat, block and district levels to advocate for inclusion, resolve procedural barriers and institutionalise transparent referral pathways. Through workshops, one-to-one counselling and simple tools, we aim to secure dignified, sustainable access to social protection for marginalized coastal families and strengthen local systems to prevent future exclusion.



# Voter Awareness Campaign – May 2024

Ahead of the May 2024 General Election, YSD led a comprehensive voter awareness campaign across multiple wards in Berhampur, focusing on first-time and marginalized voters. The campaign explained voting as a democratic right, clarified required identity documents, demonstrated the EVM voting process, and outlined polling-station arrangements to reduce confusion. Outreach combined street engagements, community meetings, door-to-door visits, and locally produced informational materials in vernacular languages.

YSD collaborated closely with local NGOs, ward officials, youth volunteers, and civil society groups to reach diverse populations, answer queries, and assist with practical barriers to participation. These coordinated efforts increased civic confidence, improved preparedness for polling day, and encouraged informed, inclusive turnout, reinforcing democratic participation at the grassroots and strengthening community governance systems nationwide.



# National Seminar on Viksit Bharat 2047: Budget Pathways to Inclusive Growth

The National Seminar on “Viksit Bharat 2047: Implications of Union Budget and Odisha State Budget 2024” was jointly organised by the P. G. Department of Economics and Commerce and Youth for Social Development (YSD) at Berhampur University, Bhanja Bihar on 10 August 2024. Inaugurated by Vice-Chancellor Prof. Geetanjali Dash and featuring keynote remarks from former Finance Minister Panchanan Kanungo and Prof. Prafulla Dhal, the seminar attracted over 60 paper contributors, distinguished guests, and more than 100 postgraduate students and research scholars.

Structured around two technical sessions and a high-level panel discussion chaired by Prof. Bhagabat Patra with panellists Prof. Prafulla Dhal, the former GM & State Head of CSR & Sustainability at JK Paper Mills Ltd, and Bibhu Prasad Sahu, Founder & CEO of Youth for Social Development, the event examined budgetary impulses for achieving Viksit Bharat goals. Discussions addressed sectoral allocations for agriculture, fisheries, industry, tribal and regional development, youth employment and skilling, taxation reforms, infrastructure financing, and environment and sustainability, offering actionable recommendations to align fiscal policy with long-term inclusive growth objectives.



# EDUCATION AND HEALTH

## 12,383 Children aged 6–11 achieve Foundational Learning by Grade V in the most Disadvantaged Communities

Over the past three years we have concentrated on enabling children in **Grades 1–5** to catch up in foundational literacy and numeracy through an evidence-based, classroom-centred approach. Our team received intensive training in Teaching at the Right Level, equipping educators and facilitators to assess learners' needs, group them by ability, and deliver targeted reading and arithmetic practice that accelerates skill acquisition. The approach prioritises foundational reading, comprehension, oral expression, and basic arithmetic as the essential building blocks for future learning.

We partner closely with **government school teachers and leaders** to strengthen curricular and pedagogical practice. Through regular classroom demonstrations, training workshops, monitoring, and feedback loops, we help teachers integrate proven techniques, refine lesson delivery, and track learner progress. Continuous academic support ensures improvements are sustained and scalable.

Family engagement is integral to our model. We run regular parent and mother-focused sessions at centres, schools, and homes that explain child development, practical learning techniques, and ways caregivers can reinforce learning. These combined school- and home-based efforts create a supportive ecosystem that boosts confidence, attendance, and measurable learning gains for children in marginalised communities.



# Providing Learning Opportunities for 392 Children through 12 'Community Learning and Support Centres'

We continue our engagement with 12 Community Learning and Support Centres to reach **out-of-school (114)** and low-proficient children, offering foundational learning in mathematics, language, and life skills through a structured curriculum. The centres provide tailored academic tutoring and remedial coaching that address gaps in basic reading, numeracy, and communication, reigniting learners' motivation and raising **392 children** to age-appropriate competency levels.

Each centre operates seven days a week for four hours daily, functioning as a transitional learning hub that prepares children for formal schooling. Life-skills education—covering decision-making, problem-solving, health and hygiene, and social confidence—complements academic lessons, helping children apply learning in daily life; as a result, children thrive academically and socially due to the combined education and sustained support.

Dropout learners who achieve the required competencies are supported to re-enrol, while irregular attendees receive structured guidance to build regular attendance and study habits. The programme has expanded access to quality learning, reduced barriers to school participation, and created sustained pathways for marginalised children to continue their education with confidence.



# Adolescent Empowerment Programme

**2,801 Adolescents gained Gender-sensitive Life skills, enabling them to face Challenges with Confidence and Resilience**

This year, YSD's Adolescents Empowerment Programme reached **2,801 young people** (10-19 years) in Rangeilunda, Ganjam, Odisha, providing them with the tools, skills, and confidence to take charge of their lives. Focused on the most marginalized girls and boys, the programme adopts a holistic approach to address the social, educational, and personal challenges they face.

Through structured sessions and group activities, participants strengthened essential life skills, including communication, critical thinking, problem-solving, decision-making, negotiation, and active participation. The programme also nurtured social awareness, empathy, and a strong understanding of their rights and responsibilities as both citizens and members of their communities.

By building resilience, self-confidence, and leadership capacities, the programme empowers adolescents to challenge discrimination, delay early marriage, continue their education, and resist gender-based violence. Through these interventions, young people are equipped not only to shape their own futures but also to contribute to more inclusive, equitable, and participatory communities.



# Financial and Digital Literacy

**715 Young people Equipped with Financial and Digital skills to create Sustainable Livelihoods and Economic Opportunity in rural Odisha.**

The Digital and Financial Literacy Project, implemented by Youth for Social Development (YSD) with support from the Sahamati Foundation, was conducted across 16 Gram Panchayats of Rangeilunda block, Ganjam district. Over a six-month period, the program trained **715 adolescents (girls and boys) aged 10–19 years** on essential financial management and digital skills.

Through 16 interactive sessions covering budgeting, saving, digital transactions, account aggregator, online safety, and responsible decision-making, participants showed marked improvement in money management, digital confidence, and online security awareness. Peer learning groups further strengthened skill retention and community sharing.

Post-training assessments revealed that many participants opened or actively managed bank accounts and began using UPI for daily transactions. The project not only empowered individual youth but also catalyzed a ripple effect—spreading financial awareness within families and building a culture of safe digital and financial practices in rural Odisha.



# Child-friendly Ecosystem

## 1,182 Children and Adolescents Participated in the Child-Friendly Gram Panchayat process in Rangeilunda, Ganjam

This year we engaged more than **1182 children and adolescents** (ages 10–18) in a structured, participatory process to map the challenges affecting their well-being and communities. Using assessment tools, focus groups and interactive exercises, young people explored gaps in education, health, nutrition, infrastructure, safe play spaces and protection across home, school and public settings. They also evaluated disaster and climate risks and practised articulating concerns and proposing practical solutions.

As part of the Child-Friendly Gram Panchayats initiative in Rangeilunda block, children co-developed and presented a 'Children's Action Plan' across 32 Gram Panchayats. The process strengthened their civic voice: **323 children joined Gram Sabha meetings**, while **719 women and 90 parents participated** in GPDP consultations to highlight child-friendly needs. Children used these platforms to advocate for inclusion of their priorities into local plans and to seek budgetary recognition for proposed measures.

Community consultations identified **3,109 development proposals**, of which 1,632 have been incorporated into GPDPs. A dedicated allocation of **₹3.51 crore** has been earmarked to implement projects that advance children's development and well-being, ensuring sustained investment in child-centred local governance.



# Children at the Center: Sundargarh's Journey to a Child-Friendly District

## 10,876 Children and Adolescents Participated in shaping Sundargarh's Child-Friendly District

A total of 10,876 children and adolescents participated in shaping Sundargarh's Child-Friendly District process, covering **129 Gram Panchayats** across eight blocks. Through facilitated sessions, young people developed Children's Action Plans that reflect their priorities on education, protection, nutrition and safe public spaces. These plans were shared with local governance structures for validation and follow-up.

Children and community members engaged constructively with GLCPCs, BLCPCs and other statutory committees to drive concrete outcomes: reducing school dropout, eliminating child marriage and child labour, and preventing violence against children. Special emphasis was placed on strengthening systems for adolescent protection and on empowering girls through Advika groups to address gender-based violence and promote sustained participation.

Simultaneously, we worked with Panchayats and service providers to tackle acute and moderate malnutrition (SAM and MAM), improve nutrition services for children and adolescents, and link programmes to local delivery platforms. The combined actions of children, families, citizen groups and officials have created a more responsive ecosystem across blocks, making Sundargarh increasingly attentive to children's voices and poised to become a truly child-friendly district.



# CLIMATE AND DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

## Rebuilding Hope for 252 Households : Community-Led Recovery After Cyclone Dana

In the aftermath of Cyclone Dana, Youth for Social Development (YSD) mounted a rapid, targeted relief operation across Kendrapada and Bhadrak districts, **reaching 252 of the most vulnerable families** in 14 villages and 8 gram panchayats.

Prioritising households with severely damaged homes, persons with disabilities, and women-led families, YSD delivered shelter kits including tarpaulins and solar lanterns, WASH kits with buckets, soap, and sanitary pads, and four weeks of dry food rations to each household. Complementary hygiene awareness campaigns reduced immediate health risks while restoring dignity and routine. Field teams identified 322 excluded households lacking formal support and successfully linked them to government safety-net programs, strengthening access to longer-term assistance.

By addressing shelter, water and sanitation, nutrition, and social protection in a coordinated manner, the response not only met urgent needs but also fortified community resilience against future shocks. Local volunteers and community leaders were engaged throughout, ensuring culturally appropriate delivery and ownership. YSD's swift, community-centred approach demonstrated how coordinated civil society action can deliver urgent relief while laying groundwork for recovery, inclusion, and lasting resilience.



# Waste to Wellness : Community-Led Climate Resilience in Action in Ganjam

The Waste to Wellness initiative, led by Youth for Social Development with UNICEF support, has converted Kolathigam Gram Panchayat into a scalable model of community-led, climate-resilient development. The program established daily door-to-door waste collection for more than **1,200 households**, constructed **3.2 kilometres of modern drains** to reduce flooding and contamination, and operationalised a Material Recovery Facility that diverts recyclables from open dumping. Public spaces are visibly cleaner, local watercourses are protected from solid waste, and the incidence of informal dumping has been virtually eliminated.

Crucially, sustainability rests on strong local ownership: over **95 percent of families now participate in upkeep**, women's Self-Help Groups and sanitation workers oversee daily operations, and nearly **1,000 children serve as climate champions** in schools and homes. These shifts have strengthened livelihoods, advanced gender empowerment, and built practical climate resilience at the village level. Kolathigam's achievements demonstrate that aligned partnerships, inclusive leadership, and simple, locally managed systems can deliver lasting environmental, social, and public-health gains for rural communities.

YSD is directly working with 32 gram panchayats in Rangeilunda block to strengthen waste management systems through coordination, capacity building, and measures that ensure long-term sustainability.



# Green School Initiative : Climate-Resilient and WASH compliant

Since 2023, YSD has partnered with **179 schools in Rangeilunda** block, Ganjam, to co-create Climate Resilient Swachhata Action Plans (CR-SAPs) that turn schools into living laboratories for hygiene, sustainability, and disaster preparedness. Each CR-SAP is developed with teachers, School Management Committees, parents, education officials, and local governments to assess and strengthen water supply, sanitation, handwashing, waste management, energy use, environmental stewardship, behaviour change, and risk preparedness.

Using simple digital tools, schools now track climate-resilient and WASH indicators, monitor progress, and follow clear roadmaps for implementation. Sessions combining live demonstrations and practice introduced waste management, promotion of kitchen gardens, and the handwashing technique, which students learned enthusiastically and brought home to their families. Women teachers and headteachers are leading everyday maintenance and peer monitoring, while students act as climate and hygiene ambassadors in classrooms and communities.

Our engagement confirmed that behaviour change is gradual and collective: hundreds of small, consistent actions add up to measurable improvements in school health, reduced disease risk, and stronger climate resilience. By building school capacity, fostering student leadership, and institutionalising monitoring, YSD is helping create a generation that values hygiene, sustainability, and shared responsibility for a safer future.



# Shaksham Gram Panchayat Initiative: Building Climate-Ready Villages

Youth for Social Development (YSD) is implementing the Sakshyam Gram Panchayat Initiative to strengthen climate and disaster resilience across all 32 Gram Panchayats in Rangeilunda block. The program addresses the acute vulnerability of coastal and rural communities to cyclones, floods, and coastal erosion by embedding risk-informed planning into Gram Panchayat Development Plans (GPDPs), Village Disaster Management Plan (VDMP) and enhancing local governance capacity.

YSD works closely with elected representatives, frontline workers, civil society groups, and panchayat staff to build the skills and systems needed for proactive disaster preparedness and rapid response. Activities include training disaster management committees and rapid response teams, facilitating participatory risk assessments, and promoting clean and green village models, biodiversity conservation, and climate-adaptive practices.

The initiative mobilizes youth as Green Champions, integrates traditional knowledge, and strengthens local information systems through localized forecasts, community radio, and targeted social media in local languages. By prioritizing inclusive participation and the empowerment of vulnerable groups, Saksham fosters sustained ownership of resilience measures and advances long-term, locally led sustainable development across Rangeilunda's 32 Gram Panchayats.



# COMMUNITY RADIO STATION

## Silkcity Radio 88.4 FM: Voices for Community, Culture and Climate of Berhampur

Youth for Social Development (YSD) proudly launched **Silkcity Radio 88.4 FM** in Berhampur, Ganjam, to educate, empower, and engage local communities. Designed as a community-owned platform, the station amplifies citizen voices and cultivates climate champions while advancing Sustainable Development Goals through locally relevant programming and participatory formats.

Silkcity Radio broadcasts four hours daily across Berhampur Municipal Corporation, Gopalpur Coast, and the rural reaches of Rangeilunda, Kukudakhandi, and Chatrapur blocks. Its core objectives are community engagement, youth development in life and civic skills, gender equity through the elimination of harmful norms, climate and disaster preparedness education, and promotion of social justice and inclusion.

Programming blends environment and climate reporting, social justice dialogues, youth employability and leadership segments, and cultural showcases highlighting local food, arts, and heritage. By uniting diverse voices—students, frontline workers, local leaders, and cultural practitioners—Silkcity Radio fosters constructive dialogue, spotlights local talent, and strengthens community resilience. The station is a strategic medium for driving informed action and sustained, locally led development.



# NEW PARTNERSHIP



YSD partnered with **Annual Status of Education Report ASER** (Pratham Education Foundation), one of the nation's most reputed surveys on children's foundational learning proficiency, to conduct ASER 2024 in Ganjam district. YSD mobilized and trained local enumerators for rigorous data collection; findings map learning gaps, guide remedial programs, inform school engagement, and support evidence-based planning with education officials and communities to improve equity and outcomes.

YSD partnered with **Dhwani Foundation** for the 28-month **Niranthara Classic-6 programme**, strengthening institutional capacity across governance, finance, compliance, human resources, leadership development communications and fundraising. The intensive organizational development support included tailored training, systems upgrading, mentoring, and implementation guidance, enabling YSD to improve accountability, operational resilience, resource mobilisation, strategic leadership, and enhanced program quality.



YSD partners with **IDEAS at O.P. Jindal Global University** to co-develop research, training, and experiential learning in governance, climate resilience, and participatory education. The collaboration mobilizes student researchers, faculty expertise, and community-based pilots across Odisha, strengthening evidence-driven programming, capacity building for local stakeholders, and policy dialogue to scale inclusive, sustainable solutions while enhancing youth leadership and local institutional sustainability nationwide.

# IDENTITY AND RECOGNITION

## Identity

- Registered under Societies Registration Act, 1860-Regd.No-GJM- 7422/61 of 2005-2006 dated 17/02/2006
- Registered under Foreign Contribution Regulation Act, 1976-Regd.No- 104910159 (Renewed till-31 March, 2029)
- Registered under section 12 AA of the Income Tax Act. 1961- Regd. No- AAAAY0652PE20104 (Renewed up to 2026-27)
- Registered under under section 80G(5)(vi) of the Income Tax Act, 1961, Regd. No -AAAAY0652PPF20219 (Renewed up to 2026-27)
- Registered under Ministry of Corporate Affairs for undertaking CSR activities Regd. No. - CSR00008880
- Income tax-PAN No- AAAAY0652P
- Income Tax TAN No- BBNY00029B
- Darpan ID by NITI Aayog: OR/2009/0001499
- Registered under EPF and ESI for Employee Welfare.

## Recognition

- Accredited to Credibility Alliance
- NGO Darpan, NITI Aayog, Government of India
- Member to Guide Star India -Transparency Key holder
- Member to Voluntary Action Network of India (VANI)
- Member to the IPN Network (Sattva Consulting)

## Banker and Auditor

- Union Bank of India, Berhampur Branch
- State Bank of India, New Delhi Main Branch

M/S A.C. Behera & Co.

# GOVERNING BODY, ADVISORS, PARTNERS & NETWORKS

## Governing Body

- Mr. Lokanath Misra, President
- Mr. Pruthwiraj Dandsena, Vice-president
- Mr. Bibhu Prasad Sahu, Secretary cum CEO
- Mr. Ajaya Kumar Sahu, Treasurer
- Dr. Srikant Patibandla, Governing Body Member
- Dr. Namesh Killemsetty, Governing Body Member
- Miss. Dibya Bhanjani Sasmal, Governing Body Member

## Advisors

- Dr. Gopa Kumar K. Thampi, Director, Asia Foundation, Sri Lanka
- Dr. Bhagabata Patro, Retd. Professor in Economics, Berhampur University
- Dr. Arun Kumar, Development Professional

## Partners

- Azim Premji Foundation, Bengaluru, India
- Unicef- India
- India Development Relief Fund, USA
- The Morimura Fund, USA
- Sahamati Foundation, Mumbai, India
- Wipro Foundation, Bengaluru, India
- Dhvani Foundation, Bengaluru, India
- Pratham Education Foundation, India
- District Mineral Foundation, Sundargarh
- District Administration, Ganjam and Sundargarh
- Youth4Water Campaign, Odisha
- IDEAS at O P Jindal Global University, Sonipat, India

## Networks

- Girls Not Brides, UK
- End Violence Against Children- a global partnership
- Global Partnership for Social Accountability, USA
- ISSA -International Step by Step Association

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

## INCOME EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FY 2024-25

Income	Amount INR	Expenditure	Amount INR
Grant-in-aid (FCRA)	2988103.83	Programme Expenditure (FCRA)	3012552.99
Grant-in-aid (General)	14085314.75	Programme Expenditure (General)	12982352.00
Membership Contribution	132800.00	Core Programme Expenditure	2549137.00
Membership Fees	144000.00	Administrative Expenditure	775461.88
Donations	2059650.00	Bank Charges	5700.58
Bank Interest	288315.00	TDS Deposited	11903.00
		Excess of Income over Expenditure	361076.13
	<b>1,96,98,183.58</b>		<b>1,96,98,183.58</b>

**For A.C. Behera & Co.**

Chartered Accountants  
FIRM REGD No-327945E  
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**For Youth for Social Development**

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Treasurer : Ajaya Kumar Sahu

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

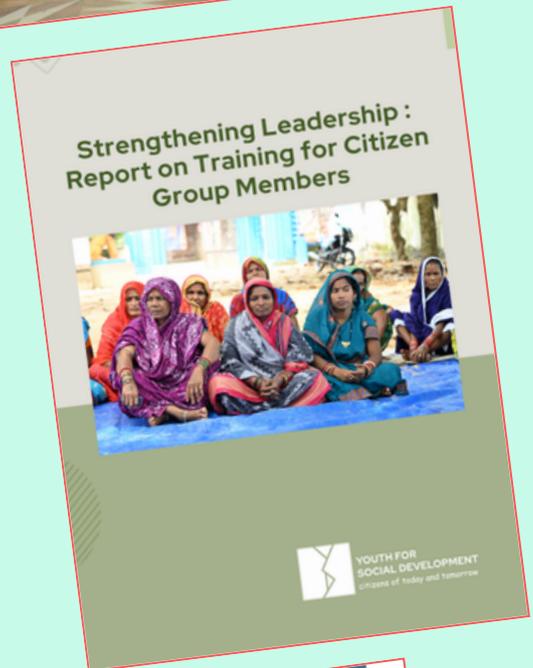
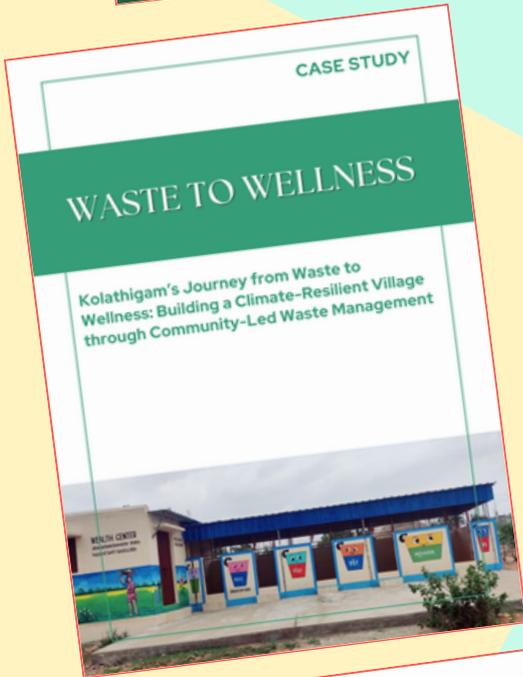
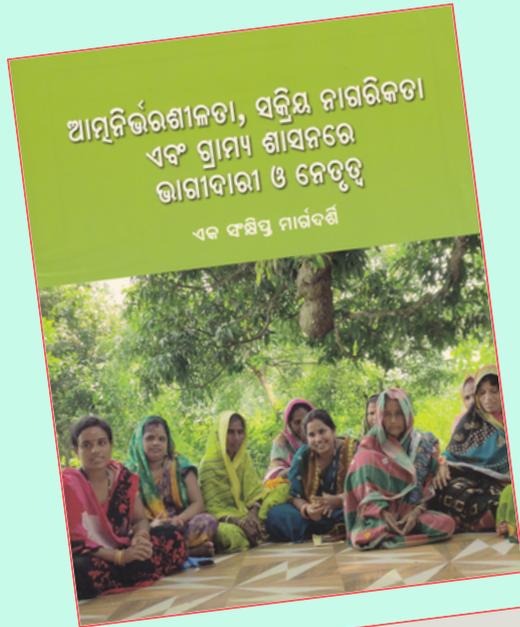
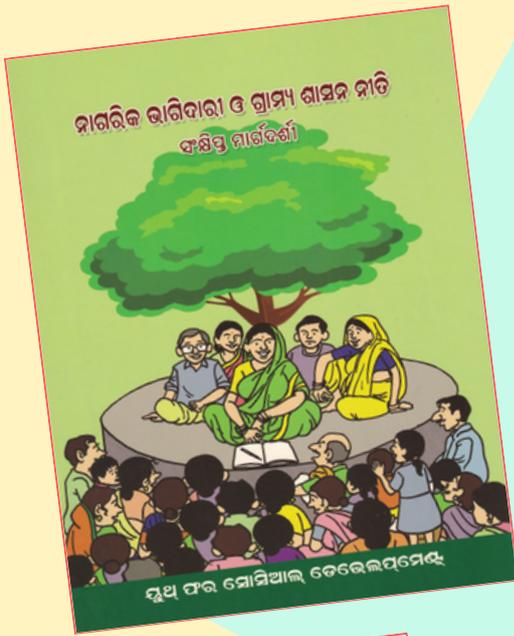
## BALANCE SHEET FY 2024-25

Liabilities	Amount INR	Assets	Amount INR
Organisation Fund	49,78,418.68	Fixed Assets	25,32,823.85
Current Liabilities	3148975.38	Current Assets	5178837.94
Un utilised Grant	2576416.24	Cash in Hand	990.86
		Cash at Bank	2991157.65
	<b>1,07,03,810.30</b>		<b>1,07,03,810.30</b>

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# PUBLICATIONS







# MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

## ଶିଶୁ ଅନୁକୂଳ ଗ୍ରାମ ପଞ୍ଚାୟତ ଗଠନ ଆଲୋଚନା

ଗୋପାଳପୁର, ୧୨.୨୨ (ନିପ୍ତ): ରଞ୍ଜନକୃଷ୍ଣା ବୁଦ୍ଧରେ ଶିଶୁ ଅନୁକୂଳ, ଜଳ ଓ ପରିମଳ ଗ୍ରାମ ପଞ୍ଚାୟତ ଗଠନ ବିଷୟରେ ବୁଦ୍ଧ ପ୍ରଭାତ ଆଲୋଚନା ସଭା ବୁଦ୍ଧ ସଦ୍‌ବାଚନା ଗୃହ ପରିସରରେ ଅନୁଷ୍ଠିତ ହୋଇଥିଲା । ସଭାରେ ଶିଶୁ ଓ ମହିଳାମାନଙ୍କ ଅଧିକାର, ସୁରକ୍ଷା, ଶିକ୍ଷା, ସ୍ୱାସ୍ଥ୍ୟ, ସୁସ୍ଥ ପାନୀୟ ଜଳ, ପରିମଳ ସୁସ୍ଥ ସହିତ ଅନ୍ୟାନ୍ୟ ବିଷୟ ଉପରେ ଆଲୋଚନା ହୋଇଥିଲା । ଏଥିରେ ସମସ୍ତ ସରପଞ୍ଚ ଏବଂ ପଞ୍ଚାୟତ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ନିର୍ବାହୀ ଅଧିକାରୀ, ଗ୍ରାମ ଲୋକଗାର ସେବକ, ଜଳ ପରିମଳ କମିଟି ସଭାପତି ଉପସ୍ଥିତ ଥିଲେ । ଶିଶୁ ଅନୁକୂଳ ଗ୍ରାମ ପଞ୍ଚାୟତ, ଜଳପରିମଳ ଗ୍ରାମ ଓ ସୁସ୍ଥ ଗ୍ରାମ ଗଠନ ନେଇ ମିଳିତ ଉଦ୍ୟମ କରିବା ଉପରେ ଆଲୋଚନା କରାଯାଇଥିଲା । ବୁଦ୍ଧ ପ୍ରଭାତରେ ଏହି ସଭା ଦ୍ୱାରା ଆଗାମୀ ଦିନରେ ଏହି ପ୍ରଚେଷ୍ଟକୁ ଅଧିକ ସକ୍ରିୟ କରିବାକୁ ଉଦ୍ୟମ ହେଉଛି । ସଭାକୁ ଯୁକ୍ତ ପର ସୋସିଆଲ ଡେଭେଲପମେଣ୍ଟ ପ୍ରକଳ୍ପ ସଂଯୋଜକ ଓ ସମସ୍ତ ବୁଦ୍ଧ ଗ୍ରାମପଞ୍ଚାୟତ ପରିଚାଳକ ଉପସ୍ଥିତ ।

## Markandi beach cleaning drive by YSD

PNS ■ BRAHMAPUR

A beach cleaning campaign was organised by volunteers of the Youth for Social Development (YSD) with the assistance of the Sarpanch, Samiti Members and other PRI representatives at Markandi Beach in Ganjam district on Saturday.



A large number of local community members and Red Cross students from Markandi Government High School participated in the event.

The Sarpanch and Samiti members, along with local youth and adolescents, provided valuable inputs and worked to promote the importance of maintaining

plastic bottles, polythene, paper, and other waste materials to restore its beauty and aesthetic look, said Sudhir Kumar Chakraborty of YSD.

cleanliness at the beach to attract the tourists. The campaign was coordinated by programme coordinator at YSD Chandan Kumar Sahu.

## Environment Day: Host of events held in Ganjam

YSD, Unicef representatives engage with cross-sections of people

**KRISHNA CHANDRA PARDA ■ BRAHMAPUR**

The Youth for Social Development (YSD), with support of the Unicef, celebrated the World Environment Day across ten Gram Panchayats in Rangeilunda Block, Ganjam here on Wednesday. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from anganwadi workers, ASHA, children and adolescents, PRI members, CRP, MBK, Self-Help Group members, youth leaders, community people, and teachers.

Representatives from YSD and Unicef addressed the gathering, highlighting the importance of environmental conservation and sustainable practices. Local PRI members and dignitaries shared their insights and commitment to the cause. A major highlight was the extensive tree plantation drive. Participants, including AWW, ASHA, adolescents, CRP, MBK, SHG members, youth leaders, community people and teachers planted saplings in community areas, schools, and public spaces across Loudigaon, Padmapur, Markandi, Sasanpadar, Chikarda, Golanthara, Gounju, and Badakusothali GPs, aiming to enhance local biodiversity and promote a greener environment.

The volunteers formed teams to conduct clean-up drives in parks, market places, roadsides, AWCs and schools. They worked diligently to remove litter, setting an example of community-driven cleanliness and environmental responsibility. Poster making, essay writing, and slogan writing competitions were organized for students and adolescents, focusing on themes like "Beat Plastic Pollution," "Restore Our Earth," and "Biodiversity Conservation." Informative sessions on climate change, waste management and water conservation were conducted to mark the event. Environmental experts and local activists engaged with community members, school teachers, and PRI members, fostering a deeper understanding of these critical issues. Special educational programmes were implemented in schools, featuring storytelling sessions, puppet shows, and educational games designed to teach children about environmental conservation in an engaging and memorable way. Attention sessions on organic farming, rainwater harvesting, and composting were provided to adolescents and SHG members, promoting sustainable practices and efficient water use.

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